

LTAP Transportation Technology Transfer Center



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Assuming that a barrier is needed and is properly designed and installed,

**WHAT IS THE BEST WAY TO TERMINATE
A STRONG-POST W-BEAM GUARDRAIL
OR CONCRETE BARRIER?**

Module 4 – End Treatments

Terminal Design and Warrants

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- Minimize injury to vehicle occupants in the event of a crash into the end of the guardrail
- Crashworthy terminals **MUST** be used on the National Highway System
- Recommended for use on all public roads



1. Performance Requirements



- Gradually decelerates vehicle to a stop or redirects it when impacting end-on
- Safely redirecting vehicle that impacts side of device, at mid-length and near the nose
- Test levels w/ 1.8k car and 4.4k pick-up
 - TL-1: 30 mph
 - TL-2: 45 mph
 - TL-3: 60 mph

NCHRP 350 Test Matrix End Terminals

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Test 30



Test 34



Test 31



Test 35



Test 32



Test 39



Test 33



Terminal Crash Tests

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1. An offset head-on impact with a small car
2. A head-on impact with a pickup truck
3. A 15-degree angle hit at the end of the terminal with the small car and the truck



Terminal Crash Tests

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4. A “critical impact point” hit, usually at the second post, with the small car impacting at 20 degrees
5. A strength test with the pickup truck to determine the point at which the guardrail will contain and redirect the vehicle
6. A reverse direction impact if the terminal will be used where it can be struck by opposing traffic



2. End Treatments Characteristics



1. Able to perform under head-on and side impacts with no penetration in passenger compartment
2. Used to shield traffic on one direction
3. Essential if barrier is within clear zone or in an area likely to be struck
4. Should not spear, vault, or roll a vehicle
5. Must be properly anchored



Strut and Cable Anchor

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- Helps to develop the full tensile strength of the W-beam rail element when hit along its side
 - ▣ Typically occurs at the third pole
 - ▣ Allows the vehicle to be contained and redirected



Selection of Appropriate W-beam Terminals

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- Based on specific site locations
 - ▣ Flat angle impacts are possible
 - ▣ Terrain behind and adjacent to barrier allow vehicle to reach the shielded object
 - ▣ Terrain behind and adjacent to barrier itself can cause serious occupant injuries
- Options
 - ▣ Increase the length of the barrier
 - ▣ Use an energy-absorption terminal

Importance of Selecting and Installing Terminals





CHARACTERISTICS OF W-BEAM END TREATMENTS

Common W-beam Terminals

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1. Buried in backslope
2. Non-energy absorbing
3. Energy absorbing

Unacceptable W-beam Terminals

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1. Blunt end

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2. Fish-tail

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3. Turn-down

4. BCT



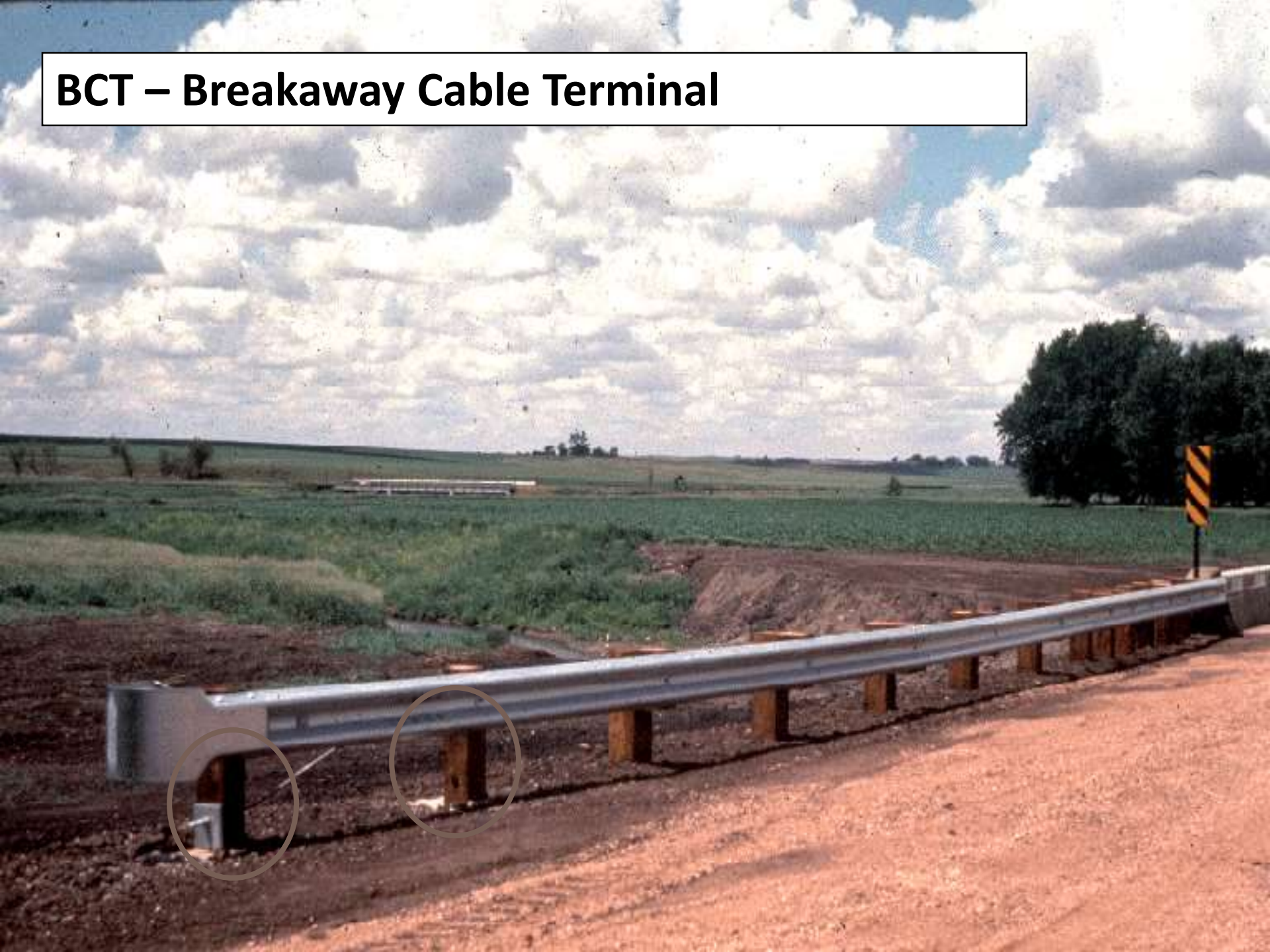
Turndown Guardrail

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- Terminal turned down into the ground to prevent spearing but may cause vehicles to roll over
- Critical on high-speed, high-volume highways
- Rollovers are the most severe type of roadside crashes



BCT – Breakaway Cable Terminal





MELT - Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal



Buried-in Backslope Terminal

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- Backslope becomes an extension of the barrier and a motorist cannot physically get behind the terminal
- Eliminates the exposed end of the guardrail and the possibility of a true end-on hit
- Provides full shielding for the hazard



Barrier Anchored in Backslope

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- Height of the guardrail is maintained until the ditch flow line
- Guardrail is flared into the backslope
- Add rubrail for W-beam installation
- Guardrail is anchored in the backslope
- Slope into the face of the rail should be 1V:4H or flatter
- Ideal backslope is nearly vertical

Buried-in Backslope Terminal



- Successfully tested behind 10:1, 6:1, and 4:1 foreslopes
- Length of need begins at the point where the W-beam remains at full height in relation to the roadway shoulder, usually at the point where the barrier crosses the ditch line
- When distance from the ground to the bottom of the W-beam exceeds approximately 18 inches, a rubrail must be added to minimize wheel snagging on the support posts



Buried-In-Backslope



Improper Buried Terminals

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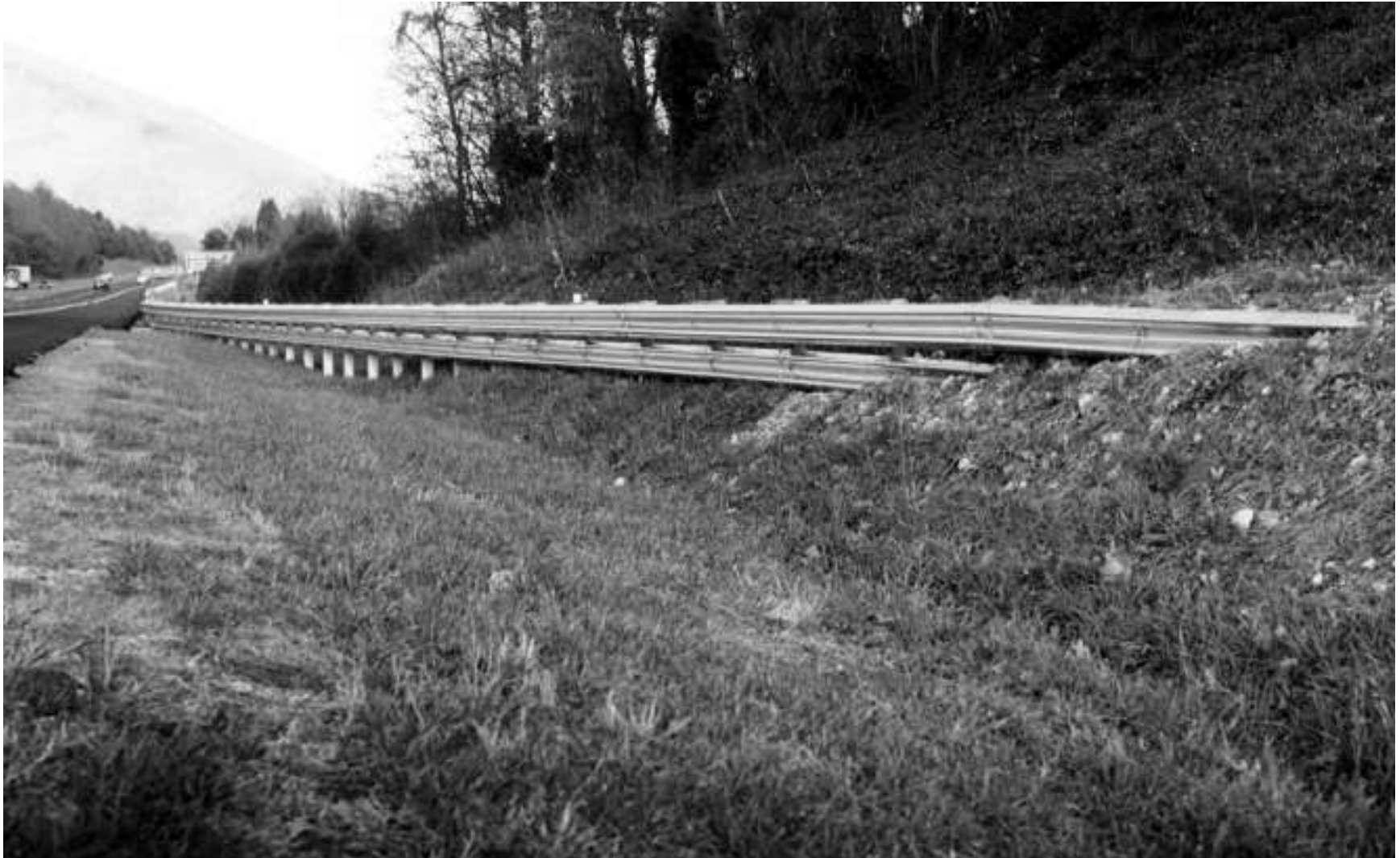
Effect of Foreslope

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Effect of Backslope

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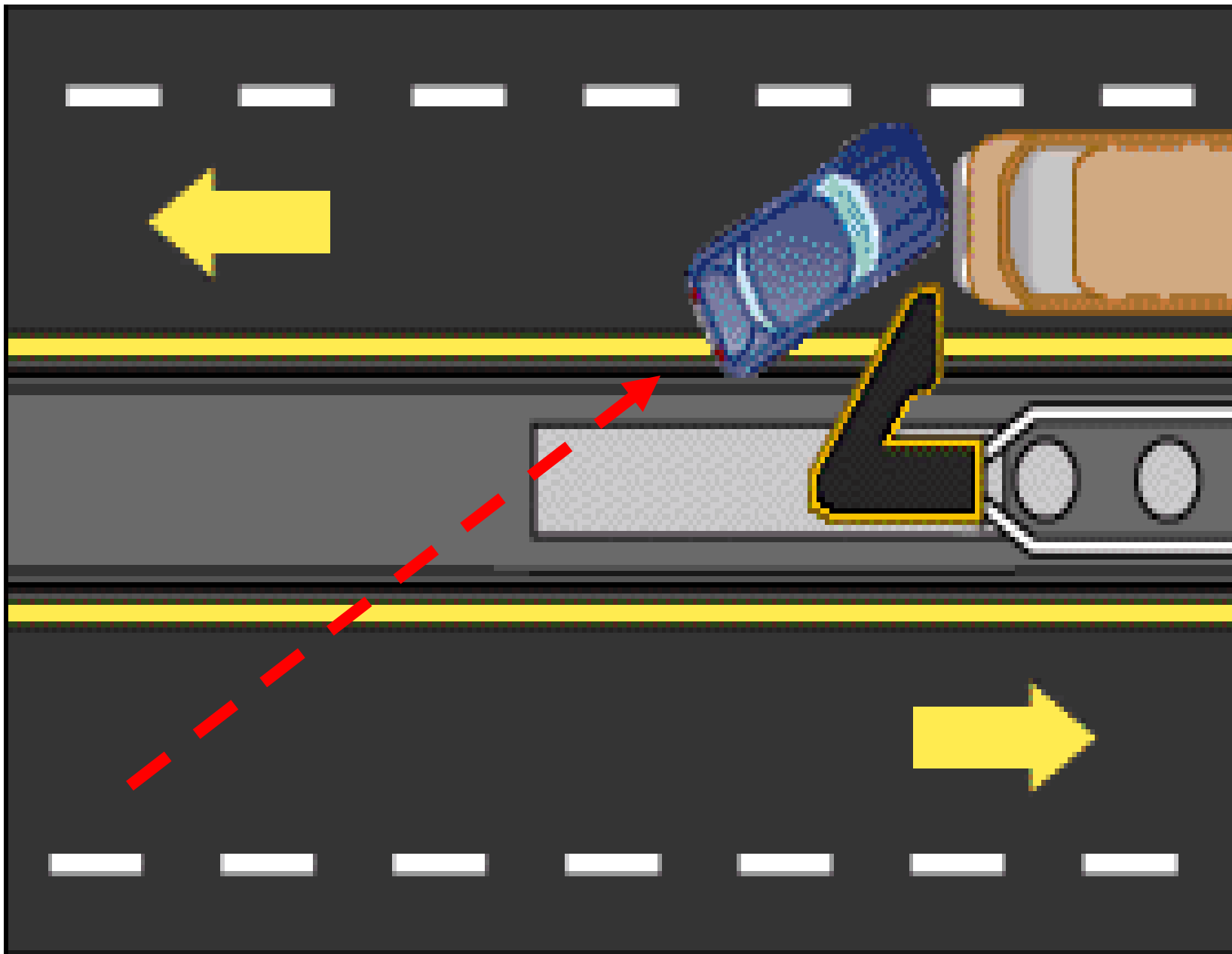
End Treatment Types



1. Gating

- ▣ Allows a vehicle impacting at or near the nose at an angle of 15 degrees or greater to pass through the device
- ▣ Length of need of rail starts at 12.5 ft from impact head
- ▣ Suggested a traversable area of 75-ft (beyond terminal) by 20-ft (behind terminal)

2. Non-gating – capable of redirecting along its entire length



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Gating Terminal

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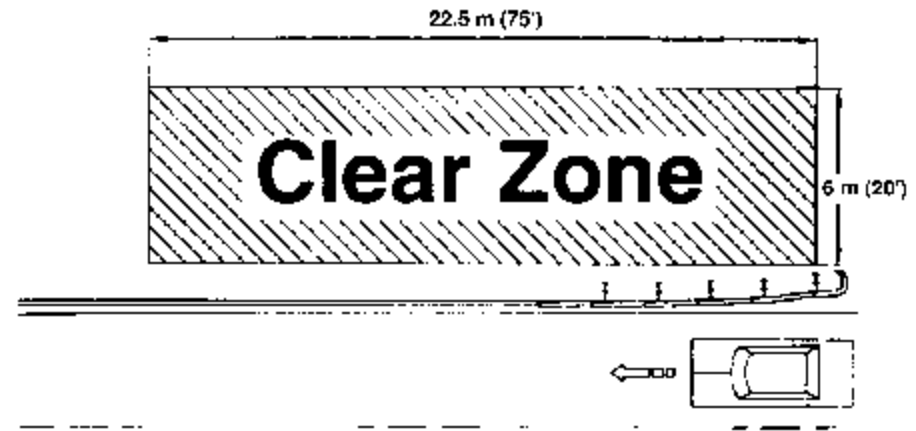
FHWA Guidelines on Gating

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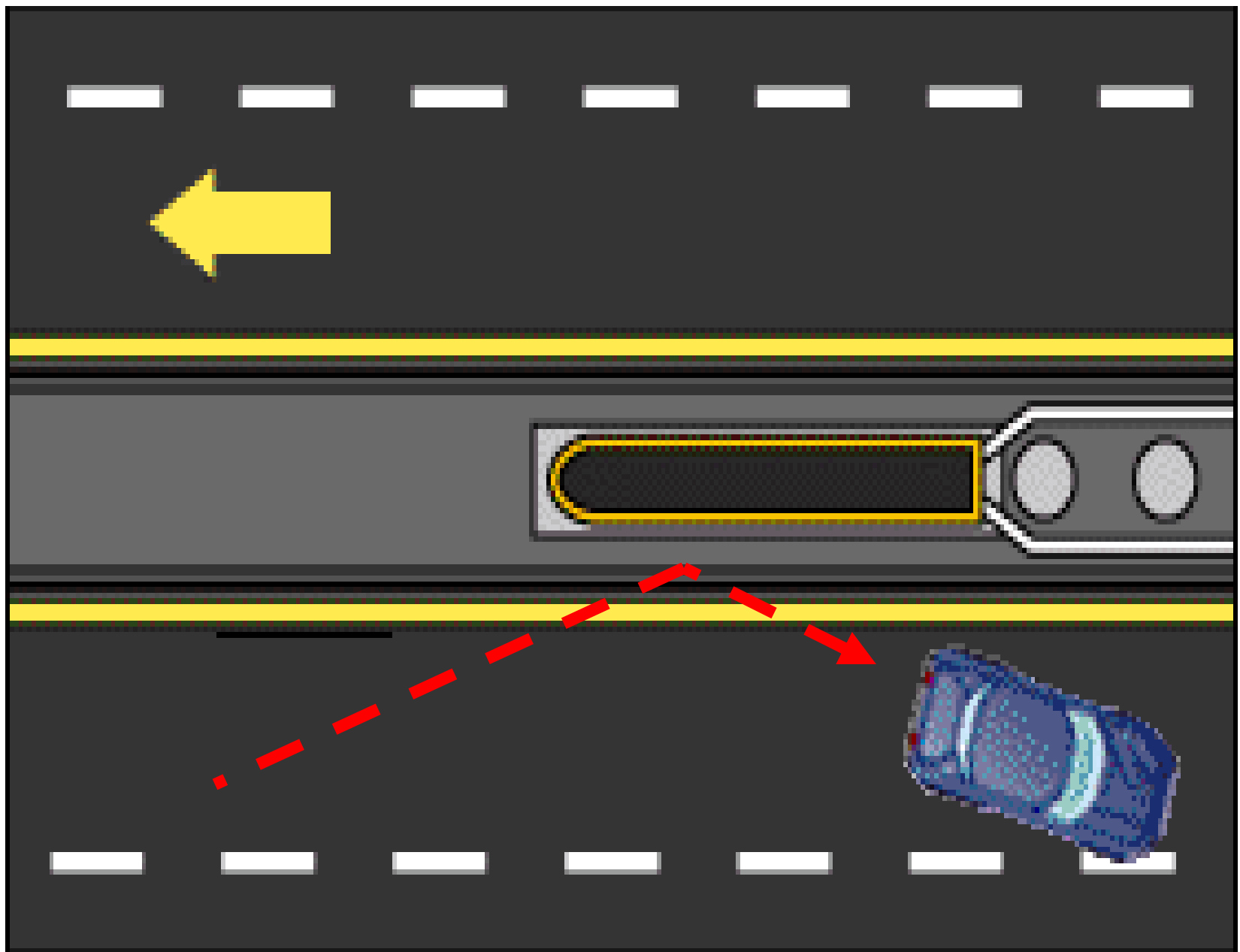


- FHWA recommends a minimum clear zone for gating terminals

- 75 X 20 feet
- Clear of trees, poles, drop-offs, oncoming traffic



- Terminals for median applications requires bi-directional capability when using double-faced guardrails
- Non-gating terminals should always be used for narrow medians



Non-gating Terminal

Non-Energy Absorbing Terminals

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- Allow an un-braked vehicle to travel over 150 feet behind and parallel to the rail
- Rail is designed to separate from the posts, or collapse, minimizing the chances that it will intrude into the passenger compartment
- Vehicle speed is not significantly reduced



Non-Energy Absorbing Terminal



Non-Energy Absorbing Terminal

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Non-Energy Absorbing Terminals

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Energy Absorbing Terminals

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- Have the ability to stop head-on vehicles in relatively short distances, in about 50 feet



Flared Terminal

Non-flared Terminal

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- Terminals are flared away from the traveled way which creates an offset from the tangent guardrail

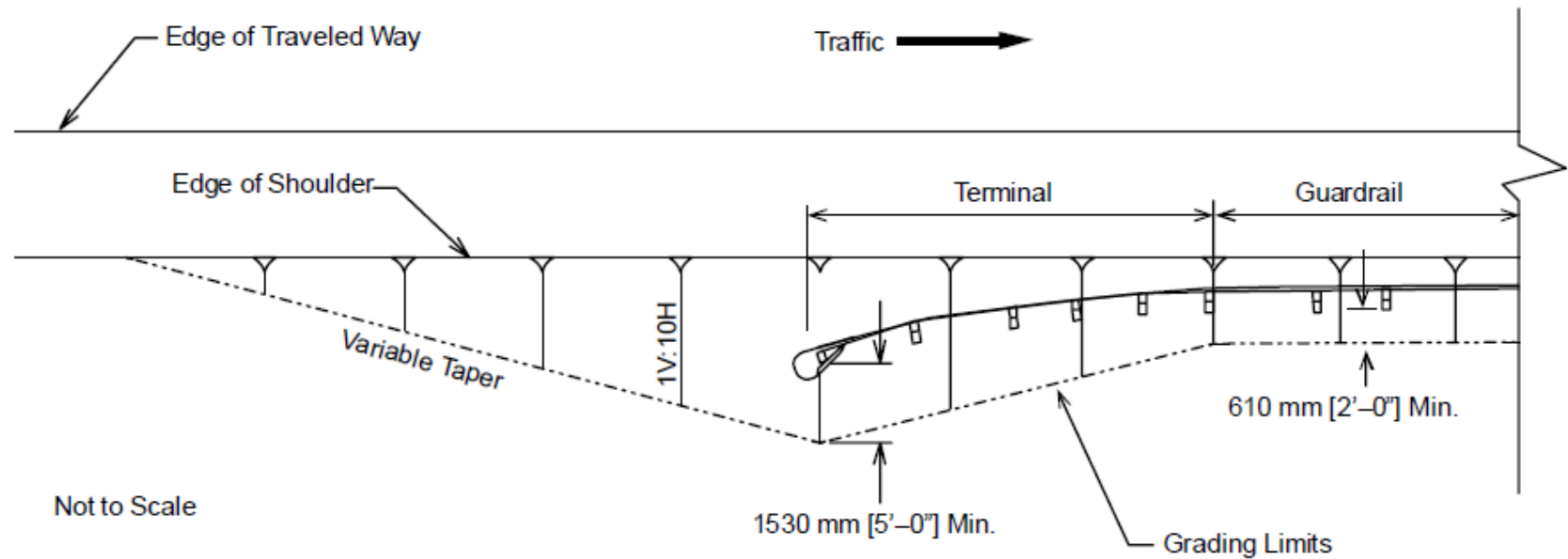
- Used where the widening to provide the offset for a flared terminal is not practical



Grading for Flared End Treatment

(Figure 8-2, 2011 RDG)

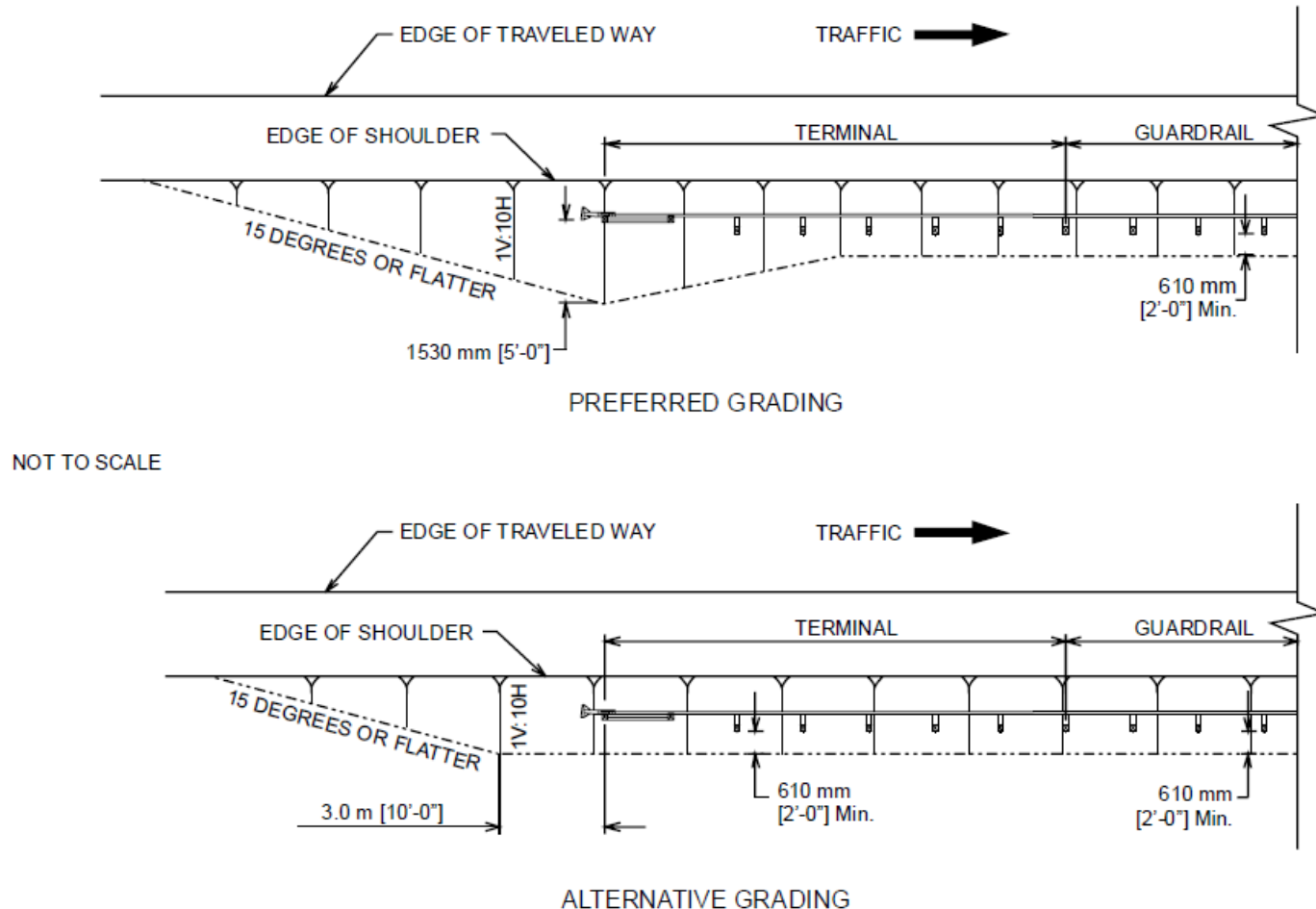
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Grading for Tangent Guardrail Terminal

(Figure 8-3 2011 RDG)

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Note: The preferred grading layout should be used when practical. However, if necessary because of site limitations, the alternative grading layout may be used when upgrading an existing terminal.

Installation of Terminal Systems

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- Special Attention:
 - ▣ Terminal Selection
 - ▣ Layout
- Installation:
 - ▣ To Manufacturers' Specifications
 - ▣ State Design Standards
- Site Grading:
 - ▣ In Advance: Essentially Flat
 - ▣ Behind and Beyond: Must Accommodate Gating Vehicles



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AVAILABLE W-BEAM GUARDRAIL TERMINALS

End Treatments



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System	Test Level	System Width	System Length
Three-Strand Cable Terminal	TL-3	1.2 m [4.0 ft] Flare	N/A
Wyoming Box Beam End Terminal (WYBET-350)	TL-3	0.6 m [2 ft]	15.2 m [50 ft]
Barrier Anchored in Backslope	TL-3	N/A	N/A
Eccentric Loader Terminal (ELT)	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft] plus 1.2 m [4 ft] Flare	11.4 m [37.5 ft]
Slotted Rail Terminal (SRT-350)	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft] plus 1.2 m [4 ft] Flare or 0.5 m [1.6 ft] plus 0.9 m [3 ft] Flare	11.4 m [37.5 ft]
REGENT	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft] plus 1.3 m [4.3 ft] Flare	11.4 m [37.5 ft]

End Treatments



NCHRP Report
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System	Test Level	System Width	System Length
Vermont Low-Speed, W-Beam Guardrail End Terminal	TL-2	1.5 m [4.9 ft]	3.4 m [11.15 ft]
Flared Energy-Absorbing Terminal (FLEAT)	TL-2	0.5 m [1.6 ft] plus 0.51 m – 0.81 m [1.7 ft – 2.7 ft] Flare	7.62 m [25 ft]
	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft] plus 0.76 m – 1.2 m [2.5 ft – 4 ft] Flare	11.4 m [37.5 ft]
Beam-Eating Steel Terminal (BEST)	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft]	11.4 m [37.5 ft] or 15.2 m [50 ft]
Extruder Terminal (ET-2000)	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft]	11.4 m [37.5 ft] or 15.2 m [50 ft]
Sequential Kinking Terminal (SKT-350)	TL-3	0.5 m [1.6 ft]	15.2 m [50 ft]
QuadTrend-350	TL-3	0.46 m [1.5 ft]	6.1 m [20 ft]
NEAT	TL-2	0.57 m [1.9 ft]	2.957 m [9.7 ft]
Sloped Concrete End Treatment	N/A	0.6 m [2 ft]	6 m to 12 m [20 ft to 40 ft]

Terminals for Cable Barrier Systems

(Table 8-1 2011 RDG)

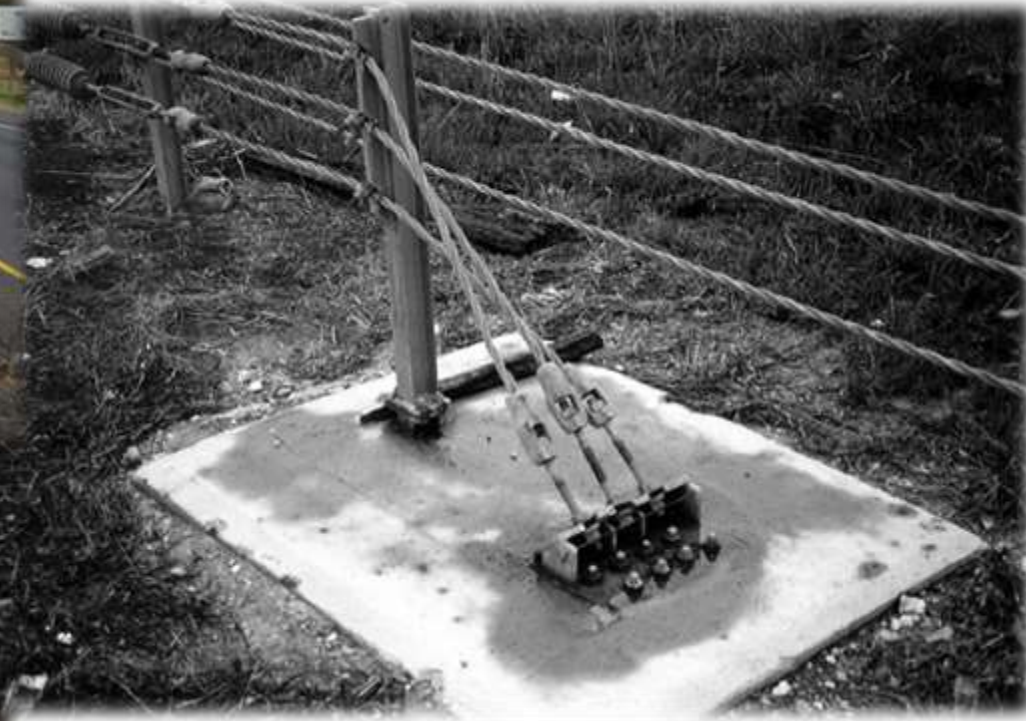
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Terminal	Test Level (TL)	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
Three-Strand Cable Terminal	3	CC-63	SEC01	Generic	8.3.5.1
Terminals for High-Tension Cable Barriers	3	CC-76	SEC07a	Trinity Highway Products, LLC (CASS), and Nucor Steel Marion, Inc. (NU-CABLE)	8.3.5.2
	3	CC-86 CC-86A CC-86B	SEC07b	Brifen USA, Inc.	
	3	CC-92 CC-92A	Not posted	Gibraltar Cable Barrier Systems, L.P.	
	3	CC-98	SEC07c	Barrier Systems, Inc.	
	3	CC-93 CC-93A	Not posted	Gregory Industries, Inc. (SAFENCE)	

Cable Barrier Terminal

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Terminals for Box-Beam Guardrail Systems

(Table 8-4 2011 RDG)

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Terminal	NCHRP Report 350 Test Level	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
Wyoming Box-Beam End Terminal (WY-BET™)	3	CC-60 CC-60A	SEB03 SEB04 Median	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.3.7.1
Bursting Energy Absorbing Terminal (BEAT™) and (BEAT-MT™)	3	CC-69 CC-69A	SEB05 SEB06 Median	Road Systems, Inc.	8.3.7.2

Wyoming Box Beam Terminal WY-BET

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- Oversized outer tube that telescopes over the standard box-beam rail element
- Includes a nosepiece welded to a short box beam
- Installed parallel to roadway or with 1:10 flare rate
- Head is typically reusable after a design impact

SPECIFICATIONS

WY-BET™

- Length: 50' 0" (15.24 m)
- Post Spacing: 6' (1.83 m)
- Shoulder and median options





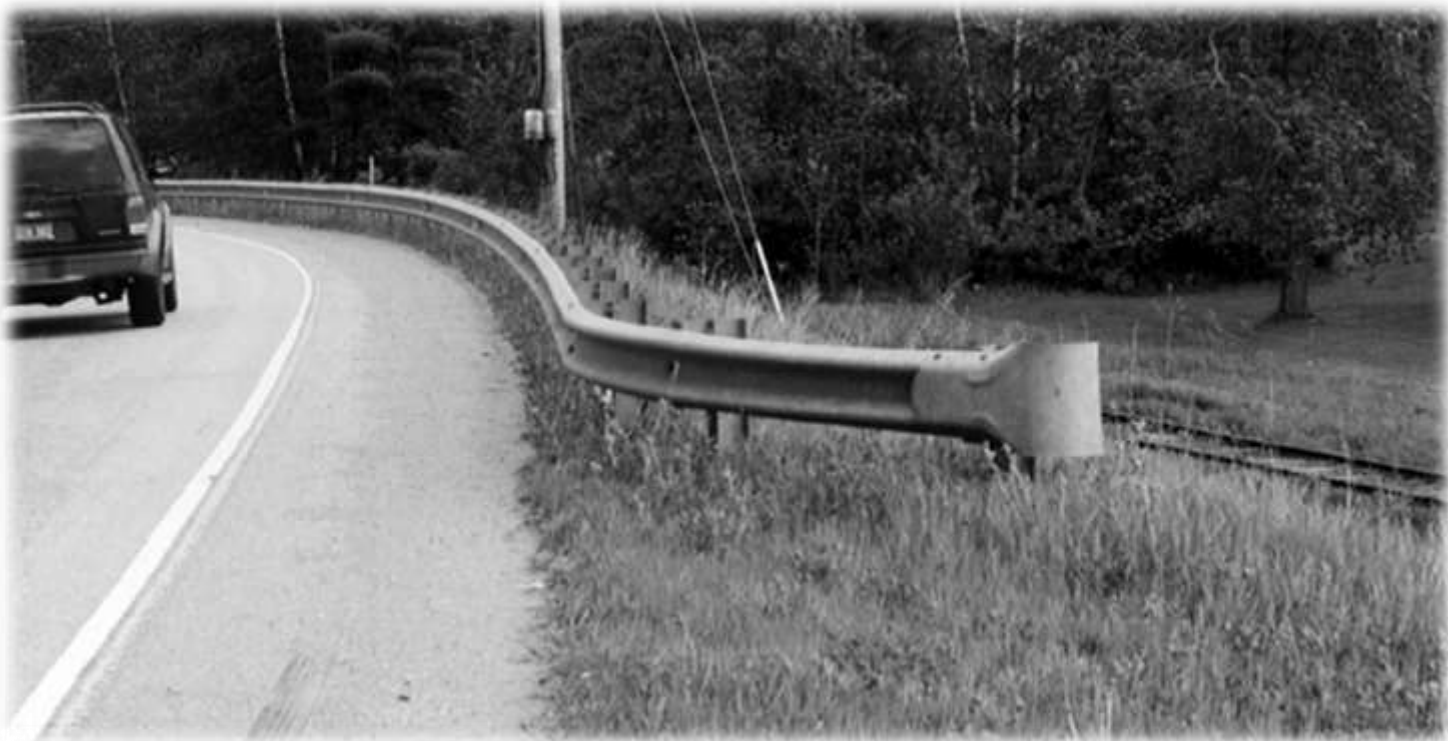
Vermont Low-speed w/ Guardrail

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- Non-proprietary
- Impact speeds < 45 mph
- W-beam shop bent

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Terminals for W-Beam Guardrail Systems

(Table 8-2 2011 RDG)

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Terminal	Test Level (TL)	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
Buried-in-Backslope Terminal (Section 8.3.6.1)					
Buried-in-Backslope Terminal	3	CC-53 CC-53A	Not Posted	Generic	8.3.6.1
Flared Terminals (Section 8.3.6.2)					
Eccentric Loader Terminal (ELT)	3	CC-56 CC-56A	Not Posted	Generic	8.3.6.2.1
Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal (MELT)	2	CC-84	SEW05	Generic	8.3.6.2.2
Flared Energy-Absorbing Terminal (FLEAT™)	2 and 3	CC-46A, B, and C	SEW14a to b	Road Systems, Inc.	8.3.6.2.3
	2	CC-61B and C CC-88			
Slotted Rail Terminal (SRT-350™)	3	CC-31 CC-31A CC-72 CC-100	SEW12 SEW11	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.3.6.2.4
X-Tension™ Guardrail End Terminal	3	CC-91 CC-102	Not Posted	Barrier Systems, Inc.	8.3.6.2.5



Eccentric Loader Terminal ELT

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- Developed to improve BCT
- Steel lever nose inside corrugated steel pipe
- A 4-ft offset to the end post



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Slotted Rail Terminal SRT-350

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TL-3





Slotted Rail Terminal SRT-350

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- Gating, non-energy absorbing, flared end terminal
 - ▣ 6-Post - 2 steel breakaway posts, 4 wood CRT posts, straight-line flare
 - ▣ 8-Post - 2 tube sleeves/wood posts, 6 wood CRT posts, parabolic flare
- Slots reduce buckling strength

SPECIFICATIONS

SRT-350™

- Offset: 3'0" to 4'0" (915-1220 mm)
- Length: 37' 6" (11.43 m)
- Length of need: 12'6" (3.81 m) from the end of the terminal (at the 3rd post)
- Parabolic or straight flare options





REGENT-C

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- Gating, non-energy absorbing treatment
- W-beam head slider
- Rail elements pre-crushed



Terminal for W-Beam Guardrail Systems



Table 8-2. Terminals for W-Beam Guardrail Systems

Terminal	Test Level (TL)	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
787-mm [31-in.] Height Terminals (Section 8.3.6.4)					
FLEAT™	3	CC-88 CC-96	SEW15	Road Systems, Inc.	8.3.6.2.3
SRT-350™	3	CC-100	Not Posted	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.3.6.2.4
SKT-350™ and SKT-LITE	3	CC-88 CC-96	SEW18a to b	Road Systems, Inc.	8.3.6.3.2
ET-Plus™	3	CC-94 CC-94A	Not Posted	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.3.6.3.1

Flared Energy-Absorbing Terminal FLEAT



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- Proprietary, gating, energy absorbing treatment
- W-beam, impact head, weakened posts
- Rolls beam into loop



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Extruder Terminal ET-PLUS

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Extruder Terminal ET-PLUS

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- Energy-absorbing end treatment
- Cable-anchored system utilizing standard guardrail components
- Flattens the W-beam rail and shoots it away from the car and driver
- As the rail curls away from the vehicle toward the roadside, energy is absorbed
- Head is sometimes reusable after design impact

SPECIFICATIONS

ET-PLUS™

- Offset: 0 to 2' (0-610 mm)
- Length: 25' (7.62 m), 37' 6" (11.43 m) or 50' 0" (15.24 m)
- Post Spacing: 6'-3" (1905 mm)
- Length of need: 12'6" (3.81 m)

Terminals for W-Beam Guardrail Systems

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X-Tension Guardrail Terminal

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X-Tension Guardrail Terminal



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- Fully re-directive, non-gating W-beam terminal
- Tension-based energy-absorbing terminal
- Consists of impact head with brake bar inside, slider assembly and bracket, cable anchor bracket, foundation anchor, breakaway posts and 3 standard W-beam rails
- Maximum deflection = 38 in

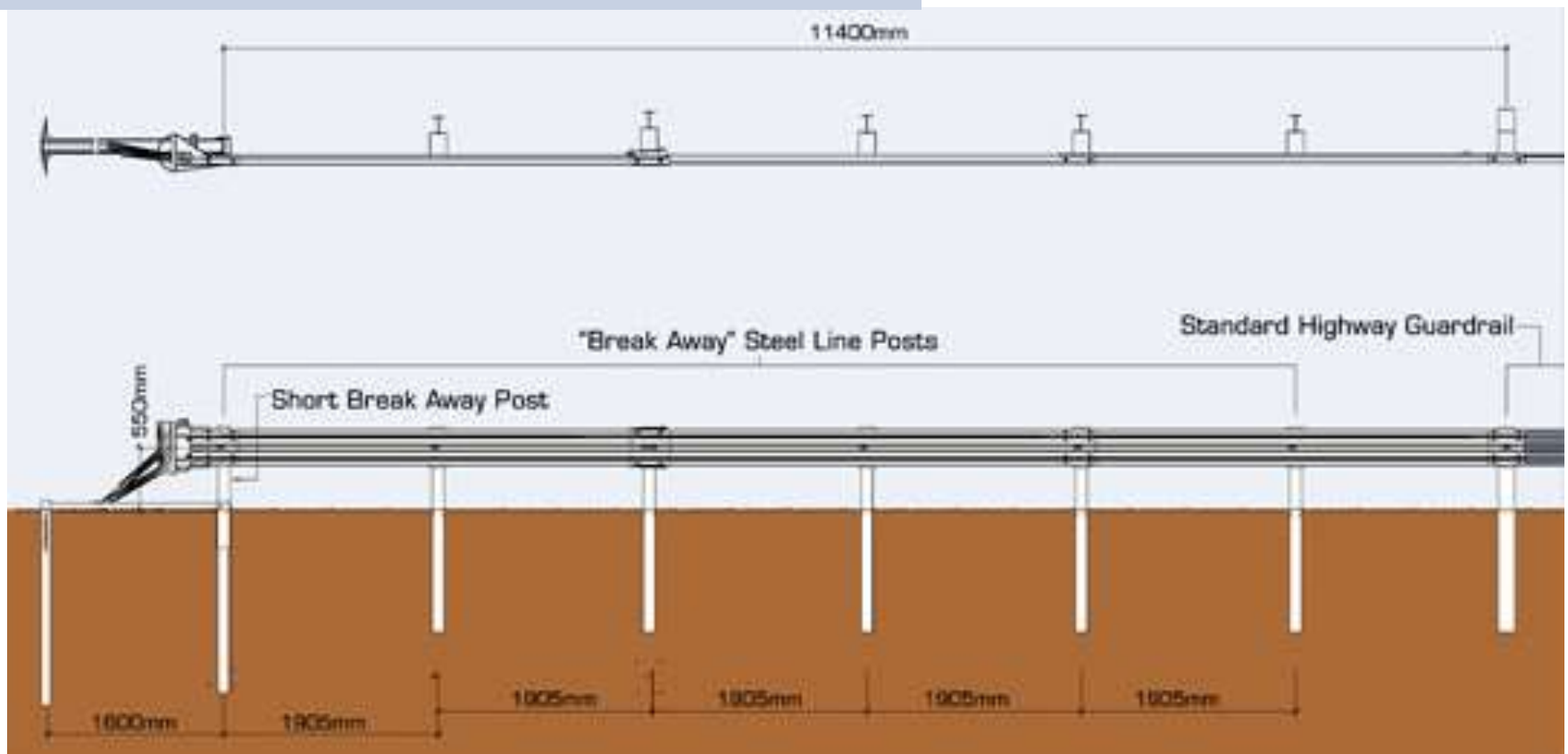
X-Tension Guardrail Terminal

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Material Characteristics:

- Length of need starts at post #1 - 37 feet (11.4m)
- Max flare - 16 inches (400mm) over 3 lengths of rail
- Height to top of rail - 28 inches (710mm)



X-Tension™ End Treatments

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Non-flared Installation



Median Installation



Flared Installation



QUESTIONS & REVIEW

Module 4 Review

1. Why are there only three test levels for terminals and crash cushions and why is the highest test speed only 100 km/h (62.2 mph) when many highways have speed limits of 65 mph or more?

- a. It is not usually practical to design these features for trucks
- b. It may not be possible to design economically for higher speeds
- c. Actual impact speeds may often be less than operating speeds due to braking
- d. All of the above

Module 4 Review

2. The best way to identify currently accepted terminals and crash cushions is:

- a. Ask a manufacturer
- b. Refer to the AASHTO RDG
- c. Check out FHWA's Report 350 Hardware web site



Module 4 Review

3. What does the cable anchorage on w-beam do ?
- a. In a side hit near the end, the cable transfers the tension in the w-beam to the ground so the rail remains intact and the impacting vehicle is redirected towards the roadway
 - b. In an end hit, the cable is released when the end post breaks so the terminal can be pushed out of the way of the impacting vehicle as the vehicle proceeds behind the terminal
 - c. Both of the above

Module 4 Review

4. An energy-absorbing terminal will generally be a better choice than a non-energy absorbing terminal.

True or False?

Module 4 Review

5. Proper site grading near terminals is essential for good crash performance.

True or False?

6. Compare The End Treatments

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7. Compare The End Treatments

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8. Compare The End Treatments

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9. Adequate End Treatment?

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10. Adequate End Treatment?

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11. Adequate End Treatment?











CHARACTERISTICS OF CRASH CUSHIONS / IMPACT ATTENUATORS

Crash Cushions



- ❑ Gradually decelerates vehicle to a stop, in a relatively short distance
- ❑ Shield fixed objects on either side of roadway
- ❑ Shield end of median barrier or fixed object on gore area
- ❑ Protection of highway work zones
- ❑ Absorb impact energy at a controlled rate
 - ▣ Kinetic energy
 - ▣ Transfer of momentum

Selection Criteria and Guidelines

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- Each system has own unique physical and functional characteristics
- Once it is decided that a shield is needed
 - ▣ Site characteristics
 - ▣ Structural and safety characteristics of systems
 - ▣ Cost
 - ▣ Maintenance requirements

Structural and Safety Characteristics

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1. Impact decelerations
2. Redirection capabilities
3. Anchorage and support requirements
4. Debris produced by impact

Placement Recommendations

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- ❑ Tested at flat, level surface
- ❑ Vehicle should strike at normal height
- ❑ Curbs should not be built near cushions
- ❑ Most attenuator systems must be placed on hard, smooth pad or surface
- ❑ Delineate system to make it more noticeable to drivers

Barrier Anchored in Backslope

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Sloped Concrete End Treatment



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- Includes taper
- Used for impact speeds < 40 mph
- Locations where barrier is flared out
- Used in sites with ROW constraints

□ **DOES NOT MEET NCHRP 350**









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AVAILABLE CONCRETE BARRIER TERMINALS AND CRASH ATTENUATORS







Cushions Types



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Kinetic Energy

- ❑ Plastically deformable materials
- ❑ Crushing of front end dissipates impact energy
- ❑ Rigid back-up or support is needed

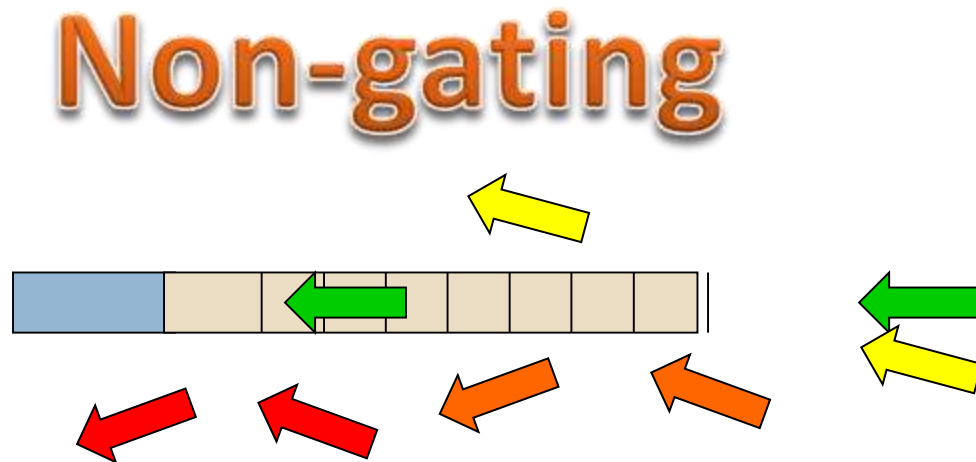
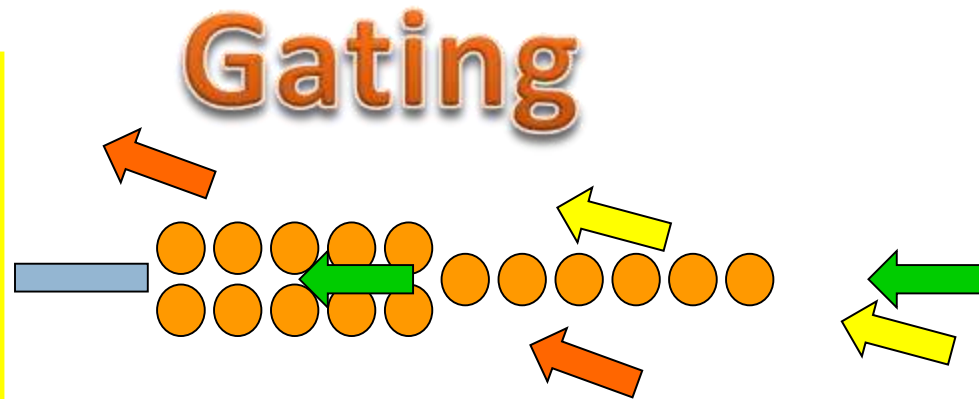
Transfer of Momentum

- ❑ Inertial barrier
- ❑ Expendable mass of material (sand)
- ❑ No rigid support needed
- ❑ Analytically determined design

TL-2 & TL-3

Cushions Types

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Crash Cushions



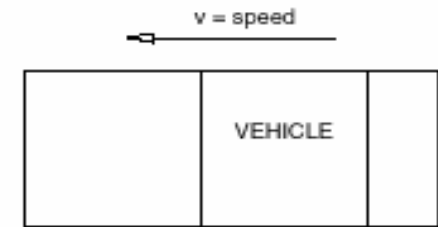
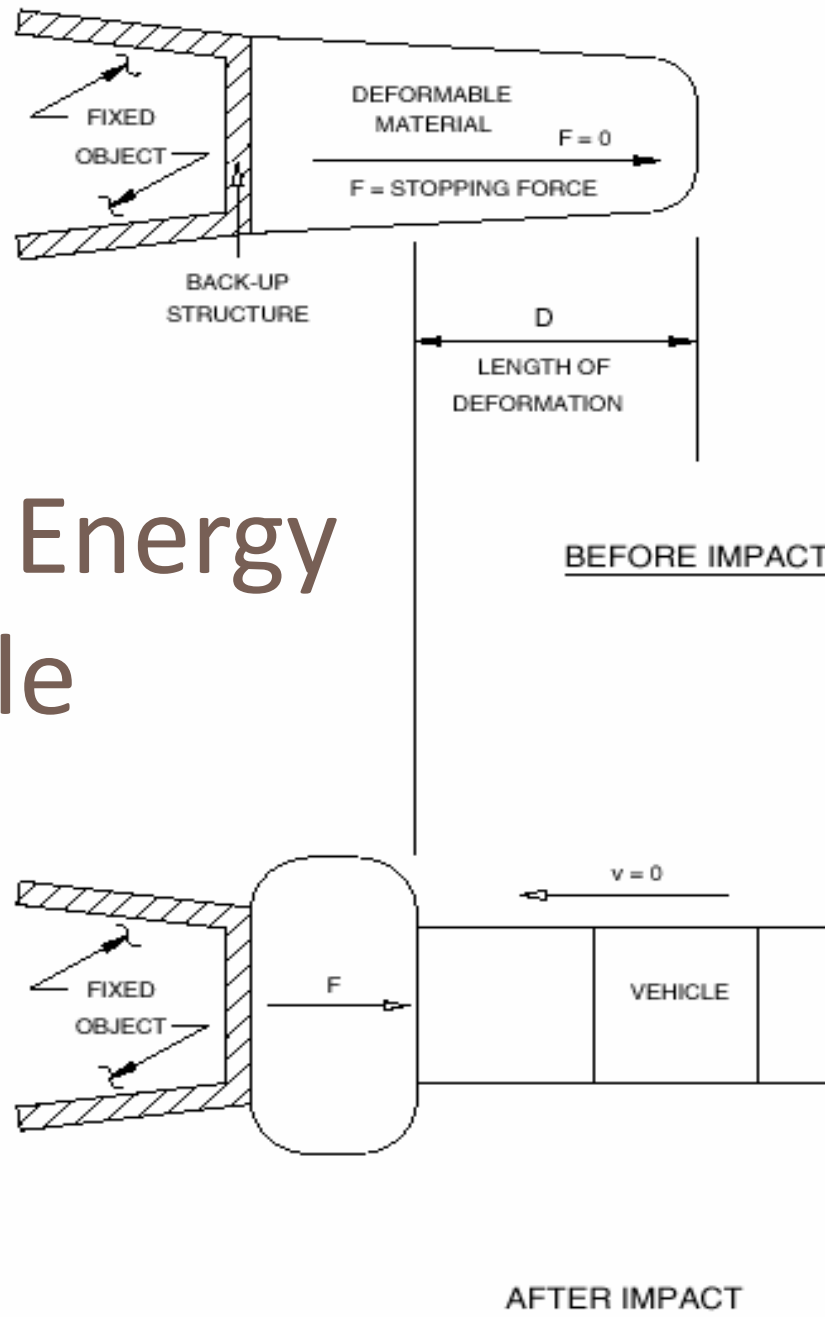
System	NCHRP Report 350 Test Level	System Width	System Length
Advanced Dynamic Impact Extension Module (ADIEM II)	TL-3	0.7 m [2.3 ft]	9.1 m [30 ft]
Brakemaster 350	TL-3	0.64 m [2.1 ft]	9.6 m [31.5 ft]
Crash Cushion Attenuating Terminal (CAT)	TL-3	0.7 m [2.3 ft]	9.5 m [31 ft]
Bullnose Guardrail System	TL-3	4.5 m [14.8 ft]	20 m [65 ft]
ABSORB 350	TL-2	0.6 m [2 ft]	5.2 m [17 ft]
	TL-3	0.6 m [2 ft]	9.7 m [32 ft]
	TL-3	0.6 m [2 ft]	8.3 m [27 ft]
QuadGuard Family			
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3-bay unit	TL-2	0.6 m [2 ft]	4.0 m [13 ft]
6-bay unit	TL-3	0.76 m [2.5 ft]	6.74 m [22 ft]
— QuadGuard Wide			
3-bay unit	TL-2	up to 2.29 m [7.5 ft]	4.0 m [13 ft]
6-bay unit	TL-3	up to 2.29 m [7.5 ft]	6.74 m [22 ft]
— QuadGuard LMC			
11-bay unit	TL-3	1.2 m [4 ft], 1.75 m [5.7 ft], or 2.29 m [7.5 ft]	10.16 m [33.33 ft]
— QuadGuard Elite			
7-bay unit	TL-2	0.6 m to 2.29 m [2 ft to 7.5 ft]	7.26 m [23.8 ft]
9-bay unit	TL-3	0.6 m to 2.29 m [2 ft to 7.5 ft]	10.82 m [35.5 ft]

Crash Cushions



System	NCHRP Report 350 Test Level	System Width	System Length
Trinity Attenuating Crash Cushion (TRACC)	TL-3	0.8 m [2.6 ft]	6.4 m [21 ft] plus 0.6 m [2 ft] back-up
Reusable Energy-Absorbing Crash Terminal (REACT 350)			
4-cylinder array	TL-2	0.9 m [3 ft]	4.0 m [13.1 ft]
9-cylinder array	TL-3	0.9 m [3 ft]	9.35 m [30.7 ft]
Narrow Connecticut Impact Attenuation System (NCIAS)	TL-3	0.9 m [3 ft]	7.3 m [24 ft]
Sand-Filled Barrels (2-Column Array)			
— Fitch	TL-3	2.0 m [6.6 ft]	Varies
— Energite	TL-3	2.0 m [6.6 ft]	Varies
— TrafFix	TL-3	2.0 m [6.6 ft]	Varies
Gravel Bed Attenuator	N/A	N/A	N/A
Dragnet	N/A	N/A	N/A
Water Twister Vehicle Arresting System (VAS)	N/A	N/A	N/A

Kinetic Energy Principle



$m = \text{vehicle mass}$

$$\text{KINETIC ENERGY OF VEHICLE} = \frac{mv^2}{2}$$

ENERGY ABSORBED BY CRASH CUSHION = FD

$$FD = \frac{mv^2}{2}$$

Terminals for Median W-Beam Guardrail Systems (Table 8-3 2011 RDG)

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Table 8-3. Terminals for Median W-Beam Guardrail Systems

Terminal	NCHRP Report 350 Test Level (TL)	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
Brakemaster® 350	3	CC-41	SEW06	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8,3,6,5,1
Crash Cushion Attenuating Terminal (CAT-350™)	3	CC-33 CC-33A	SEW08	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8,3,6,5,2
FLEAT Median Terminal (FLEAT-MT™)	3	CC-46D	SEW16	Road Systems, Inc.	8,3,6,5,3
X-Tension™ Median Attenuator System (X-MAS)	3	CC-91 CC-102	Not Posted	Barrier Systems, Inc.	8,3,6,5,4



Brakemaster 350

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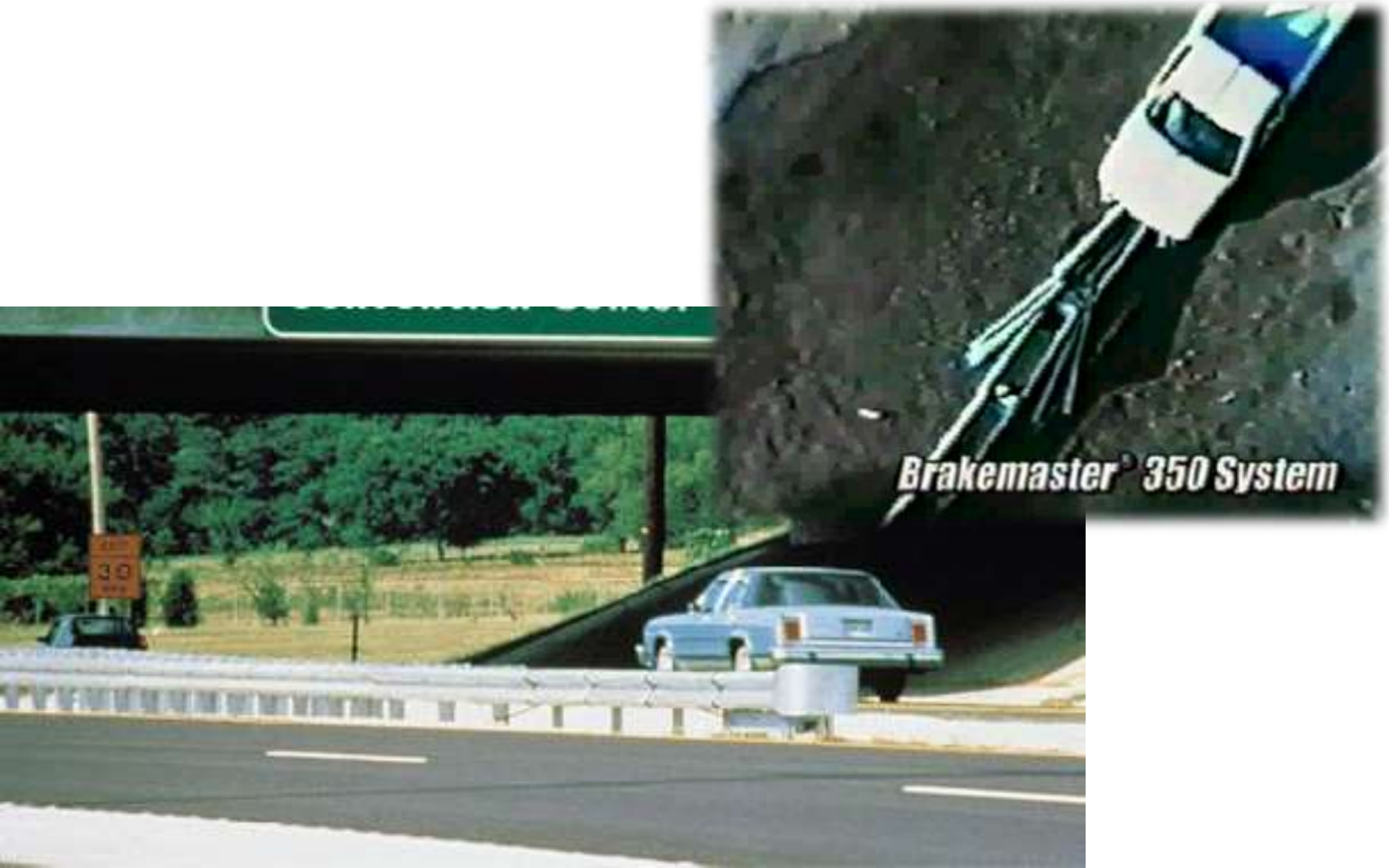
- W-beam wide median gating terminal
- Cushion for narrow objects
- W-beams telescope back
- Anchor absorbs energy
- Redirecting capability
- Does not need paved pad

*Low frequency
impact areas*



Brakemaster 350

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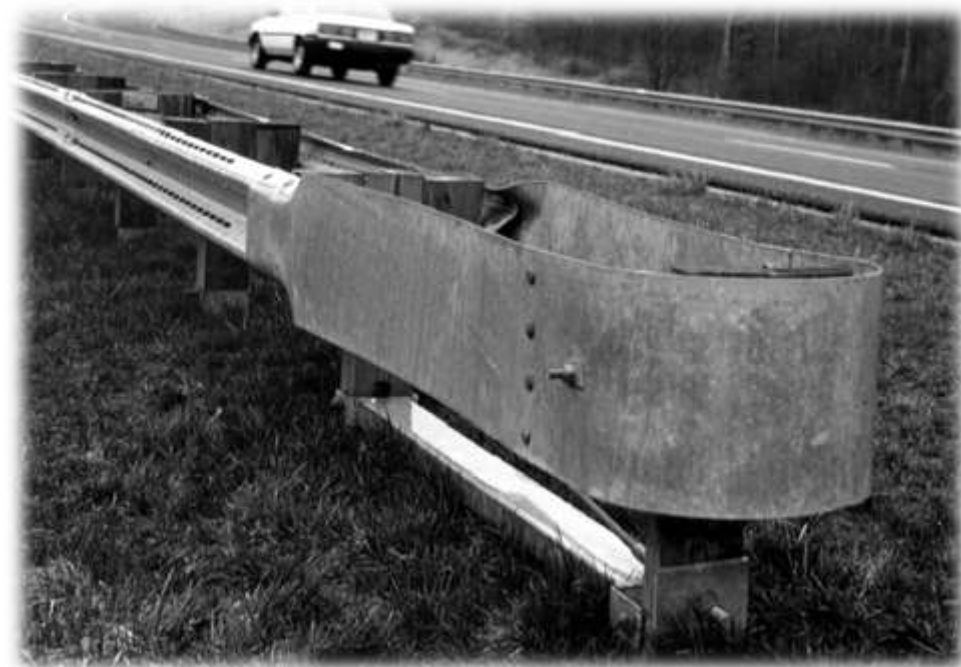


Cushion Attenuating Terminal CAT

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- Energy-absorbing median or shoulder attenuator
- Cushion for narrow objects or terminal for W-beam barrier
- Slotted W-beams telescope back
- Redirecting capability
- Non-flared



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TL-3

Sacrificial Crash Cushion

(Table 8-5 2011 RDG)

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Crash Cushion	Test Level	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
BEAT-BP™	3	CC-69C	SC112	Road Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.1.5
QuadTrend® 350	3	CC-49	SET02	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.1.6
Narrow Connecticut Impact Attenuation System (NCIAS)	3	CC-58 CC-77	SCI08	Generic	8.4.2.1.7

QuadTrend-350

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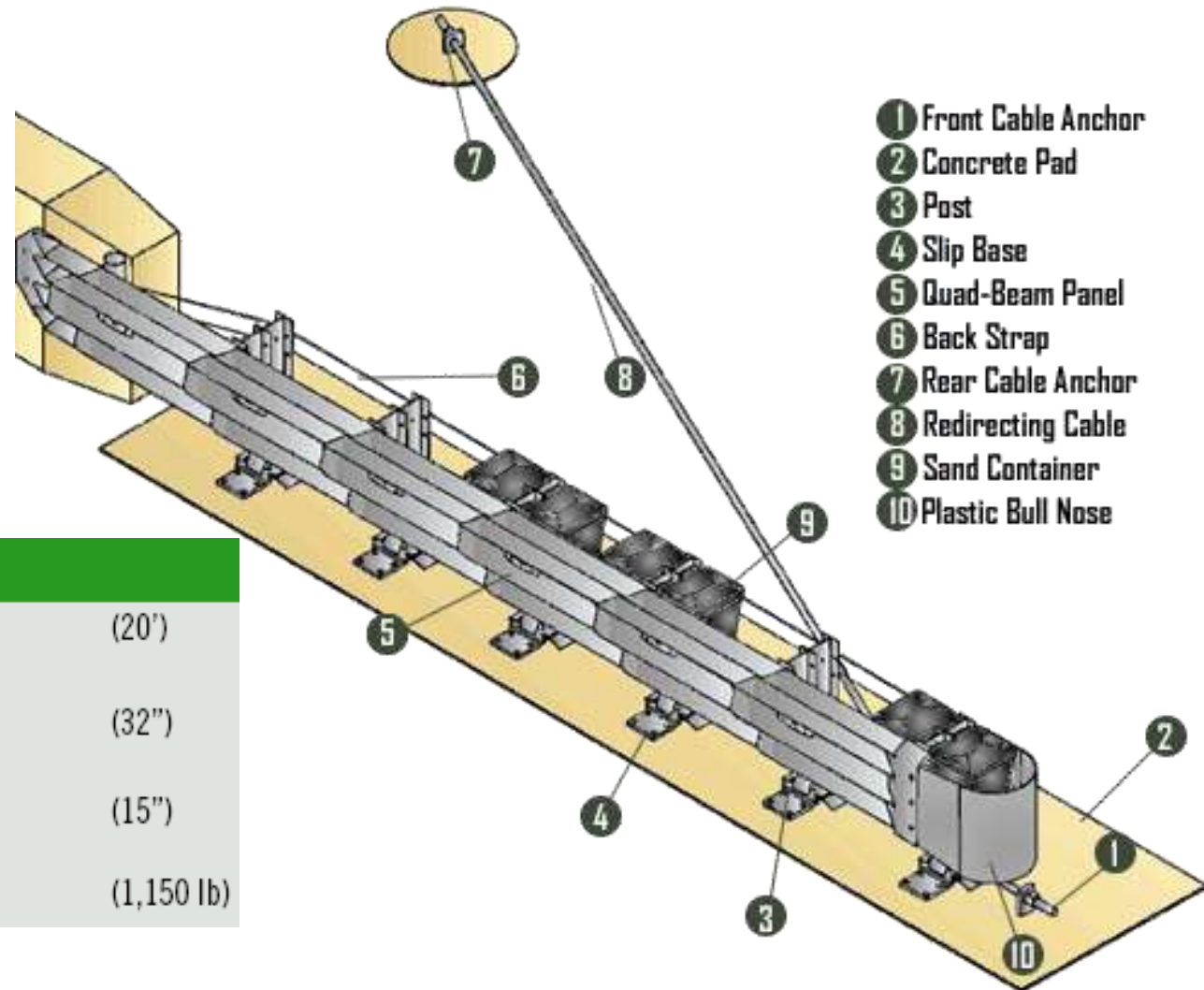


- Proprietary, gating re-directive terminal
- Consists of Quad-Beam TM panels, slip bases, tension strap, redirective cable and sand-filled boxes
- No transition segment needed for concrete barriers or railings



QuadTrend-350

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SPECIFICATIONS

Length	6.1 m	(20')
Height	813 mm	(32")
Width	380 mm	(15")
Weight	522 kg	(1,150 lb)

Narrow Connecticut Impact Attenuation System NCIAS

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- Non-proprietary
- Eight steel cylinders with two wire tension cables on each side
- Each cylinder is 3-ft wide and 4-ft tall
- Last four cylinders reinforced

Susceptible to reverse direction impacts



Reusable Crash Cushions

(Table 8-6 2011 RDG)

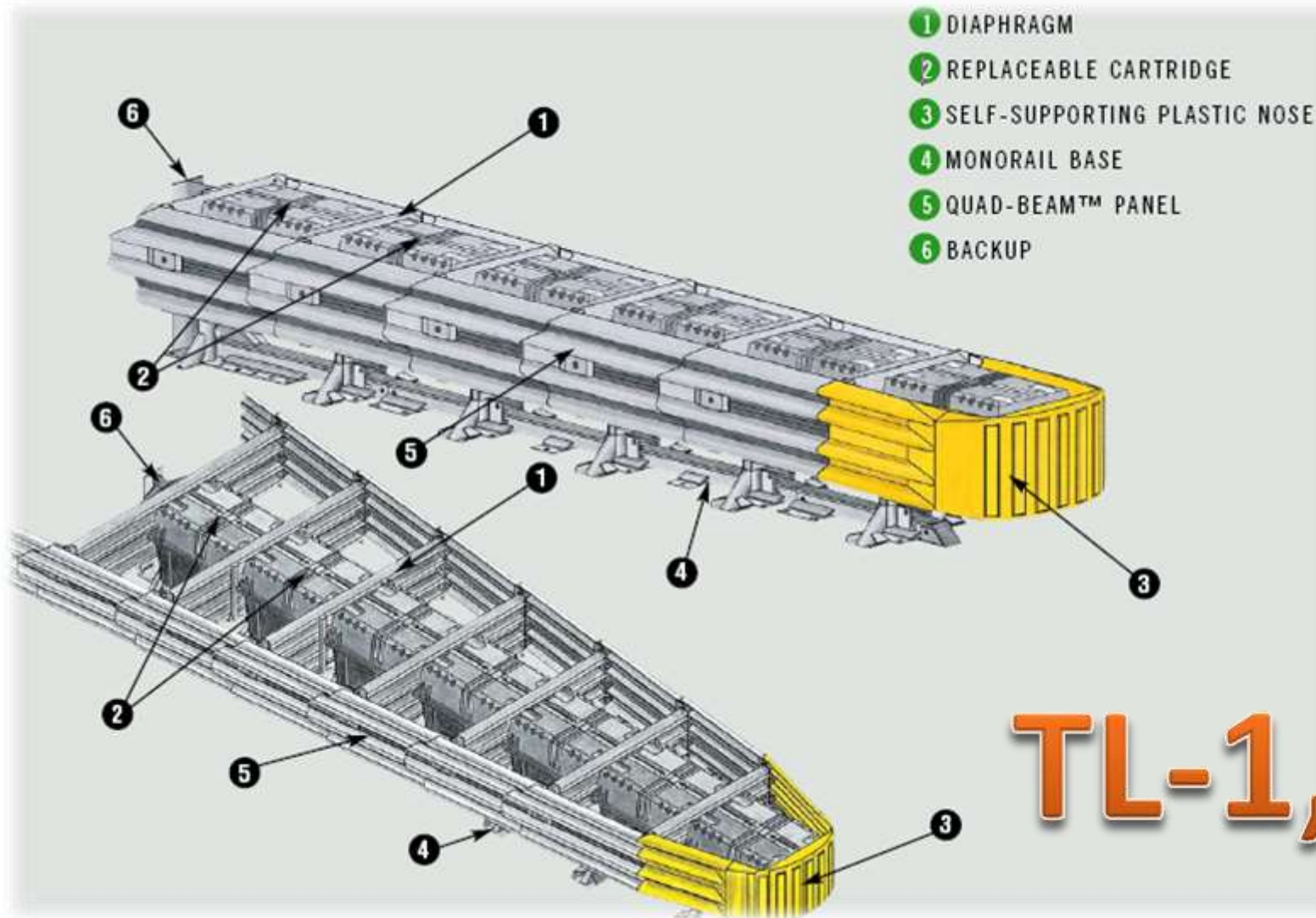
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Crash Cushion	Test Level (TL)	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
QuadGuard® Family QuadGuard 3-bay unit 6-bay unit QuadGuard Wide QuadGuard HS	2 3	CC-35 B to H CC-42, 42A and CC-45	SCT02A to D	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.2.1
Universal TAU-II Family®	2 3	CC-75 A, B, and C	SCT01A and B	Barrier Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.2.2
Trinity Attenuating Crash Cushion (TRACC) Family TRAC™ FASTRACC™ SHORTRACC™ WIDETRACC™	2 and 3	CC-54 A thru H	Not Posted	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.4.2.2.3
QUEST®	3	CC-87	Not Posted	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.2.4

QuadGuard Crash Cushion Family

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TL-1,2,3



QuadGuard System

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- Re-directive, non-gating crash cushion
- Consists of crushable, energy-absorbing cartridges surrounded by a framework of steel Quad-Beam panels
- During head-on impacts, the system telescopes rearward and crushes to absorb the energy of impact
- High 80% reusability after most design impacts

QuadGuard System

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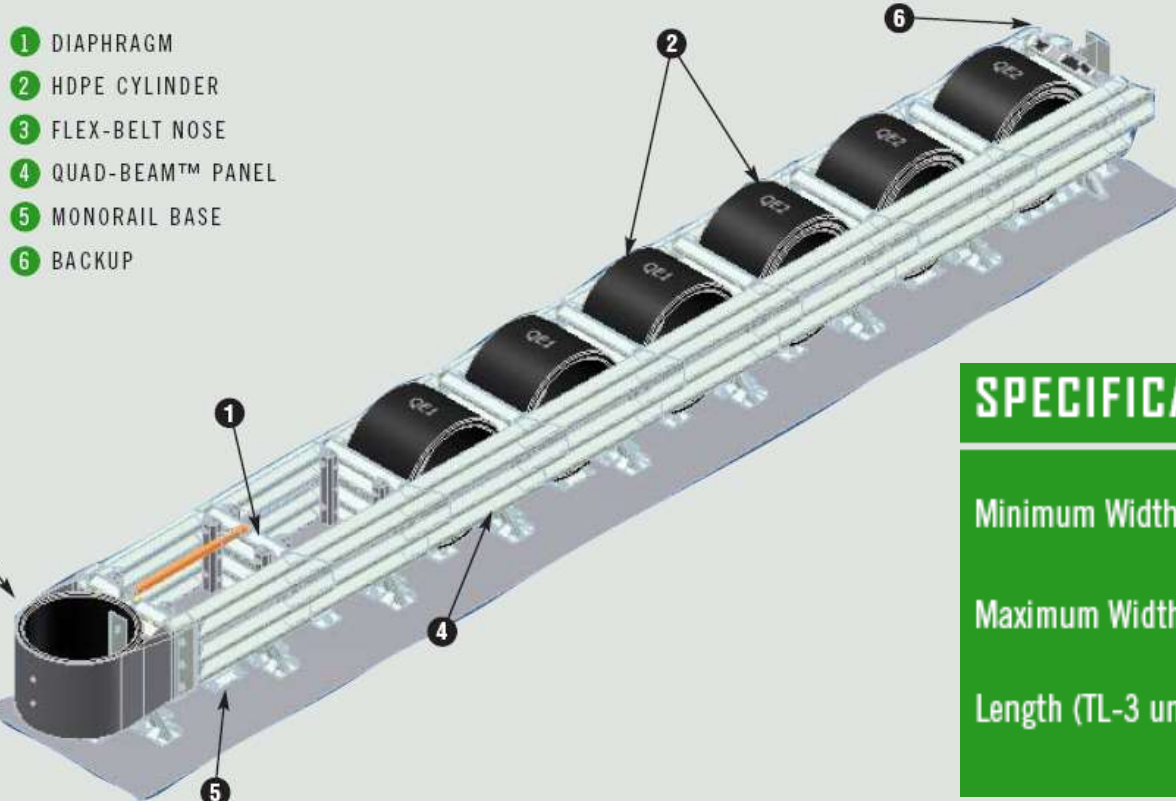
- ❑ Crash cushion for hazards ranging in width from 610 mm to 910 mm (24" to 36")
- ❑ Length of the system
 - ▣ 9 bays needed for locations up to 70 mph
 - ▣ 6 bays (21 ft) needed for locations with ≥ 45 mph
 - ▣ 3 bays for locations with ≤ 40 mph
- ❑ Lifting brackets allow easy repositioning as a complete unit
- ❑ Monorail base eliminates the need for anchoring chains and tension cable



QuadGuard Elite System

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- Reusable cylinders for applications with above average impact frequency
- System is 99-100% reusable after a design impact



TL-2,3

SPECIFICATIONS

Minimum Width at Backup	610.0 mm	(2')
Maximum Width at Backup	2.4 m	(96")
Length (TL-3 unit)	8.0 m	(26' 6")

QuadGuard LMC System

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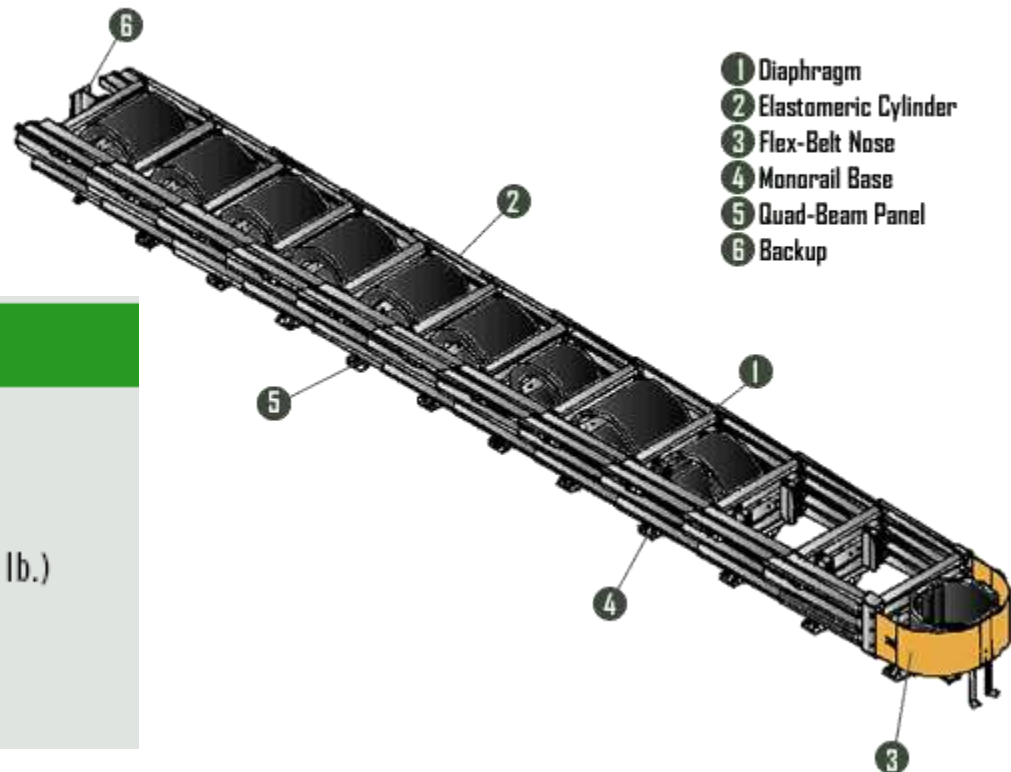


- Elastomeric cylinders surrounded by triple-corrugated steel diaphragms and Quad-Beam panels
- System is 100% reusable after design impact

TL-3

SPECIFICATIONS

Width at Backup	914 mm	(3')
Weight (typical 11 bay unit)	3900 kg	(8500 lb.)
Length (typical 11 bay unit)	10 m	(31')



QuadGuard HS (High Speed) System

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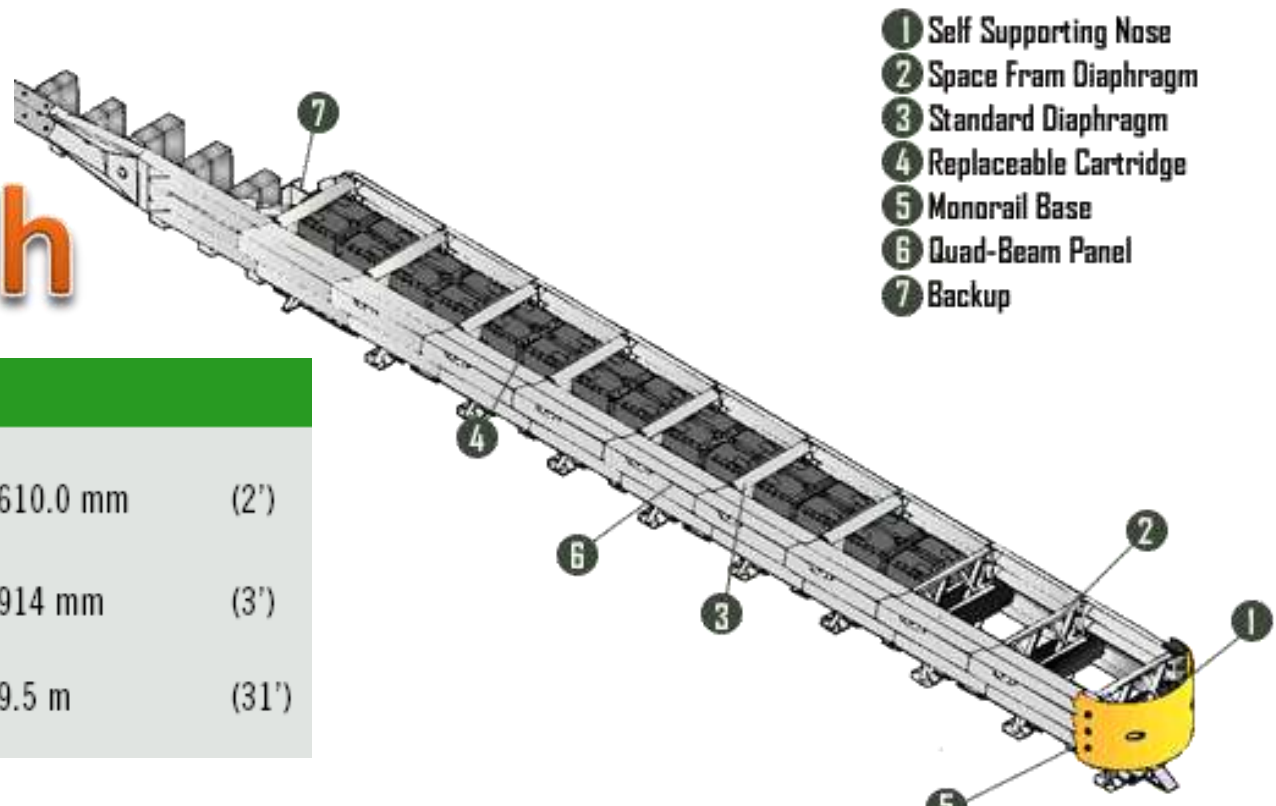


- System is 60-70% reusable after design impact
- Shields hazards up to 3 ft wide

TL-3
70 mph

SPECIFICATIONS

Minimum Width at Backup	610.0 mm	(2')
Maximum Width at Backup	914 mm	(3')
Length (typical 6-bay unit)	9.5 m	(31')



Universal TAU Cushion Family

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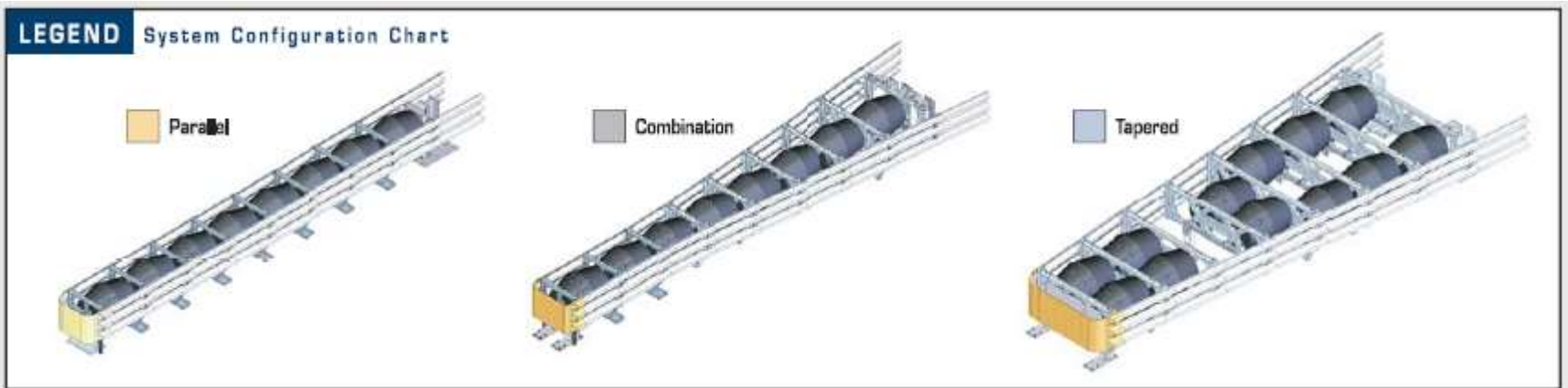


TL-2,3

Universal TAU Cushion Family

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- Redirective, non-gating cushion
- Open architecture with energy absorbing cartridges and high-strength Thrie beam panels
- No rails or tracks
- Narrow (30 in) and wide hazards (up to 8.5 ft)



Universal TAU Configurations

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		SPEED						
		30 mph* [90 km/h]	35+ mph* [90 km/h]	40+ mph* [70 km/h] Test Level=2	50 mph* [80 km/h]	55+ mph* [90 km/h]	60+ mph* [100 km/h] Test Level=3	70 mph [110 km/h]
BACKSTOP WIDTH	UP TO 30" [700 mm]							
	36" [90 mm]							
	42" [1060 mm]							
	48" [1220 mm]							
	54" [1370 mm]							
	60" [1520 mm]							
	66" [1680 mm]							
	72" [1830 mm]							
	78" [1980 mm]							
	84" [2130 mm]							
	90" [2290 mm]							
	96" [2440 mm]							
	102" [2600 mm]							

* Speed and capacity rounded down to nearest 5 mph level. Contact Customer Service for further information.

Typical Applications

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Trinity Attenuating Crash Cushion TRACC Family

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- ❑ Redirective, non-gating crash cushions
- ❑ End treatment with guidance tracks
- ❑ Impact sled cut the metal plates on impact
- ❑ W-beam slides backward
- ❑ No cartridges or boxes

TL-2,3



Trinity Attenuating Crash Cushion TRACC Family

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SPECIFICATIONS

TRACC™

- 21'-3" (6.5m)
- 24" Wide (610 mm)
- 3200 Lbs (1451 kg)

TL-3

SHORTRACC™

- 14' - 3" (4.3 m)
- 24" Wide (610 mm)
- 2200 Lbs (998 kg)

TL-2

SPECIFICATIONS

FASTRACC™

- 26' (7.9 m)
- 24" Wide (610 mm)
- 4000 Lbs (1814 kg)

TL-3 70 mph

WIDETRACC™(*standard wide system)

- 21' Long (6.4 m)
- 58" Wide Standard (1.47 m)
- 3825 Lbs (1735 kg)

*Can be customized to protect any width.

Trinity Attenuating Crash Cushion TRACC Family

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TRACC™



SHORTRACC™



WIDETRACC™

QUEST System Crash Cushion

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- Redirective, non-gating W-beam fender panels
- Supported by diaphragms
- Integrated trigger mechanism at the nose that releases a front assembly during impacts to absorb the energy of impact

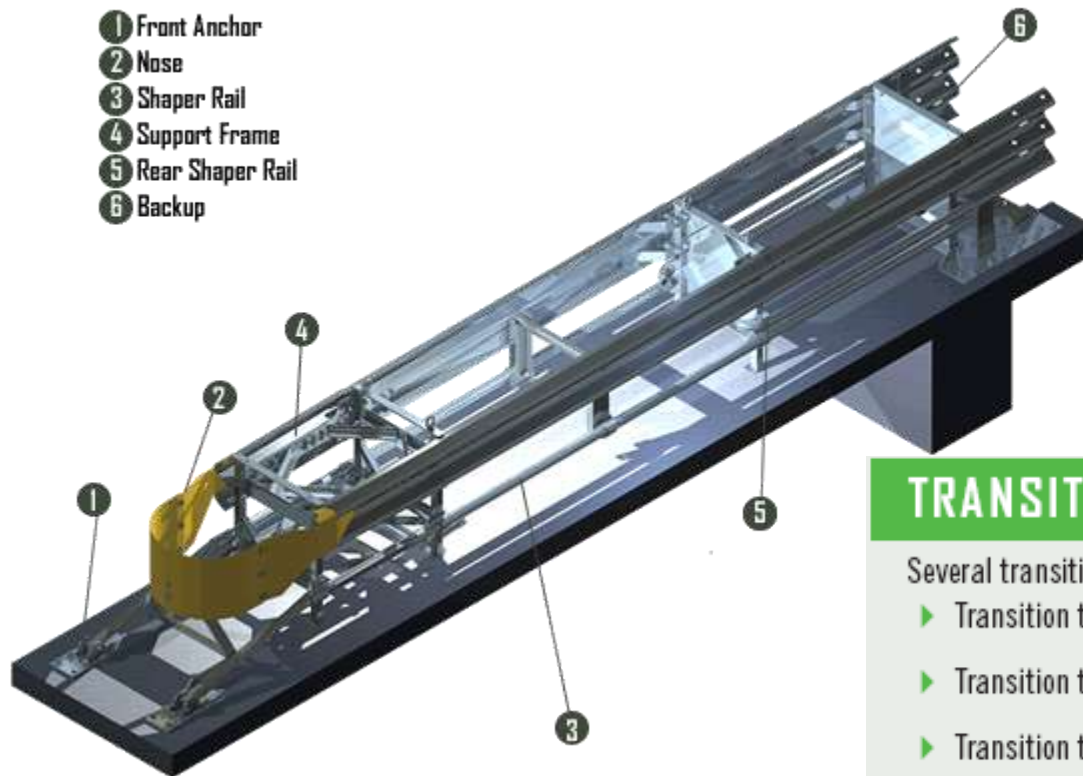


QUEST System Crash Cushion

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- Protects hazard widths ranging from 24"-36"
- Driveable pile anchoring system for installations in soil or asphalt



TRANSITION OPTIONS

Several transition panels are available for the QUEST System, including:

- ▶ Transition to New Jersey Safety Barrier
- ▶ Transition to W-Beam
- ▶ Transition to Concrete Median Barrier

Low-Maintenance and/or Self Restoring Crash Cushions (Table 8-7 2011 RDG)

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Crash Cushion	Test Level	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
Compressor	3	CC-95	Not Posted	Traffix Devices	8.4.2.3.1
EASI-CELL	1	CC-71	SCI 15	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.3.2
Hybrid Energy Absorbing Reusable Terminal (HEART™)	3	CC-89	Not Posted	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.4.2.3.3
QuadGuard Elite 7-bay unit 8-bay unit 9-bay unit	2 3 3	CC-57 CC-57A CC-57B	SCT02e	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.3.4
QuadGuard LMC 11-bay unit	3	CC-43	SCT02f	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.3.5
Reusable Energy Absorbing Crash Terminal (REACT 350®) 4-cylinder array 9-cylinder array	2 3	CC-26,A-I CC-60,A-B, CC-73,A-C	SCI16a-b	Energy Absorption Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.3.6
Smart Cushion Innovations (SCI) SCI-70GM SCI-100GM	2 3	CC-85 A and B	SCI17a and b	SCI Products, Inc.	8.4.2.3.7

EASICELL Cluster Crash Cushion System

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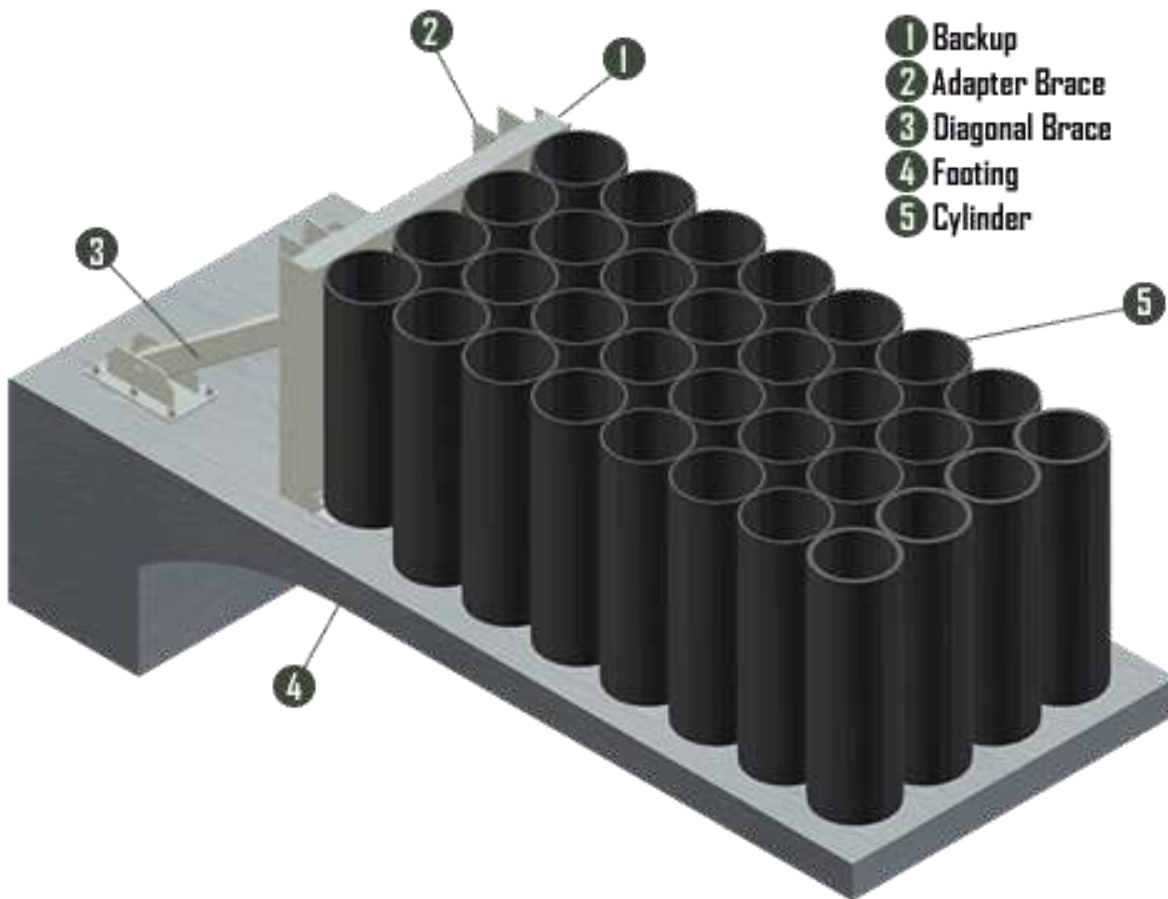


- ❑ Interconnected high density polyethylene plastic cylinders
- ❑ Non-redirective, multi-angle impact protection
- ❑ Cylinders fits against the hazard or a concrete transition from the hazard
- ❑ During an impact, the reusable plastic cylinders compress to maximize energy absorption
- ❑ Can be customized to fit specific applications



EASICELL Cluster Crash Cushion System

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- 1 Backup
- 2 Adapter Brace
- 3 Diagonal Brace
- 4 Footing
- 5 Cylinder

- system will self restore
- after most design lateral impacts, typically regaining up to
- 90% of its original shape and capacity

Hybrid Energy Absorbing Reusable Terminal (HEART)

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SPECIFICATIONS

HEART™

- 26' Long
- 32" High
- 25" - 27" Wide at the diaphragms with a maximum width of 36" between diaphragms 3 and 4.
- 2700 Lbs

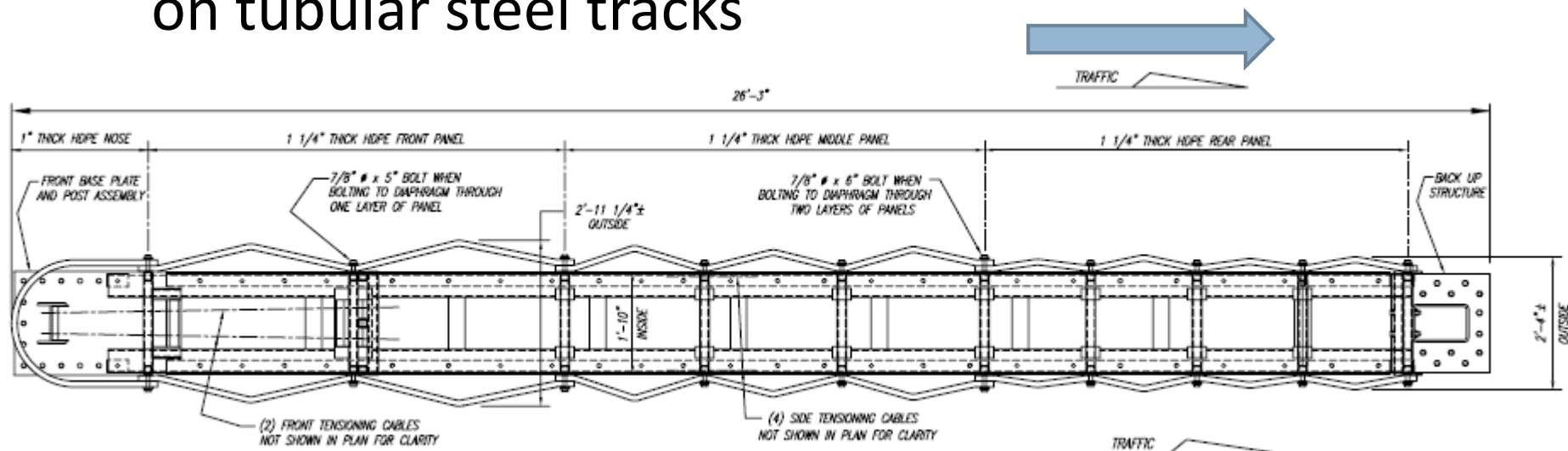
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Hybrid Energy Absorbing Reusable Terminal (HEART)

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- Reusable, restorable, non-gating and re-directive crash cushion
- High Molecular Weight/High Density Polyethylene side panels and a rounded frontal nose piece, which are connected to steel diaphragms mounted on tubular steel tracks





Toll Plazas

This diagram illustrates a toll plaza layout. It features three parallel toll lanes, each equipped with a toll collector booth. The lanes are separated by dashed lines, and there are additional dashed lines indicating the flow of traffic and the placement of vehicles. The background is a light blue grid.



Median Bridge

This diagram shows a median bridge layout. It features a central median bridge structure with two toll lanes on either side. The lanes are separated by dashed lines, and there are additional dashed lines indicating the flow of traffic and the placement of vehicles. The background is a light blue grid.



Gore Areas

This diagram illustrates a gore area layout. It shows a single toll lane with a toll collector booth. The lane is separated from the adjacent lanes by dashed lines, and there are additional dashed lines indicating the flow of traffic and the placement of vehicles. The background is a light blue grid.

Reusable Energy-Absorbing Crash Terminal REACT 350

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Reusable Energy-Absorbing Crash Terminal REACT 350

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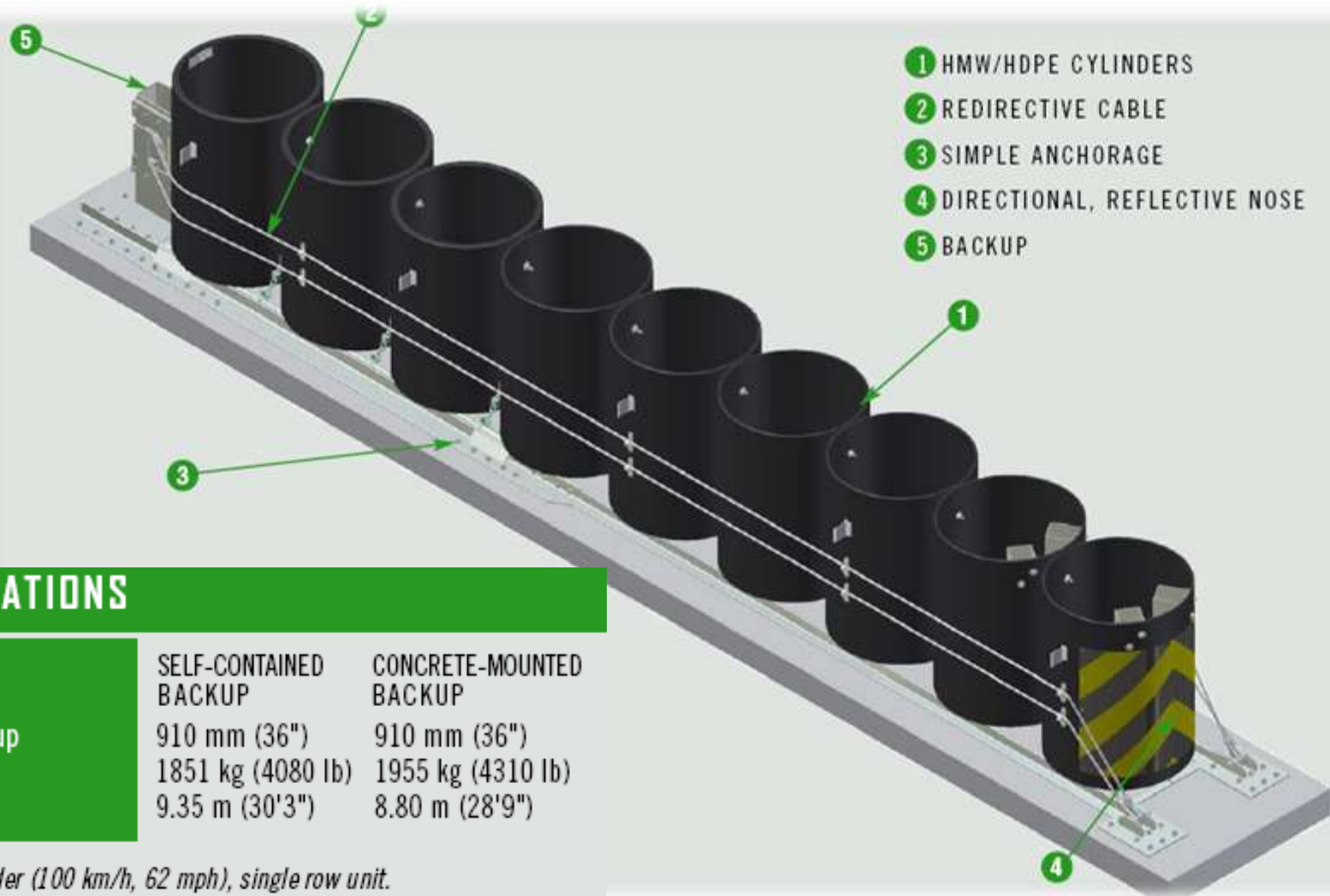
- High-density polyethylene plastic cylinders 3-ft wide atop steel skid rails for head-on hits
- Two steel wire ropes redirect side angle hits
- Can be designed for speeds from 25 - 75 mph
- Regains up to 90% of its original design deceleration capability after design impact
 - ▣ TL-2: four cylinders
 - ▣ TL-3: nine cylinders

TL-1,2,3



Reusable Energy-Absorbing Crash Terminal REACT 350

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SPECIFICATIONS

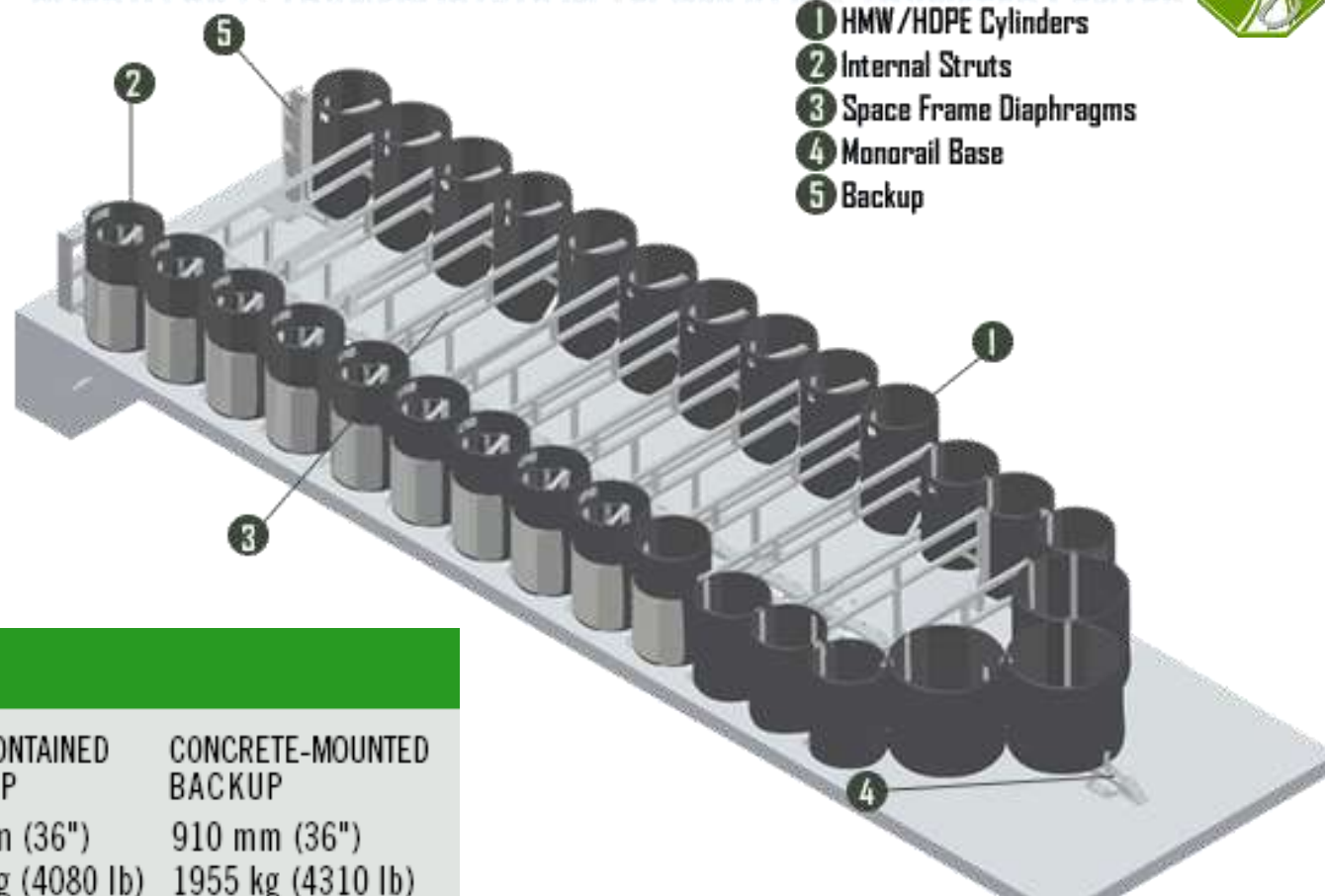
36 INCH TL-3
Width at Backup
*Weight
*Length

	SELF-CONTAINED BACKUP	CONCRETE-MOUNTED BACKUP
Width at Backup	910 mm (36")	910 mm (36")
*Weight	1851 kg (4080 lb)	1955 kg (4310 lb)
*Length	9.35 m (30'3")	8.80 m (28'9")

**Typical 9-cylinder (100 km/h, 62 mph), single row unit.*

Reusable Energy-Absorbing Crash Terminal REACT 350 Wide

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SPECIFICATIONS

36 INCH TL-3

Width at Backup

*Weight

*Length

SELF-CONTAINED
BACKUP

910 mm (36")

1851 kg (4080 lb)

9.35 m (30'3")

CONCRETE-MOUNTED
BACKUP

910 mm (36")

1955 kg (4310 lb)

8.80 m (28'9")

**Typical 9-cylinder (100 km/h, 62 mph), single row unit.*

Sacrificial Crash Cushions

(Table 8-5 2011 RDG)

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Crash Cushion	Test Level	FHWA Acceptance Letter	System Designation	Manufacturer	Reference Section
Thrie-Beam Bullnose Guardrail System	3	CC-68	SET03	Generic	8.4.2.1.1
ABSORB 350®	3 2	CC-66, A and B	SCI11	Barrier Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.1.2
Advanced Dynamic Impact Extension Module (ADIEM™)	3	CC-38	SCI09	Trinity Highway Products, LLC	8.4.2.1.3
BEAT-SSCC™	3	CC-69B, D, and E	SC113A-B	Road Systems, Inc.	8.4.2.1.4

ABSORB 350 Crash Cushion

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ABSORB 350 Crash Cushion



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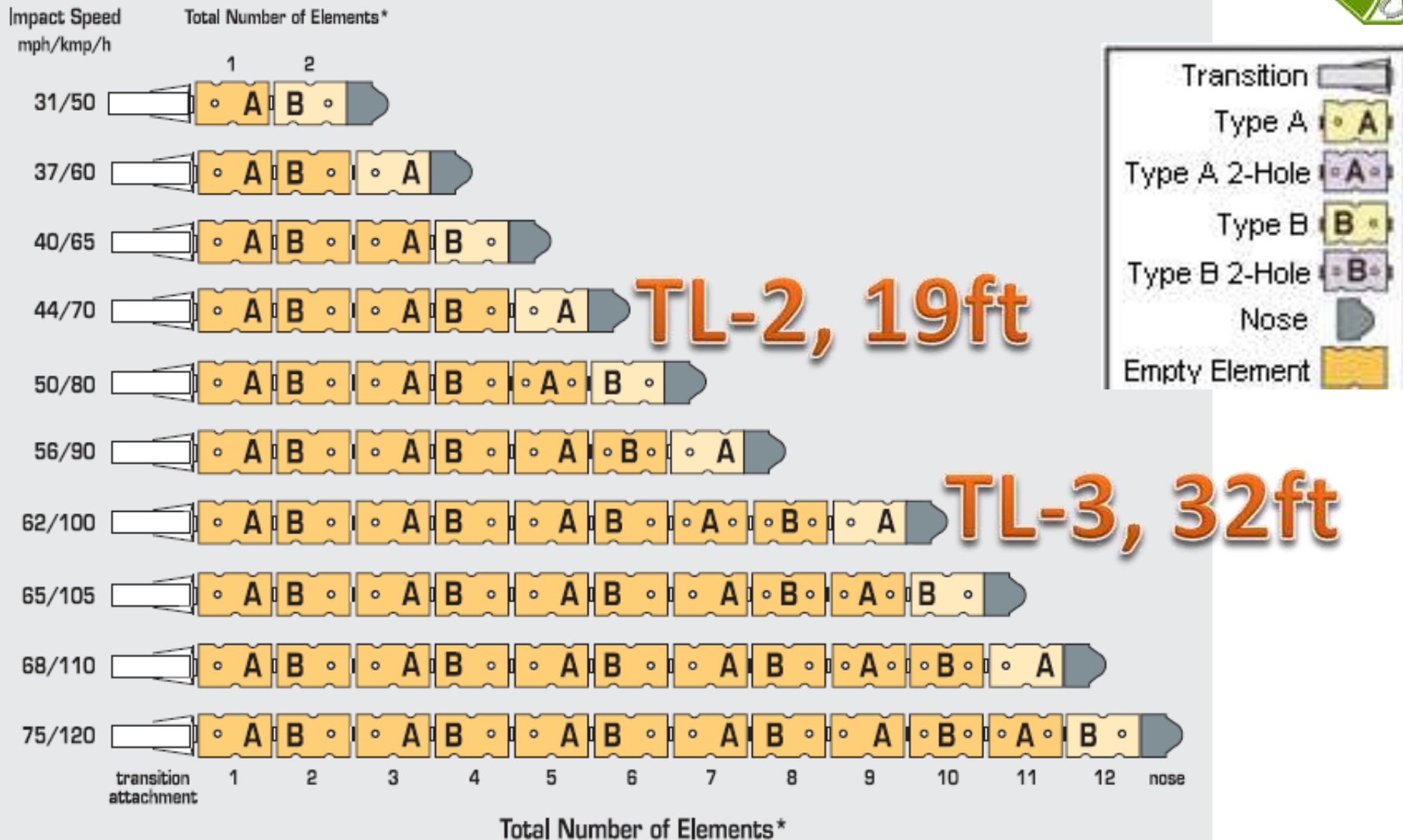


- ❑ Non -redirective, gating and energy absorbing device
- ❑ Water-filled Polyethylene containers
- ❑ Protects end of concrete walls
- ❑ Do not need anchorage or foundation
- ❑ Temporary and permanent applications



ABSORB 350 Configurations

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Non-redirective Energy-Absorbing Terminal - NEAT

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- Narrow and with less than 10 ft in length aluminum cartridge
- Impact protection for speeds up to 43 mph
- Shield end of concrete safety shape or Quickchange Barrier system
- Easy installation
- Work zone application

TL-2



Advanced Dynamic Impact Extension Module ADIEM II

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- Used at the end of concrete barrier
- Made of 10 perlite concrete, lightweight crushable modules
- Mounted on a 30-ft long base structure of standard concrete (Re-directive capability at 15' from nose)

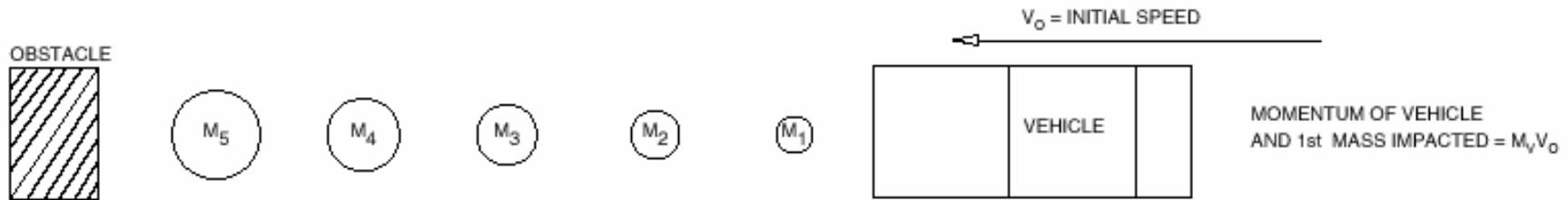
*Susceptible
to weather*

TL-3



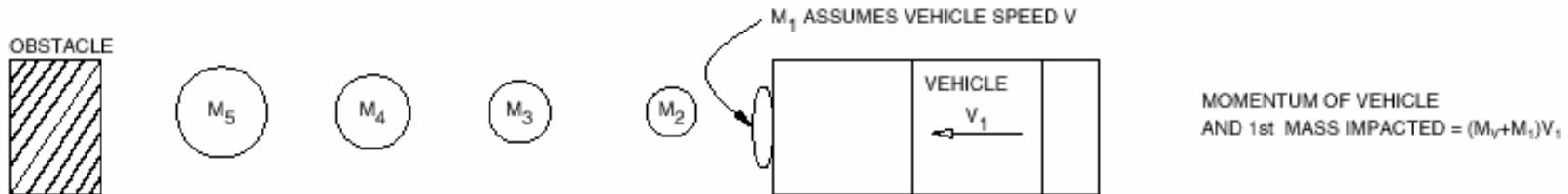
Principle of Conservation of Momentum

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BEFORE IMPACT

$$M_V \cdot V_O = (M_V + M_{S_1}) \cdot V_1$$



AFTER IMPACT

MOMENTUM BEFORE IMPACT = MOMENTUM AFTER IMPACT

$$V_n = \frac{M_V \cdot V_{n-1}}{M_V + M_n}$$

Final speed about 10 mph

Sand-Filled Barrels



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- Transfer of momentum principle, non-redirective
- No support is needed
- Standard modules from 0.2 up to 2.1kip
- Wide hazards in low-frequency impact areas
- Barrel weight is determined by its place within the array

TL-3*

* Approved for specific barrel array



Barrels Use



- Can safely decelerate vehicles ranging in weight from 1,810 to 4,410 lb and traveling at speeds up to 70 mph during head-on impacts
- Low initial cost and requires no assembly
- Does not redirect errant vehicles away from the hazard during angle impacts
- It should not be used if frequent angle impacts are expected

•Breaks up during impact
•Impacts close to corner

Crash Cushions for Large Vehicles

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- All previously shown cushions are not designed for heavy vehicles
- Gravel bed attenuator is still the most suitable velocity attenuating design



Inertial Cushion Types

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1. Fitch
2. Energite
3. TrafFix Devices Big Sandy Barrels

Sand density of 100 lb/ft³

No sand on sacks

Fitch System



ENERGITE SYSTEM



TrafFix System

Design of Barrel System

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Direction
of Travel →



1000 mm
[3'-0"]

Mass of Barrel #1 = 90 kg [200 lb]

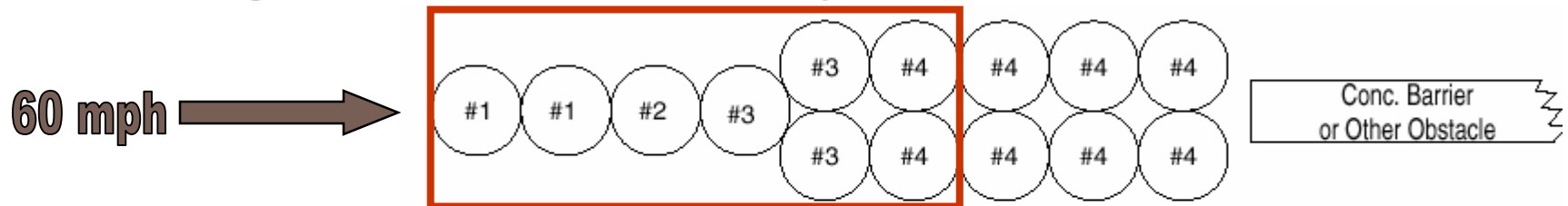
Mass of Barrel #2 = 180 kg [400 lb]

Mass of Barrel #3 = 320 kg [700 lb]

Mass of Barrel #4 = 640 kg [1400 lb]

Design Velocity = 100 km/h (27.8 m/s) [60 mph (88.0 ft/s)]

Design of Barrel System



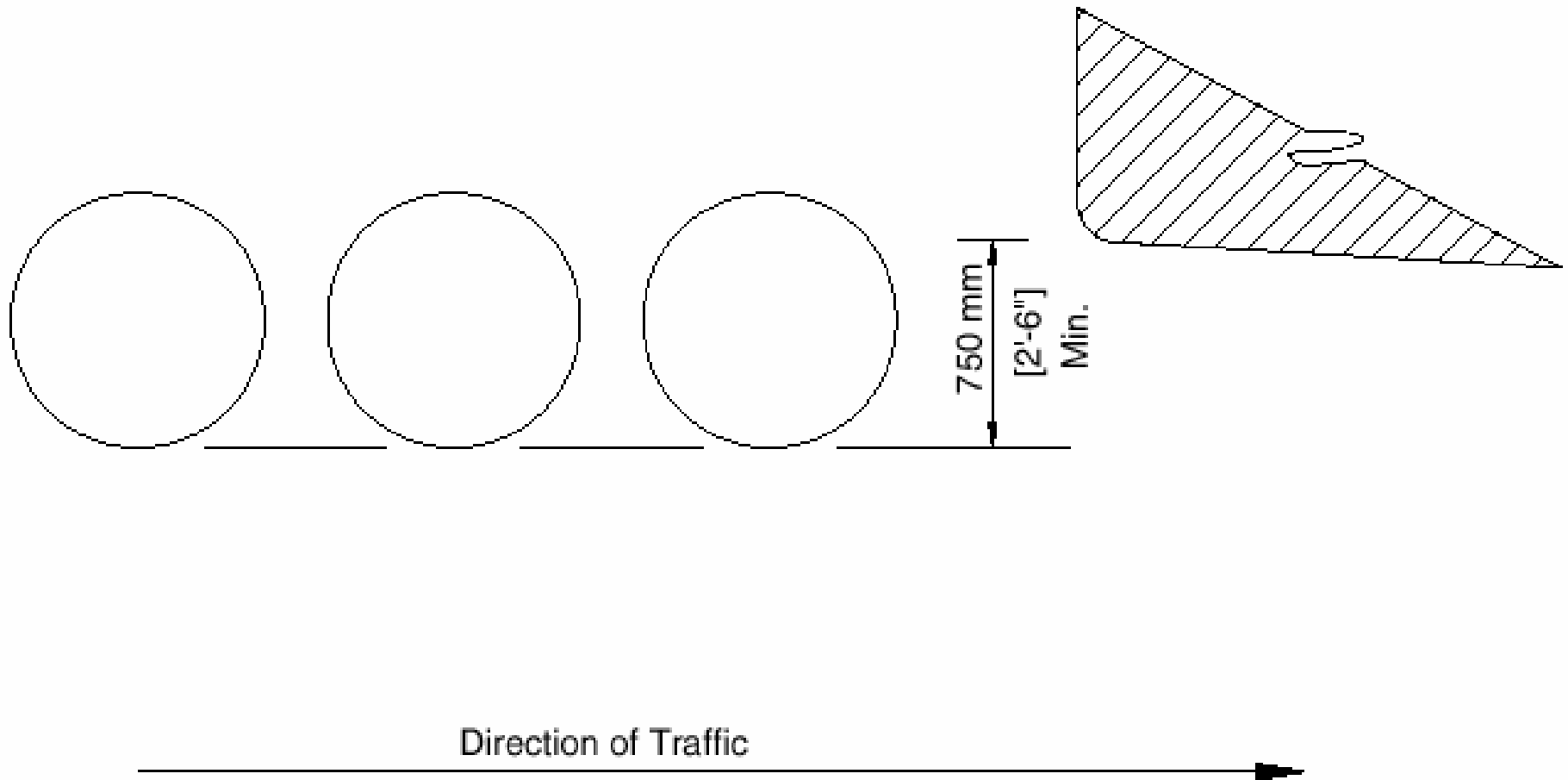
1,800 lb Vehicle					4,400 lb Vehicle			
M_1 [lb]	V_O [ft/s]	V_1 [ft/s]	G	t [s]	V_O [ft/s]	V_1 [ft/s]	G	t [s]
200	88.0	79.2	54 mph	0.036	88.0	84.3	3.34	0.035
200	79.2	71.3	48 mph	0.040	84.3	25.5	3.06	0.036
400	71.3	58.3	40 mph	0.046	80.7	74.1	5.27	0.039
700	58.3	42.0	29 mph	0.060	74.1	64.1	7.13	0.043
1400	42.0	23.6	16 mph	0.091	64.1	48.9	8.90	0.053
2800	23.6	9.2	6 mph	0.183	48.9	30.1	7.67	0.076
2800					30.1	18.6	2.92	0.123
2800					18.6	11.5*	1.11	0.200

Notes:

*At this point, the vehicle is traveling at less than 15 km/h [10 mph] and is stopped by the “bulldozing” action of the vehicle rolling through sand and one additional row of heavy containers.

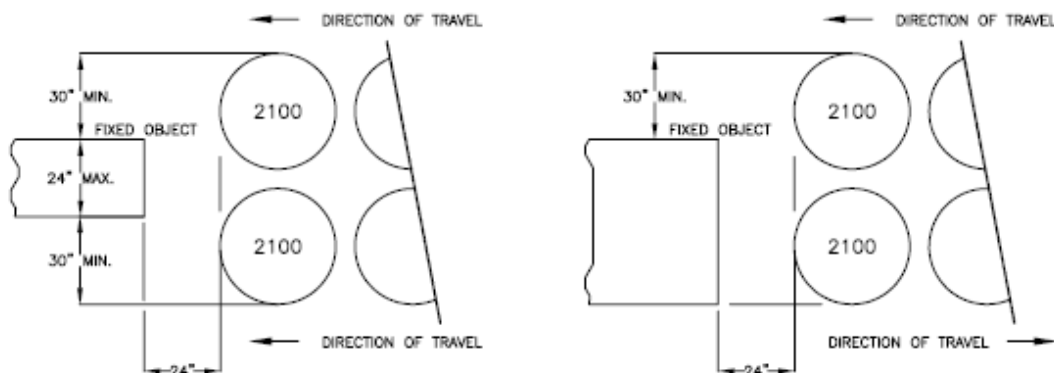
Location of Barrels Relative to Object

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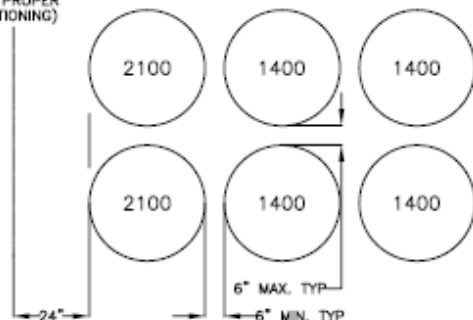


Barrels Design Charts and Standard Arrays

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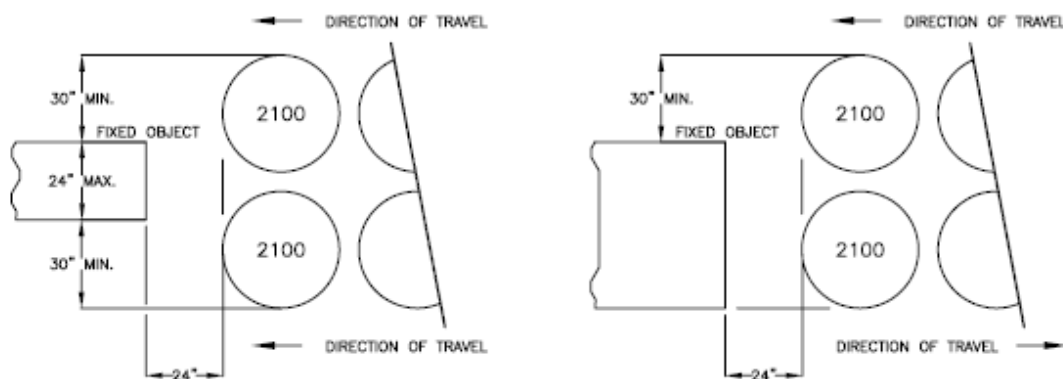
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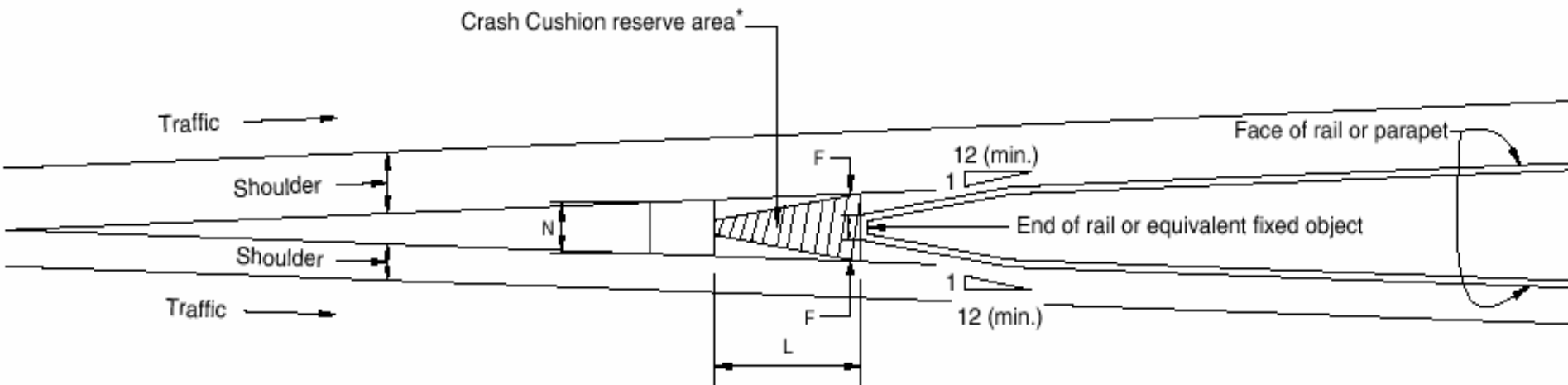






Gore Areas

Reserve Areas for Gores



* No curbs, raised pavement, or
prows to be built or to remain
in the area surrounding or
occupied by the crash cushion

Follow manufacturer specifications

Design Speed on Main line [mph]	Dimensions for Crash Cushion, Reserve Area [feet]								
	Minimum						Preferred		
	Restricted Conditions			Unrestricted Conditions					
	N	L	F	N	L	F	N	L	F
30	6	8	2	8	11	3	12	17	4
50	6	17	2	8	25	3	12	33	4
70	6	28	2	8	45	3	12	55	4
80	6	35	2	8	55	3	12	70	4



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Gore Area W-Beam “Jointed” Terminal

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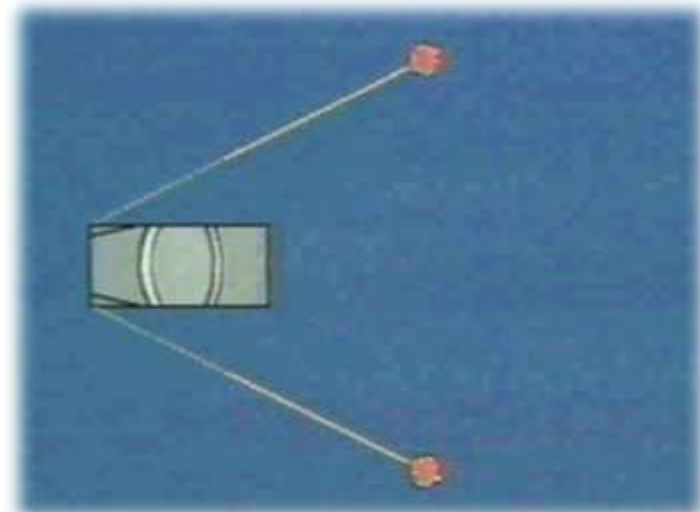
DRAGNET System

DRAGNET VEHICLE ARRESTING BARRIER System

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- Chain link fence or fiber-arresting net
- Stops 4.5 kip car at 60 mph with minimum damage, can stop a heavy vehicles in series
- Span from one to six lanes
- Often reusable and can be repaired after a hit in minutes



Requires extensive clear area

DRAGNET System Applications

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1. Median traps - can be applied to any width and adapt to most median contours
2. Single lane or road closing - can be set up in and dismantled in minutes. Anchors can be set in earth, tied to trees or fit over trailer hitches
3. T intersections - can span up to 100 ft with one set of absorbers
4. Drop systems - deployment system vertically drop DRAGNET into an activated position
5. Emergency truck run-off ramps - using a series of nets, can withstand impacts of 80,000 lb. tractor trailers at speeds up to 80 mph

StopGate Barrier Arm

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StopGate Barrier Arm

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- ❑ Annealed stainless steel cables arresting system laced together into a net-like structure
- ❑ Designed to diffuse the kinetic energy of an impacting motor vehicle
- ❑ Use to prevent vehicle intrusion onto railroad grade crossings, closed lanes, etc. by vehicles up to 4410 lb traveling at speeds up to 43 mph
- ❑ Arm length can be adapted to span up to 55 feet

StopGate Barrier Arm

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- 1 ARM STRUCTURE
- 2 1/4 IN. (6.4 MM) STAINLESS STEEL CABLE
- 3 ARM HOUSING
- 4 END LOCK
- 5 SIDE ARM LOCK

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SPECIFICATIONS

StopGate Barrier Arms are custom designed for each application. The following are general specifications for a typical StopGate Barrier Arm:

Overall Length (with 55 ft. arm)	67 ft. (20.4 m)
Housing Dimension	2.5 x 3 x 5 ft. (.8 x .9 x 1.5 m)
Required Clear Zone To Railroad Tracks	17 ft. (5.1 m)
Maximum Length Of Arm Structure	55 ft. (16.7 m)
Post Impact Repair Time*	Approximately 2 hours
Voltage Requirement	12 or 24 V

*Based upon a design impact, repairs should be done by a 2-man crew

General Conclusions

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- ❑ **All crashworthy terminals are not automatically suitable for use at all locations**
- ❑ **A barrier installation can often be extended a moderate distance to shield secondary hazards AND to provide a better location for its terminal**
- ❑ **The best choice is ALWAYS to eliminate the need for a barrier whenever practical**

¿Is this an
Acceptable
Crash
Attenuator?



Questions and Review

Module 4 Review

1. The most important consideration in selecting an appropriate crash cushion design is:
 - a. Will it shield the hazard effectively
 - b. Will it contain (or redirect) an impacting vehicle
 - c. Will it require minimal maintenance

Module 4 Review

2. Crash cushions will always save lives.

True or False?

End Treatments and Crash Cushions Manufacturers

Barrier Systems Inc. - <http://www.barriersystemsinc.com/>

Energy Absorption Systems Inc. - <http://www.energyabsorption.com>

Highway Safety Corporation - <http://www.highwaysafety.net/>

Road Systems Inc. - <http://www.roadsystems.com/>

TraFFix Devices Inc. - <http://traffixdevices.com>

Trinity Industries Inc. - <http://www.highwayguardrail.com/>