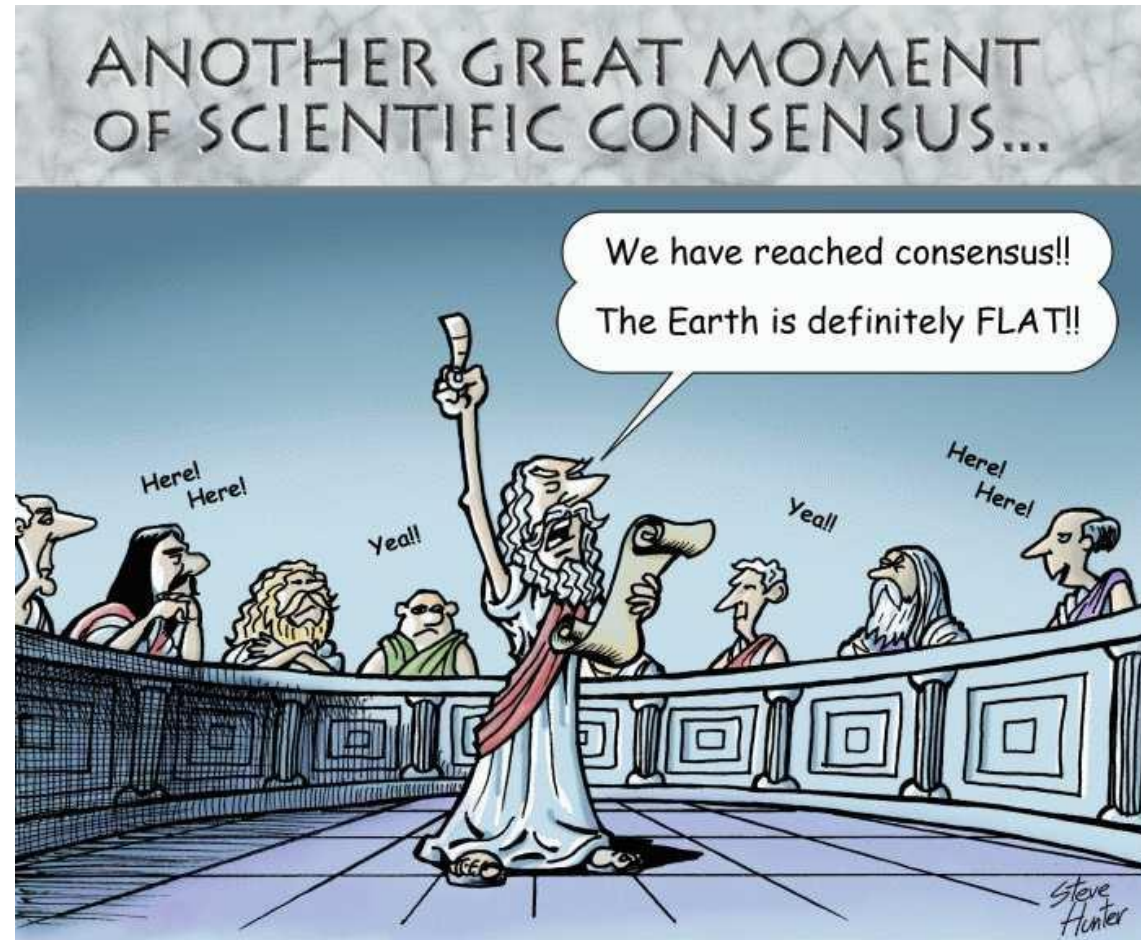


FRP, GEOPOLYMER CONCRETE AND HYBRID STRUCTURES

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FRP AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO TRADITIONAL MATERIALS

- What is it?
 - The Alphabet Soup
 - Resins. Do they matter? And the importance of wet out.
 - Not all Glass is created equal



DESIGNING IN FRP

- Design, Strength and Deflection
- Design Guides and Australian Standards



MANUFACTURING TECHNIQUE IS A DIFFERENCE MAKER

- How it is made is important.



IF IT LOOKS GOOD, IT IS GOOD

- Asset management.
- Maintenance
- Recycle vs Re-use



COATINGS VS PIGMENT

- Learning lessons and success through testing



SO HOW DOES IT ALL HELP

- Speed of install for bridges and pedestrian structures
- Weight
- Maintenance
- Solid QA
- Ecological compliance (acid sulphate soils and Water)
- HR

APPLICATION

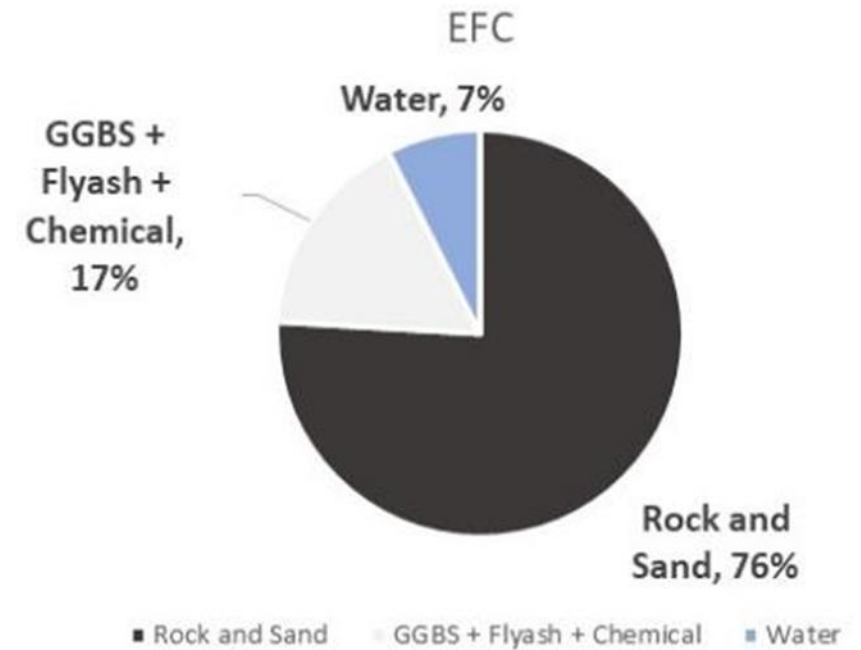
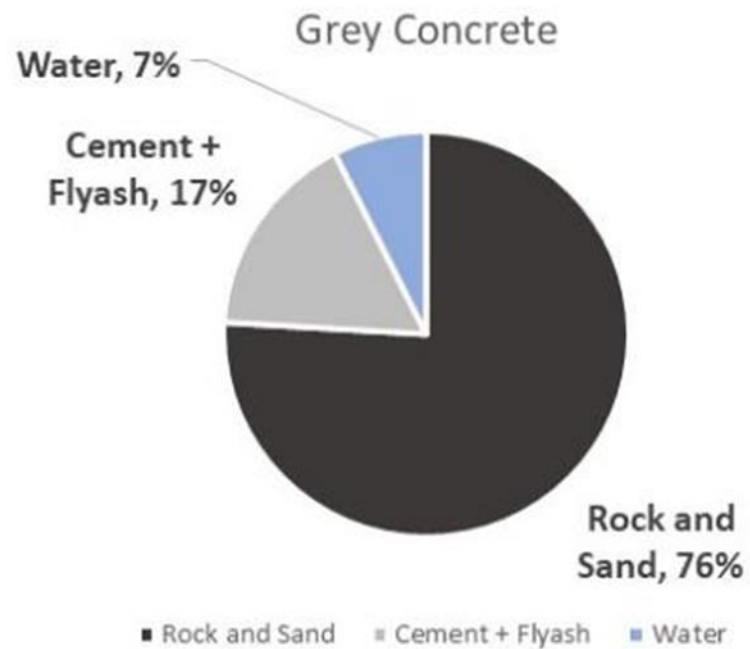


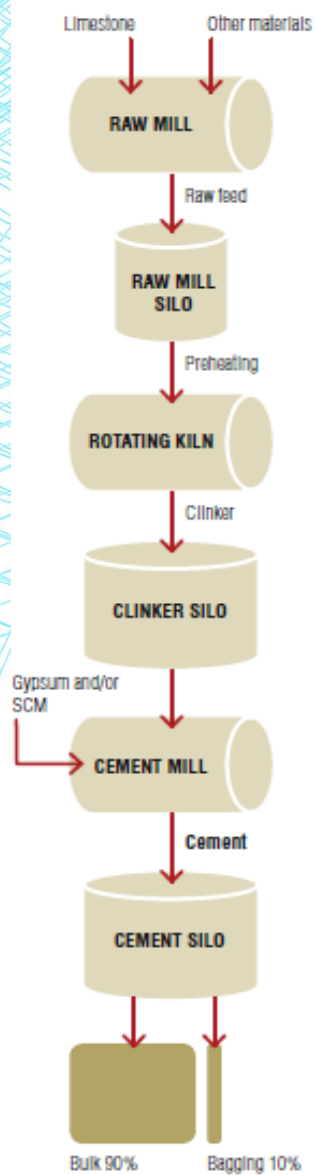


GEPOLYMER CONCRETE AS ALTERNATIVE TO TRADITIONAL CONCRETE

- What is it?
- Why should I specify it?
- Is it as strong enough?

COMPOSITION





THE GREEN DISCUSSION

- Extremely low CO₂ emission and embodied energy
- Geopolymer binder has 80 % reduction CO₂ emissions compared to Portland Cement
- Recycled materials: slag and flyash
- CO₂ Emissions Reduction
 - 1 m³ EFC[®] 40 MPa saves 220 kg of CO₂
 - Globally, 1 tonne of Portland Cement produces 1 tonne CO₂
 - 8% of the world's total CO₂ emissions.

Figure 2 Cement manufacture



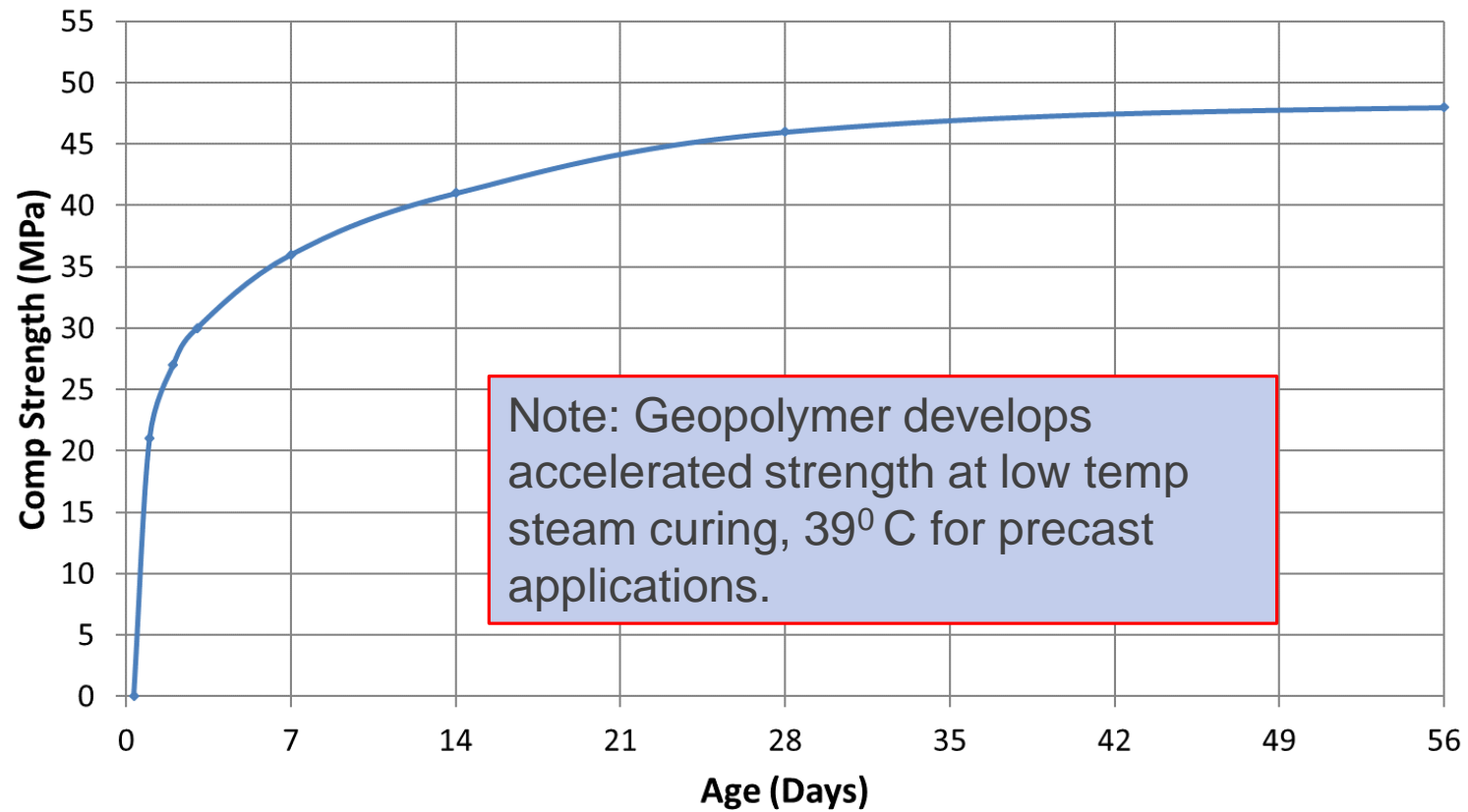
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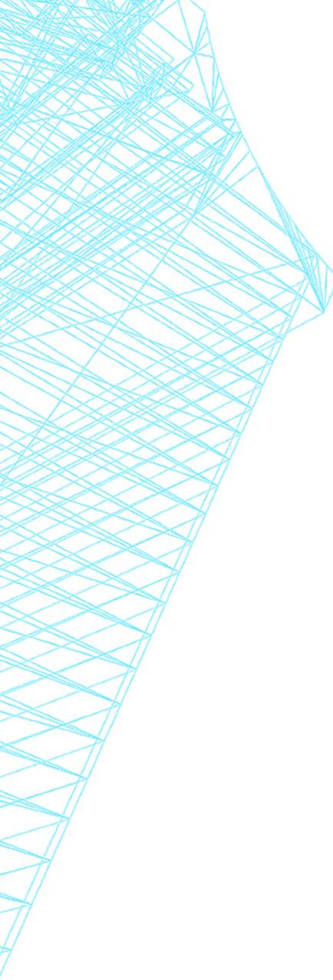
- ***BENEFITS OF Geopolymer Concrete compared to conventional concrete***
- 30% higher flexural tensile.
- Far lower drying shrinkage than conventional concrete when tested to AS 1012.13.
- Vastly improved durability performance. Validated through independent testing and R&D studies by RMIT University in Melbourne (2012) and IBAC Institute, Aachen University, Germany under direction of BU Consultants Dr Stephan Uebachs (2018). o higher resistance to chloride ion induced corrosion of embedded reinforcing steel
- higher sulphate attack resistance
- higher acid attack resistance
- very low heat of reaction which eliminates the risk of thermal micro cracking
- ***Geopolymer Concrete*** is the lowest carbon emission concrete available in the world today.
- ***Geopolymer Concrete*** has a higher level of fire resistance than conventional concrete as evidenced by fire testing conducted at CSIRO.

Mechanical Material Property	EFC (compared to Portland Cement Concrete)
Compressive strength	equivalent
Flexural tensile strength	30% higher
Early age strength	good
Drying shrinkage	Lower (average 350 $\mu\epsilon$ @ 56 days)
Youngs Modulus (stiffness)	Similar ; 10% higher
Poissons Ratio	Similar ; 0.20 – 0.24

HARDENING UP

Comp Strength v Age Graph - 40 MPa Grade





	GP cement	GP ; Flyash (FA) ; Silica Fume (SF)	GP ; FA ; SF + Biocide	Calcium Aluminate cement	Geopolymer
Binder solids (kg)	450	450	454	450	450
w/b ratio	0.36	0.36	0.35	0.42	0.43
Slump (mm)	230	220	220	220	140
28d Comp (MPa)	87.5	78.0	77.5	74.5	53.0
Chloride ion migration coefficient ($10^{-12}\text{m}^2/\text{s}$)	5.4	1.7	1.5	0.70	0.84
Chloride ion diffusion coefficient ($10^{-12}\text{m}^2/\text{s}$)	4.6	1.4	1.2	1.6	0.48



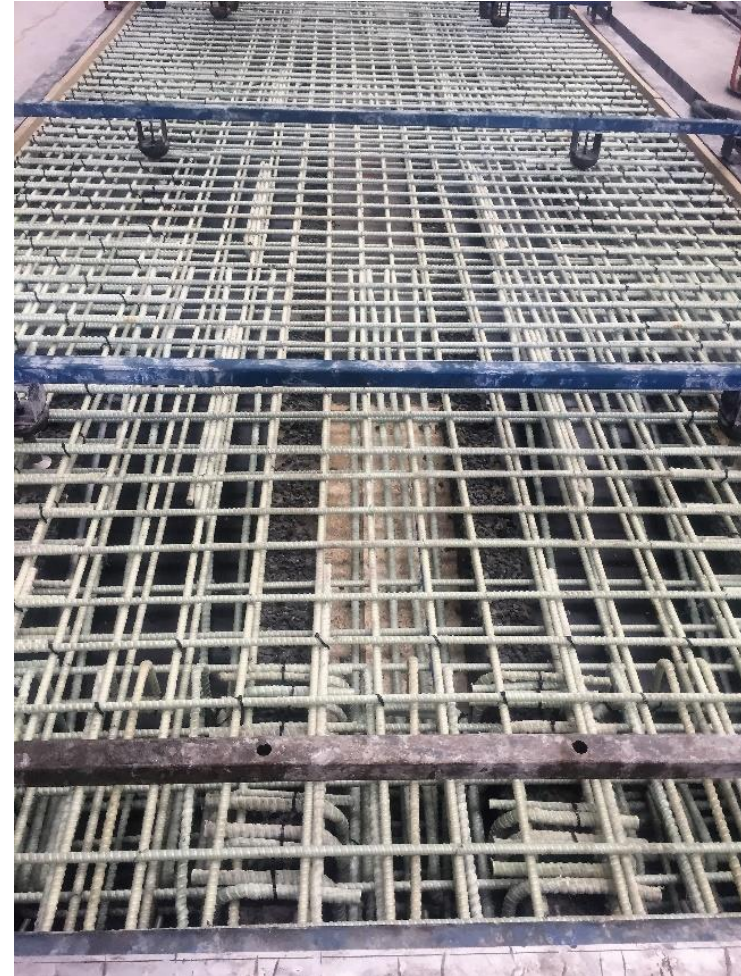
COMPOSITE REBAR

- Corrosion Resistance - will not rust, and are impervious to the action of salt ions, chemicals, and the alkalinity inherent in concrete.
- Superior Tensile Strength - composite rebar offers a tensile strength up to twice that of steel.
- Thermal Expansion - Basalt rebar offers a level of thermal expansion comparable to concrete.
- Electrical and Magnetic Neutrality - contains no metal, and will not interfere with the operation of sensitive electronic devices such as medical MRI units or electronic testing devices.
- Thermal insulation - highly efficient in resisting heat transfer, such as from building exteriors to interiors.
- Lightweight - weighs approximately one-quarter the weight of an equivalent size steel bar, offering significant savings in



HOW IT ALL COMES
TOGETHER

FRP REBAR AND PRECAST

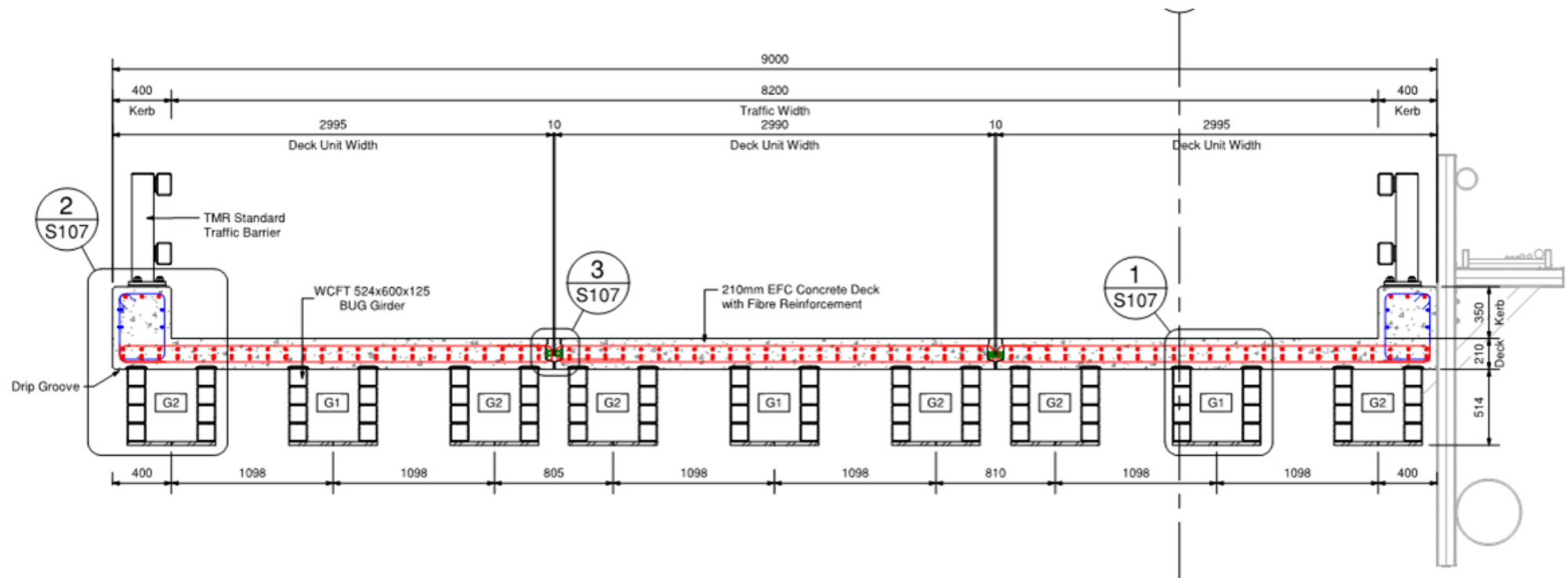




HYBRID STRUCTURES – THE WHARF

- Steel piles and headstock beams
- ‘Hybrid prefabricated deck panels’
 - CFT U-Girders + EFC deck with FRP reinforcement
 - 192 no. units manufactured at Wagners Precast
- Deck unit design undertaken by i-cubed engineers
 - 6 MPa flex strength
 - 50 MPa compressive strength
- Manufacture requirements
 - 20 MPa strip strength in 14 hrs

DESIGN

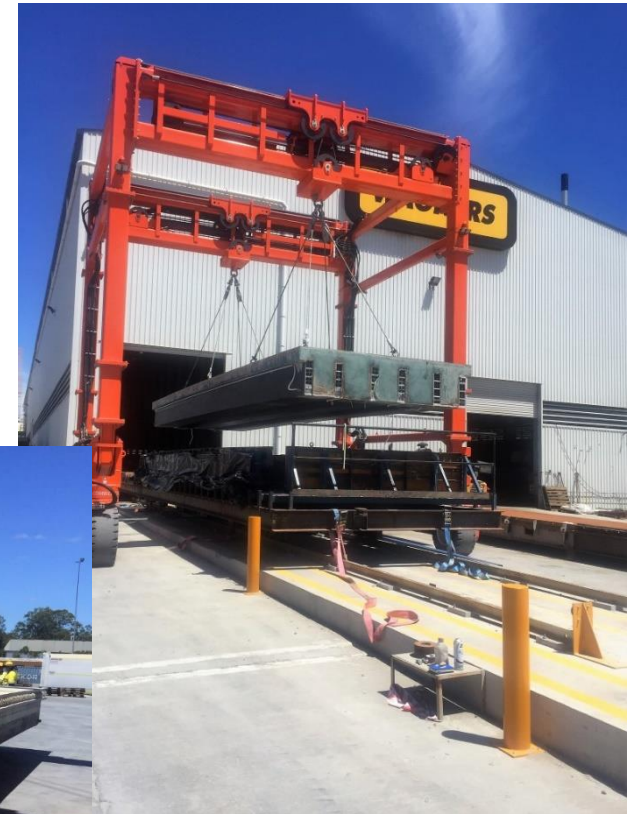




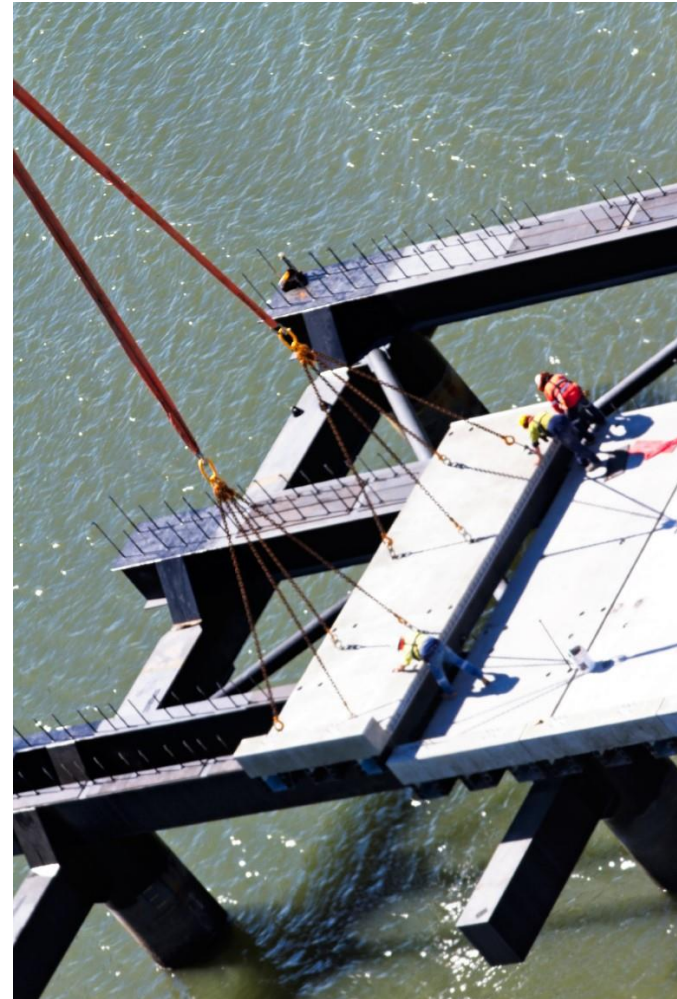
CONSIDERATION

- Cranage, diminishing gains
- Lifespan
- Speed
- Reduced support structure
- Environmental considerations

HYBRID PANEL PRODUCTION



INSTALLATION



HOME STRETCH

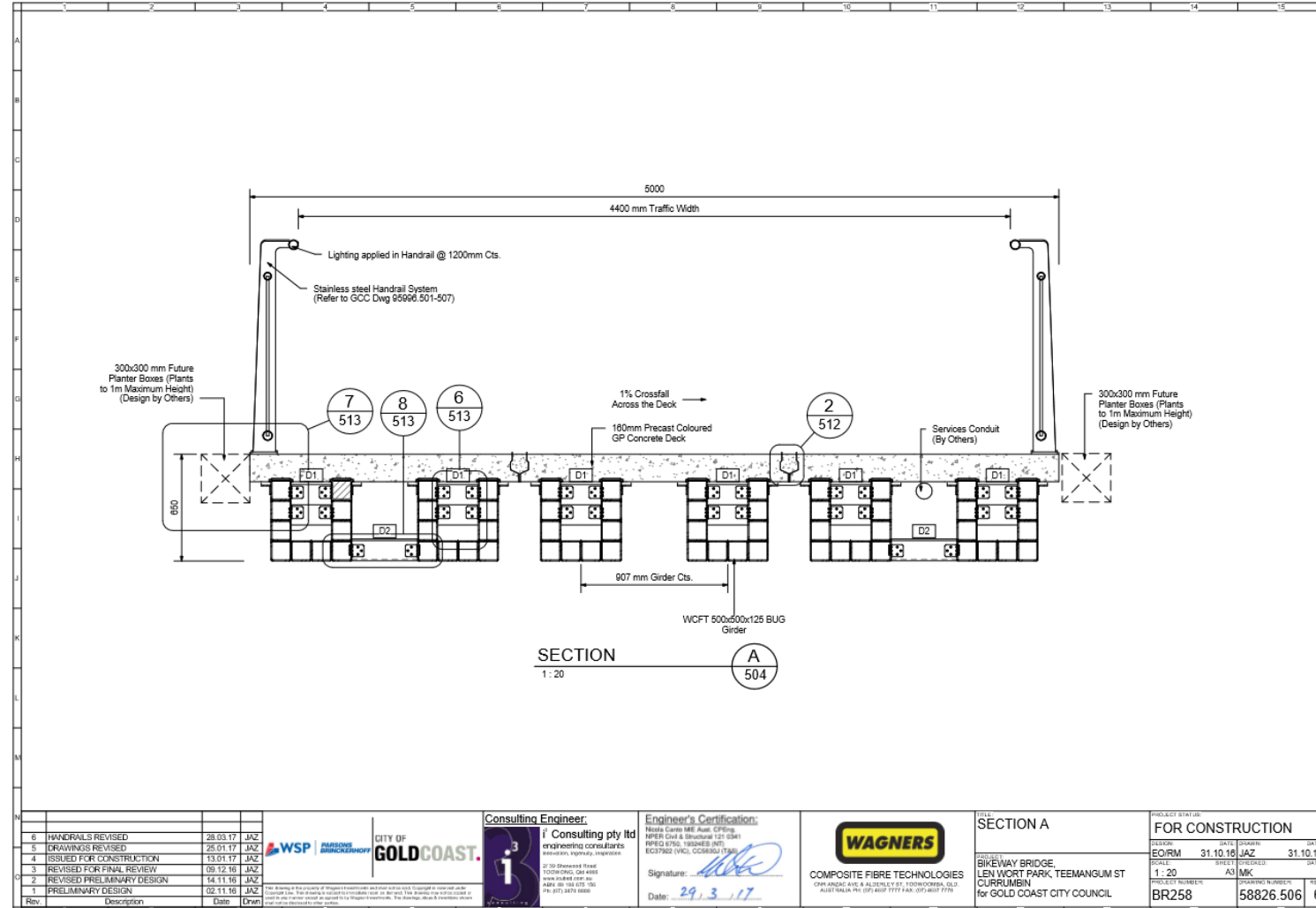




CURRUMBIN PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

- Design requirements
- Sympathetic to existing infrastructure
- Concrete selection
- Speed of install
- Reduction of equipment

DESIGN



FRP ELEMENTS



INSTALLATION



COMPLETED PROJECT



SM 1600 ROAD BRIDGES (SHORT SPAN)



NEW APPLICATIONS



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OTHER THINGS

- Light poles
- Electrical Crossarms
- Wave Attenuators
- Maritime structures
- Aviation Infrastructure
- Civil infrastructure



Thank You For Your
Time.

Questions?