

Innovative Trail Technologies

Objectives

- Brief history of trail infrastructure
- Highlight bridge/boardwalk projects
- Helical pile applications and installation
- Alternative decking materials
- Fiberglass bridge construction
- Stone trail construction

Delaware's Trail History

- Most of our park trails were
 - Old farm roads
 - Fishing trails
 - Social trails

Why Bother?

- Minimize environmental impact
- Decrease long term maintenance/costs
- Increase safety (decrease liability)
- Increase user enjoyment and accessibility

S.C.O.R.P.

- Statewide, 85% of those surveyed said walking or jogging are activities in which a member of their household will participate in over the next 12 months.

Most Participated in Activities Statewide:

1. Walking or jogging
2. Bicycling
3. Swimming at the Beach
4. Passive Recreation in the Outdoors
5. Visiting Historic Sites

Bridges

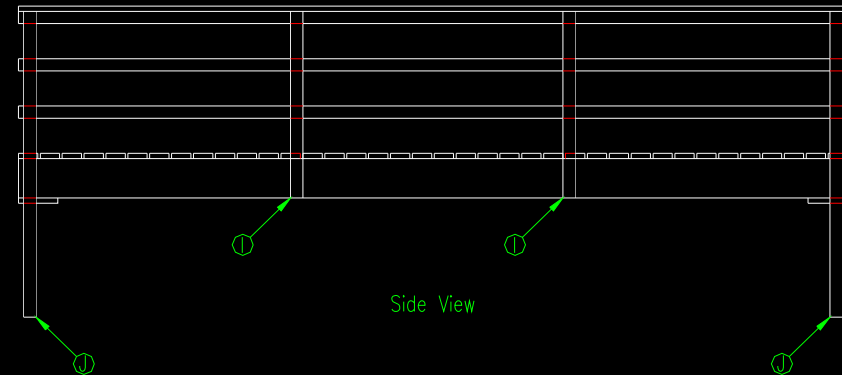
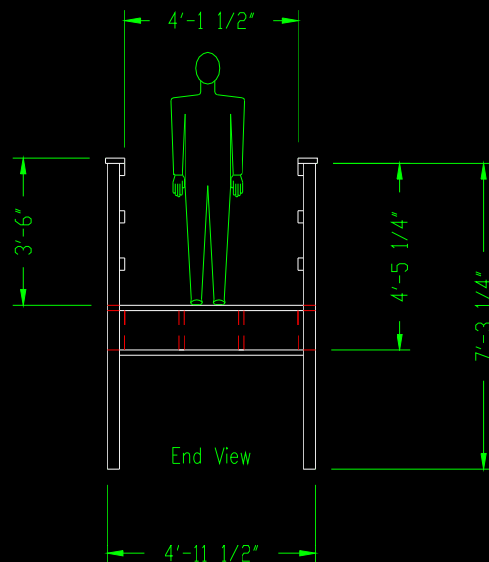
- Protect natural resources
- Increase accessibility
- Enhance safety
- Create overlook opportunities
- Add interest to the trail experience

Bridge Evolution



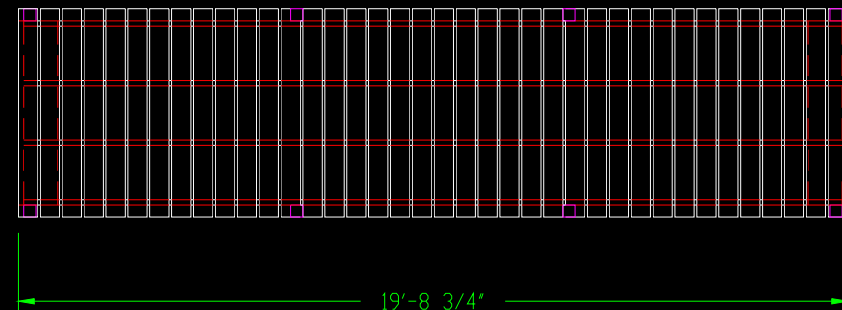
The Emergence of a Standard

- Developed in 1999 and modified perpetually
- Standard 16 and 20 foot spans
- Multiple bridges can be combined
- All wood with galvanized/stainless hardware
- Eases repairs
- Limits liability
- Can be built without handrails for boardwalk applications



Materials

Quan.	Size	Description	Used for:
4	2x12x20'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Joists
2	2x12x10'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Ends and End Plates
1	2x10x8'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Handrail Post Bracing
2	2x6x20'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Handrail Caps
19	2x6x10'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Bridge Decking
10	2x6x10'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Ramp Decking
4	2x6x10'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Ramp Joists
9	2x4x14'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Guard Rails
2	4x4x10'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Handrail Posts
4	4x4x8'	#2 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine	Handrail Posts
24	1/2x6"	Plated Carriage Bolts	Handrail Posts
24	1/2"	Flat Washers	Handrail Posts
24	1/2"	Lock Washers	Handrail Posts
24	1/2"	Nuts	Handrail Posts
15 lbs	16d	Hot Dipped Galvanized Deck Nails	Entire Structure



Notes:

- 1) For the sake of clarity, the side and top views do not show handrail post bracing. Refer to Plate 2.
- 2) For the sake of clarity, the handrails are not drawn in the plan view.
- 3) Lettered items are cross referenced with the cut list.

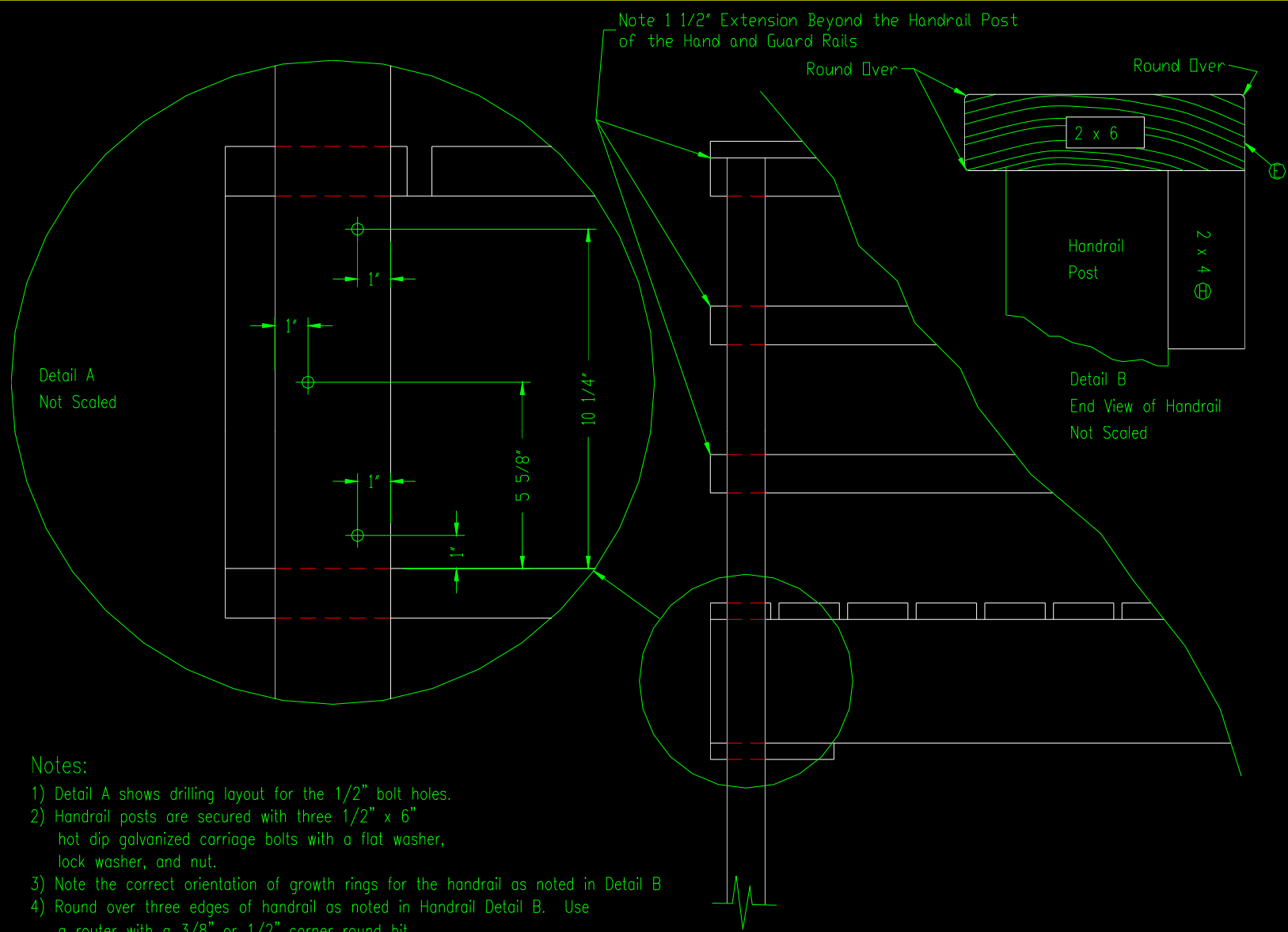
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Project No.

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Standard 20' Bridge

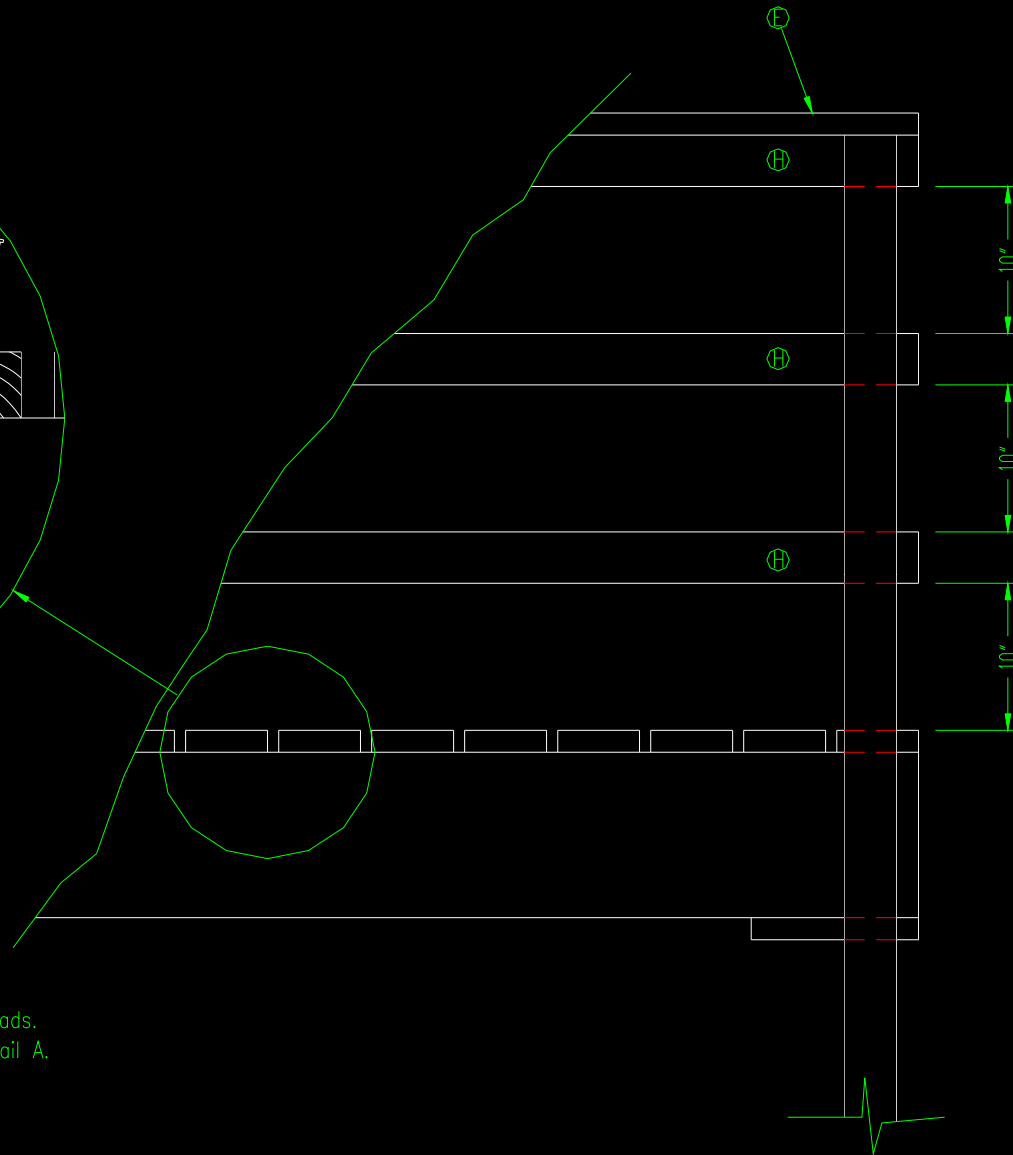
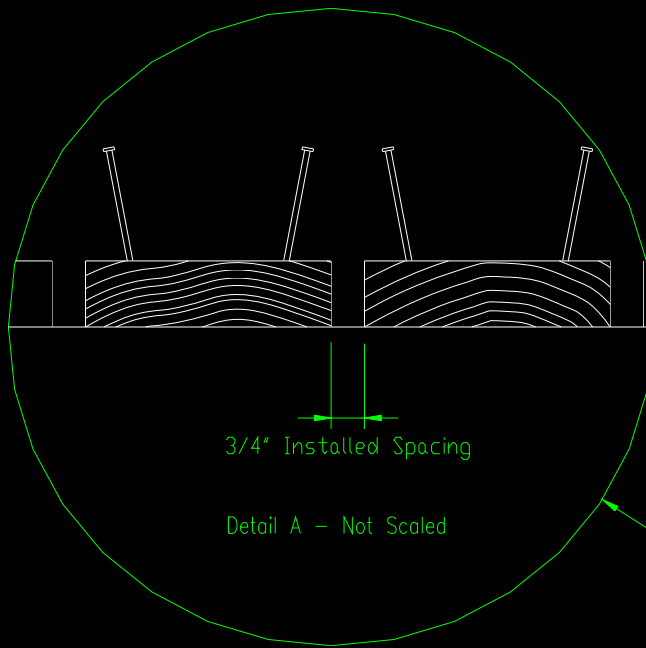
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Notes;

- 1) Two 10" spacers may be used to hold guard rails in position while they are being nailed.
- 2) Drive nails into the treads at an angle as shown in Detail A (clinching) to avoid nail pop.
- 3) Place treads with the growth rings oriented as shown in Detail A to prevent water from being held in cupped treads.
- 4) Use 3/4 ply or 1x shims to space treads as shown in Detail A.
- 5) Lettered items are cross referenced with the cut list.

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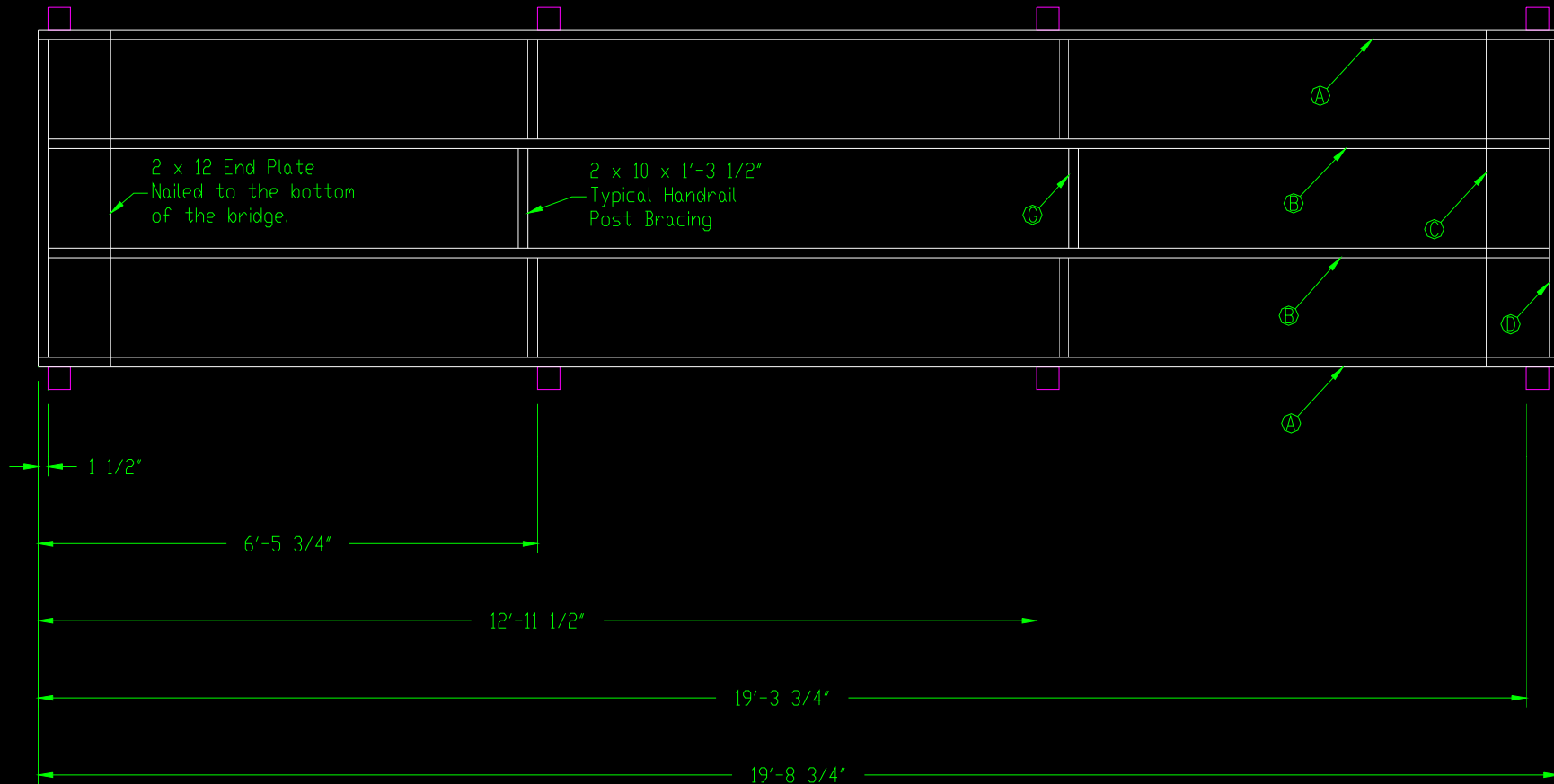
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Standard 20' Bridge Details

Scale: 1" = 1'

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Notes:

- 1) Joists are 2 x 12 Pressure Treated Yellow Pine (PTYP).
- 2) Dimensions show post placement layout.
- 3) Posts are inset from ends to prevent interference between bolt placement and the ends of the substructure.
- 4) Ends are capped by exterior joists.
- 5) Ends cap interior joists. (See Plate 3 for layout dimensions for ends)
- 6) Handrail Post Bracing consists of 2 x 10 PTYP nailed flush with the bottom of the bridge. (See Plate 3)
- 7) Lettered items are cross referenced with the cut list.

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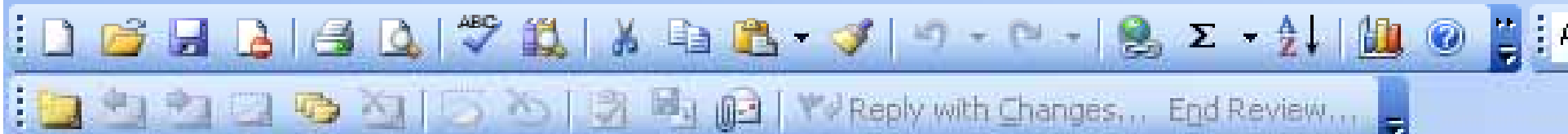
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Standard 20' Bridge Substructure - Plan View

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1							
2	Location	Bridge length	Treads	Guardrails	Interior posts	Post bracings	Bolts
3		20	40.00	9.00	4	6	24
4	white clay	38	76.00	17.10	10	15	42
5	lums	64	128.00	28.80	18	27	66
6	m.r.	44	88.00	19.80	12	18	48
7	Lums	52	104.00	23.40	14	21	54
8	lums bw	30	60.00	13.50	8	12	36
9	dog park	40	80.00	18.00	14	21	54
10	disc golf	5	10.00	2.25	0	0	12
11	gordon's pond	24	48.00	10.80	6	9	30
12		55	110.00	24.75	14	21	54
13		80	160.00	36.00	22	33	78
14		50	100.00	22.50	14	21	54
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Standards Change

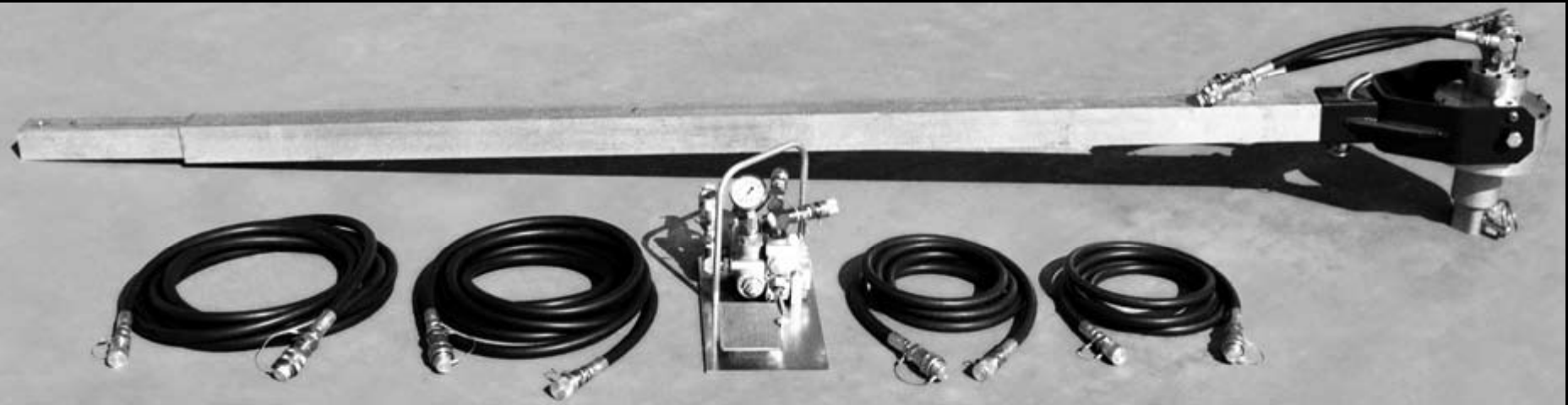
- Wood decking is replaced with composite decking



Helical Pile Foundations



- Available in multiple sizes and shapes
- Adaptable to a variety of soil types
- Last longer than wood
- 1,000 ft/lbs of torque = 10,000 lbs capacity































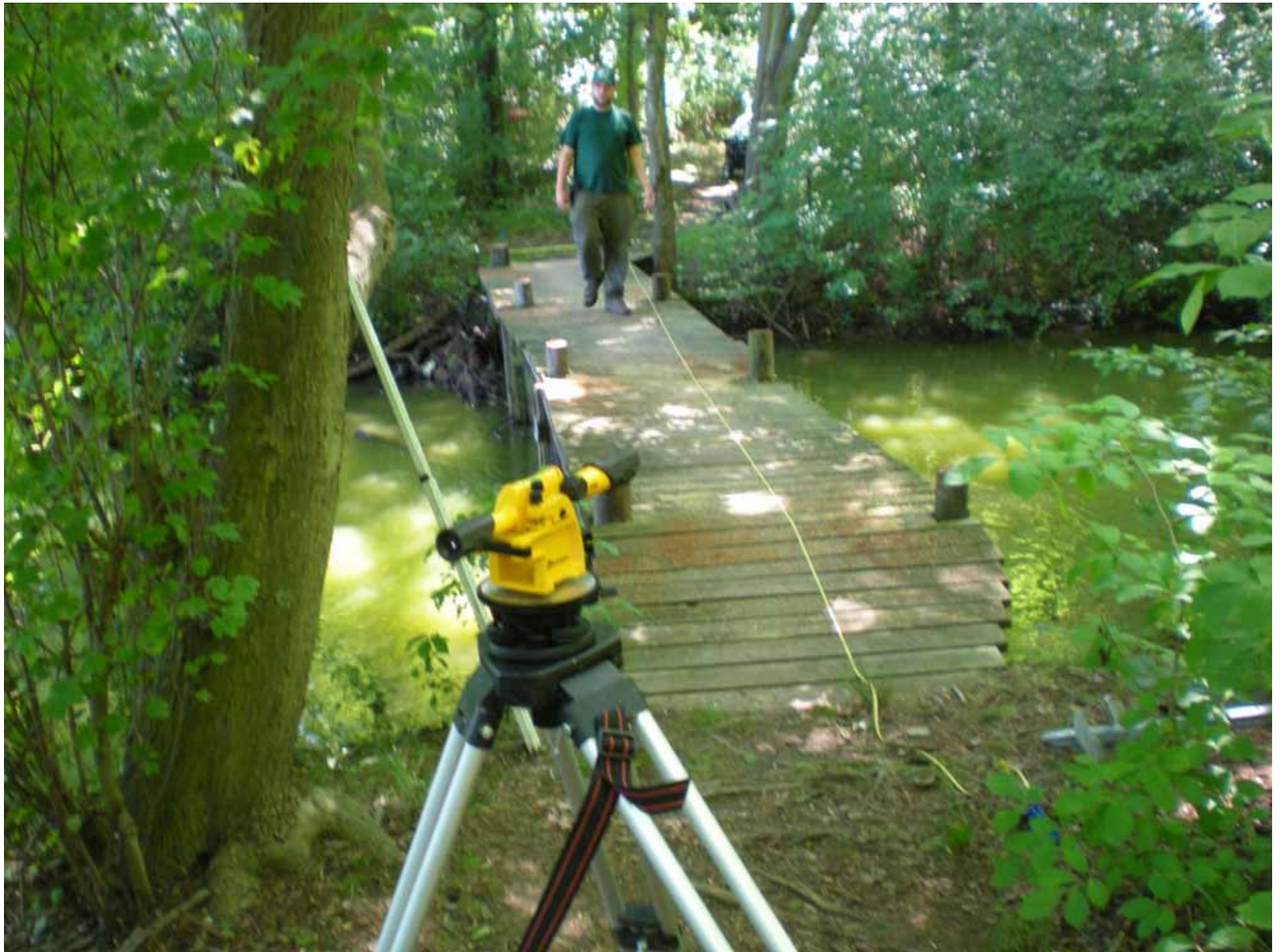




Lums Pond Fiberglass Bridge

- Cost less than steel
- Can be carried in by hand
- Easily assembled by hand
- Can be designed to fit many applications



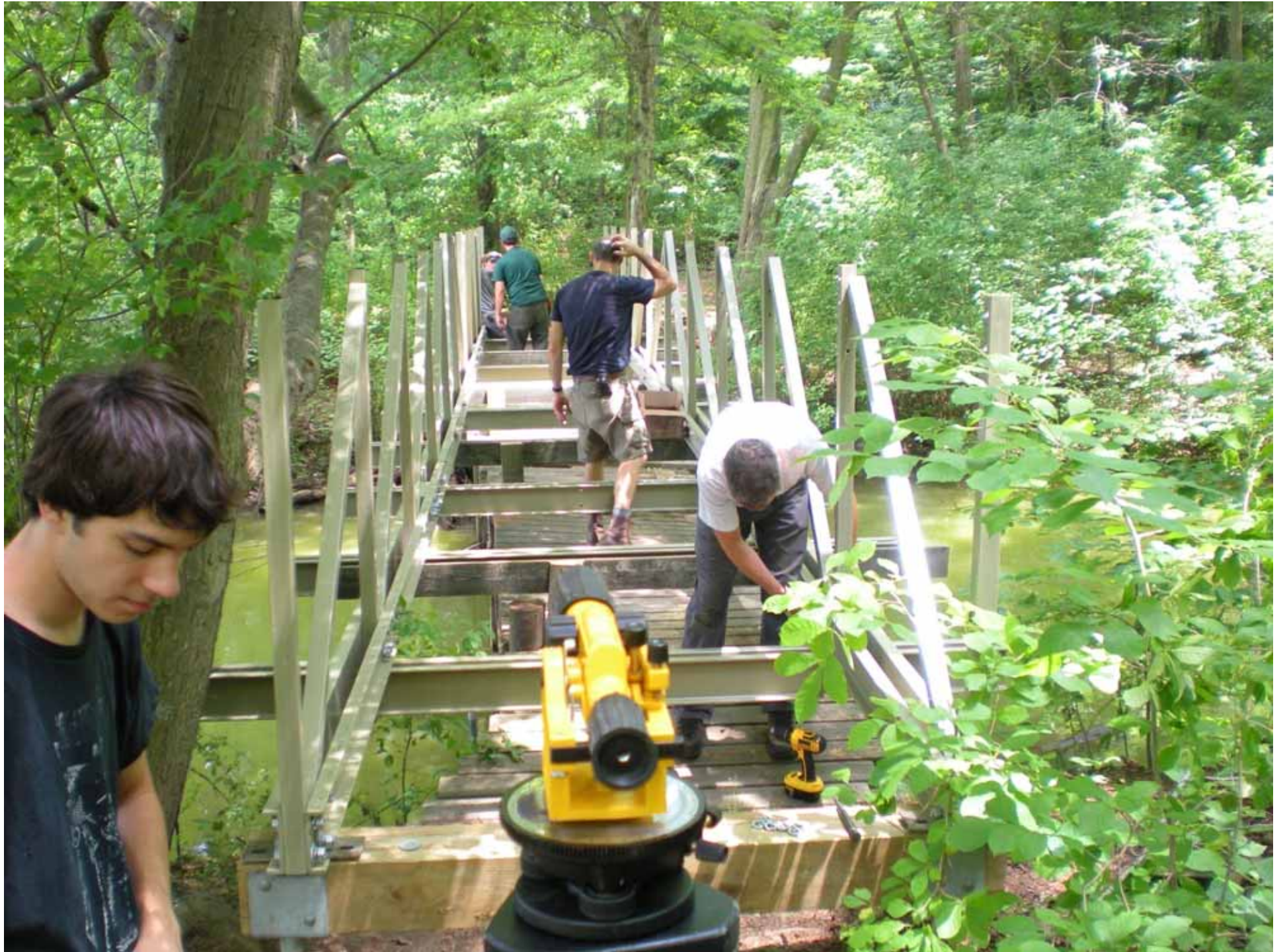










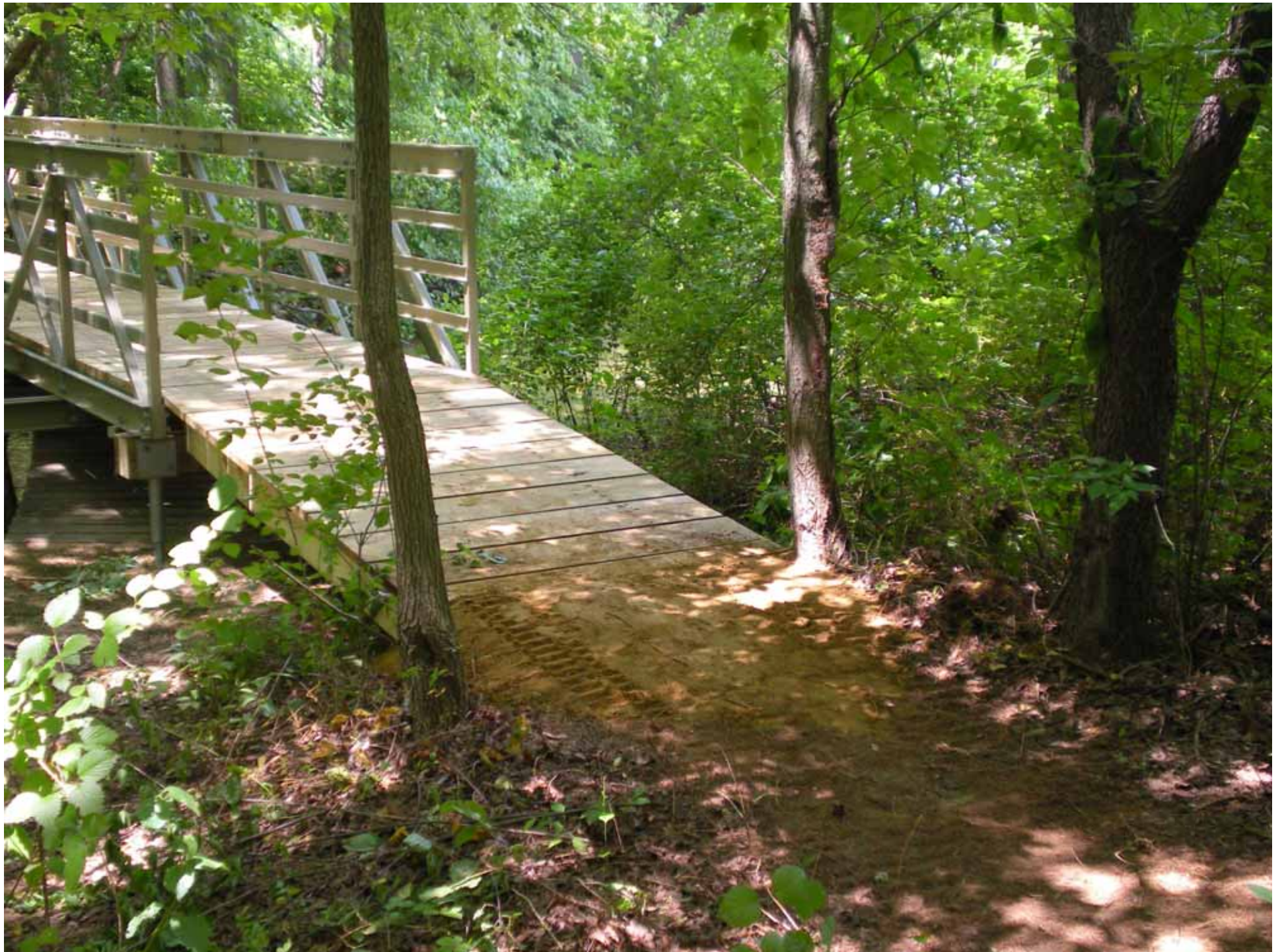


















Burtons Island Boardwalks

- Specifically designed for a salt marsh environment
- Utilized helical piles
- Thru-flow decking required for permitting

Old boardwalk was failing due to a combination of environmental conditions and construction techniques











BURTONS ISLAND
NATURE TRAIL
TEMPORARILY
CLOSED

AUTHORIZED
PERSONNEL ONLY
BEYOND THIS POINT

TRAIL
CLOSED
BEYOND
THIS
POINT















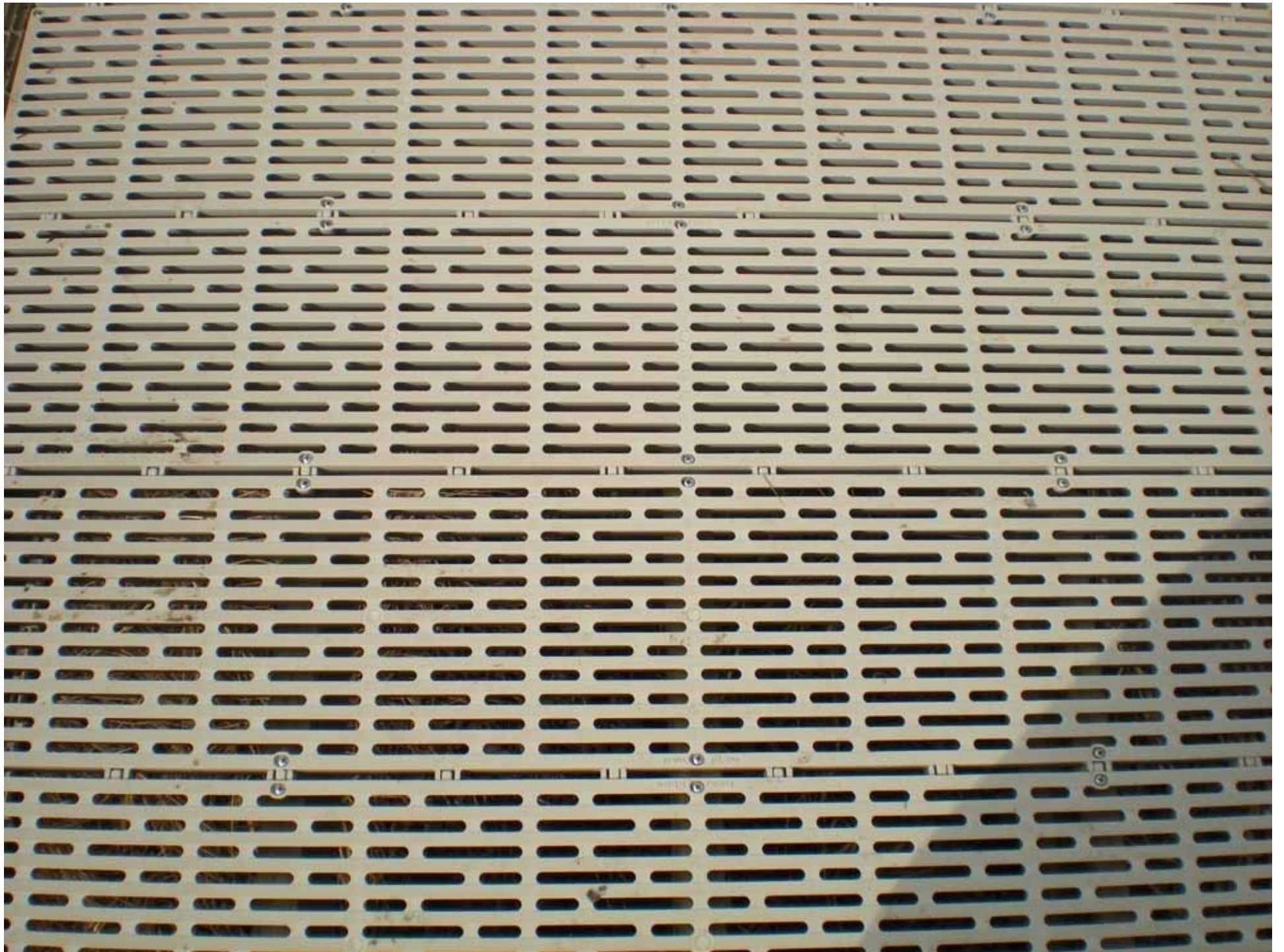




















Hurricane Sandy



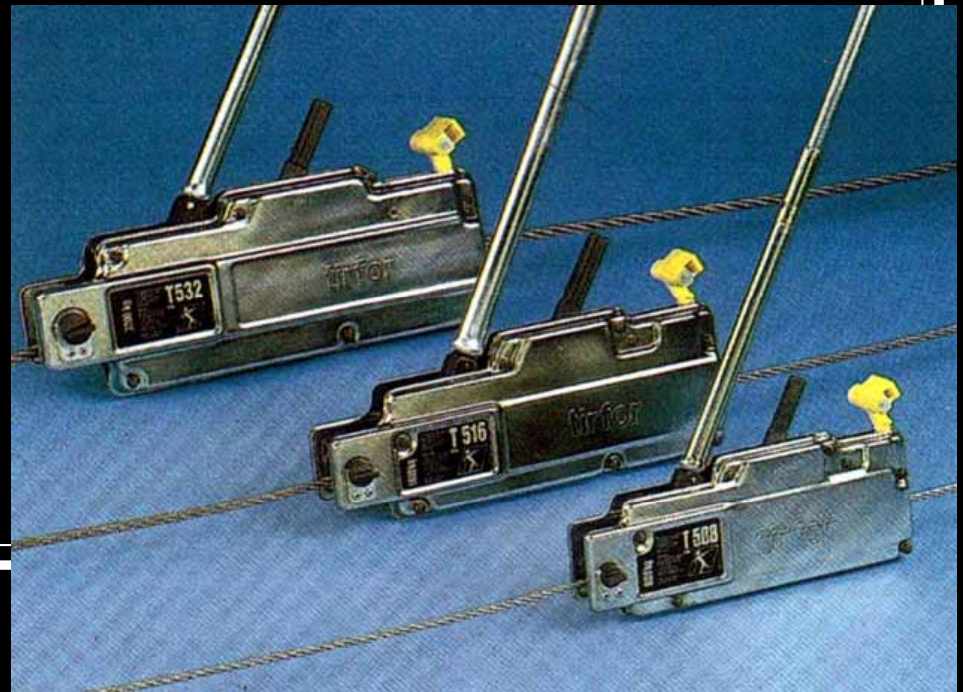






Griphoist

- Capable of pulling over 4000 lbs.
- Low impact, can be carried in by hand
- Capable of moving very heavy materials without machinery









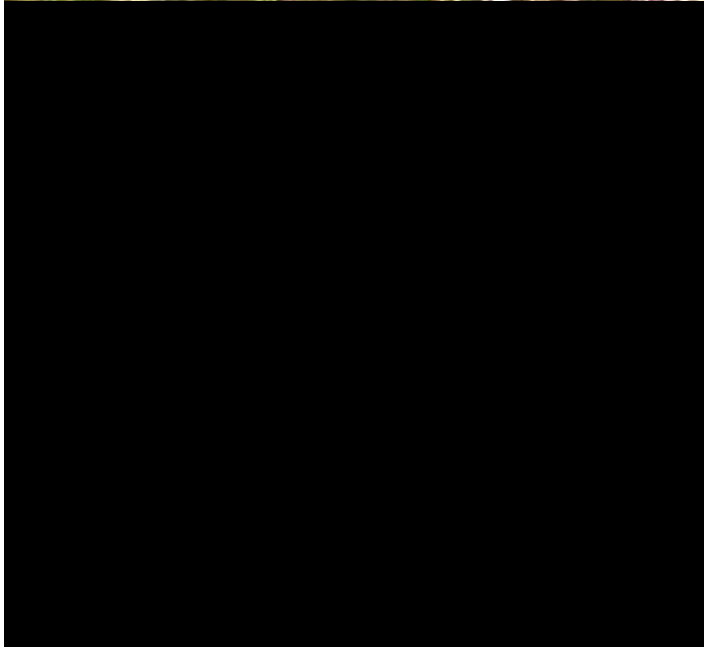








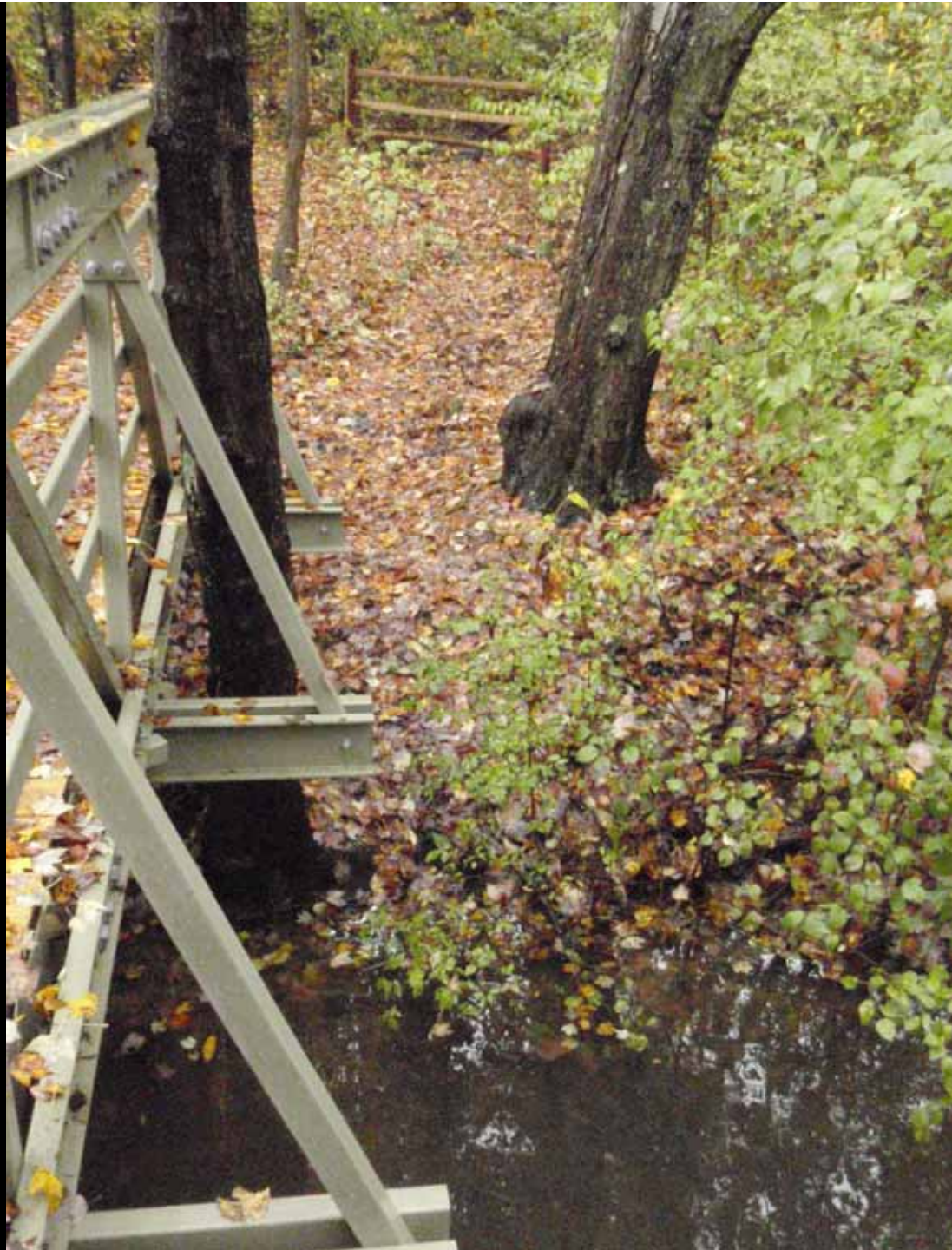
















Trail Counters

- Provide real numbers
- Can distinguish type of use
- Useful in planning and resource management
- Relatively inexpensive

Data Shuttle



Magnetic Counter



Infrared Counter







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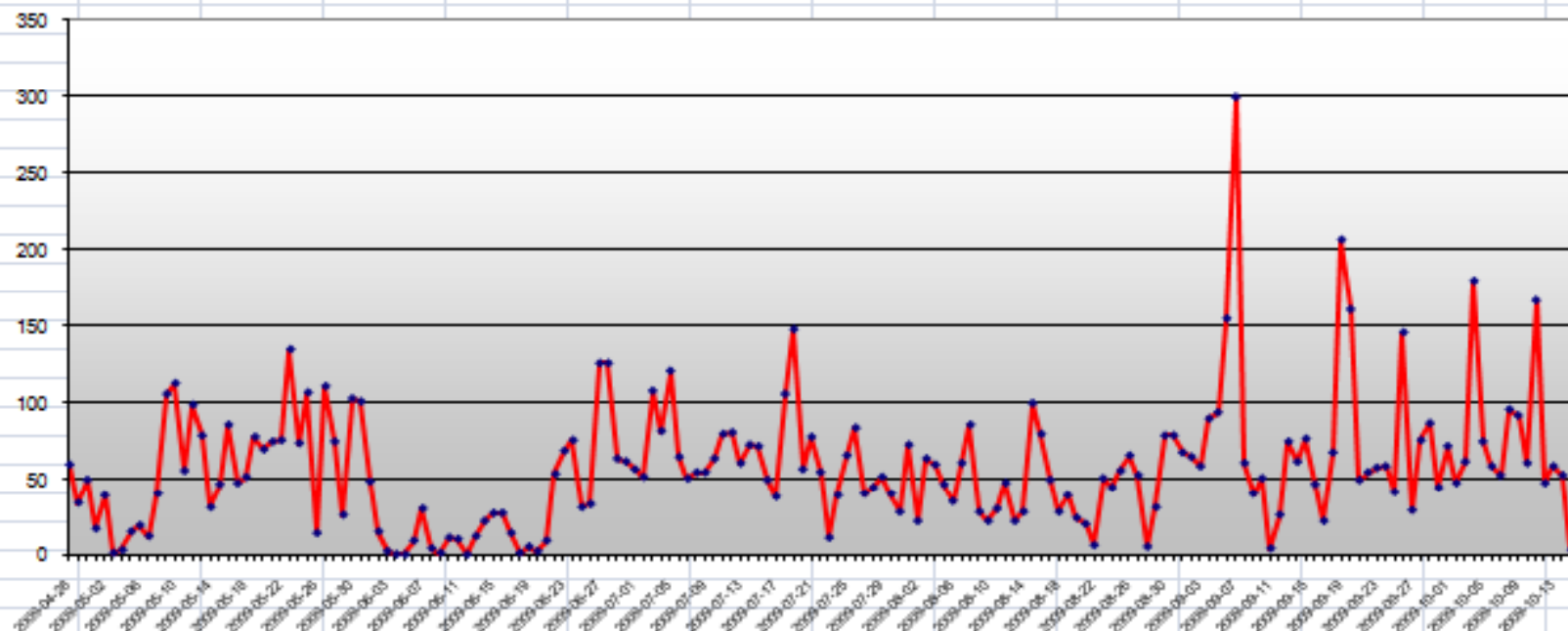
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Totals

Ready

100%

3 Project: Start: 2009-04-28 Location:
 4 Counter: judge morris IR 10-16-09 Finish: 2009-10-16 Comment:



31	Total Counts:	9792	Daily Mean Weekday:	48.4	Total (1):	9792
32	Total Periods:	172	Daily Mean Weekend:	79.1	Total (2):	0
33	Period Length:	1 day	Mean Monday	62.1	Percentage (1):	100.0
34	Mean:	56.9	Mean Tuesday	52.4	Percentage (2):	0.0
35	Mode:	22.0	Mean Wednesday	50.0	Mean (1):	56.9
36	Median:	52.5	Mean Thursday	39.1	Mean (2):	0.0
37	Standard Deviation:	42.0	Mean Friday	38.8	Max/Min (1):	299 / 0
38	Maximum:	299	Mean Saturday	76.1	Max/Min (2):	0 / 0
39	Minimum:	0	Mean Sunday	82.0		
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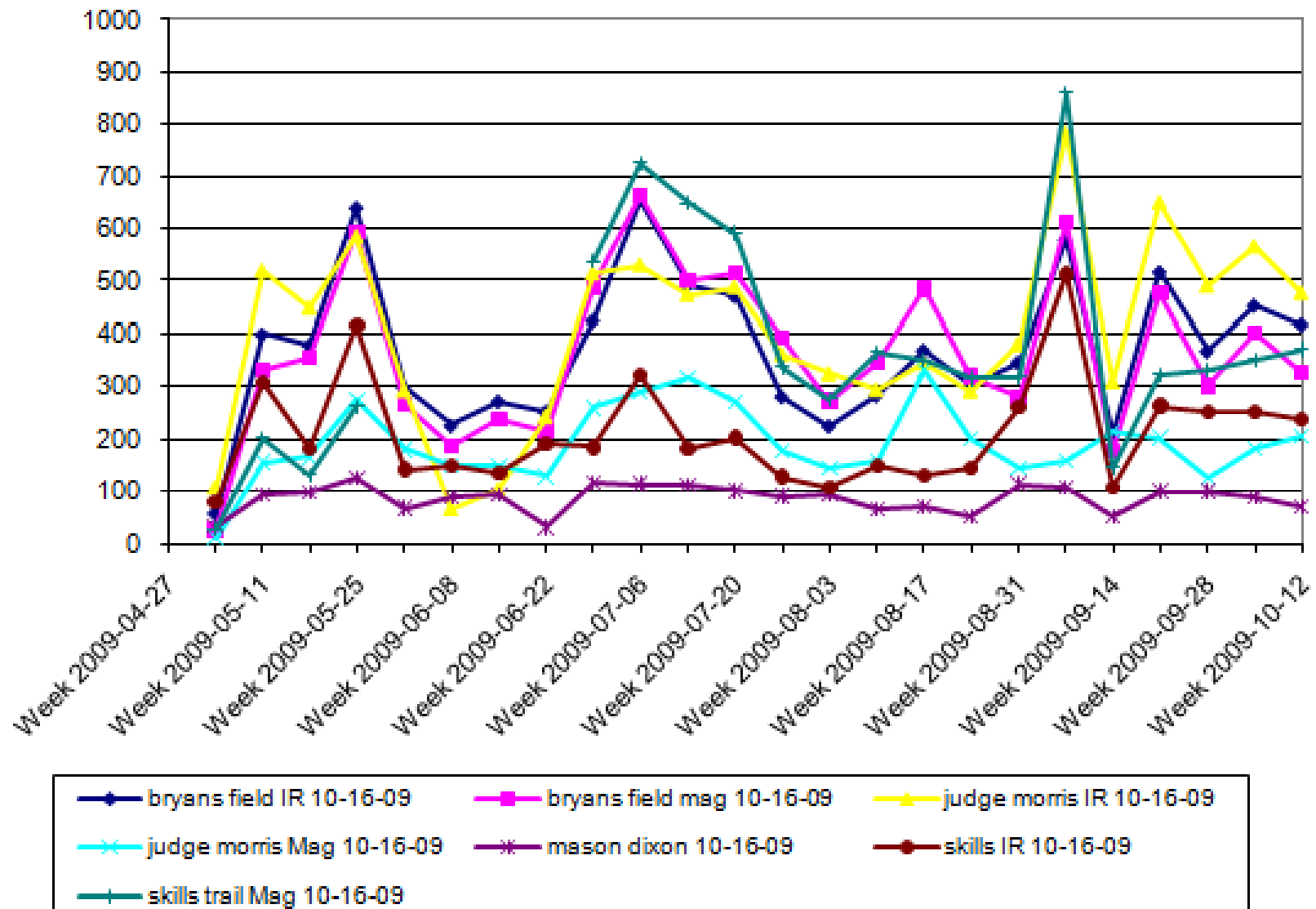
45 FIVE PEAK PERIODS: 2009-09-07 (299), 2009-09-19 (206), 2009-10-04 (179), 2009-10-11 (166), 2009-09-20 (160)

46 judge morris IR 10-16-09 judge morris IR 10-16-0-Daily bryans field mag 10-16-09

Ready

Weekly Composite Charts

Partial weeks omitted. See manual for details.



May-Oct. 2009

	Total	Bikers	%	Hikers	%
Judge Morris	9792	4680	48	5112	52
Bryans Field	9052	8894	98	158	2
Skills Trail	6425	4512	70	1913	30
Mason Dixon	2090	0	0	2090	100
Shared Use Only	25269	18086	72	7183	28
Total	27359	18086	66	9273	34

Stone Trail Construction



Corridor trench cut below
grade





Wet Areas

Goetextile or R4 must be
laid down









Stone is brought in using equipment appropriate for the trail width



Tread is compacted



Tread is crowned or outsloped
5-8% to shed water



Recap

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Thank You

*Special thanks to volunteers and park staff for their assistance on these and other projects