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Location Map







Olmsted Site





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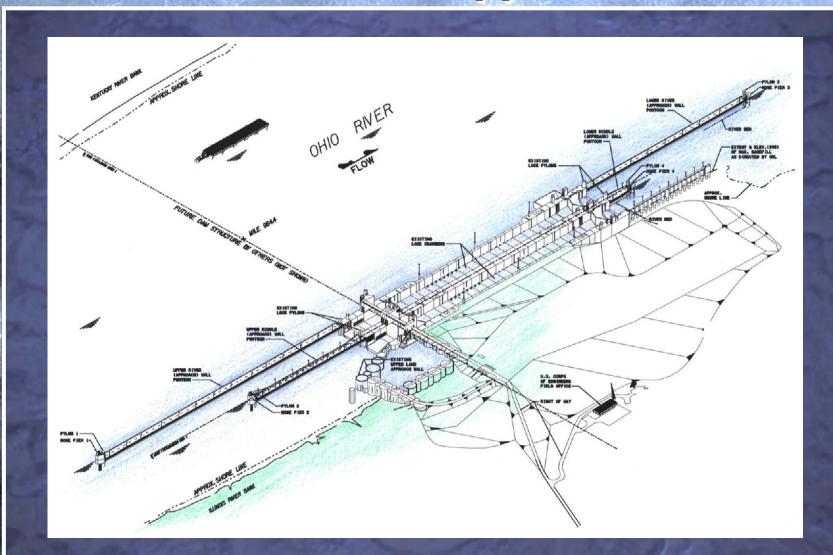


Introduction





Olmsted Locks & Approach Walls







Olmsted Locks & Approach Walls - Today







Olmsted Approach Walls - Design Criteria

- Maintain Open River Navigation During Construction
- **Build Without Cofferdam**
- Minimize Structural Mass to reduce Seismic Loads
- Water Velocities During Construction Up to 2.4 m/s (8fps)
- Priver Level May Change up to 18.3 m (60 ft) in one Season
- ©Resist Lateral Barge Impact; Loads to be Determined
- Minimize the Use of Divers During Construction of Divers



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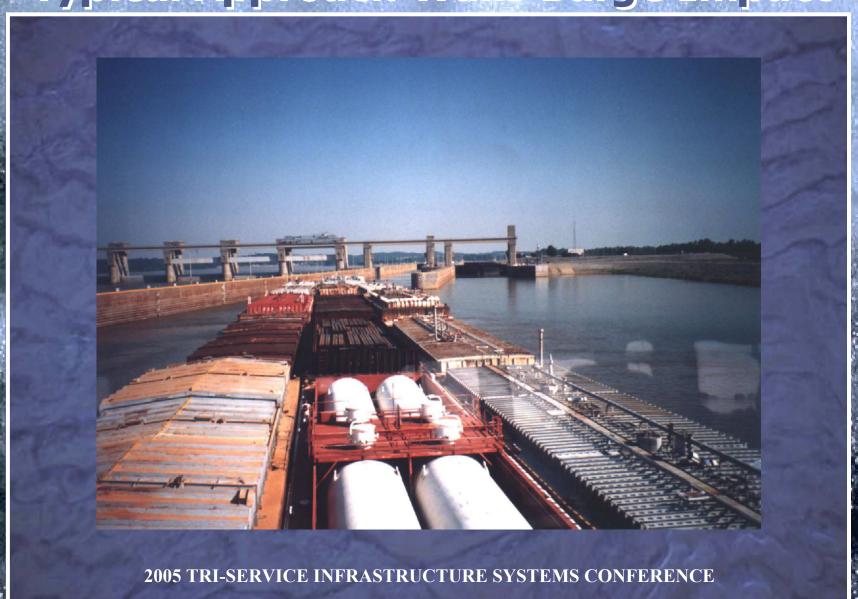


Barge Impact





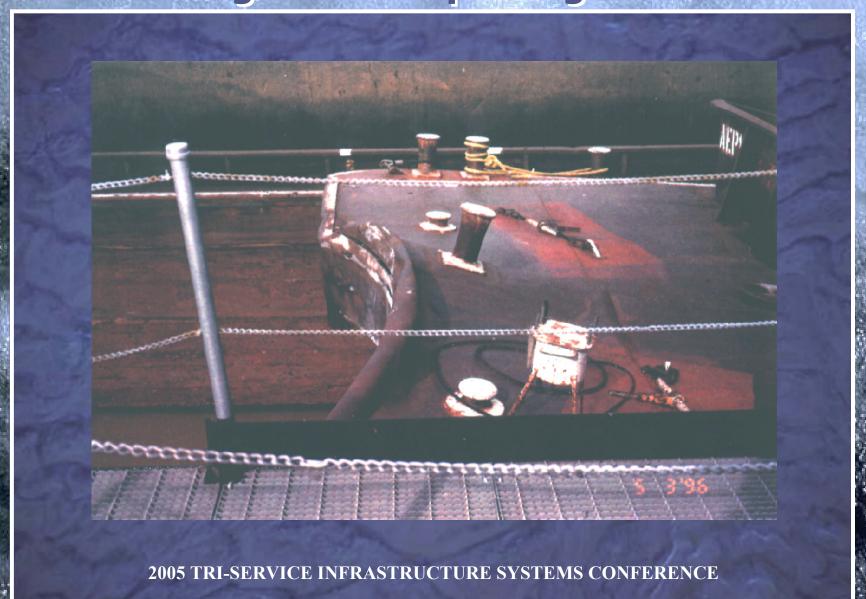
Typical Approach Walls Barge Impact







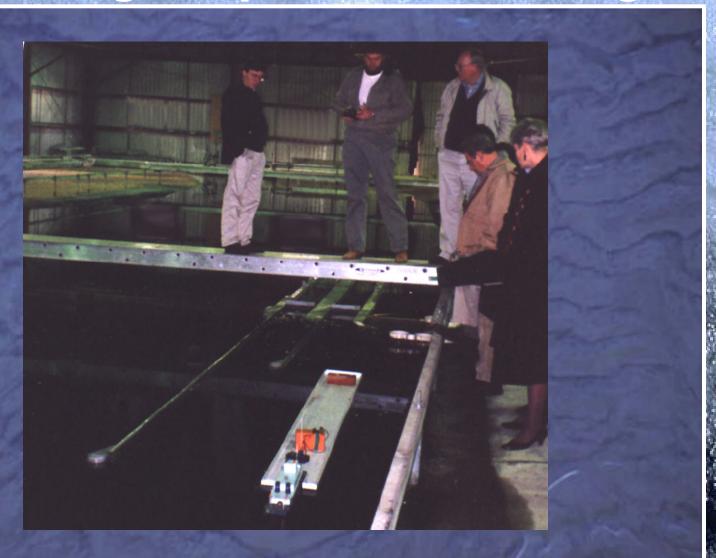
Raked Barge After Impacting a "Bullnose"







WES Barge Impact Model Testing



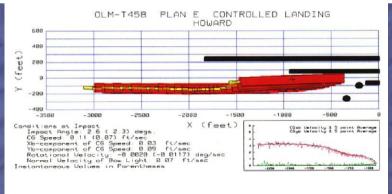


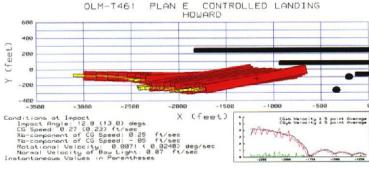


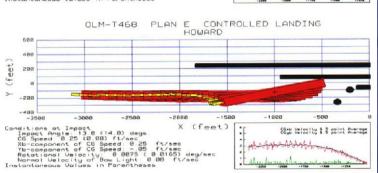
WES Barge Impact Model Testing Results

Over 300

Model test
impacts run by
WES personnel







Model tests
generated Impact
Velocity and
Angle of Impact





Final Olmsted Approach Walls Design Barge Impact Loads (KIPS)

Design Condition	Lower Walls kip	Upper Middle Wall kip	Upper River Wall kip	Nose Pier kip
Usual	300	300	600	4,000
Unusual	450	600	900	
Extreme	500	800	1,000	



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Nose Pier & Pylon





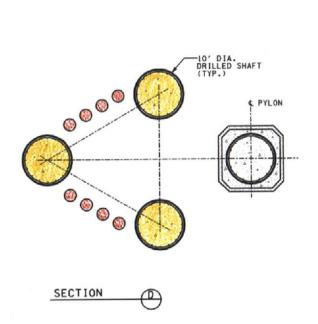
Nose Piers & Pylons



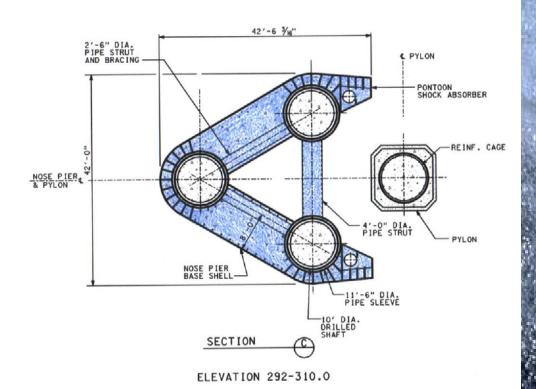




Precast Shell Elements Placed over Shafts



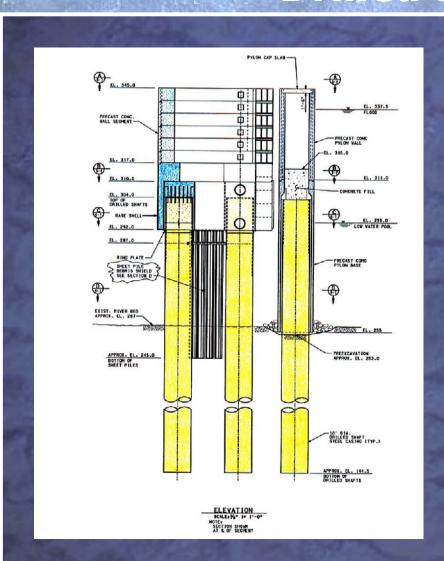
ELEVATION 257-292.0





Founded on 10' Diameter Drilled Shafts





- Casings were fabricated in Idaho before steel prices spiked
- Casings are 44 m long, in one piece
- Casing thickness Varies from 2 3 cm





10-Ft Diameter Casing & Custom Vibratory Hammer

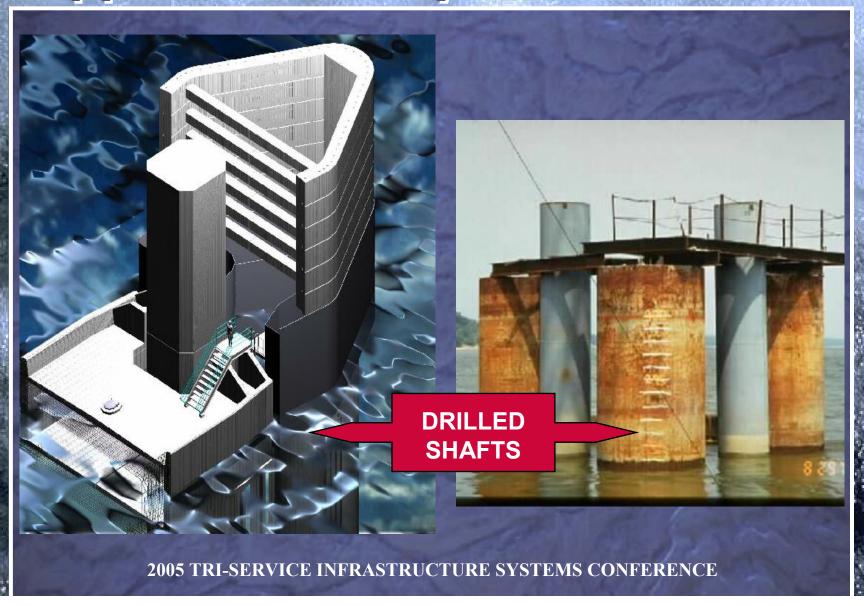








Approach Wall Pylon & Nose Pier





Positioning & Driving a Casing — Ringer Crane Mounted on Jumbo Barge







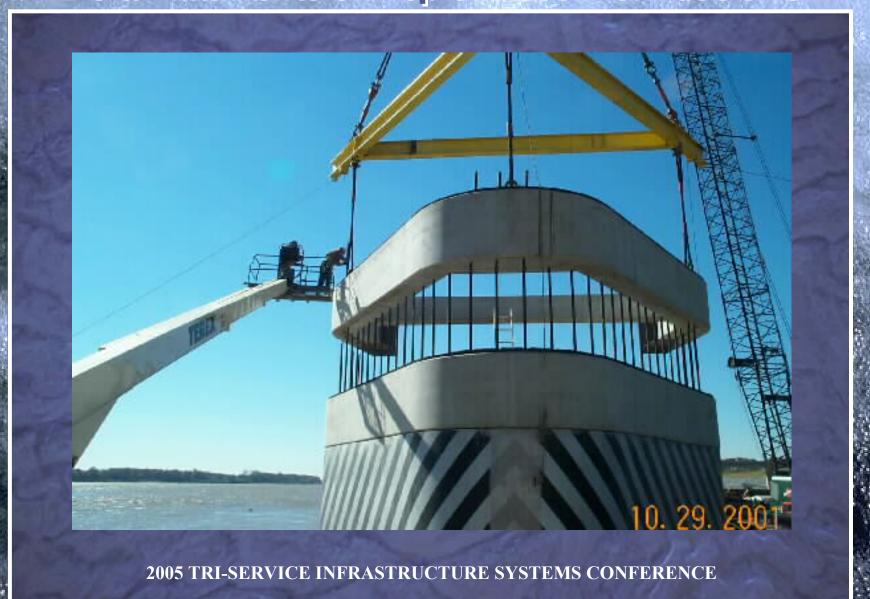
Approach Wall Pylon & Nose Pier





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Setting Precast Concrete Top "Delta" Elements on Top of Nose Pier Base Shell







Approach Wall Pylon & Nose Pier







Installing Precast Concrete Pylon Shell Elements over Drilled Shafts







Painting for Visibility





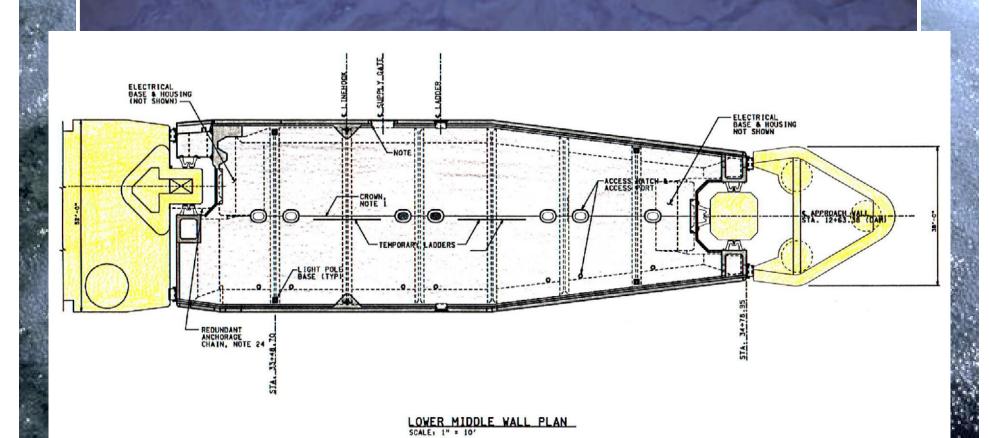
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The Pontoons



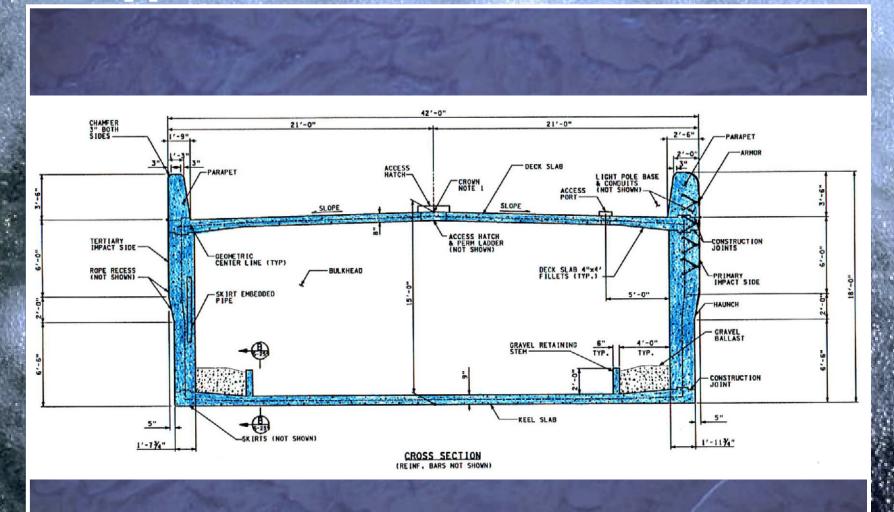








Typical Pontoon Cross Section







Graving Yard & Casting Basin







Overview of Graving Yard Site March 1, 2001

Overview of Graving Dock Site March 1, 2001







Post tensioning with over 6.9 MPa (1000 psi)







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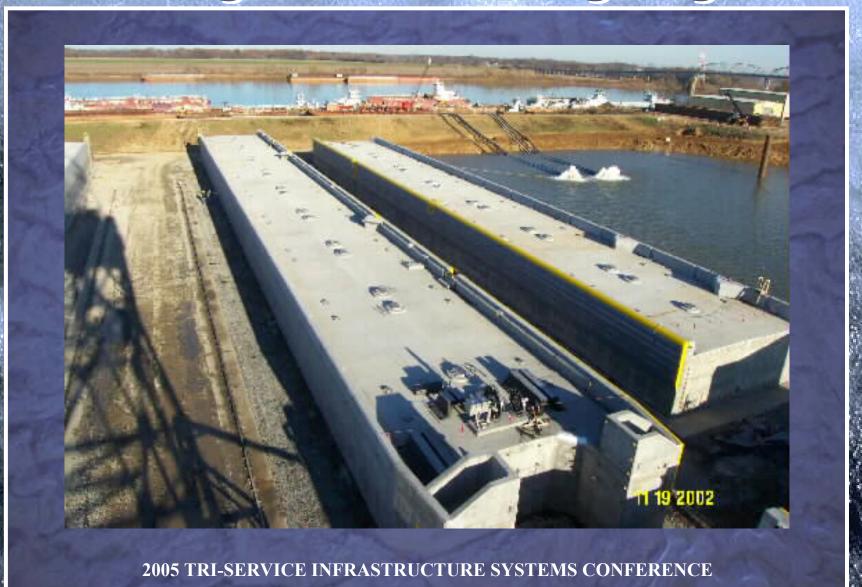


Floating Off the Casting Beds





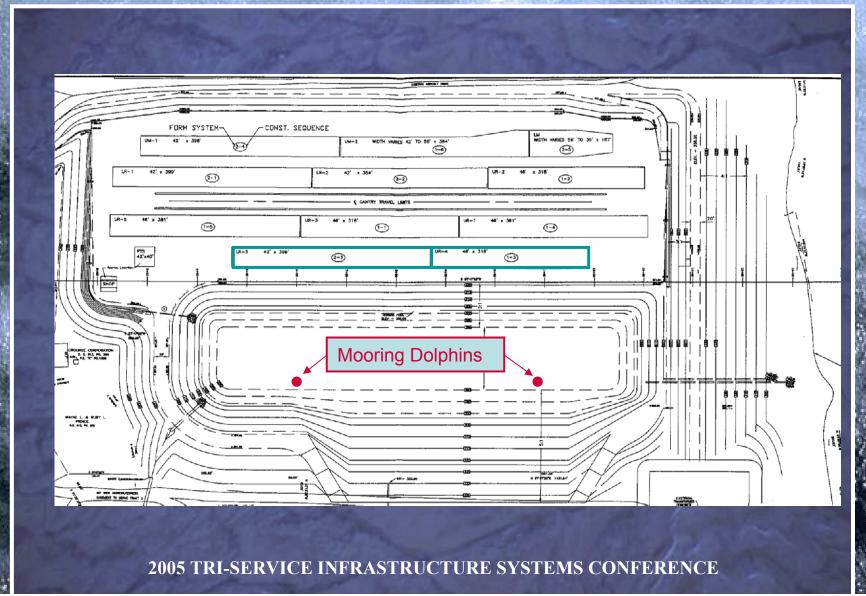
Casting Basin Flooding Begins







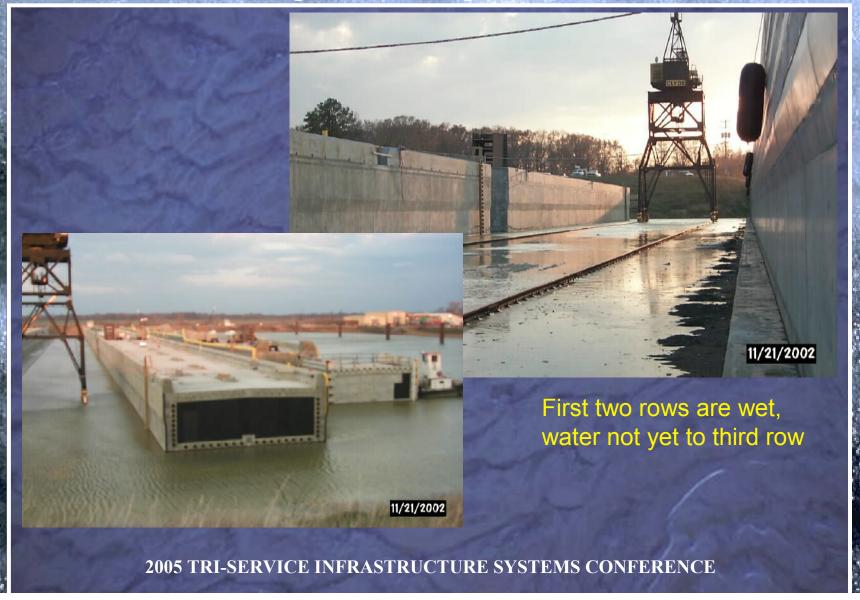
Casting Yard Relationship to Float-out Storage Basin







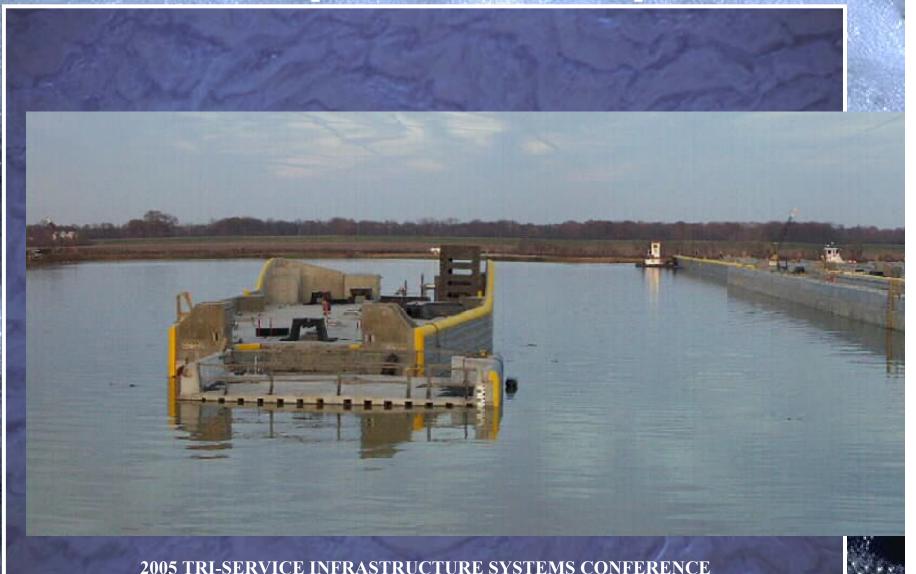
Basin is flooding — pontoons at lower casting elevations get wet first







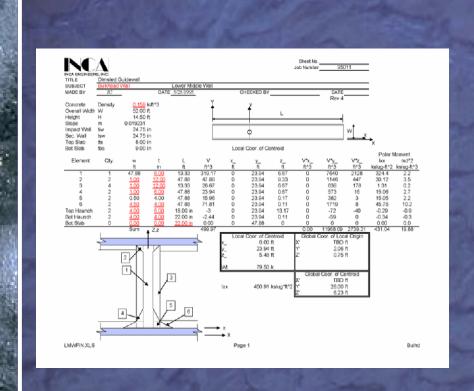
Basin Superflood Complete

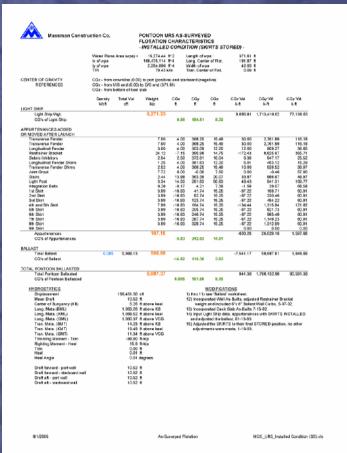






Painstaking Bouyancy Calculations









Pontoons all Afloat and Have Been Moored to Dolphins







Completed Pontoons Ready to Transport to Olmsted Site







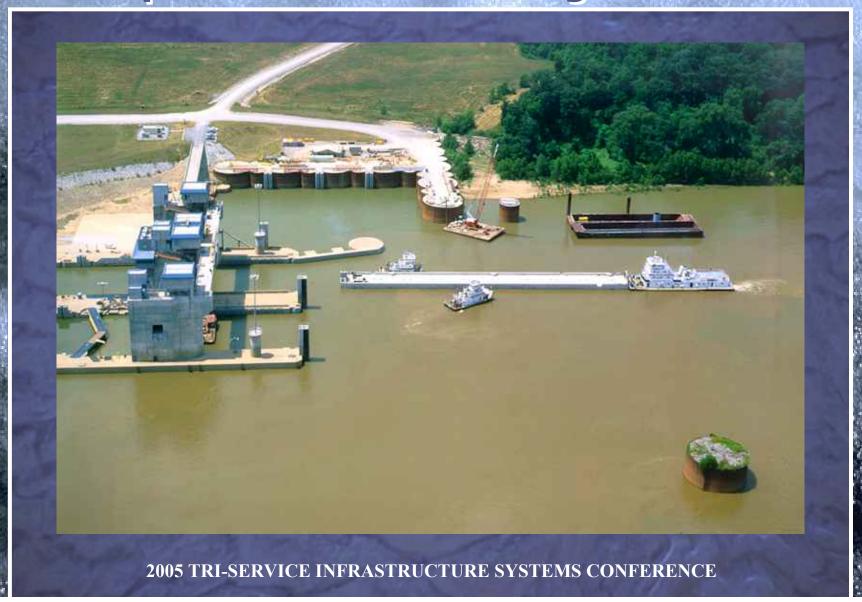
Transporting a Completed Pontoon from Casting Yard to Olmsted Site







Completed Pontoon Arriving at Olmsted





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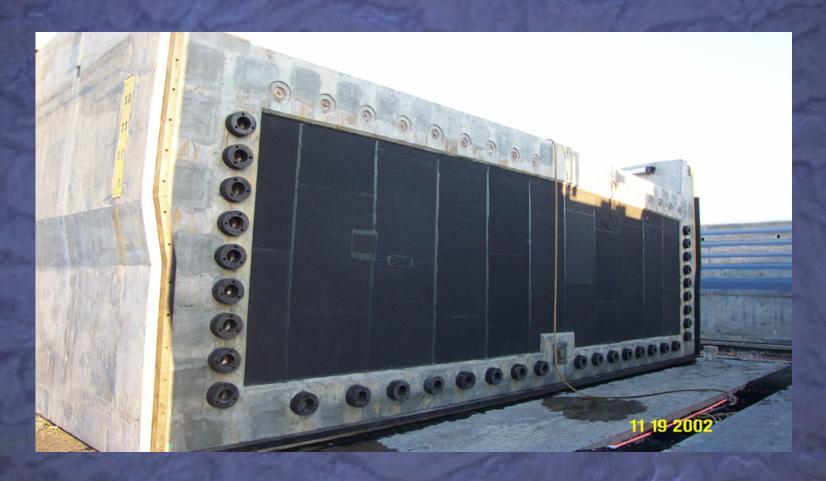
Integration and Installation at The Olmsted Site





Integrating Pontoons at Olmsted

Integration Bolt Holes with Rubber "Donuts" surrounding each hole







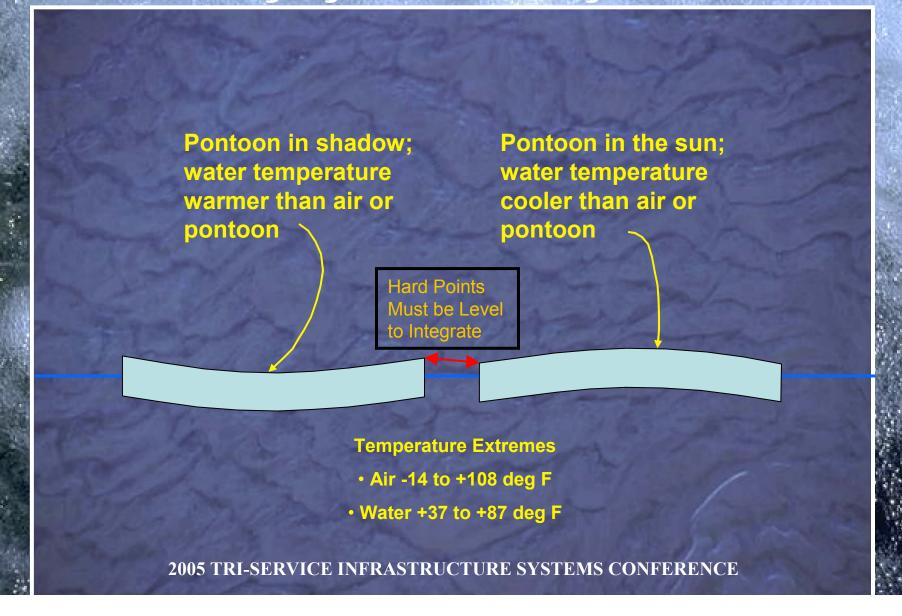
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Aligning Pontoons for Integration







Checking Horizontal Alignment on Primary Impact face at Olmsted







Dewatering box in case future repairs are necessary below the water line







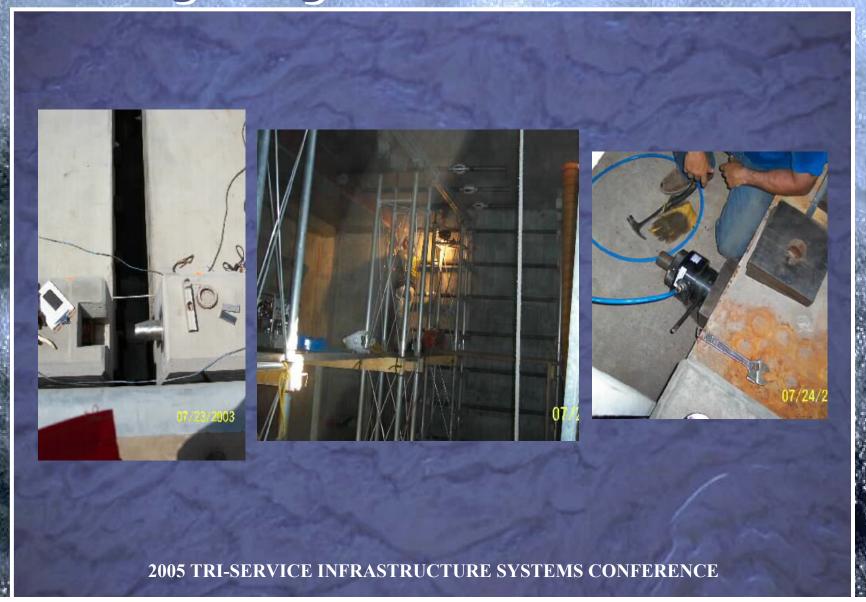
Integration Seals at Perimeter of Pontoon and around each Bolt Hole







Integrating Pontoons at Olmsted







Installing an Integrated Floating Wall



This was a 90 Minute Operation!







Final Installation of 508 m (1667 ft) Long Upper River Wall in February 2004

Duration of Installation: 1½ hours





High Mast Lighting was installed after pontoons were integrated and installed in final positions









River in Flood January 2005 Pontoons Ride the Floods







Construction Cost

Award Amount \$98,981,000

Final Amount \$106,360,000 7.45% Growth





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