

Open bottom structures





Why open bottom? aquatic organism passage

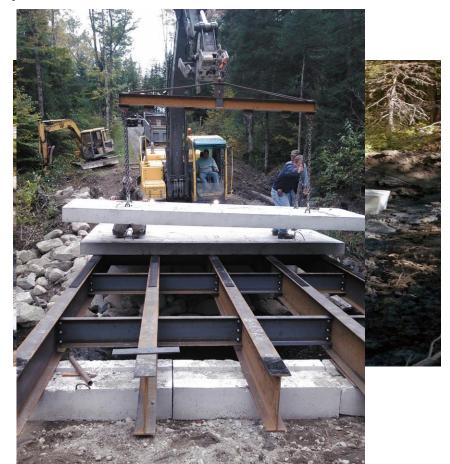
Types of structures

Bridges

Arches

Box culverts

Bridges, abutment designs and deck panels



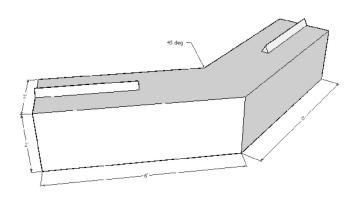


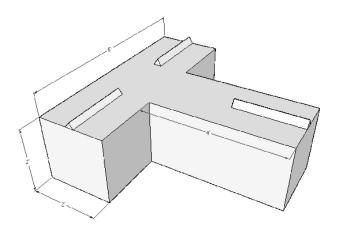
Abutments blocks – Big Legos





Other block designs





All types of bridges









Concrete bridge decks





Arches

Usually good fit for roads with higher profile and/or need wider surface width

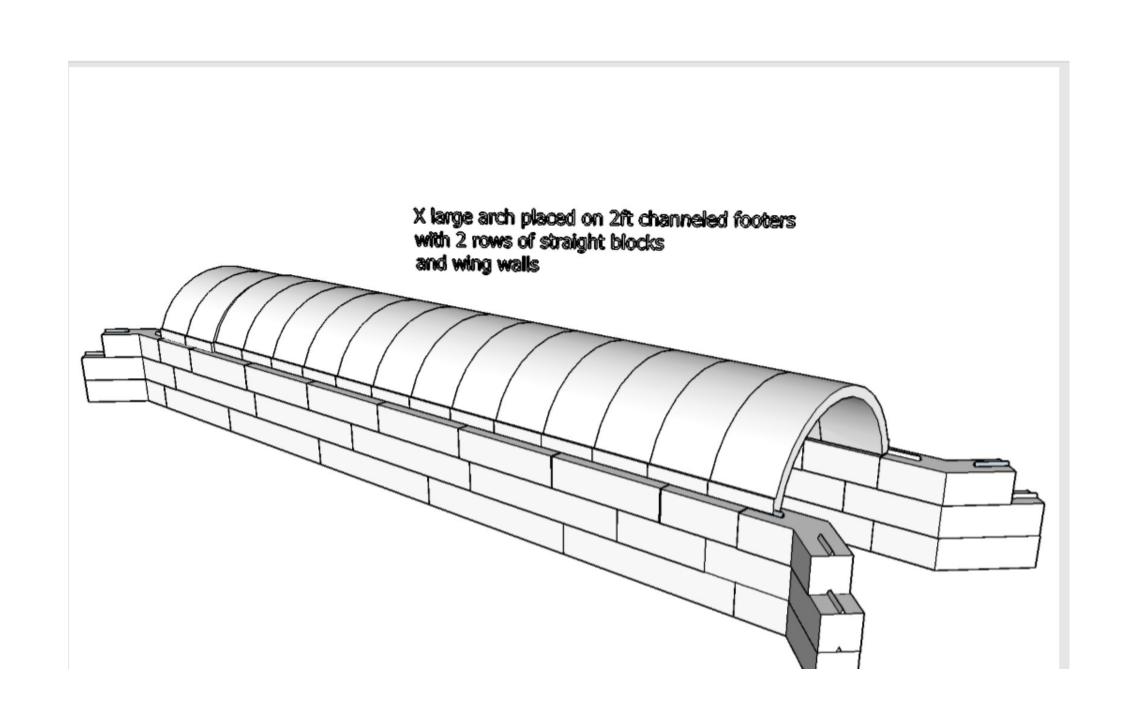




Small Arches







Three sided box bridges

Usually a good fit for lower profile roads and/or where more surface width is needed





Various Sizes

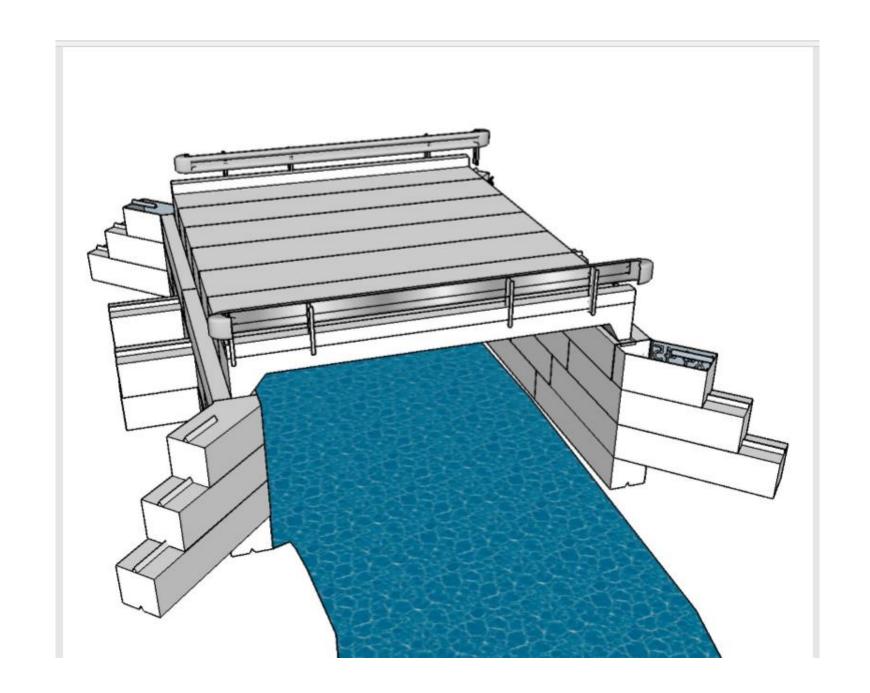


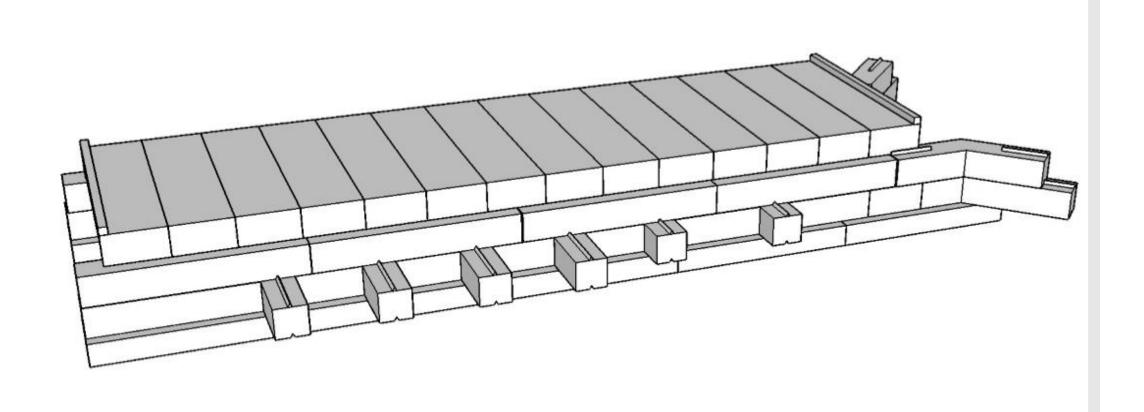


simple or complex

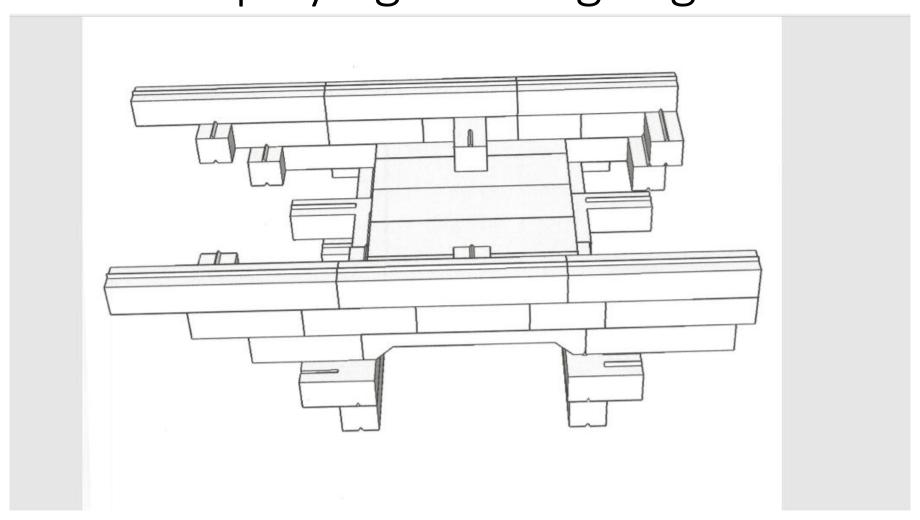








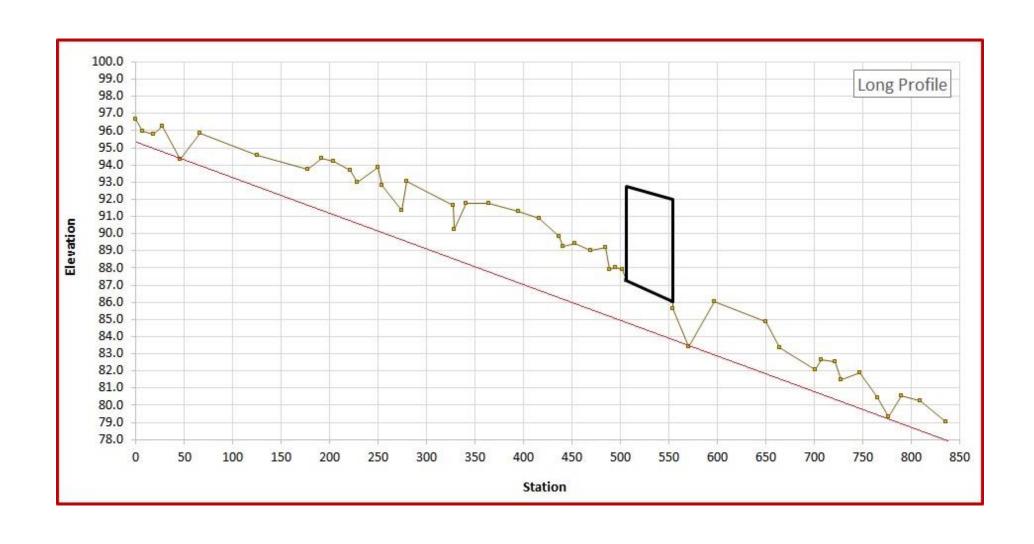
Just playing with big Legos



Replacing culverts with open bottom structures Beware of scour

- Most round culverts are above the scour line
- Do some elevations upstream and downstream
- Graph your low points for the scour line
- Imbed your footings

Do your homework





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