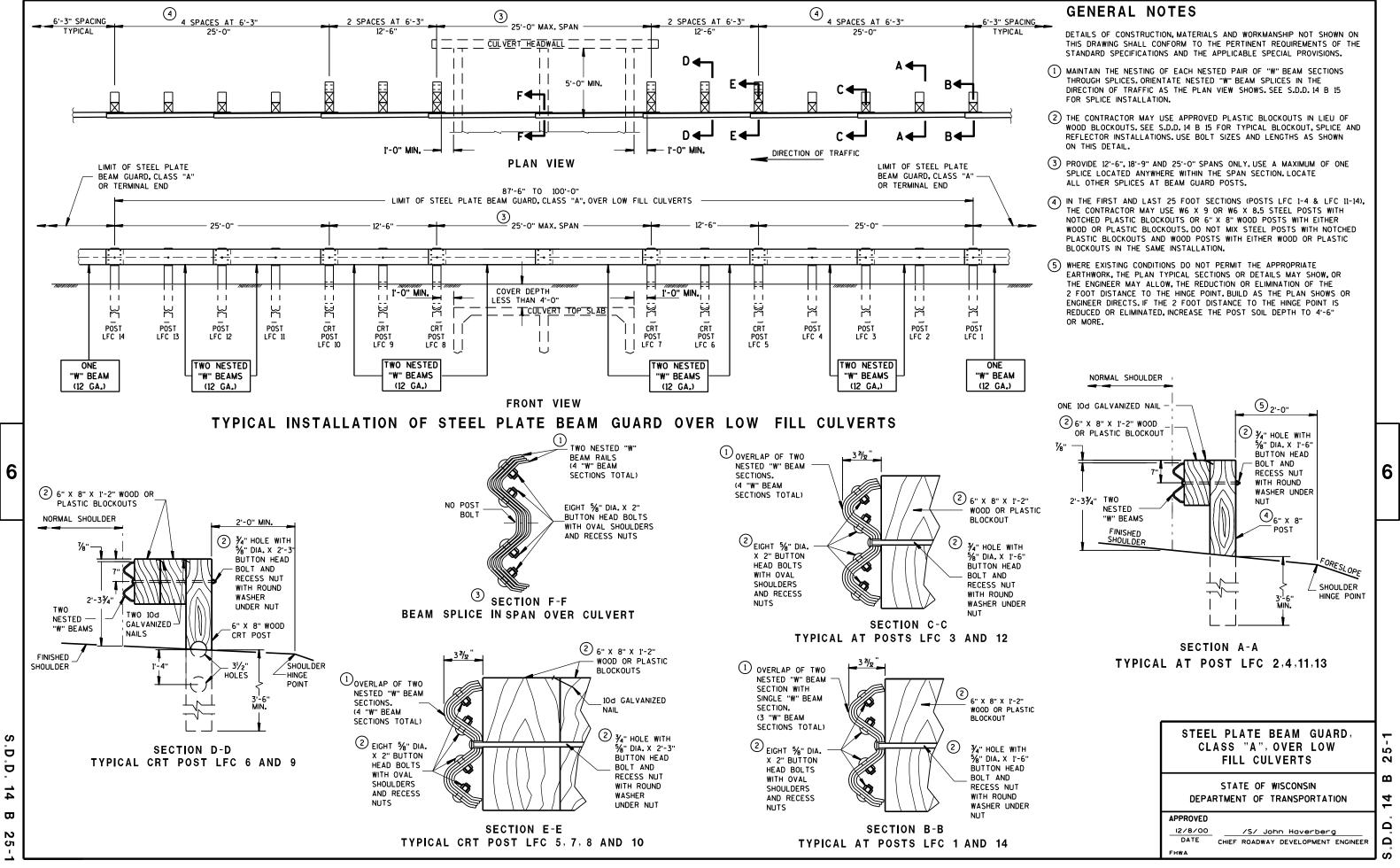
SDD 14B25 Steel Plate Beam Guard, Class "A", Over Low Fill Culverts



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#### **References:**

FDM 11-45-30

AASHTO Roadside Design Guide

## Bid items associated with this drawing:

| ITEM NUMBER | DESCRIPTION   | <u>UNIT</u> |
|-------------|---|-------------|
| 614.0340    | Steel Plate Beam Guard Over Low-Fill Culverts Class A | LF          |

### Standardized Special Provisions associated with this drawing:

NONE

## Other SDDs associated with this drawing:

<u>SDD 14B15</u> Steel Plate Beam Guard, Class "A", Installation and Elements, Mow Strip Detail is required.

### **Design Notes:**

Projects with PSE due August 2011 or later are required to install MGS beam guard (MGS) for new beam guard installations. Some exceptions allowing the installation of new non-MGS beam guard may be granted by Bureau of Project Development (BPD). A few of these exceptions require minimum documentation (e.g. there is no short radius version of MGS; designer would need to install non-MGS beam guard). Other exceptions require more documentation and discussion with Bureau of Project Development. Projects on the NHS or subject to FHWA oversight are to review the use of MGS with FHWA.

Shallow fill culverts may conflict with posts of standard beam guard. This detail can span distances up to 25 ft. Span lengths larger than 25 feet not acceptable with this detail. If using an odd span length, a field cut rail may be used. Place note in the plan indicate that a field cut is required. Review pipe skew, pipe size, number of pipes and other factors when determining span length.

Proper installation requires post 1 through 14 to be installed shown on front side of SDD. Installing fewer posts will degrade performance.

This detail has a 5 ft working width. The designer should consult with DTID Structures Design Section to make sure the culvert(s) is designed long enough to provide this deflection distance.

Provide 2 ft of grading behind posts. If less grading is provided the barrier system may not operate as intended. Document in DSR when grading is not being provided.

Long span detail is intended to connect to standard beam guard. Directly connecting this detail to stiffer (e.g. half or quarter post spacing) or weak beam guard systems (short radius system) may prevent the long span or the other semi-rigid barrier system from working correctly. At a minimum a 12.5 ft section of class A is required between the long span detail and a section of stiffer or weaker beam guard.

Do not install curb under the long span system. Headwalls should be flush with grading or they may trip a vehicle

Provide individual construction detail drawing for long span installations (see <u>FDM 11-45-30</u> for more discussion).

Other options to shield or make a hazard traversable may be reviewed. Assistance from BPD, BOS, and regional maintenance staff may be required.

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