### Corrosion Protection of Grouted Post-Tension Tendons

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## Background

- Grouted Post-Tension Tendon Issues
  - 1. Bleed water voids
  - 2. Segregated grout
  - 3. Soft grout
  - 4. Chloride contaminated grout
  - 5. Sulfate contaminated grout



## Post-Tension Cable Impregnation

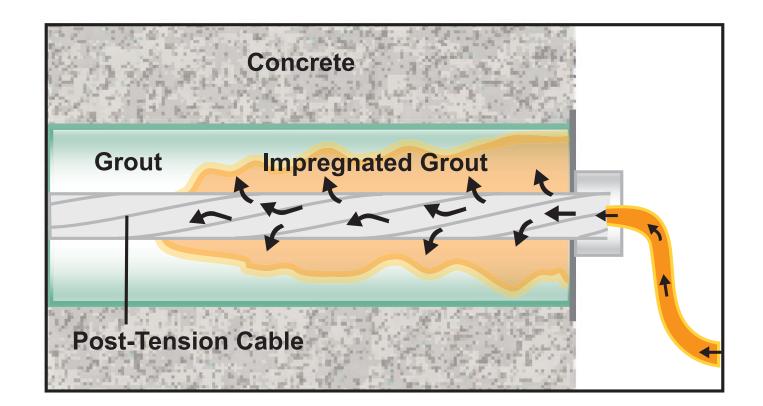
- Corrosion protection for bonded post-tension and pre-stressed cables
- Uses corrosion inhibiting impregnation material
  - To make grout / concrete corrosion resistant
  - Coats exposed steel in voids to form a film and prevent corrosion

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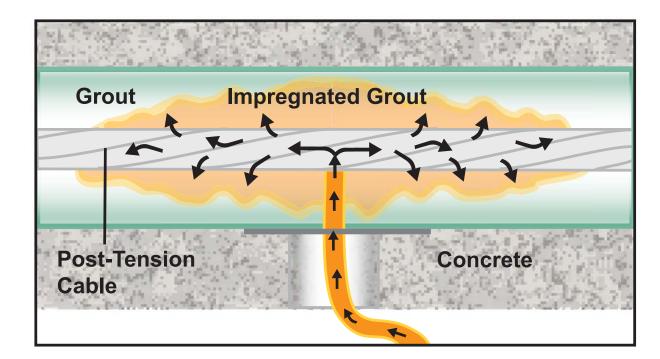






### **Impregnation Pattern**













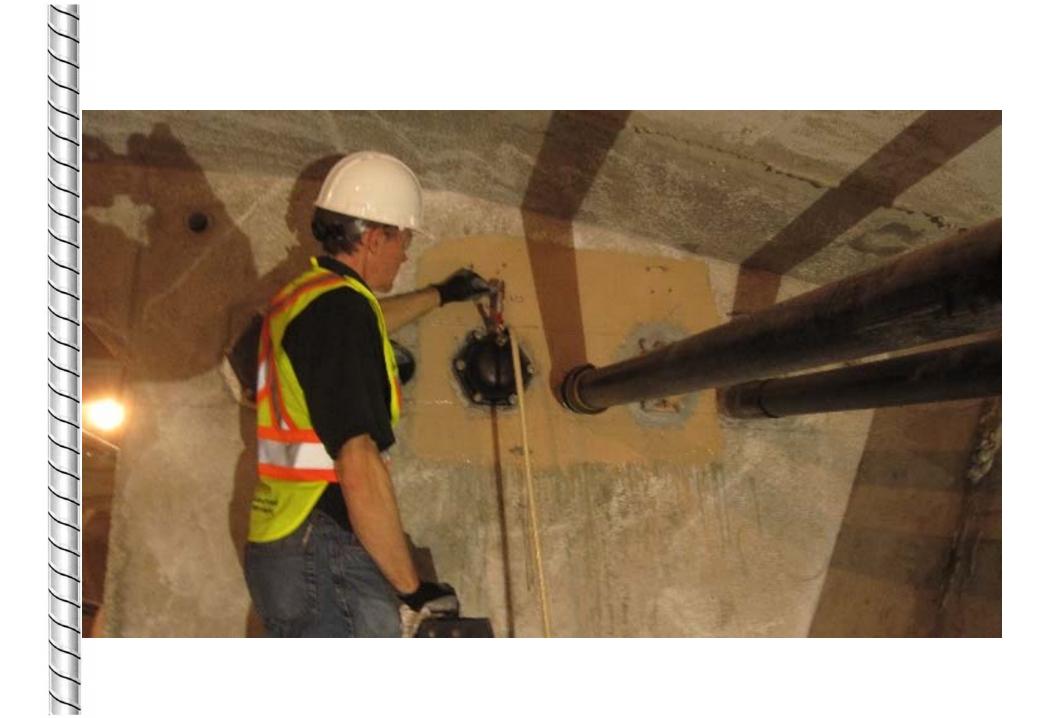
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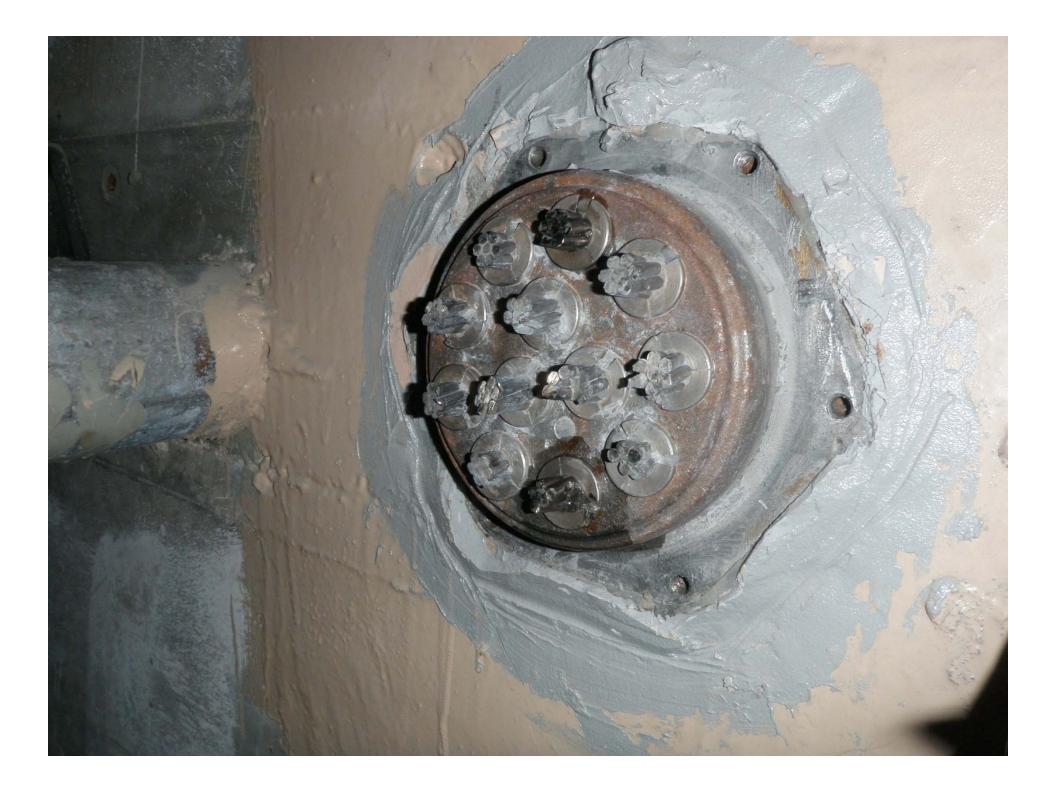




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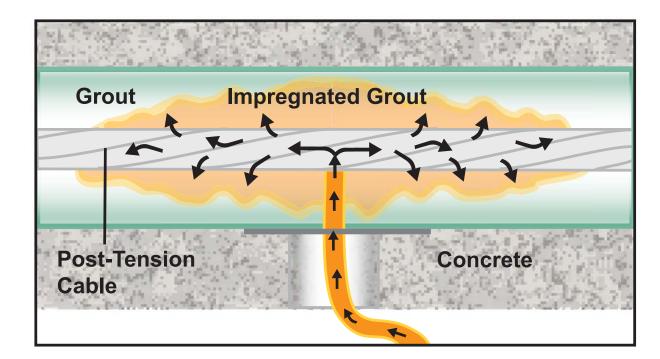






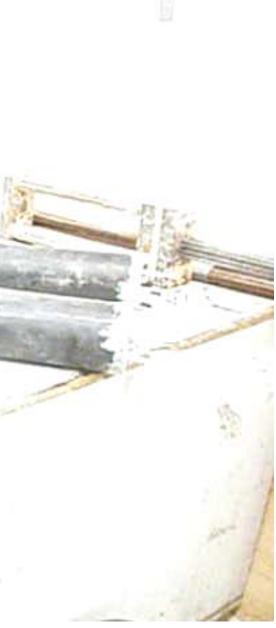










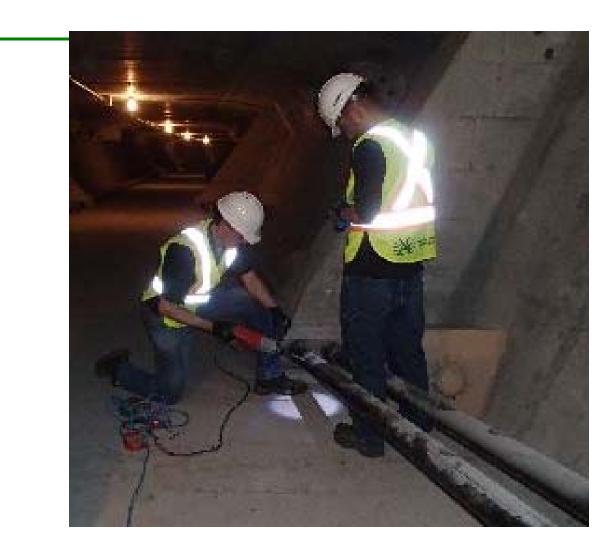














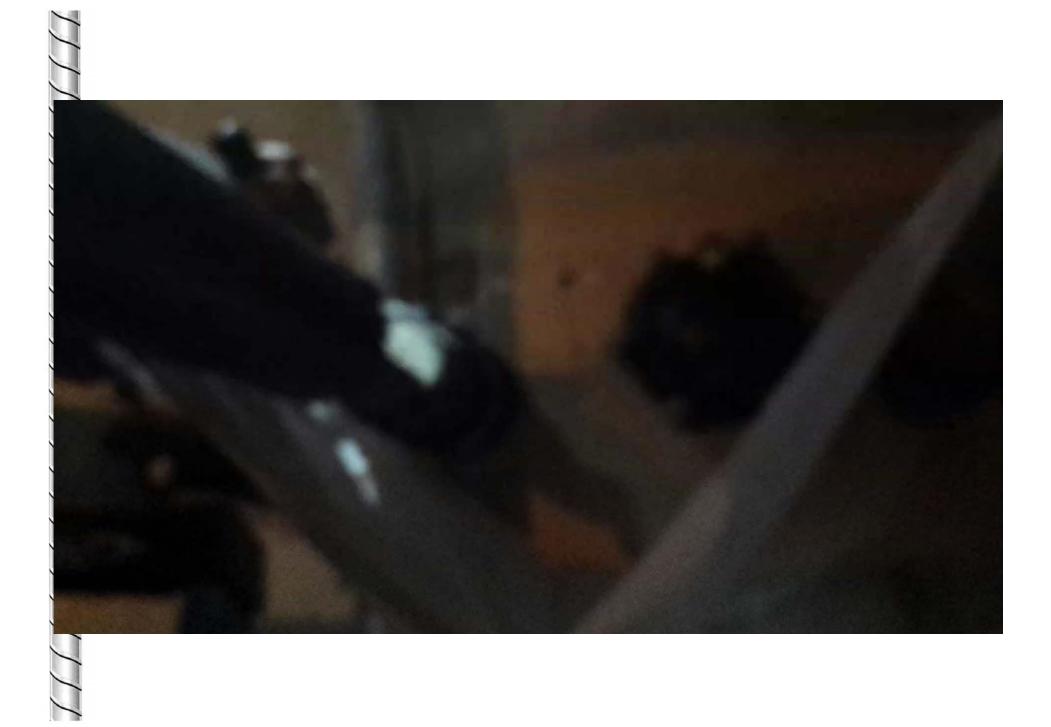
### Six Months later

















### Corrosion Testing of Impregnation Material on Exposed Steel





### **Corrosion Rate Test Specimen**

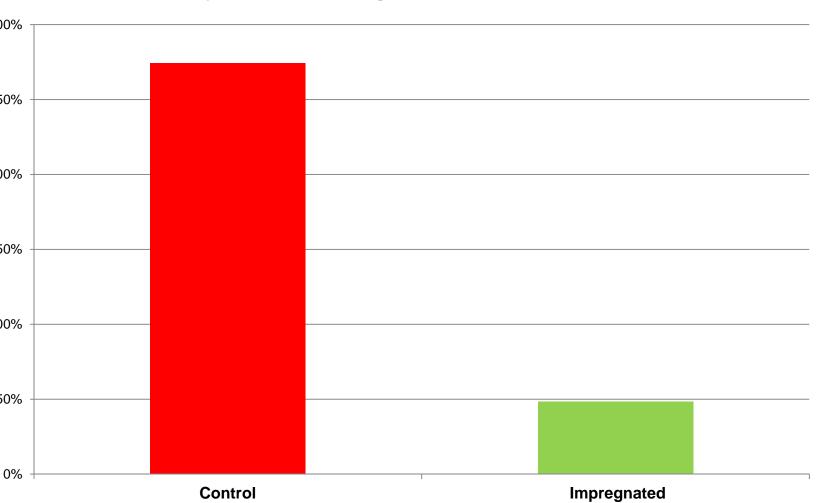




Test Specimen Injection

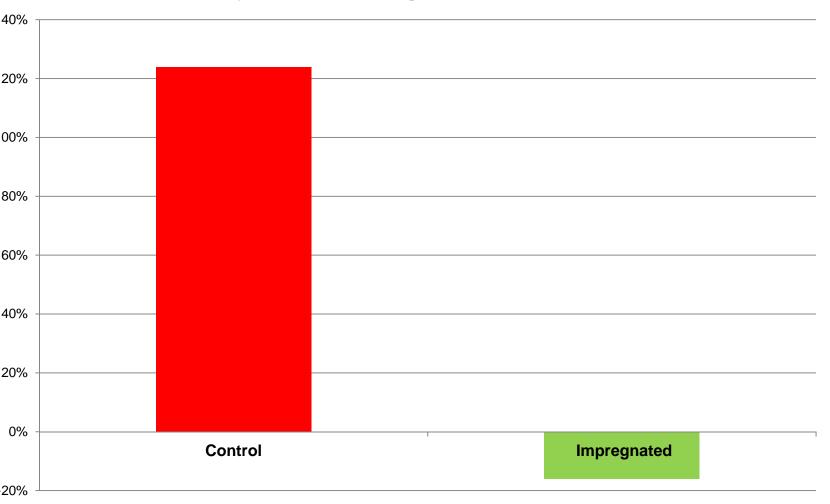
### Average Percent Change in Corrosion Rate

**4 Days After Wetting Test Specimen** 

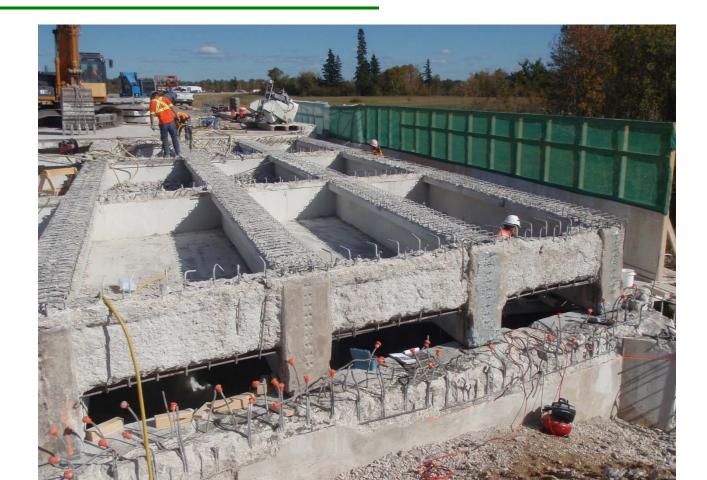


### Average Percent Change in Corrosion Rate

**Over 40 Days After Wetting Test Specimen** 



### **Birch River Bridge**







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### Post-Tension Cable Impregnation Summary

- Corrosion Impregnation material can be pumped over 250 ft in a tendon
- Impregnation material is still evident after 6 months
- Impregnation material shows corrosion mitigation in laboratory testing

### Thank You

## Questions





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