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# Recommendations for Prestressed Rock and Soil Anchors, 5<sup>th</sup> Edition

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# Lots of Work

- Started re-assembling committee in Jan. 2011
- 6 days of meetings
- 21 web meetings
- Several ballots
- Thousands of emails



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# Rock and Soil Anchors?



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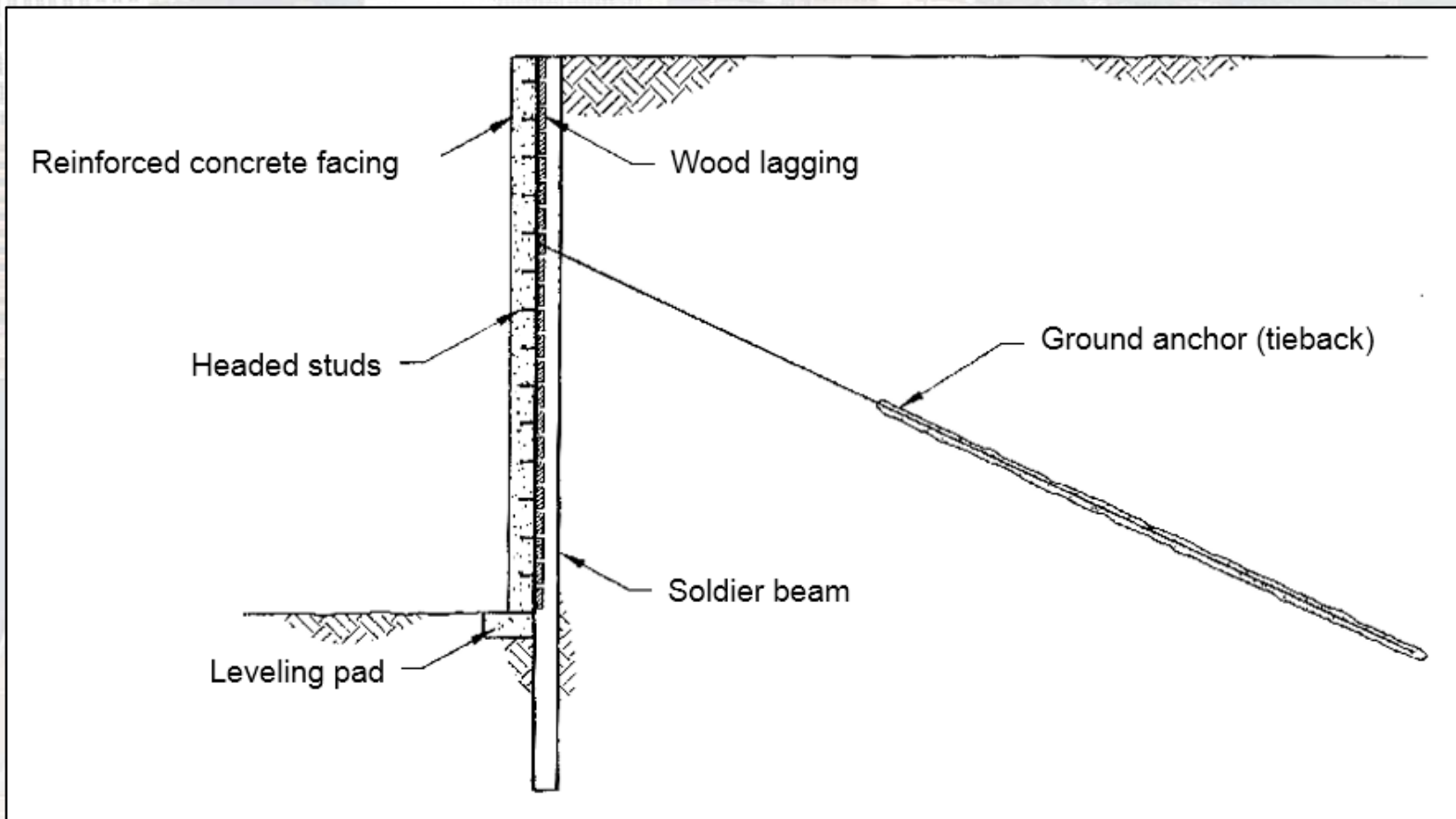
# Rock and Soil Anchors?

- Definition of an anchor:  
A tendon installed in a drilled and grouted hole in the ground (soil or rock) that is stressed after installation

➔ Purpose is to apply a load to a structure

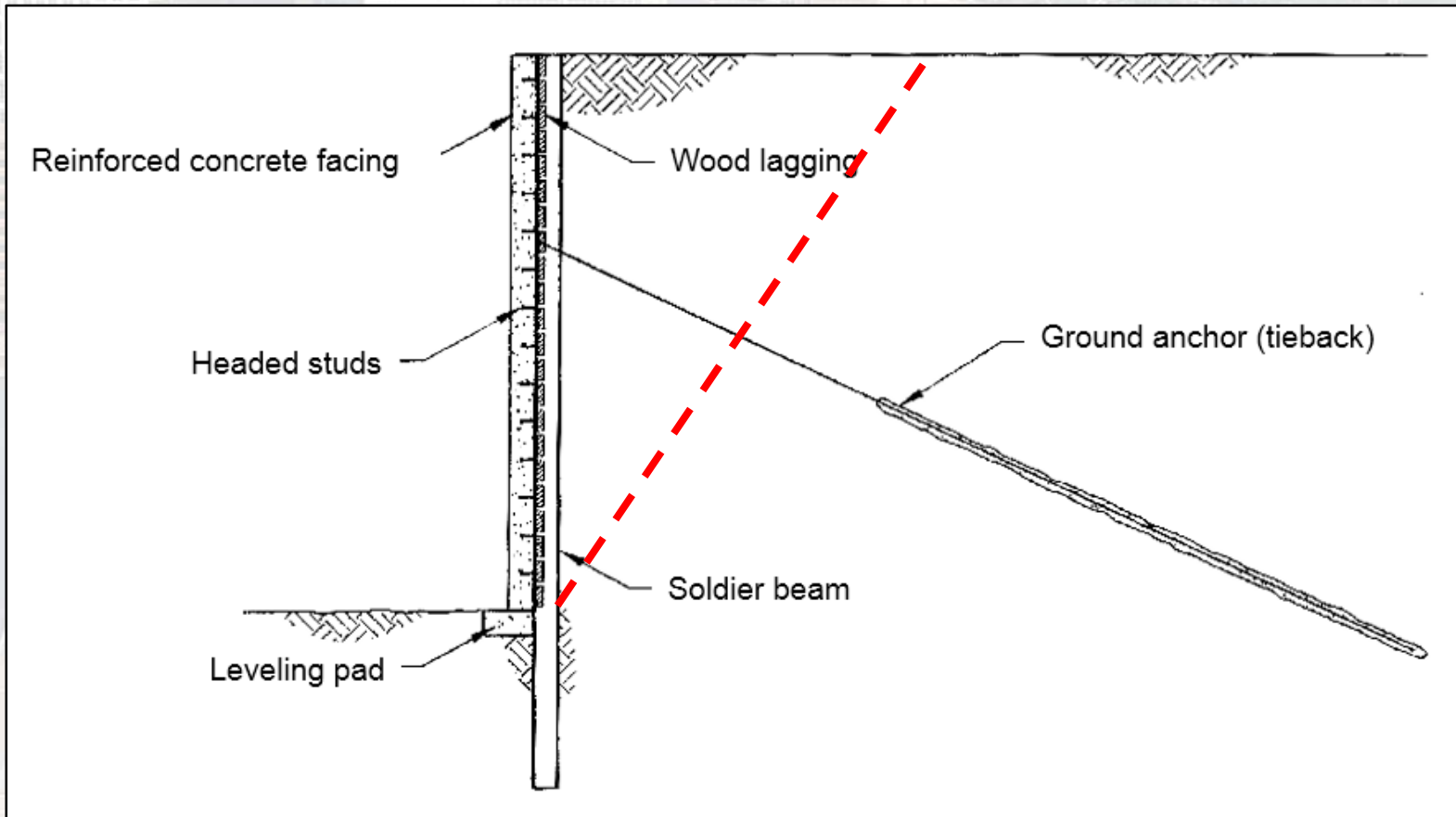


# Typical Application



Typical retaining wall application utilizing ground anchors

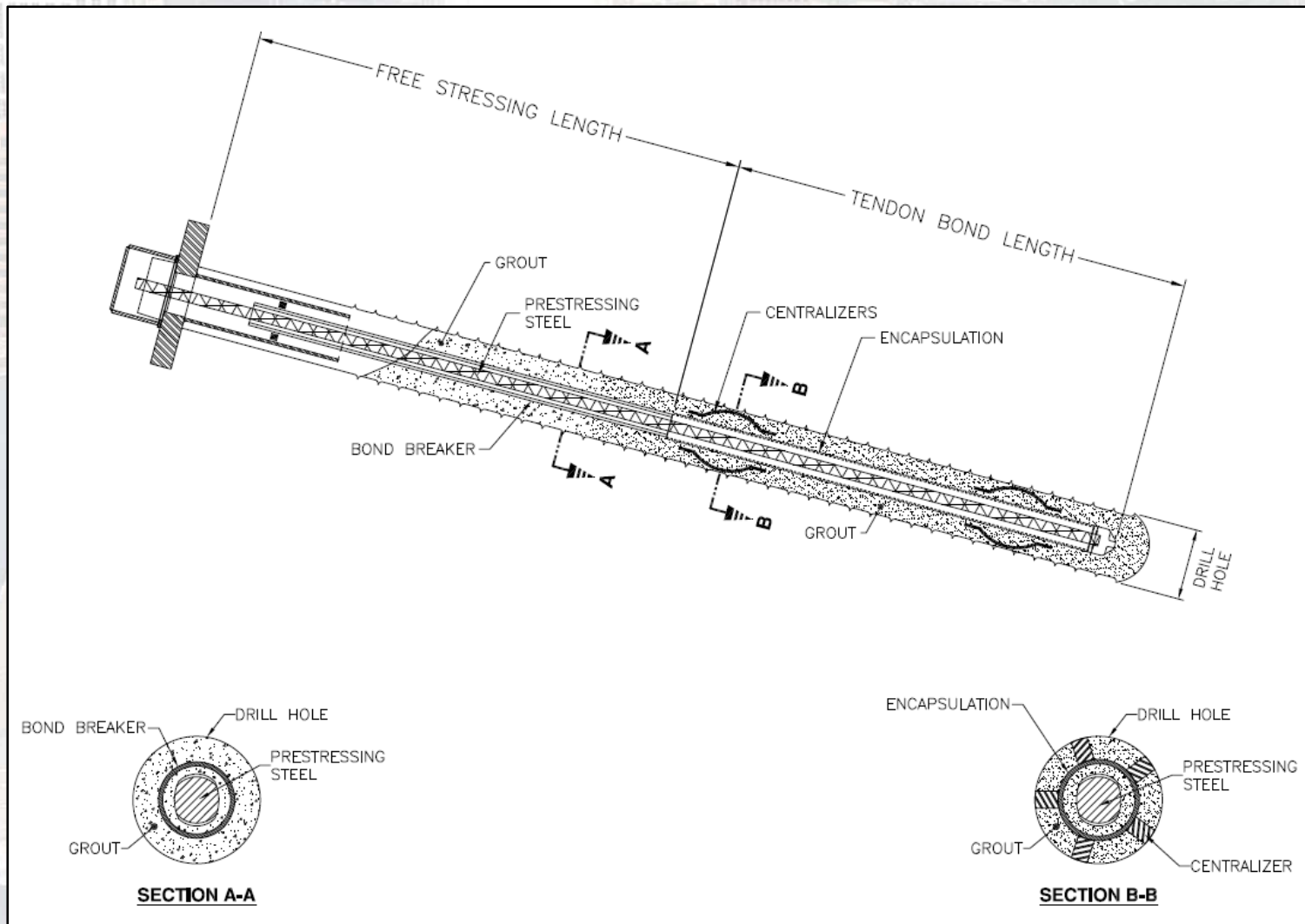
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# Components of an Anchor



# Typical Anchor Cross-Sections



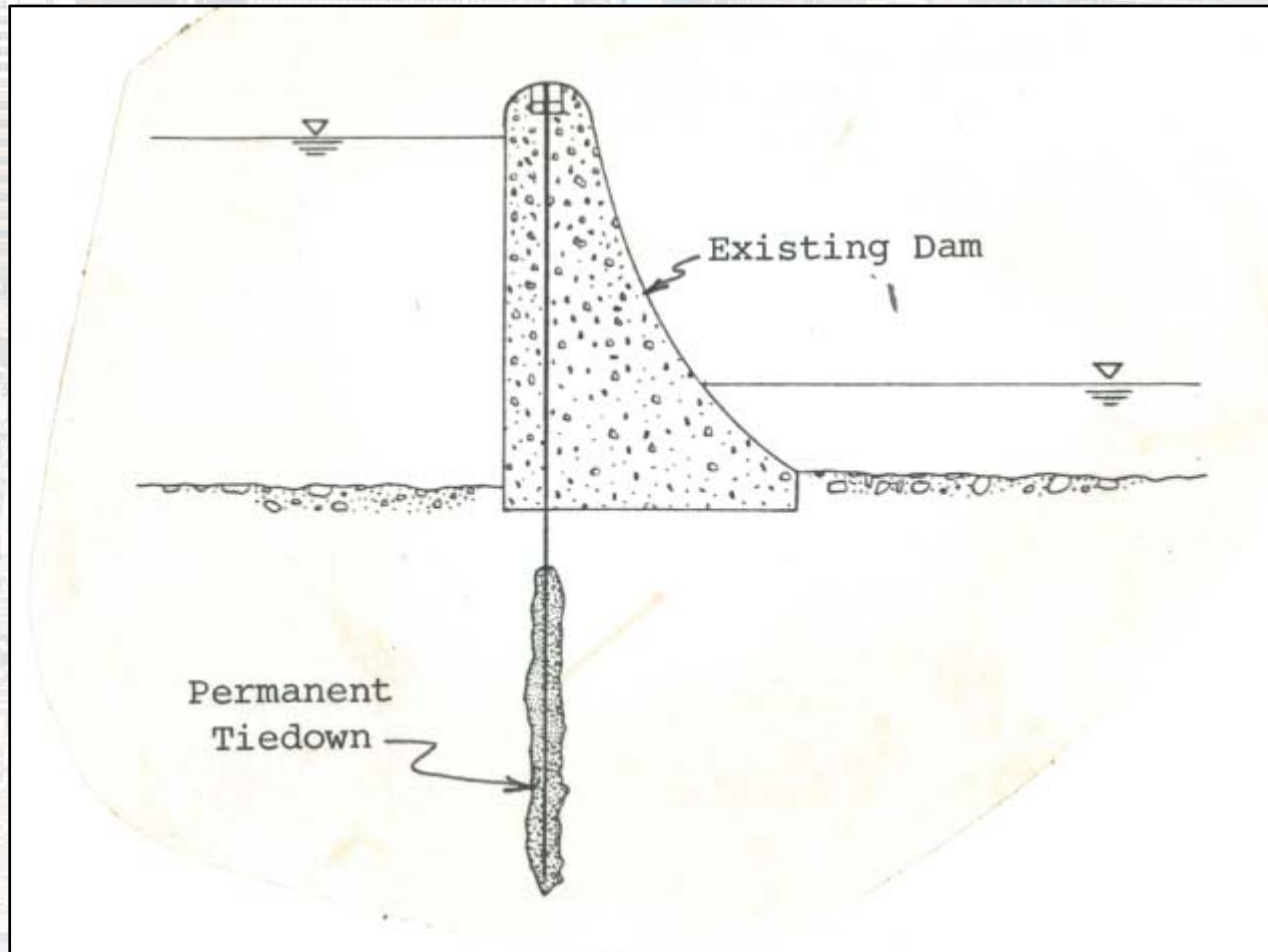


# Brief History of Rock and Soil Anchors

- 1934 – permanent rock anchors for Cheurfas Dam in Algeria
- 1950's – temporary soil anchors start being used for excavation support
- 1960's – permanent soil anchors start being used for excavation support



# Application – Dam Tiedowns



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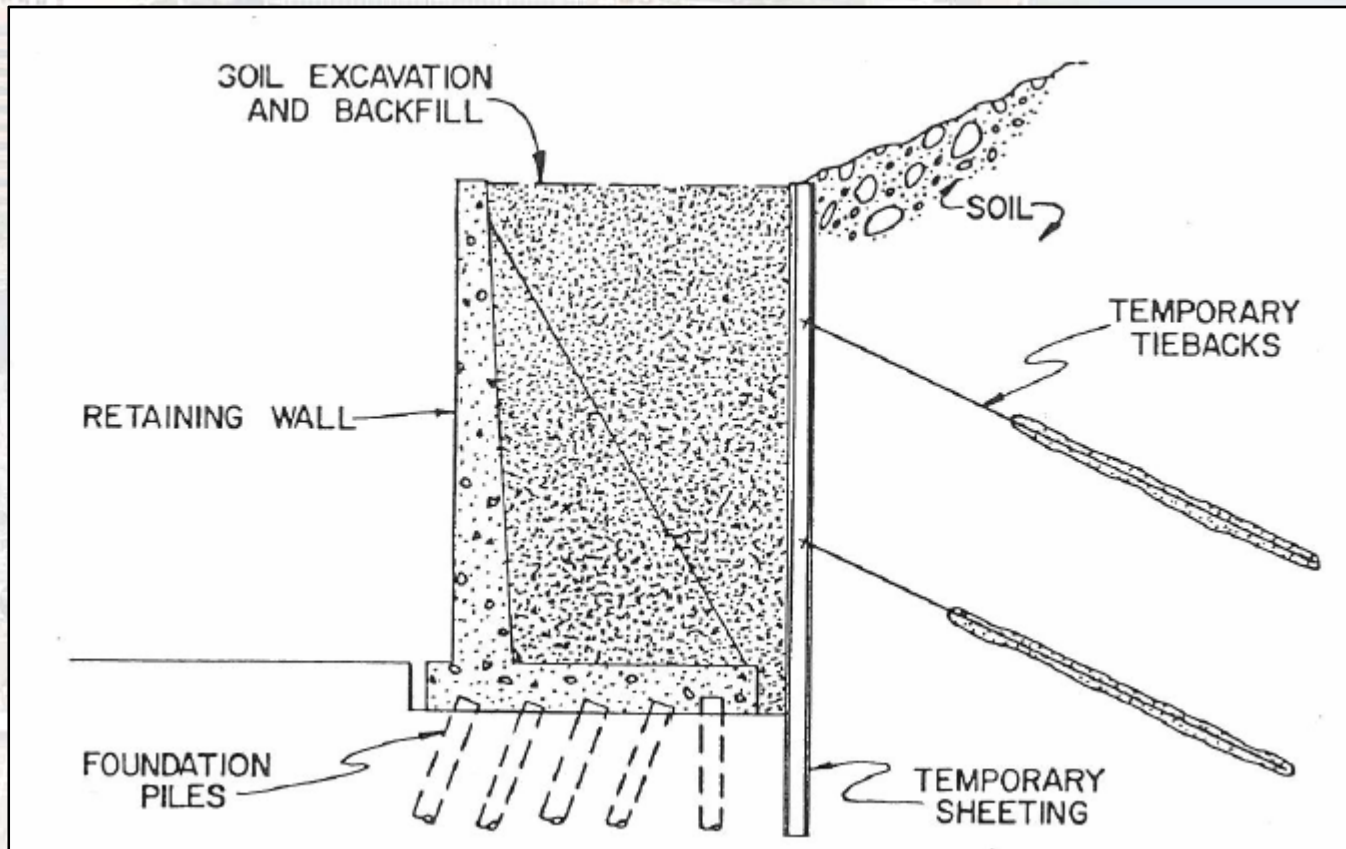
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# Application – Temp. Excavation Support





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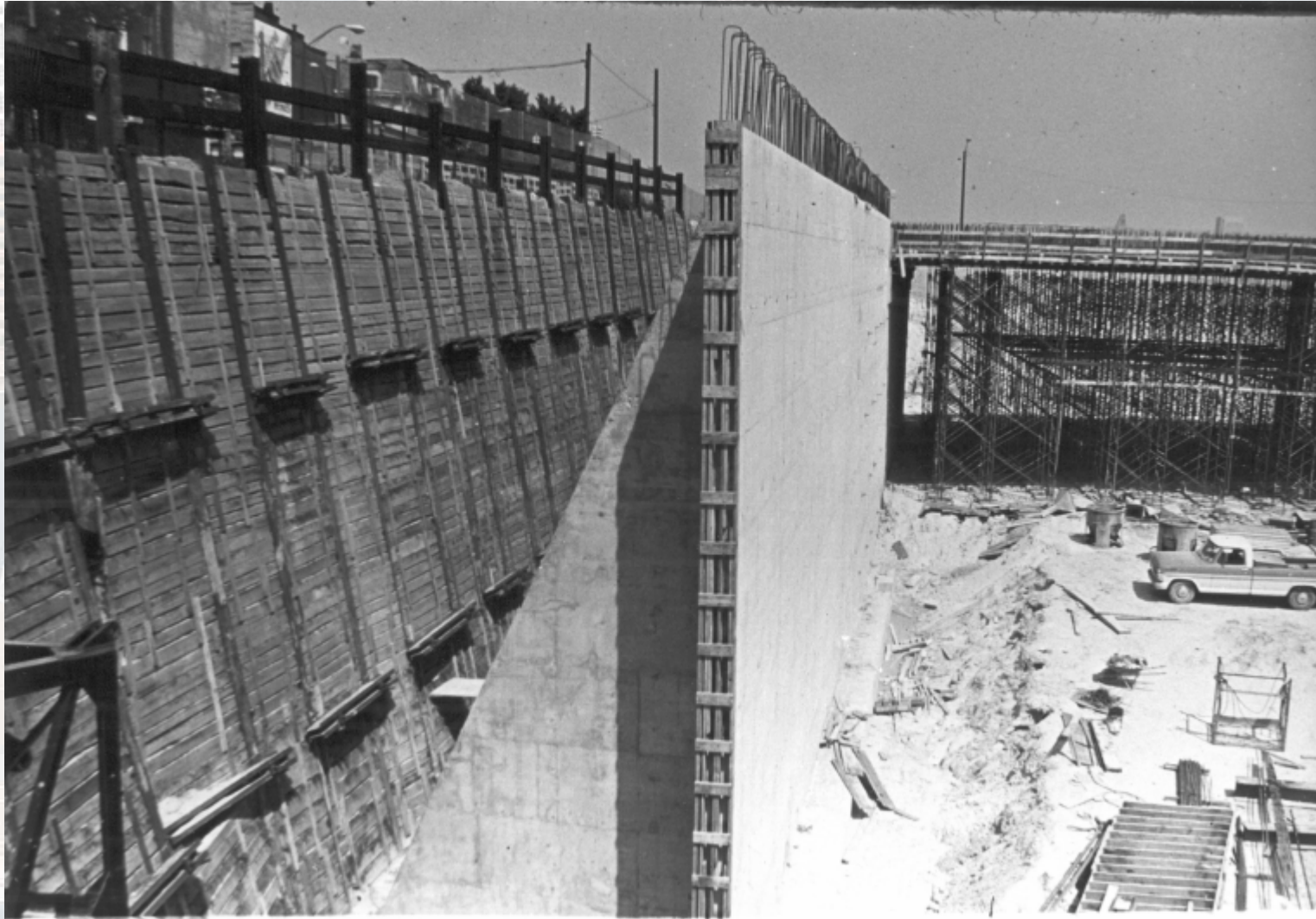


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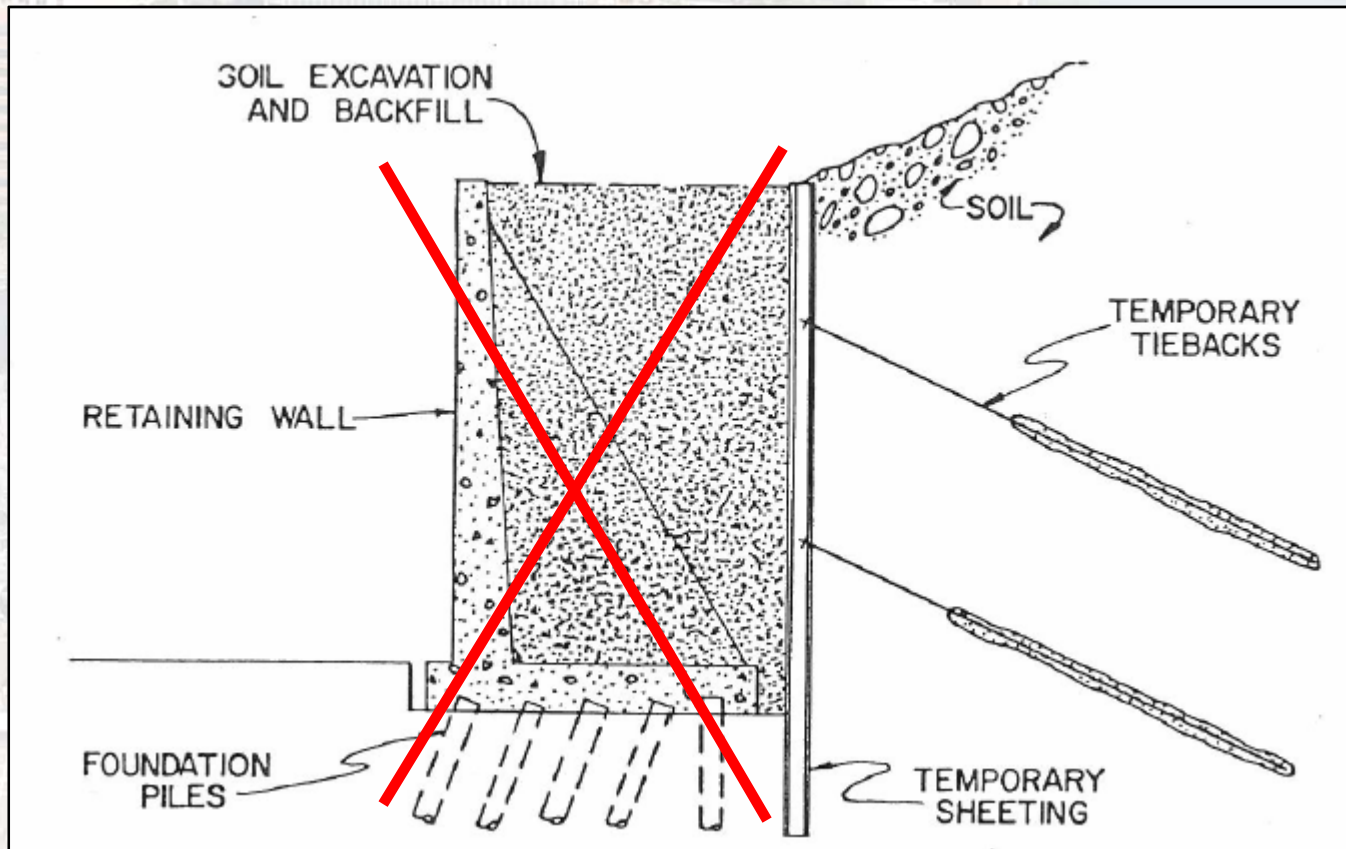


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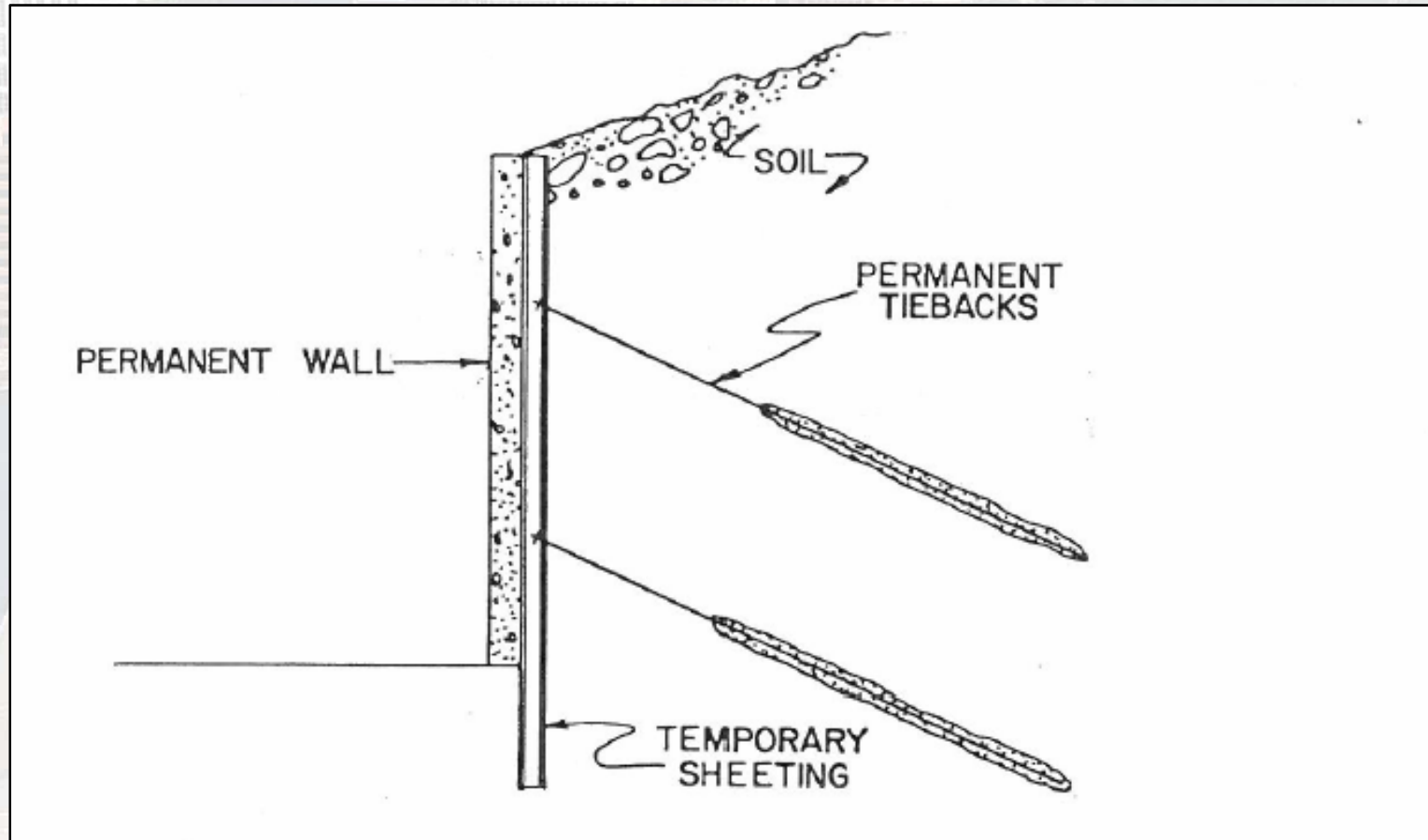




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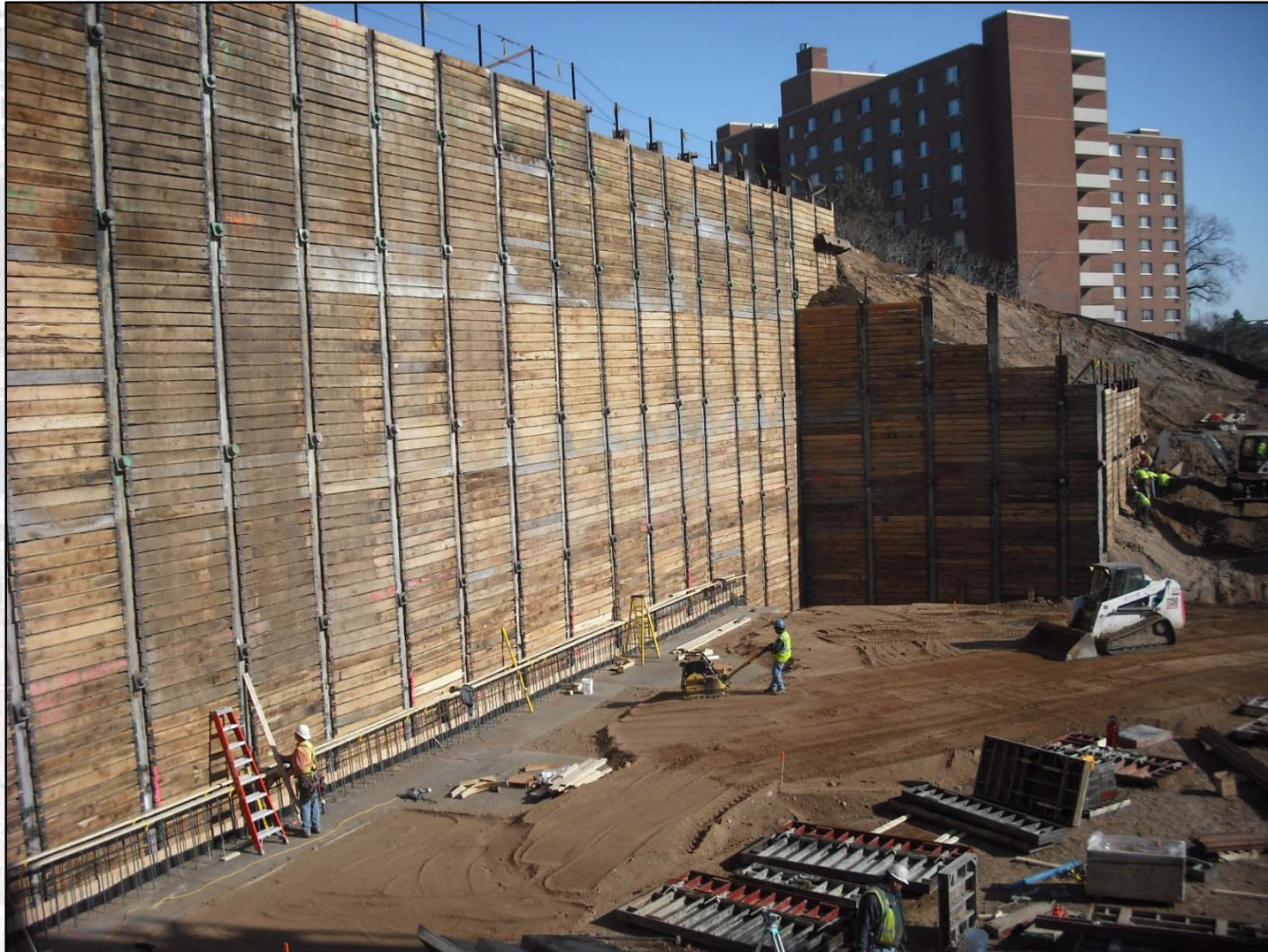


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# Preliminary Design Considerations

- Load Capacity
- Free Stressing Length
- Corrosion Protection



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# Preliminary Design Considerations

- Load Capacity
  - What force do we need to apply to structure?
  - Inclination of anchor
  - Tendon size and type (bar or strand)
- Free Stressing Length
  - How far back do we need to put the bond length?
- Corrosion Protection
  - Temporary or permanent?



# Design AND Construction Considerations

- Drilling method
- Grouting method
- Hole size
- Tendon installation
- Testing schedule
- Corrosion protection
- Equipment selection





# Typical Anchor Drill



# History of the Document

- Tentative Recommendations (PCI) – 1974
- First Edition – 1980
- Second Edition – 1986
- Third Edition – 1996
- Fourth Edition – 2004
- Fifth Edition – 2014



# History of the Document - 1974

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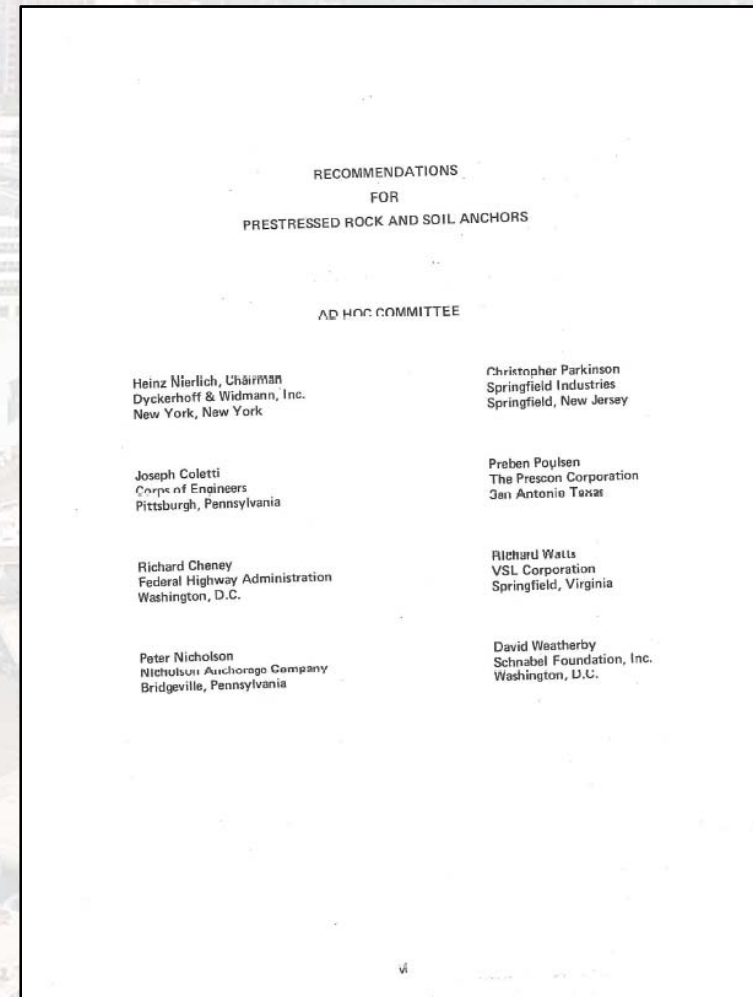
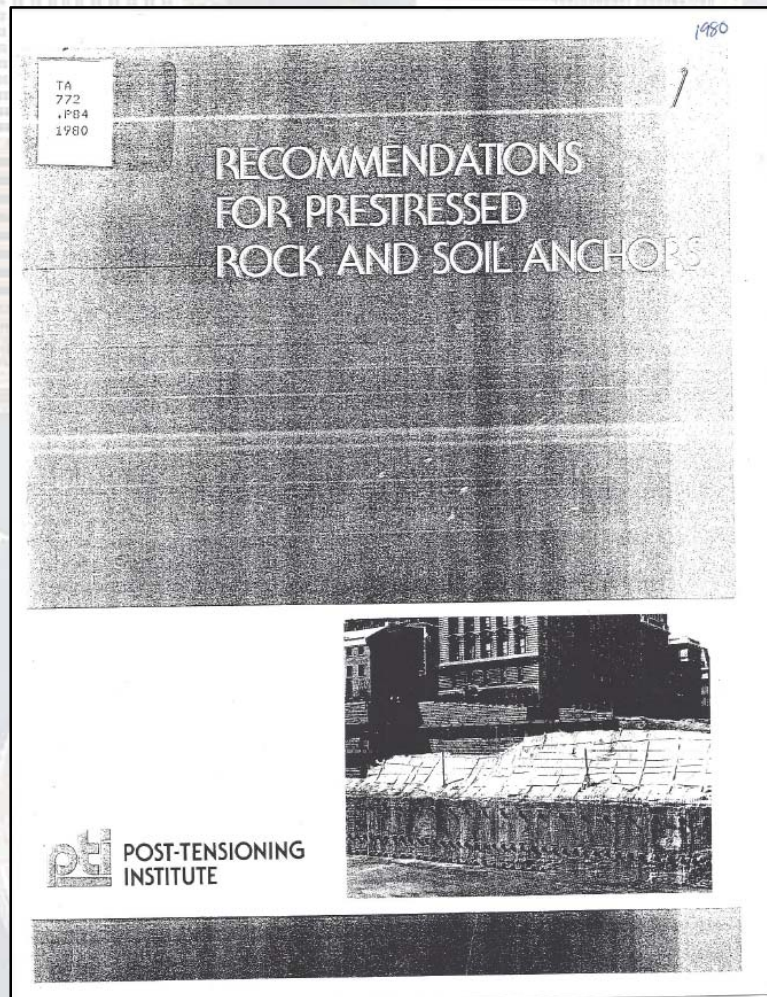
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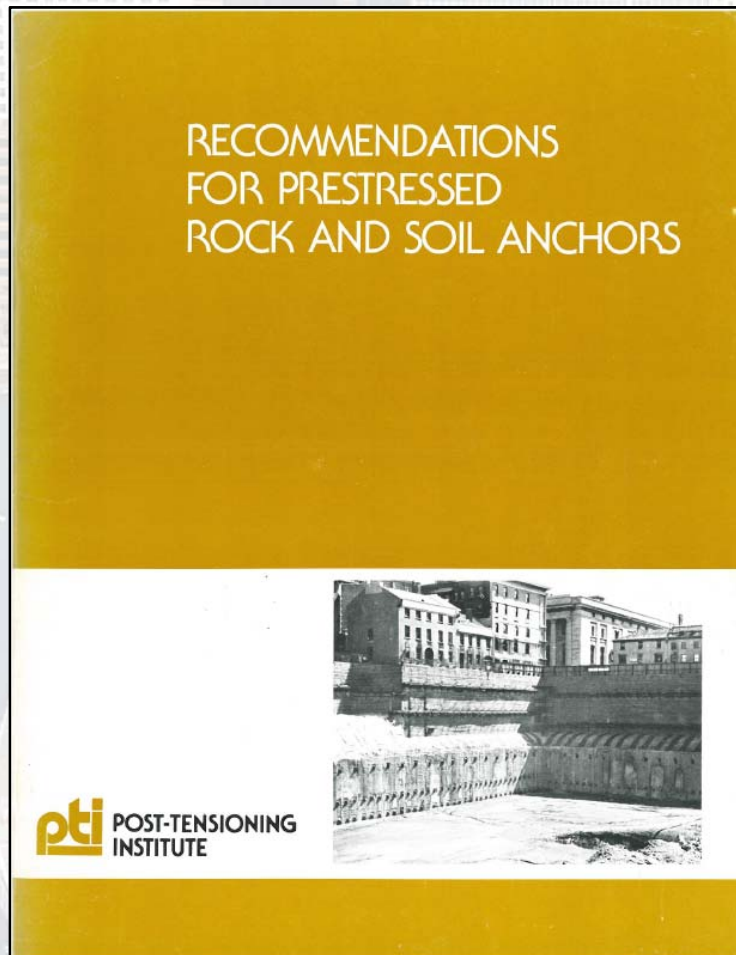
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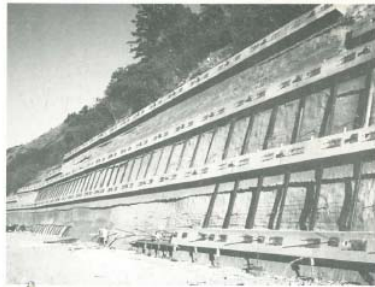
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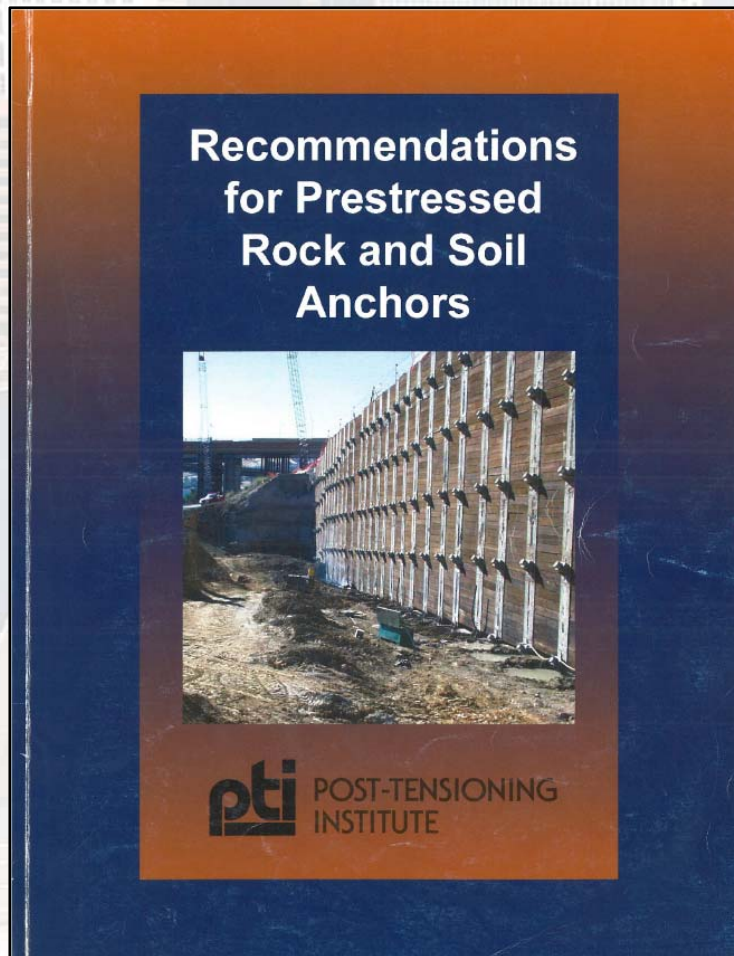
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# What's Different?

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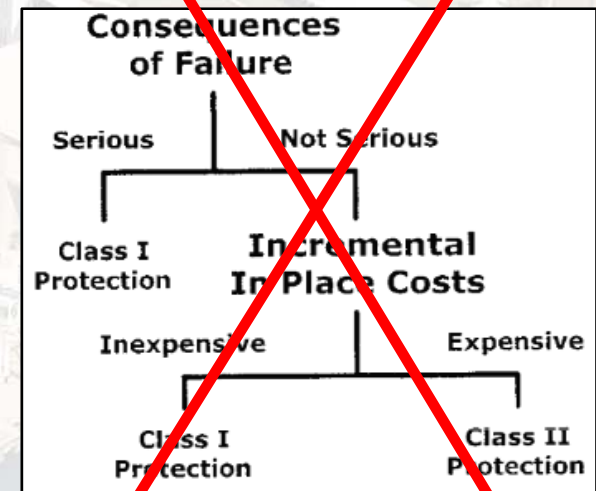
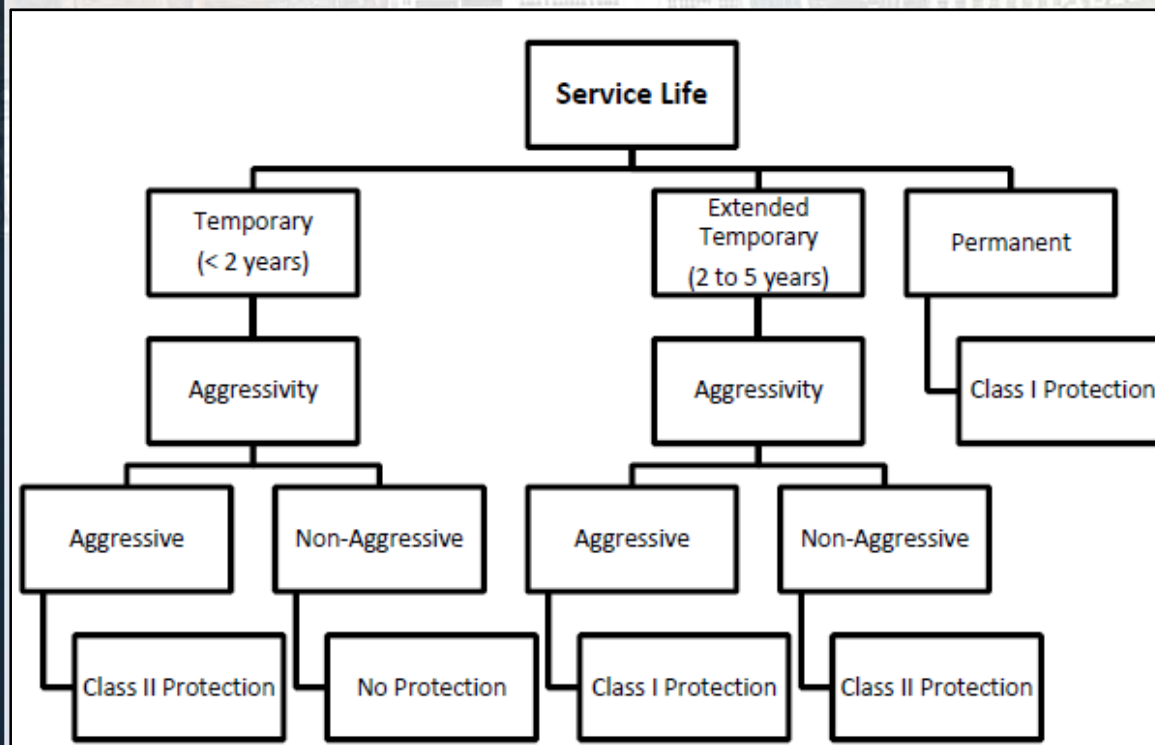


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- Focus on Consistency
  - conformity in the application of something, typically that which is necessary for the sake of **logic**, **accuracy**, or **fairness** (Oxford)

# What's Different?

- Added “Extended Temporary Anchor”
- All permanent anchors = Class I protection





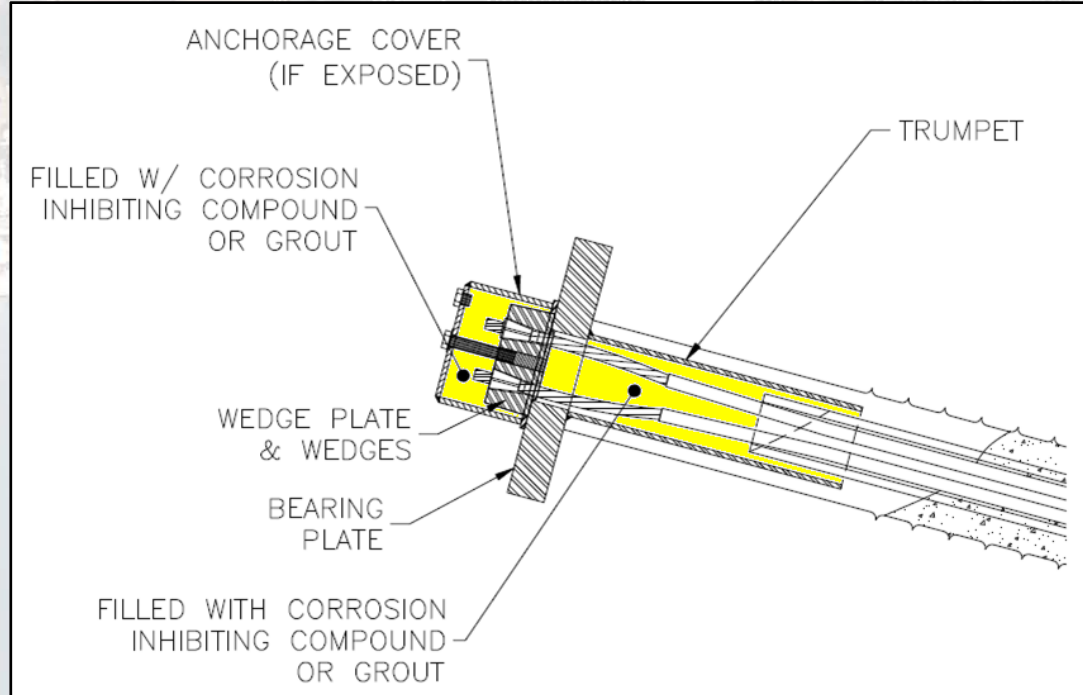
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- Large Gr. 150 bars
  - Added “Special Prestressing Materials” section
  - Minimum tendon bond length requirements



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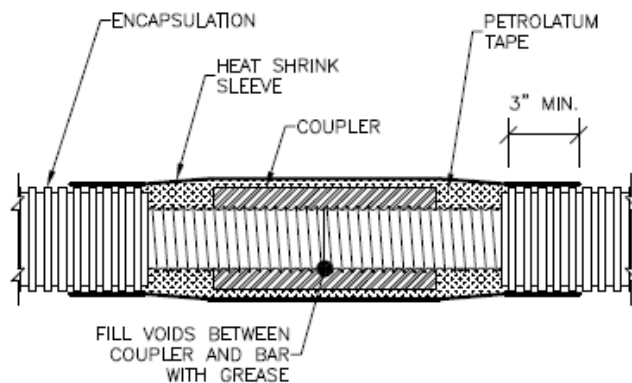
- Improved guidance for anchorage protection



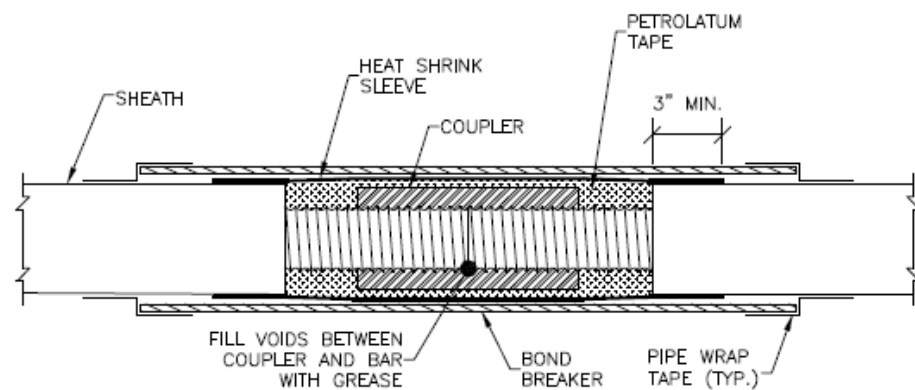


# What's Different?

- Improved guidance for coupler protection



COUPLER IN BOND LENGTH, CLASS I PROTECTION



COUPLER IN FREE STRESSING LENGTH, CLASS I & II PROTECTION

# What's Different?

- New reference to ADSC grouted wedge testing





# What's Different?

- Clarification and guidance for water pressure testing of permanent rock anchors (in dams)





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# What's Different?

- Improved guidance for repair of corrosion protection





# What's Different?

- Additional guidance for evaluating creep movement

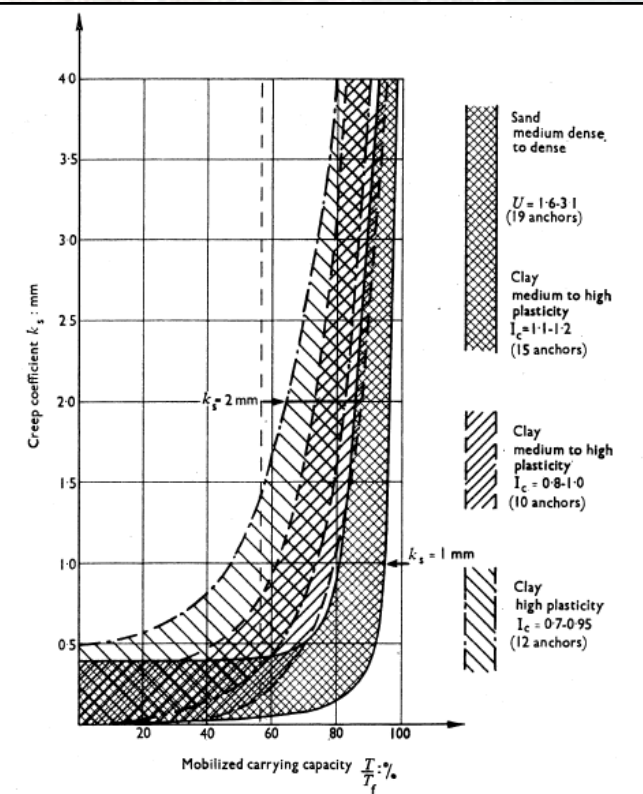


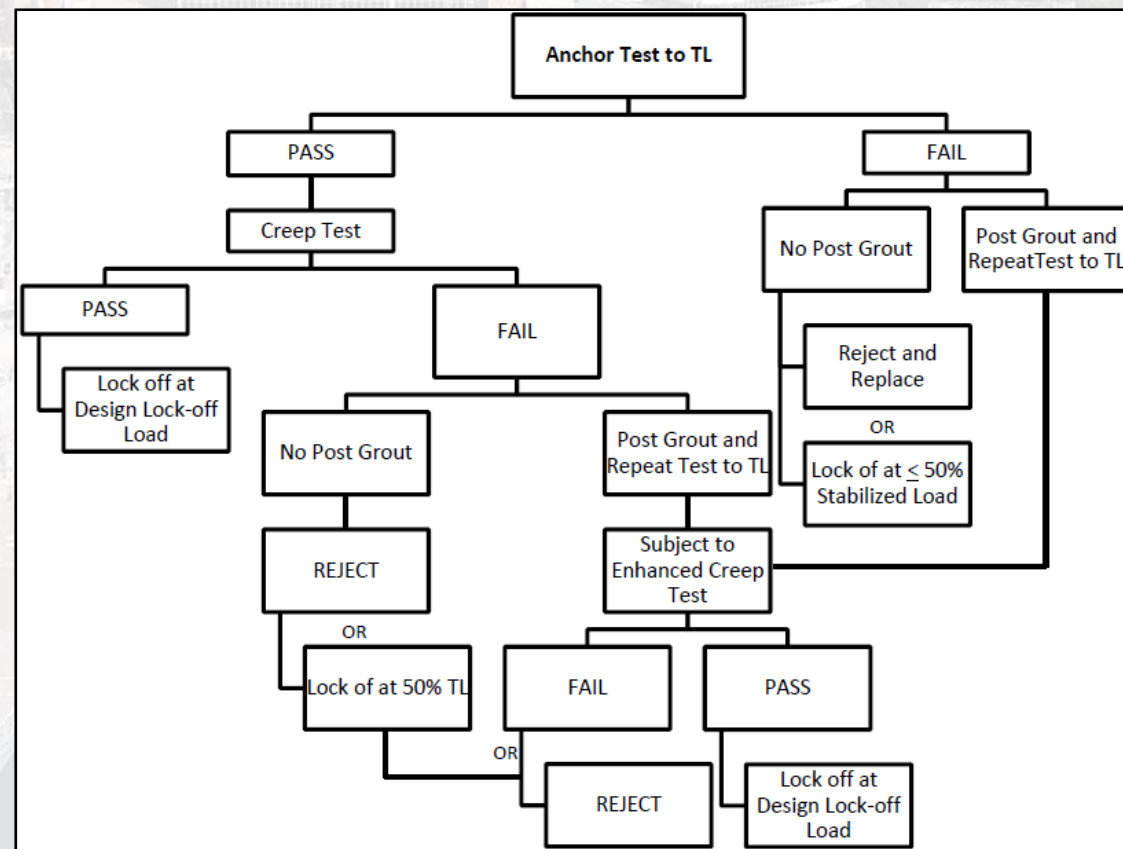
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Ostermayer, 1974



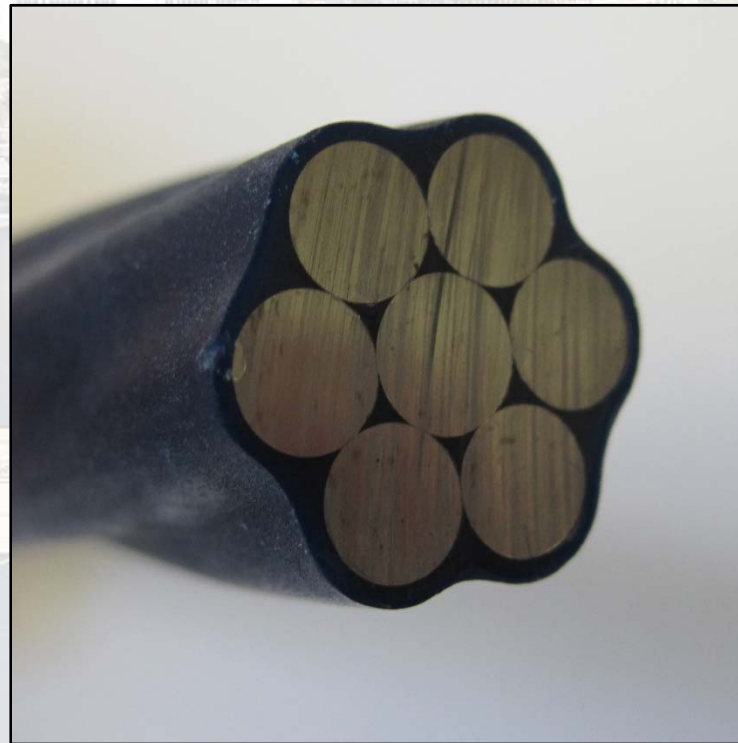
# What's Different?

- Improved decision tree for anchors that fail



# What's Different?

- Guidance for epoxy coated strand has been updated, remains in supplement section



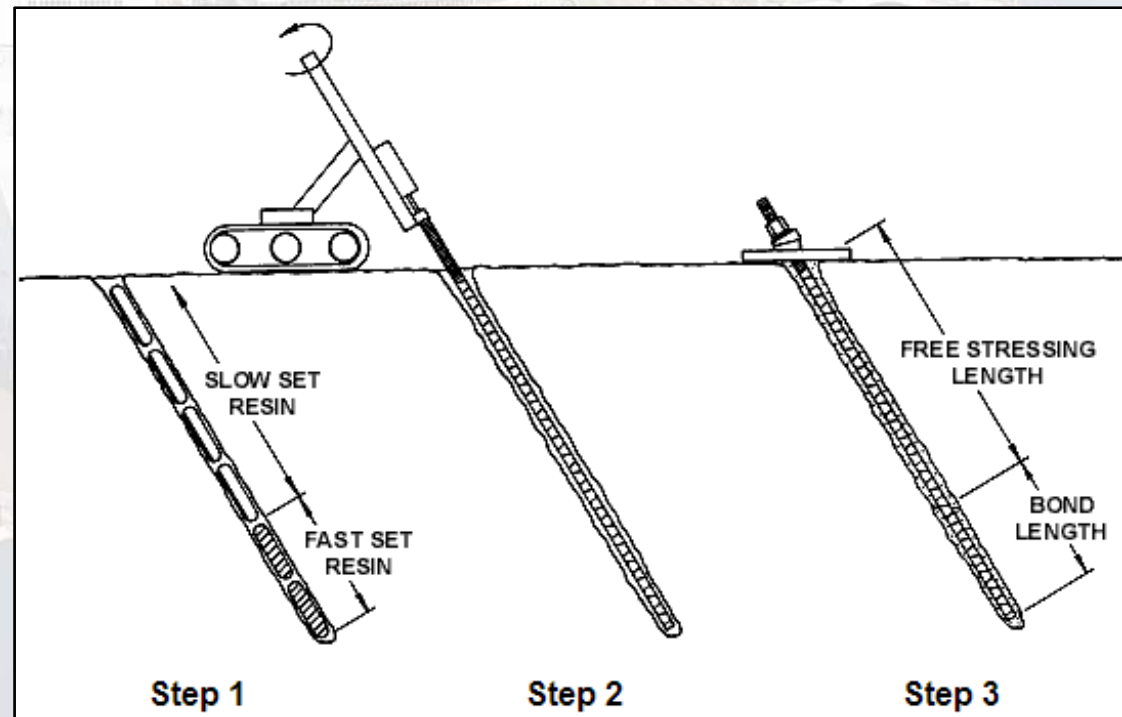


# What's Different?

- Guidance for resin-grouted anchors moved to supplement



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# Thank You!

