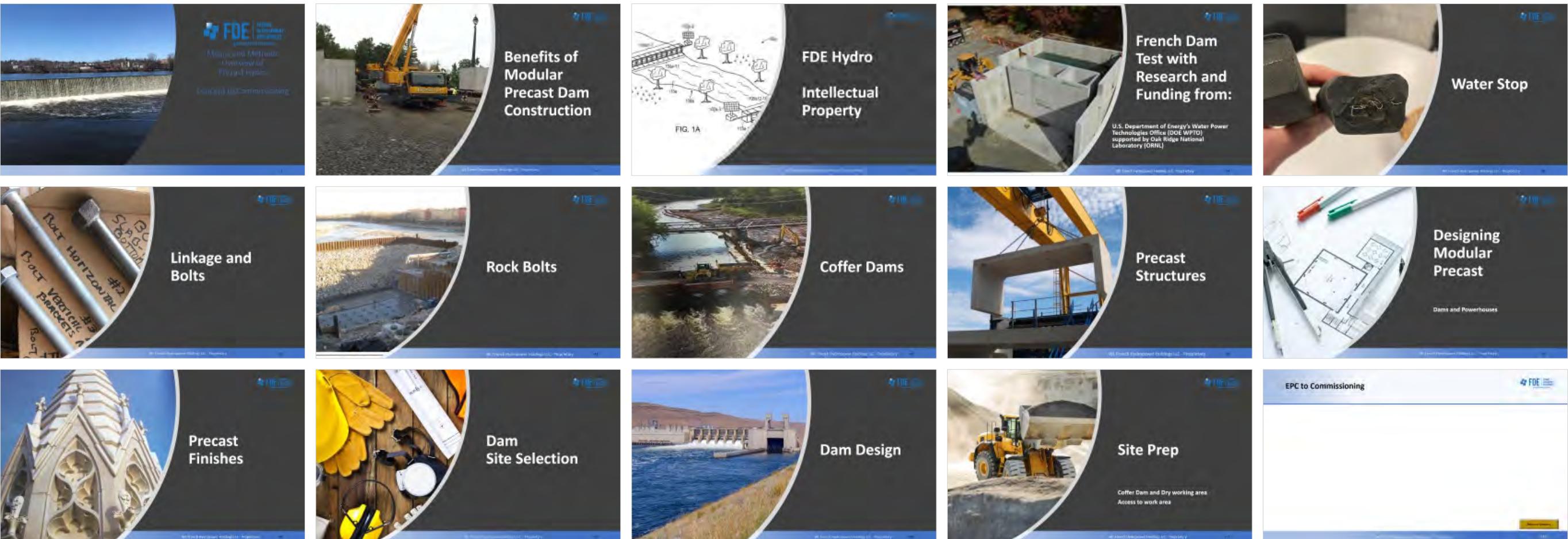


# Sections





## Means and Methods Overview of Precast Hydro

Concept to Commissioning

The following information is being provided to you or your company under NDA with:  
**W.L. French Hydropower Holdings LLC d/b/a FDE Hydro**

**INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN APPLY TO WL FRENCH HYDROPOWER HOLDINGS “FAMILY OF PATENTS”**

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# Benefits of Modular Precast Dam Construction



# Benefits of Modular Precast

## FDE PATENTED TECHNOLOGIES

Modular Precast Concrete Civil Structures (Multiple System Configurations)

9 Patents US, CANADA, BRAZIL and EUROPE FDE Hydro has **exclusive rights to all North America**

\$1.6 M US Department of Energy Grant for French Dam Proof of Concept rapidly deployable hydropower asset.

## BENEFITS DEMONSTRATED Project Risk Lowered

▪ Civil Construction Cost Reduction	60%
▪ Dam Longevity <b>2X</b> Improvement	100 yrs.
▪ Project Construction Time Reduction	43%
▪ Reduces total labor force & hazardous labor force hours	60%
▪ Lessens Construction Liability Window	<b>40% less time on site</b>
▪ Reduce Environmental Exposure and Impact	<b>40% less time on site</b>
▪ Reduce Climate-Induced cost overruns	<b>Controlled Environment</b>
▪ Predictable Civil Construction Means and Methods	<b>Stakeholder Risk Reduction</b>

## SUPPLY CHAIN Outstanding business relationships

- Tier 1 Precast Concrete Manufacturers
- Tier 1 Civil Engineering Firms
- Modular Hydro Turbines and System Interconnects
- Top project partners CM'S , GC'S & Hydro Developers

## Modular Precast Hydro Applications

- Small to Medium Head Dams (New, Rehab and Refurb)
- Modular Pumped Storage
- Water Resource Management
- Fish Passages
- Secure Microgrids

## FUTURE MANDATE FOR MODULAR

US GOVERNMENT AGENCIES: USACE, DOE, BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, FEMA, EPA



## **W.L. French Hydropower Holdings LLC d/b/a FDE Hydro,**

Holds 9 Active Patents on Modular Precast Solutions protecting unique Civil structures for hydropower and water structures.

The Patents cover all shapes and sizes of precast

### **With Application to:**

- Dam Impoundments
- Precast Modular Powerhouses
- Conduits
- Modular Fish Passage w/ Merck Animal Health's Hyper InfusiO2n Solutions
- Modular Pump Storage Hydro (m-PSH)
- Hydro micro-Grids

# Precast vs CIP

## Trading CIP with Precast

[Why you should use precast technology on your next large-scale construction project](#)

## W.L. French Precast, Modular Construction for Water Impoundment Infrastructure

[White Paper 2017 Precast, Modular Construction for Water Impoundment Infrastructure](#)

## 100 Reasons for Precast (slide 69 discusses life)

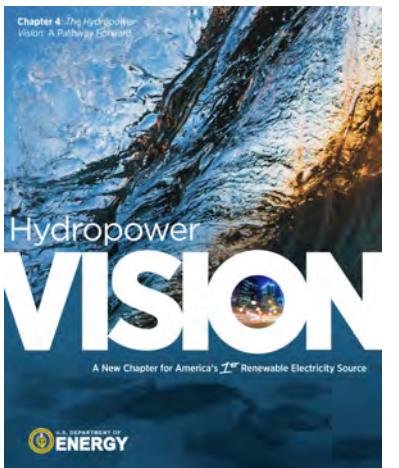
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# Hydropower Vision Road Map

## DOE Water Power Technologies Office

### Scalable Modular Civil

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**4.1 Technology Advancement**  
**Action 4.1.1.2 Develop scalable modular civil structure designs.**  
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#### **ACTION 4.1.1: Develop Next-Generation Hydropower Technologies.**

<b>ACTION 4.1.1: Develop Next-Generation Hydropower Technologies</b>		
The next generation of hydropower and PSH technologies must be able to realize high efficiencies and enhanced performance, while minimizing environmental footprint and lowering capital costs.		
<b>Deliverable:</b>	New designs and approaches that will allow developers to tap into previously unrealized potential, while making hydropower more competitive with other generation resources.	<b>Timeframe:</b>
<b>Impact:</b>	Reduced costs and higher reliability.	All actions in this area could commence immediately and simultaneously. Research is already underway by DOE in standard and modular designs (4.1.1 and 4.1.2), and components manufactured using advanced techniques and materials (4.1.3) already exist, but additional applications should continue to be explored. Research and development efforts in new design philosophies (4.1.4) will be ongoing and evolving to adapt to new markets, regulatory actions, and unrealized potential. While closed-loop PSH plants already exist, there are opportunities to explore non-conventional designs at perhaps smaller scales (4.1.5).
<b>Key Objectives:</b>	Optimization, Growth	
<b>Growth Sectors Addressed:</b>	Upgrades, NPD, Conduits, NSD, PSH	
Action	Deliverable	Impact
Action 4.1.1.1 Standardize equipment components.	Standard equipment components that can be mass produced and assembled in a variety of packaged designs.	Reduced costs, expanded manufacturing capabilities, increased industry collaboration.
Action 4.1.1.2 Develop scalable modular civil structure designs.	Modular civil structure designs, manufacturing and implementation plans, database describing performance characteristics of modular designs.	Reduced construction costs, reduced lead time on project construction.
Action 4.1.1.3 Implement additive manufacturing techniques and advanced materials.	Stronger and lighter hydropower components that are more resistant to corrosion and that can be manufactured and installed quickly.	Faster production of turbine components, lower project and maintenance costs.
Action 4.1.1.4 Explore alternative hydropower design philosophies.	Cost-benefit studies and technical reports documenting the feasibility of new design philosophies.	Reduced capital costs, potential deployment at previously unfeasible sites.
Action 4.1.1.5 Demonstrate potential and feasibility of innovative closed-loop PSH design concepts.	Reports and feasibility studies of innovative closed-loop PSH technologies, such as distributed closed-loop PSH systems.	Greater grid flexibility and storage capacity as a result of increased development of PSH.

Generation Hydropower Technologies

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**ACTION 4.1.1.2: Develop scalable modular civil structure designs.**

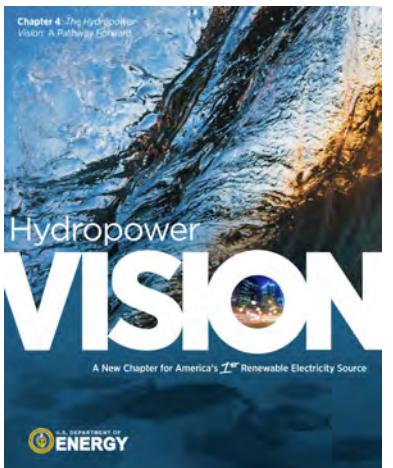
The term “modular” refers to precast, pre-assembled, and/or standardized civil structure components that would otherwise be site-customized in traditional hydropower design approaches. Development and implementation of innovative modular hydraulic structure and foundation concepts have the potential to transform existing designs and streamline construction to reduce overall costs. One goal of this action is to be able to initially develop projects under a least-cost methodology. After a project is on-line and generating revenue, the project owner could then further customize the equipment and operating features to suit their particular needs. For example, a developer may decide to install a turbine-generator unit at a non-powered dam that does not utilize the dam’s full hydroelectric potential. Once the project begins generating revenue, the developer can, through a license amendment or during relicensing, add an additional unit and generate more electricity using modular civil structures with minimal infrastructure costs.

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### Fish passages & enhanced environmental performance

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**4.1 Technology Advancement**  
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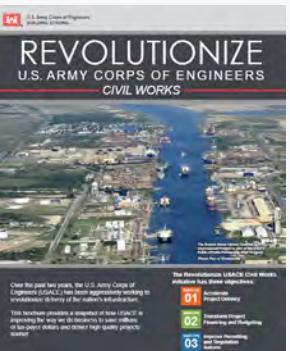
ACTION 4.1.2: Enhance Environmental Performance of New and Existing Hydropower Technologies		
<p>Environmental performance (e.g., fish survival rates, water quality) of hydropower and PSH technologies is a significant concern of all parties and should thus be evaluated and, when necessary, modified to ensure continual improvement.</p> <p><b>Deliverables:</b> Methodologies and metrics to measure environmental performance of hydropower components that are applied during development, deployment, and evaluation of hydropower technologies.</p> <p><b>Impact:</b> Improved environmental performance due to adaptations of hydropower technology in response to environmental performance findings; acceptance and support from the stakeholder community for individual facilities or projects, resulting in increased deployment of new hydropower technologies.</p> <p><b>Key Objectives:</b> Optimization, Growth, Sustainability</p> <p><b>Growth Sectors Addressed:</b> Upgrades, NPD, Conduits, NSD, PSH</p>		
Action	Deliverable	Impact
Action 4.1.2.1 Develop metrics, monitoring, and measurement methodologies for environmental stressors.	Metrics and testing methodologies for environmental stressors.	Improved characterization and quantification of environmental stressors.
Action 4.1.2.2 Develop and apply biologically-based design and evaluation techniques for hydropower components and associated water control facilities.	Biologically-based design and evaluation techniques for hydropower.	Greater prediction and evaluation of environmental performance of hydropower components and associated water control facilities.
Action 4.1.2.3 Apply environmental performance findings within an adaptive management process to prompt modifications to given hydropower technology.	Application of environmental performance findings to drive improvements in hydropower structures and operations.	Improved environmental performance of hydropower technologies.
Action 4.1.2.4 Compare environmental metrics before and after upgrades, new environmental requirements, or deployments at select example facilities to validate and communicate environmental performance improvements.	Comparisons of environmental performance for baseline and post-construction conditions.	Improved documentation and communication of environmental performance.
Action 4.1.2.5 Ensure that enhancing environmental performance is addressed within hydropower fleet modernization efforts.	Comparisons of environmental performance for baseline and post-construction conditions.	Improved documentation and communication of environmental performance.

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**ACTION 4.1.2.5: Ensure that enhancing environmental performance is addressed within hydropower fleet modernization efforts.**

Hydropower industry and researchers regularly carry out R&D efforts to develop innovative technologies that meet environmental objectives. This research takes into account factors such as environmental regulations, changing operating modes, and the effects of climate change. As hydropower owners and operators modernize facilities, equipment, and components, they can help ensure continued environmental compliance and stewardship at existing hydropower facilities by implementing the best available technologies to monitor and mitigate environmental impacts. Even as they do so, owners and operators must also consider the costs of such technologies and the effect of those costs on the viability of hydropower production at the facility. This is particularly important for older facilities that are at or near their relicensing periods, or that may have been designed under less stringent environmental protection regimes.

# US Army Corps of Engineers

## Vision of Civil work 2020



### USACE Vision Civil work 2020

### FDE Hydro Modular Precast Solution

USACE Revolution 2020.pdf		Material	Design	Construction
<b>Accelerating Project Delivery</b>	<p>Utilize innovative materials, construction practices, and design procedures.</p> <p>Expedite delivery of quality projects to improve performance, resilience, and reduce life cycle costs.</p>	<p>High quality precast materials with proven life and resiliency. Reduces maintenance and <b>life cycles costs</b>.</p> <p>Fabricated in a factory-controlled setting with quality inspection throughout the process.</p>	<p>Automated design methodology (Telka's software for precast) defines internal rebar structure, embedded hardpoints and structural connections.</p> <p>Design software plans staging, crane lifts, and</p>	<p><b>Precast modules reduce the time in the water</b></p> <p>Reduce or eliminated on site rebar or form construction.</p> <p>Fabricate the precast modules while prepping the site.</p>
<b>Transform Project Financing and Budgeting</b>	<p>Expand risk-informed decision making to the entire project life cycle to guide decisions and implement solutions faster.</p> <p>Improve acquisition by streamlining review and award processes, incorporating risk-based approaches, and encouraging alternative contract methods.</p> <p>Encourage all levels of the agency to delegate decision-making to streamline efforts and expedite project delivery.</p> <p>Implement recommendations to improve the Continuing Authorities Program by delegating decisions, increasing flexibilities, and streamlining delivery.</p> <p>Refine proposals to streamline and delegate Project Partnership Agreements and implement recommendations in 2020.</p>	<p>Reduce or eliminate fabrication risk</p> <p>Incoming material is received and inspected</p> <p>All precast concrete batch mixtures are exactly the same mixture and content per spec.</p> <p>Final produced modules are inspected at the factory prior to shipment to site, documentation available for agencies review prior to final build.</p>	<p>Complete design is reviewed before in factory fabrication begins.</p> <p>Use of materials will be optimized to reduce waste and control purchasing.</p> <p>Designs incorporate next generation means and methods</p>	<p>Significantly reduce risk from weather events.</p> <p>Full team coordination of module delivery, stage, crane lifts and final placements.</p> <p>All material (modules, linkages, seals) are coordinated for delivery to align with staging plan.</p> <p>Schedule process will streamline delivery.</p> <p>Modules Installed and bar coded for project coordination and production goals</p>
<b>Improve Permitting and Regulatory Reform</b>	<p>Provide training and tools and remove administrative barriers to further encourage our partners to take leadership roles with the completion of authorized studies and construction projects.</p>	<p>Automated mixing of material in the factory monitored by QA. Reduced the need for highly skilled labor in the field.</p>	<p>Precast moves highly trained teams out of the fields and to the factory</p>	<p>Lower risk construction</p>

The French Modular Civil Solution was called by a Major Research Director  
“A Disruptive Technology and the biggest innovation in water infrastructure and hydro power in 50-years”

## Design your next project with LIHI in mind

Jan. 7, 2022 the Executive Directory review FDE Hydro's approach and commented.

“Prospective research and development projects, such as the designs offered by French Development Enterprises LLC (FDE), have great potential to provide the new technologies we need to enable new hydropower development at existing dams. Innovative construction methods that can minimize the footprint and time of dam reconstruction, when necessary, will also reduce adverse environmental impacts.”

Each design project is unique and will require individual approval by LIHI but starting with innovative technology such as FDE Hydro's modular precast solution is the future.

[LIHI French Dam Letter 2022](#)

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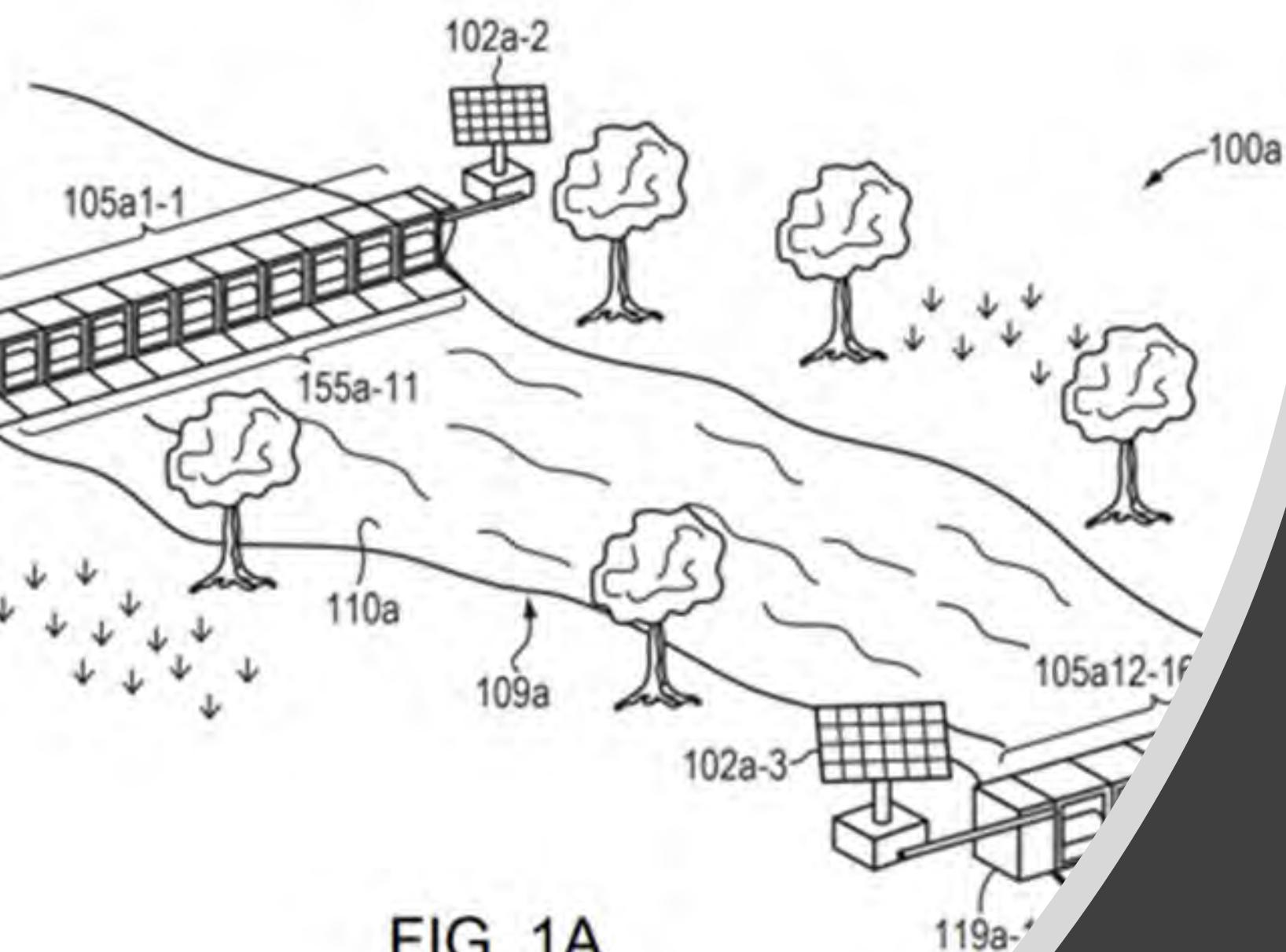
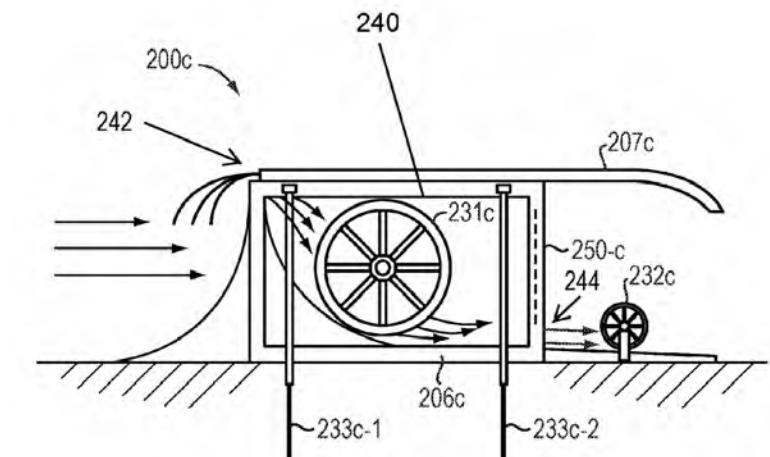
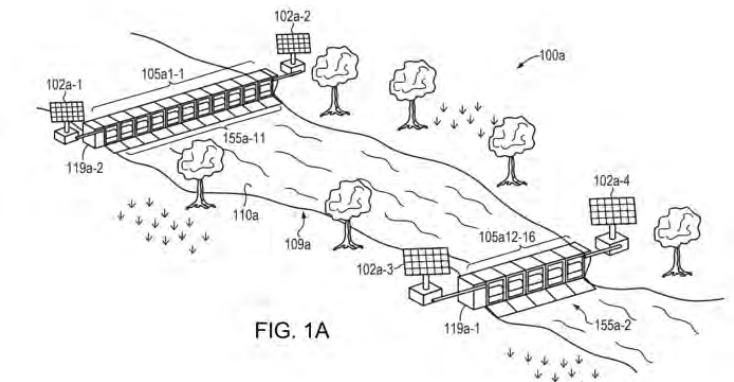
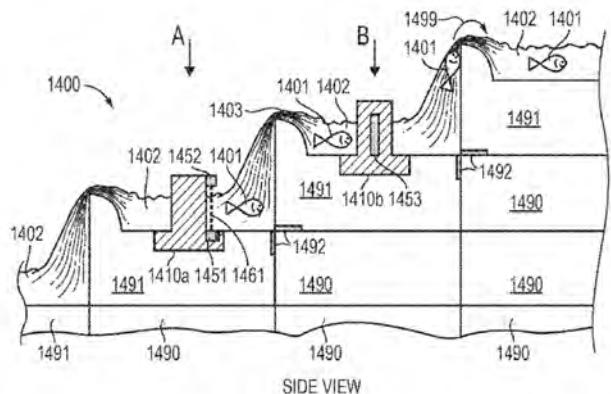
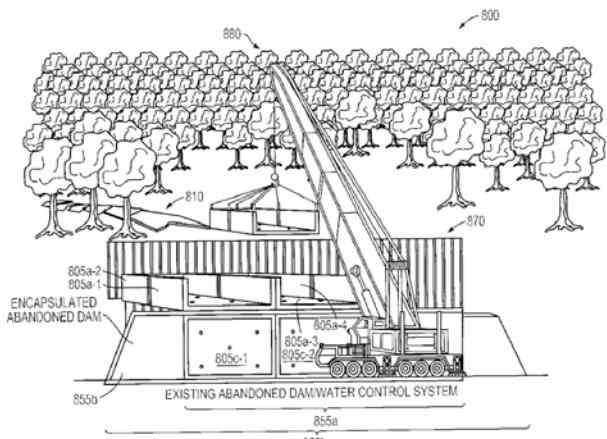


FIG. 1A

# FDE Hydro Intellectual Property

# FDE Hydro IP Summary



US PATENT – “INTELLIGENT” HYDROELECTRIC DAM WITH POWER STORAGE (New Dams)

CANADA PATENT – RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS

US PATENT – “INTELLIGENT” HYDROELECTRIC DAM WITH POWER STORAGE (Powerhouse & Retrofit)

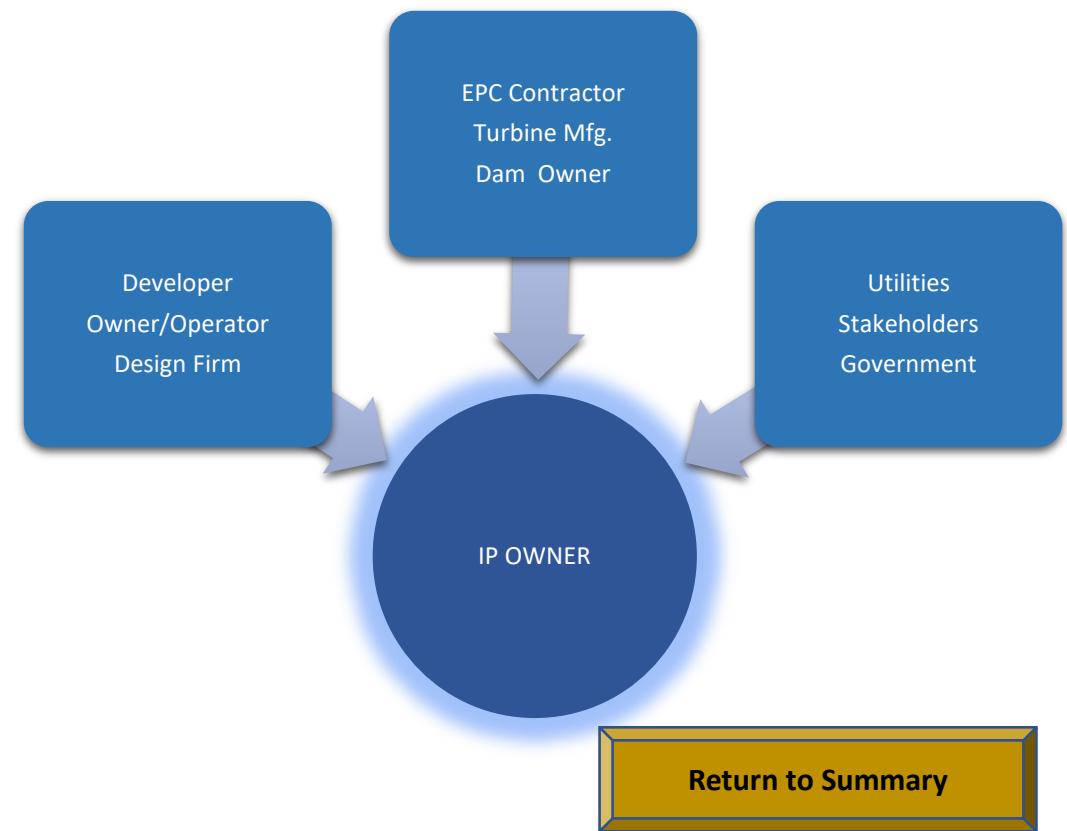
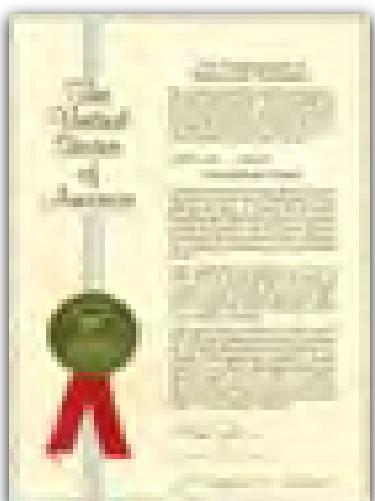
US PATENT – PRECAST DAM STRUCTURE WITH FLOWPATH

U.S. PATENT - AQUATIC ANIMAL PASSAGE WITH COUNTER

US PATENT ALLOWED - MODULAR PRECAST PUMPED STORAGE HYDRO SYSTEM FOR POWER GENERATION

CANADA PATENT – RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEM – HYDRO

BRAZIL PATENT – RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS - HYDRO



DESIGNATED COUNTRIES: ALBANIA, AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, BULGARIA, CROATIA, CYPRUS, CZECH REPUBLIC, DENMARK, ESTONIA, FINLAND, FRANCE, GERMANY, GREECE, HUNGARY, ICELAND, IRELAND, ITALY, LATVIA, LIECHTENSTEIN, LITHUANIA, LUXEMBOURG, MACEDONIA, MALTA, MONACO, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, POLAND, PORTUGAL, ROMANIA, SAN MARINO, SERBIA, SLOVAKIA, SLOVENIA, SPAIN, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, TURKEY, UK

# French Dam Test with Research and Funding from:

**U.S. Department of Energy's Water Power  
Technologies Office (DOE WPTO)  
supported by Oak Ridge National  
Laboratory (ORNL)**



# French Modular Impoundment FY17

Water Power Technologies Office Peer Review  
Hydropower Program

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
**ENERGY** | Energy Efficiency &  
Renewable Energy

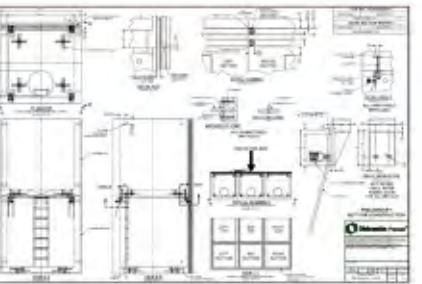


French Modular Impoundment  
Precast alternative to reduce time, cost and risk of  
dam construction and rehabilitation

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French Development Enterprises, LLC  
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## Technical Approach

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1.) Design



2.) Manufacture



3.) Assemble



4.) Test

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# French Dam Reports

[French Dam - Working Platform Linkage @ Layout Information](#)

[French Dam - Civil Water Infrastructure Solutions](#)

[FDE Consultant Review](#)

[U.S. DOE peer review](#)

## Article from Concrete Technology Magazine 2017

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## FDE DOE Final Report (see report section of sharepoint)\_

French Modular Impoundment

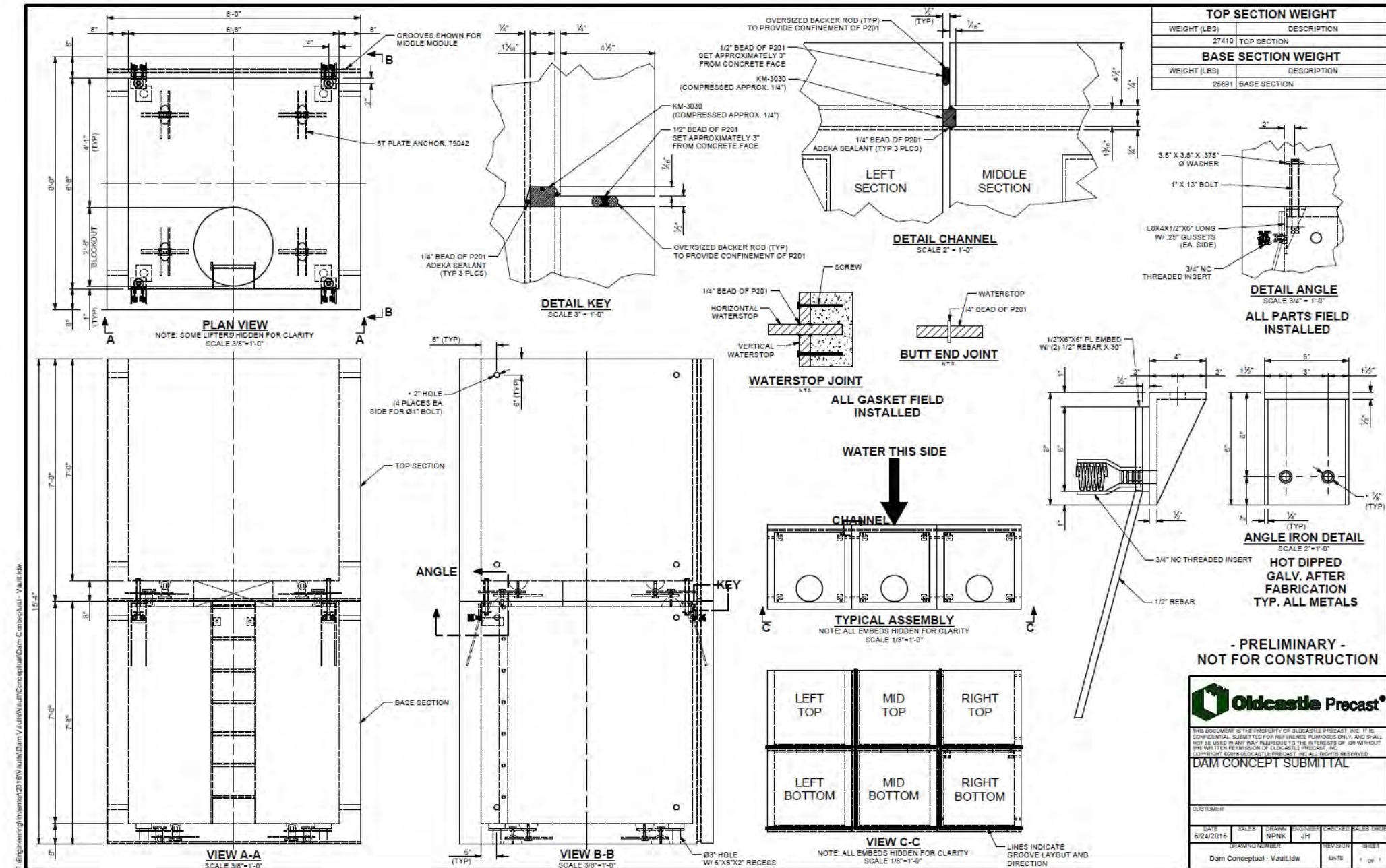
**Deliverable 6.4:** Final Cost and Performance Evaluation

**DOE Award:** DE-EE0007244

**Project Period:** 12/01/15 – 12/31/16

[FDE - DOE Final Report](#)

# Drawing of French Dam with Linkages and Waterstop



# French Dam Module Fabrication

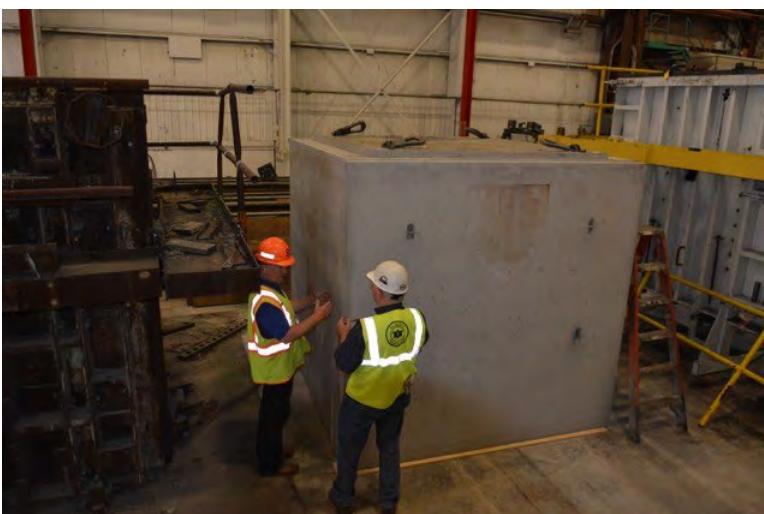
## **Any Size / Any Shape**

**Interlocking keyways and water stop seating channels molded into module at fabrication**

**Openings and Man access portals formed in the molding process**

**Reinforcing bar sized and spacing to accommodate specific application**

**Concrete strength (PSI) can be tailored to the site and application specification**



# Work Platform Linkage Layout

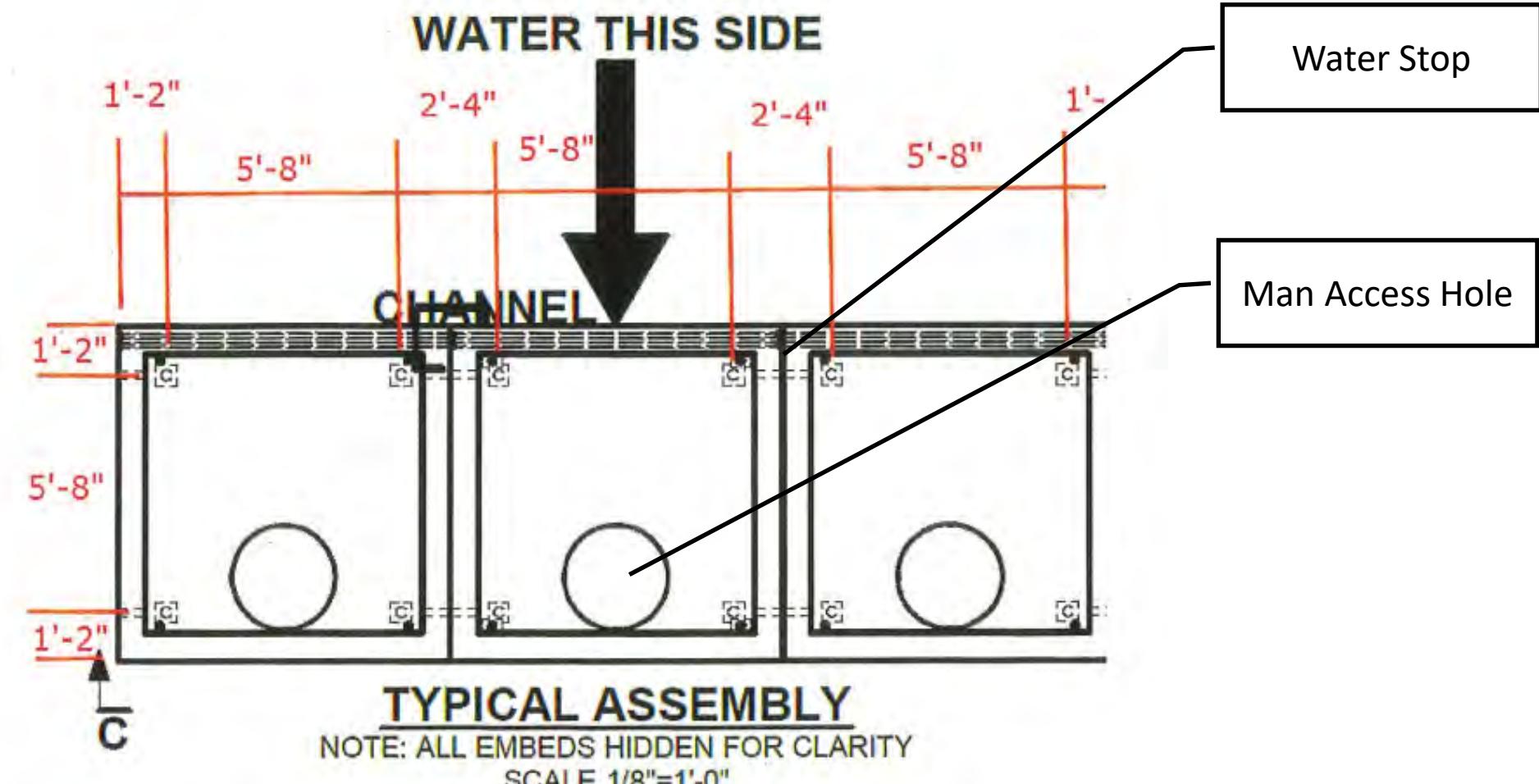
Top-down view of French Dam

## Layout of the work platform

Linkage bolts positions are in the red dimensions and are within 1/16 inch of true position determined using a Total Station.

## Layout the work platform using a Total Station

A total station is an optical surveying instrument that uses electronics to calculate angles and distances. It combines the functions of a theodolite with that of a transit level and electronic distance meter (EDM).



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# Work Platform Hardware

Custom hardware precision fabricated by recognized machining center  
Bolts sized site specific requirements, and engineer identified standards



# Assembly Starts with Strong Working Platform



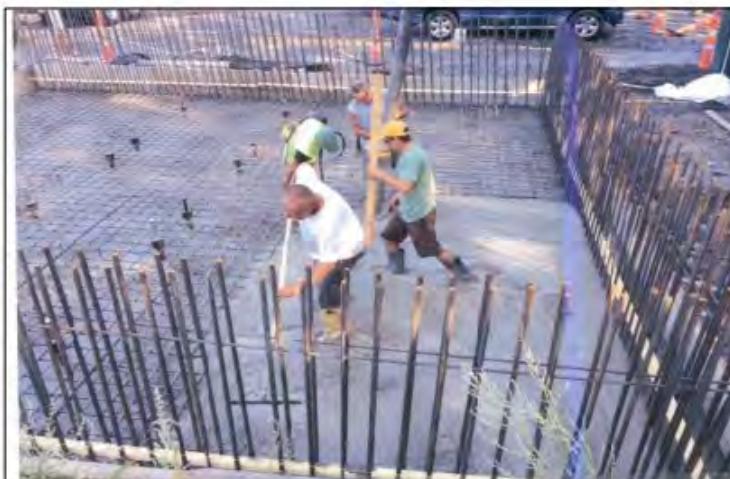
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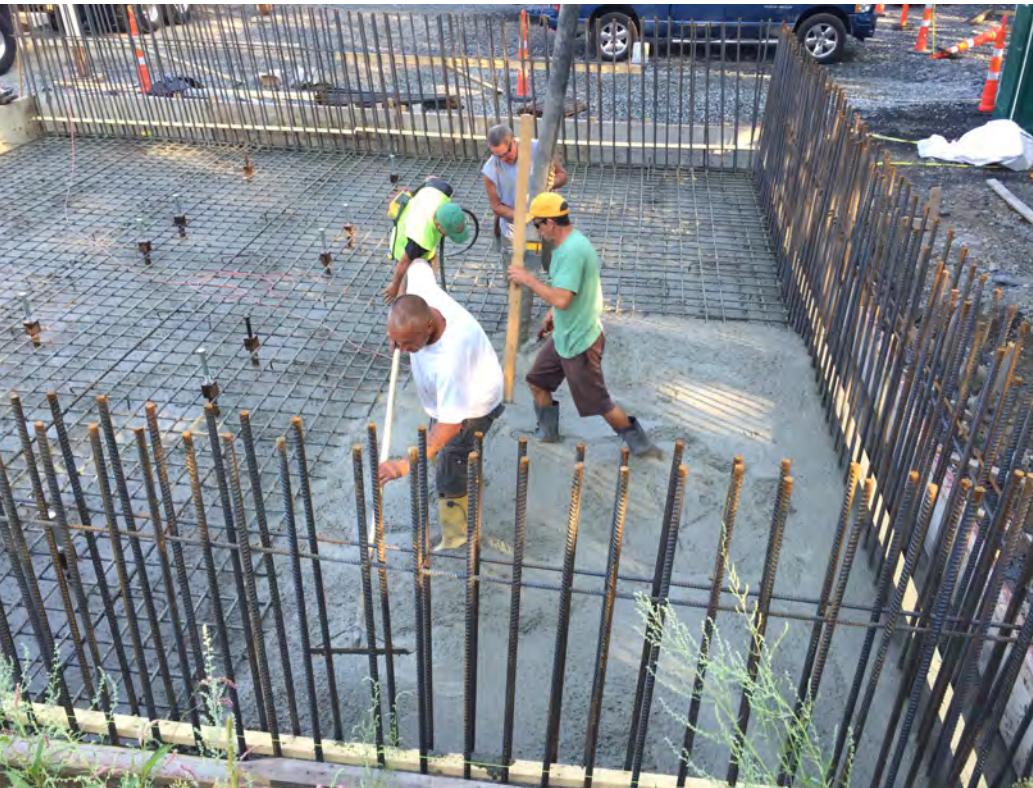
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1. PRE-FABRICATED UNDER SLAB LINKAGE
2. WORKING SLAB FORMED WITH UNDER SLAB LINKAGE SET IN PLACE USING GPS
3. REINFORCING ROD IS PLACED AND READY FOR CONCRETE
4. CONCRETE SLAB BEING POURED AND FINISHED
5. WORKING SLAB COMPLETE WITH BOLT LINKAGE IN PLACE
6. AT FINAL REVIEW BEFORE PRECAST MODULAR INSTALLATION. ALL BOLT LINKAGE WAS "DEAD ON"

# Videos of Working Platform Pour



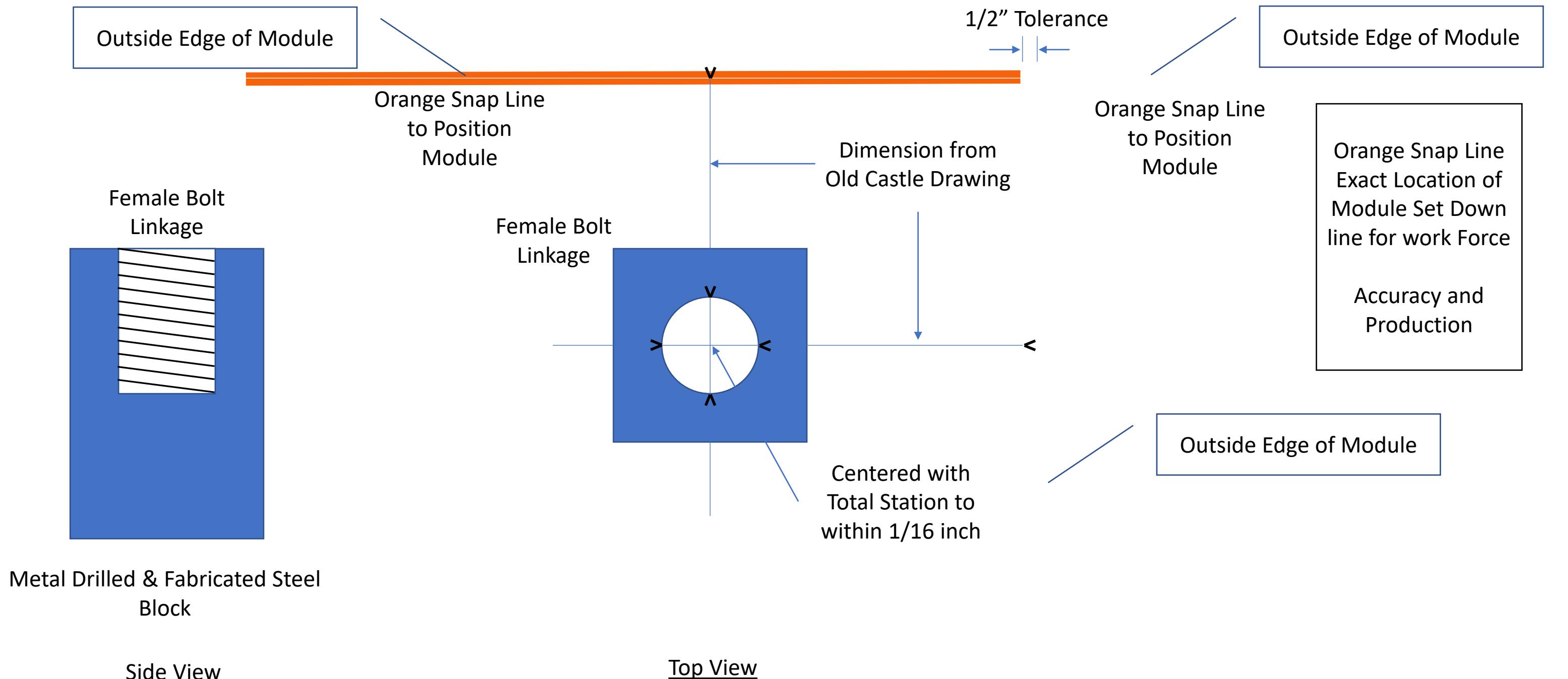
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[Video 1 start of Platform Pour](#)

[Video 2 continue Platform Pour](#)

[Video 3 Continue of Platform Pour](#)

# Bolt Position (Not to Scale)



Metal Drilled & Fabricated Steel  
Block

Side View

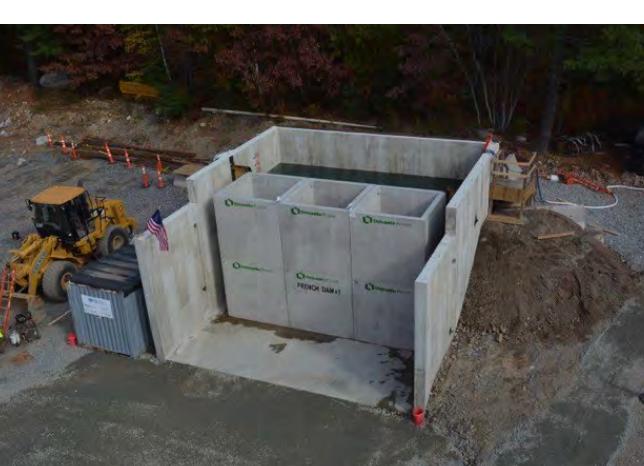
Top View

# Precast Module Layout is Critical



# French Dam Test

Assembled in 3.5 hours in Extreme Weather



# French Dam Test



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- 1.) TEST TANK – WORKING SLAB
- 2.) OFF LOADING DAM MODULES
- 3.) STAGING DAM MODULES – READY FOR DEPLOYMENT
- 4.) FRENCH DAM DOWN STREAM VIEW
- 5.) FRENCH DAM UP STREAM VIEW – HOLDING 30,000 GALLONS
- 6.) FRENCH DAM HOLDING 30,000 GALLONS – WINTER CONDITIONS

# French Dam Test, Decommissioning



# Reconfigure the French Dam to Horizontal Dam and Levee Configuration

Decommissioned from test configuration in 1.5 hours



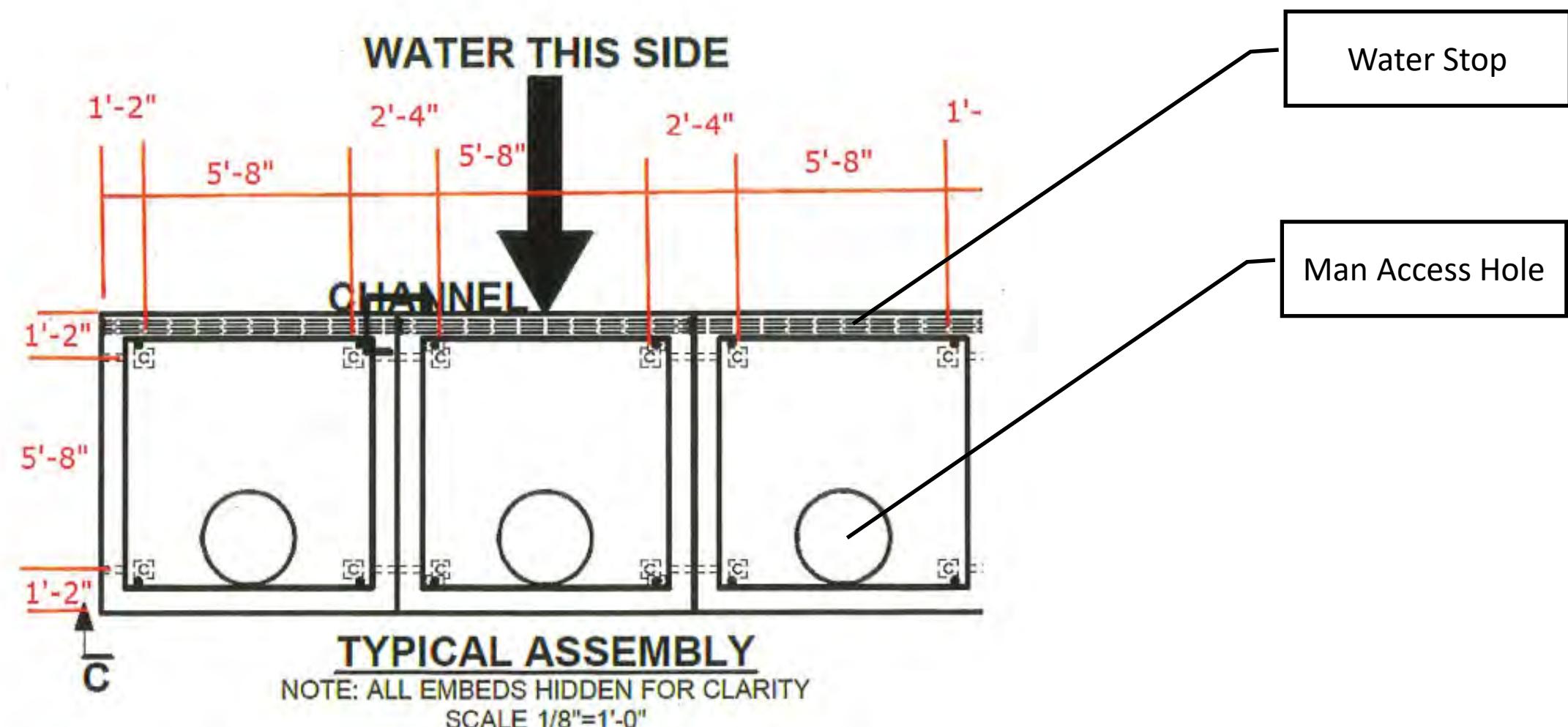
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# Water Stop

# Water Stop Positioned on Waterside of Dam

Top-down view of French Dam



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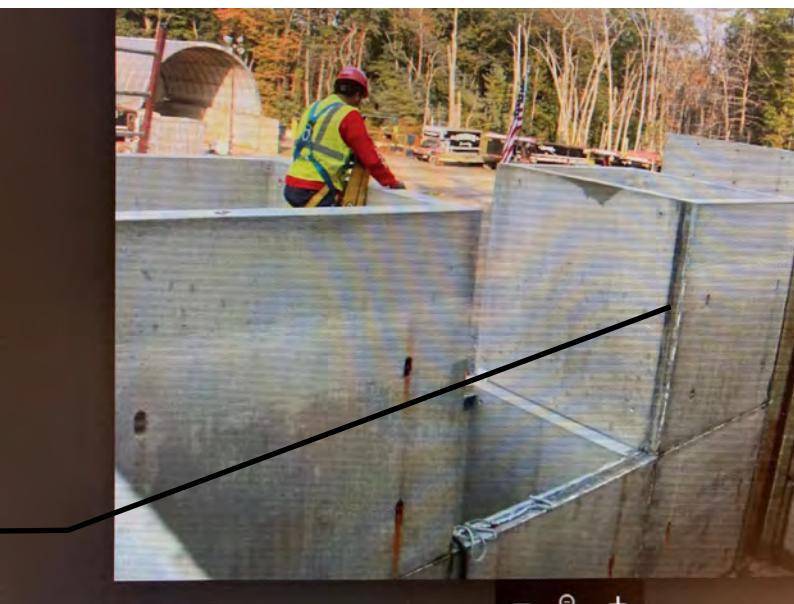
# Precast Water Stop Keyway



Slots designed into precast modules to accommodate water stop



Slots in precast modules to accommodate water stop

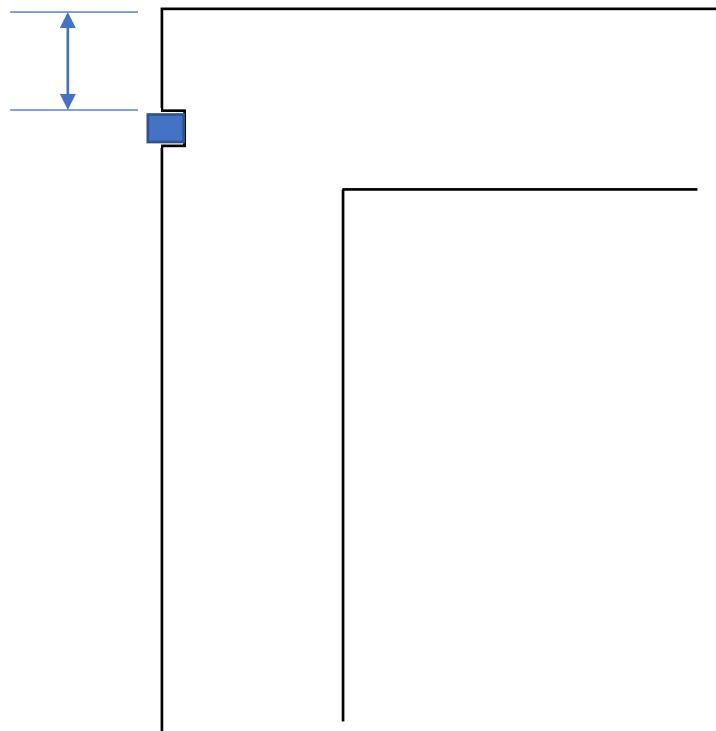


Horizontal and Vertical slots in precast modules to accommodate water stop

# Design of Expandable Water Stop

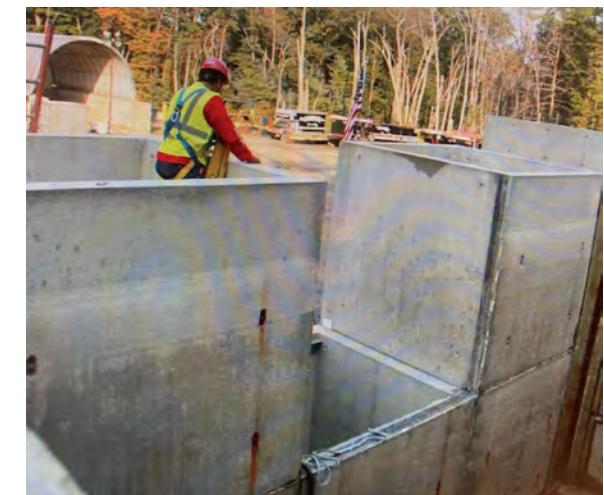


Critical dimension to prevent cracking during seal expansion



Slots designed into precast modules to accommodate water stop

# Detail of French Dam Water Stop Keyways, and Water Stop

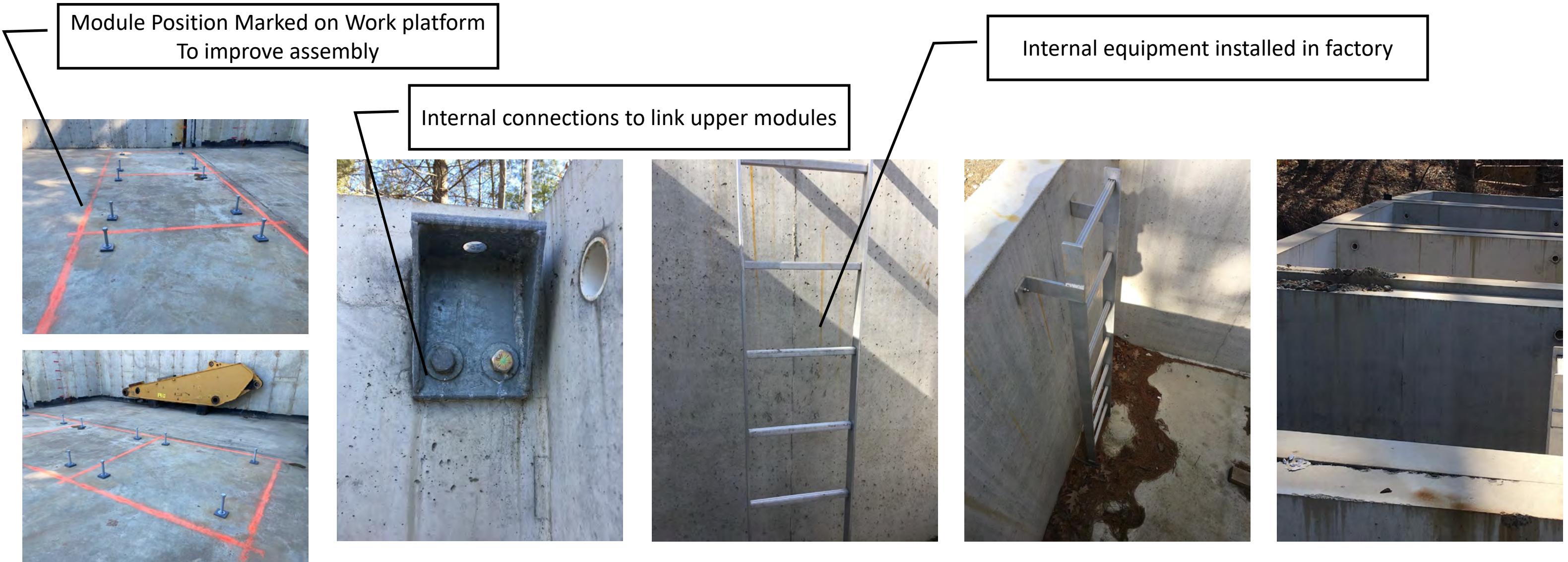


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# Linkage and Bolts

# Details of French Dam Modules & Linkage



# Video French Dam Module & Linkage



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# Detail of the French Dam



# Linkage approach to connecting precast modules

Size and strength determined by site requirements

Standard Precast connection to be sized based on site and project spec

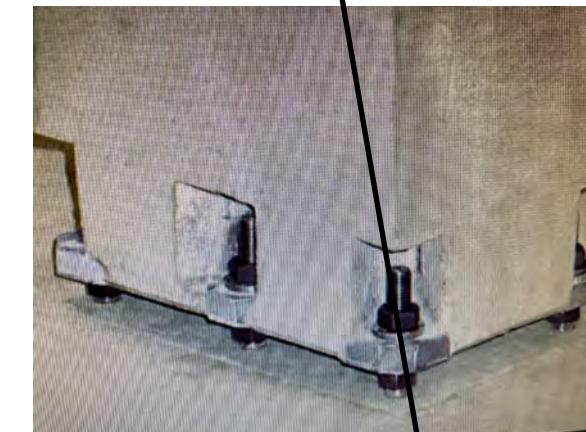
Horizontal keyway for waterstop



Heavy duty integrated linkage



4.5 inch keyway for molded in the module for assembly



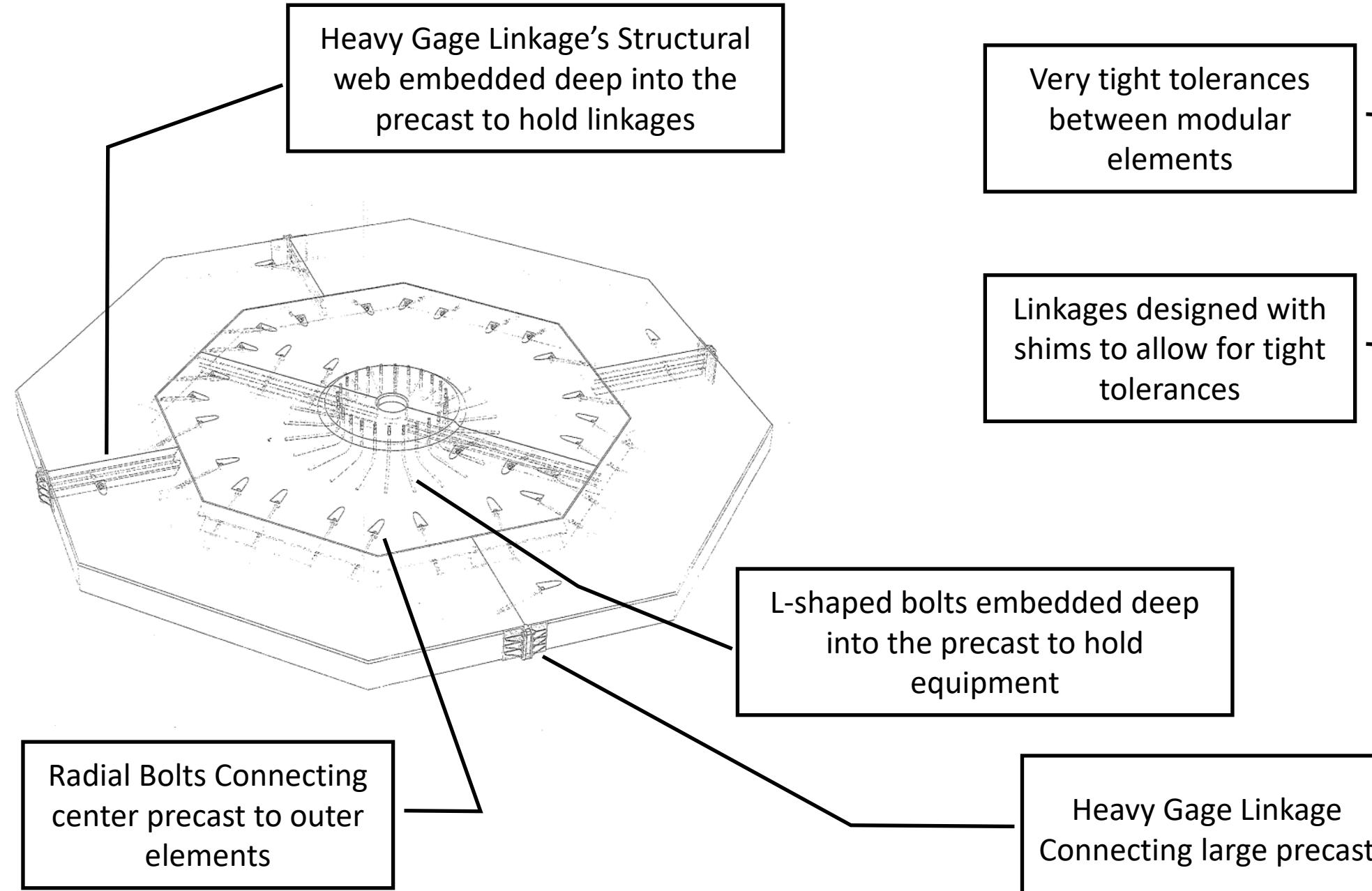
Heavy duty dowel pins



Cast-in-Place to precast column or beam

# Heavy Gage Linkage

## Connecting precision precast modules



# Prestress Cables

Size and Strength based on design requirements



Prestress Cables maybe incorporated into  
Precast to increase tensile strength

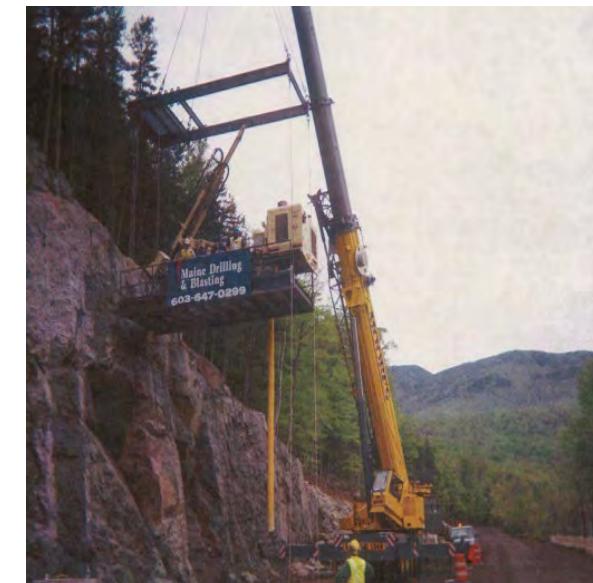
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# Rock Bolts

# Create Designs to Connect with the Site Bed Rock

Rock Bolts to anchor dam's work platform and abutments to site bedrock

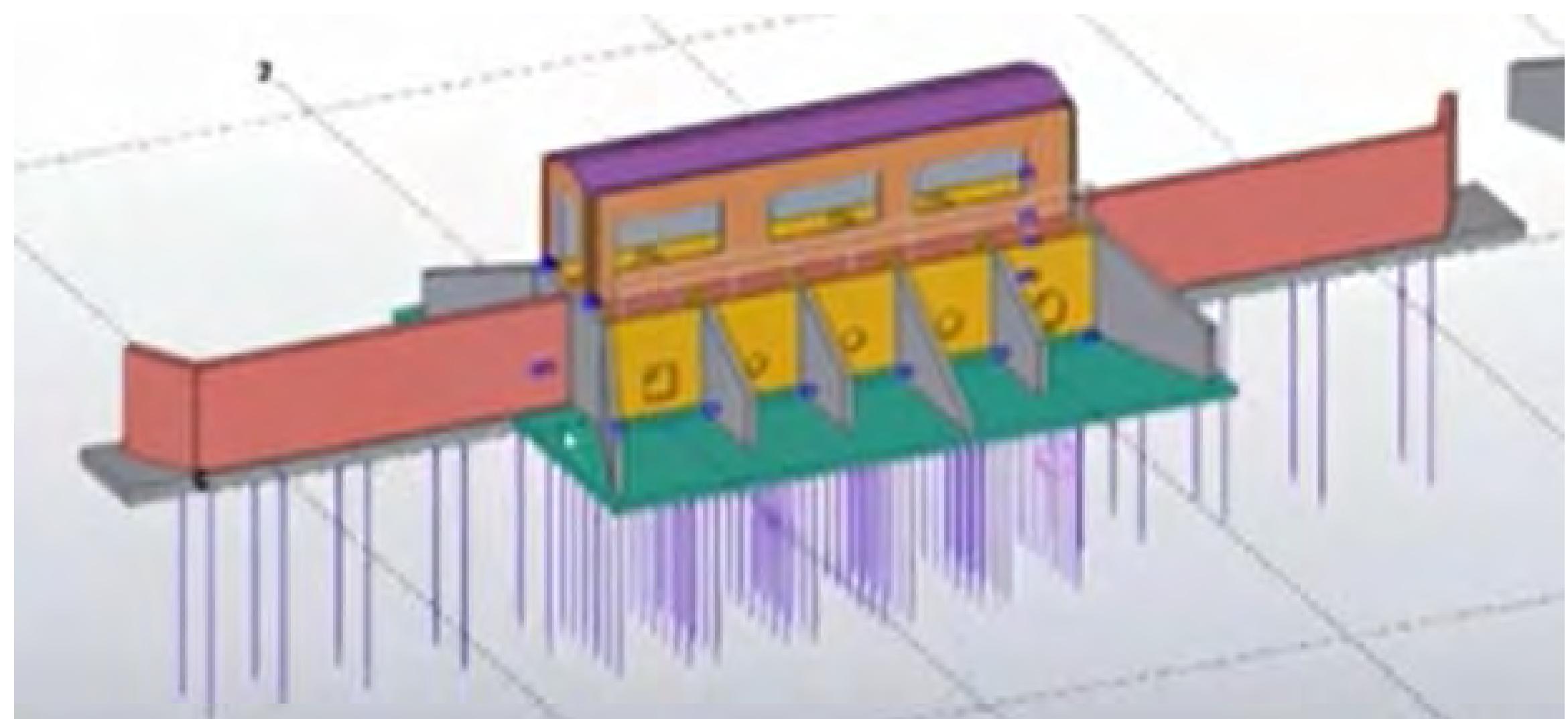


# Powerhouse and Rock bolts

## Design Dam and Powerhouse with Solid attachment to Bedrock

Rock Bolt attachments  
designed to exceed  
gravitational load of the mass  
of CIP dam

Rock Bolts attachments also  
applied through abutments  
horizontally to adjacent rock



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# Coffer Dams

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## Circular Type Cellular Cofferdam

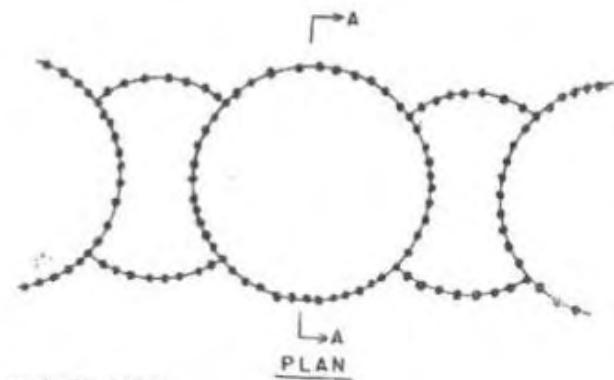
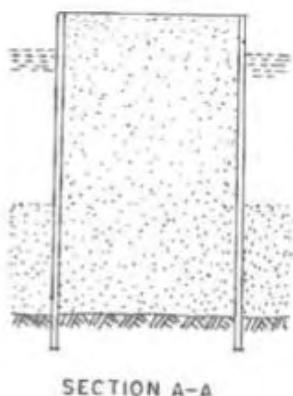


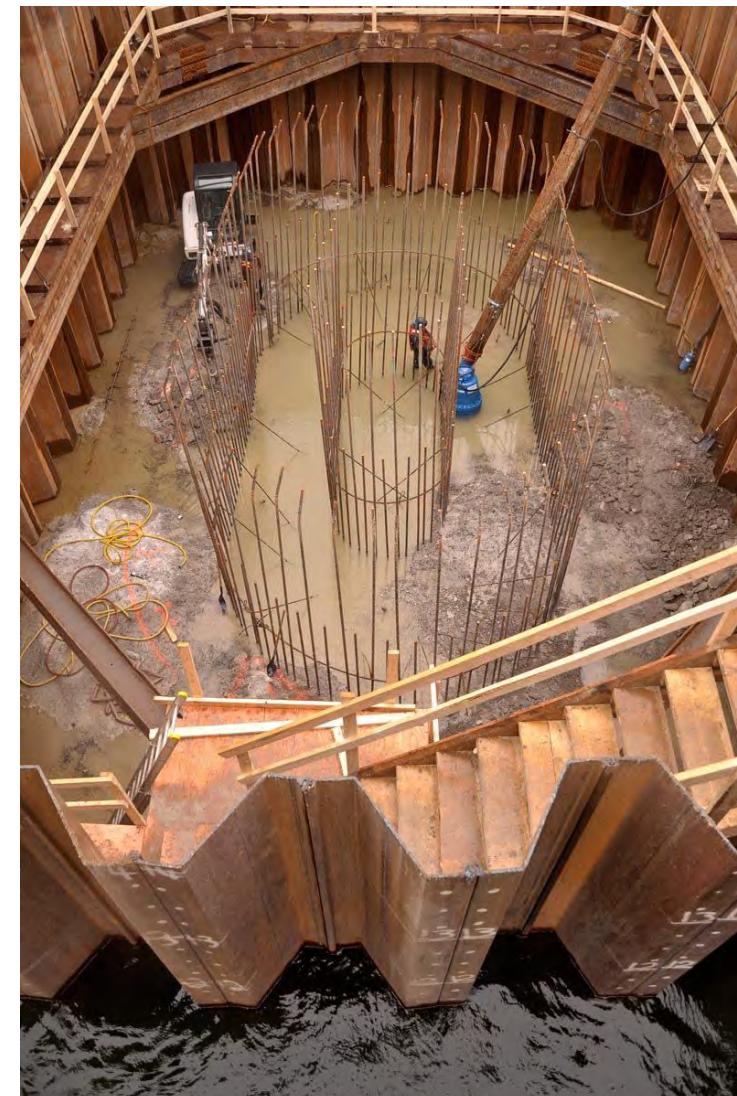
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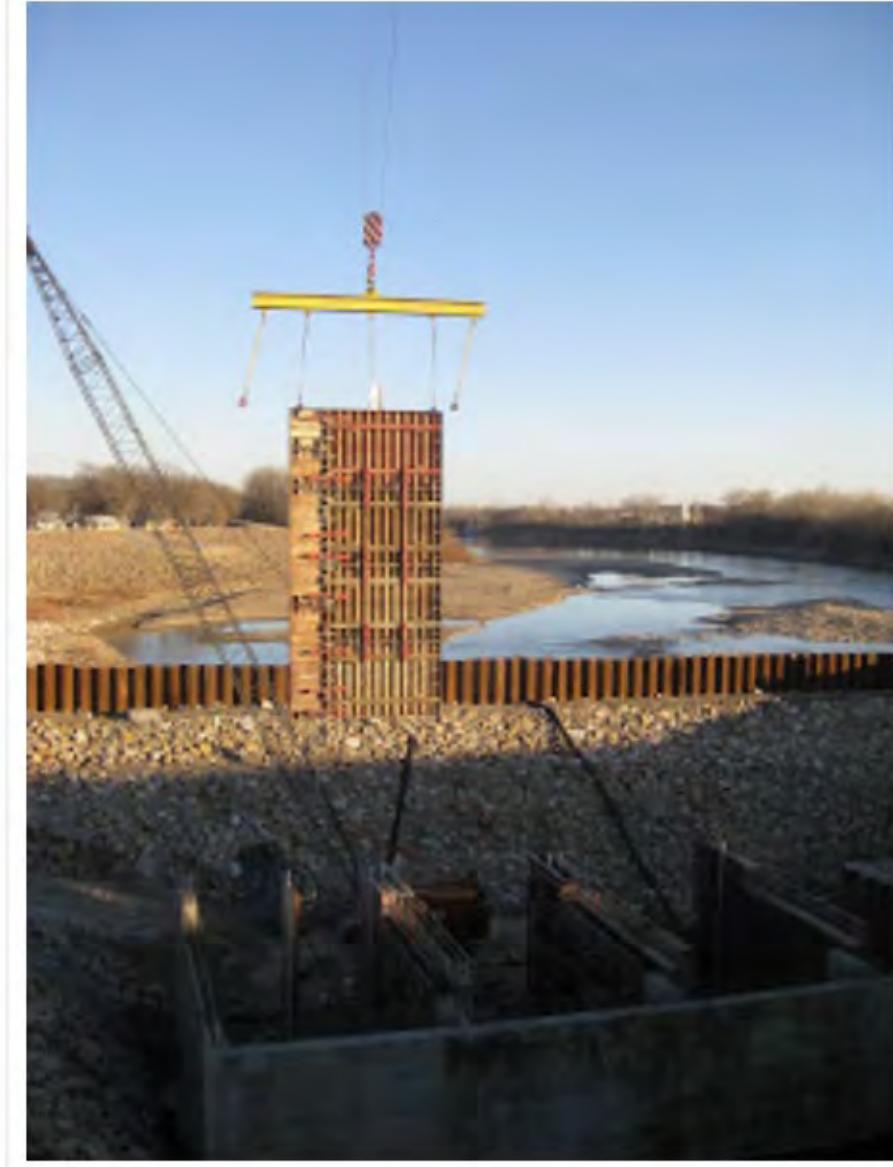


## Braced Cofferdam



Ref: [What Is Cofferdam | Different Types Of Cofferdam | Its Uses \(civileengineeringweb.com\)](http://www.civileengineeringweb.com)

# Coffer Dam Allowing work in the Dry

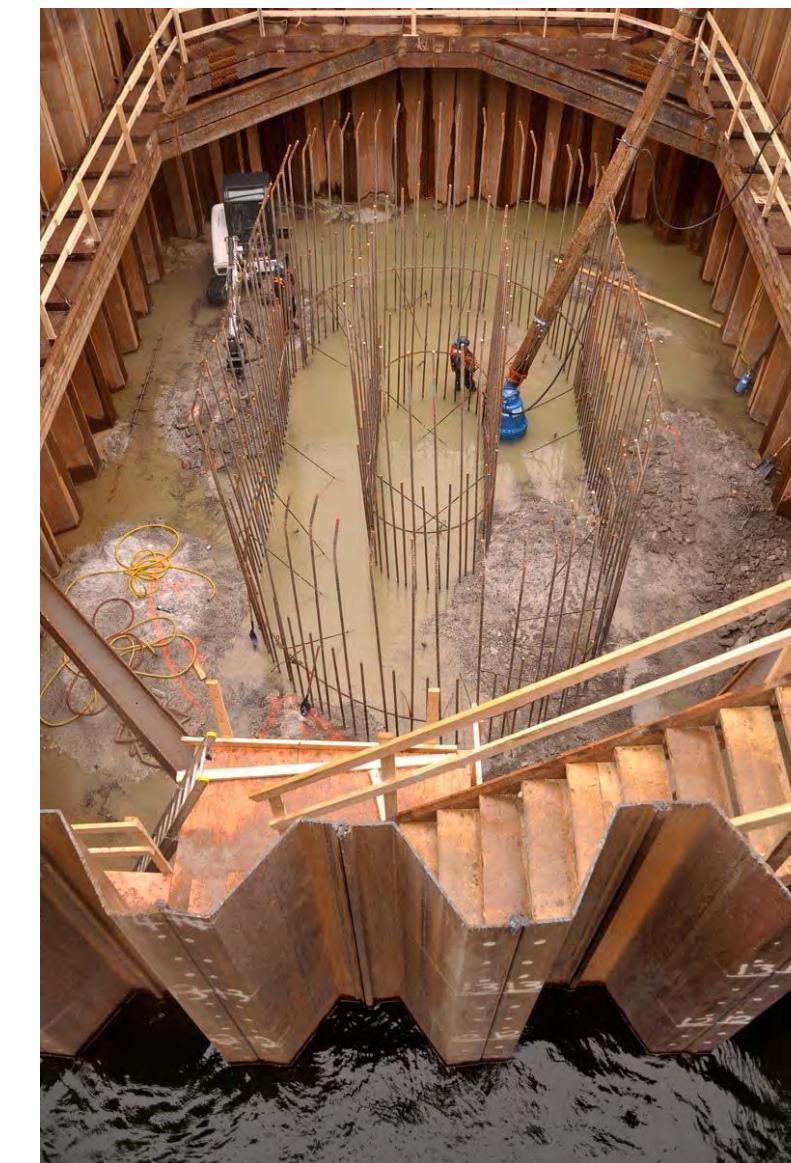
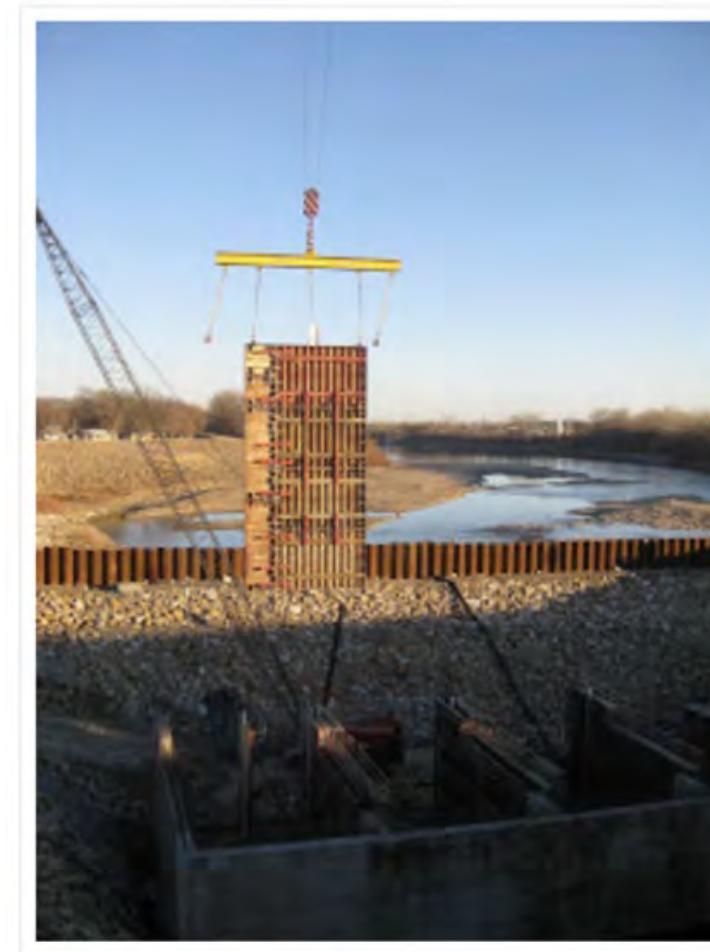


# Water Control Reduce Project Risk Exposure

## Well designed coffer dams provide protection



# Coffer Dams Continued



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# Precast Structures

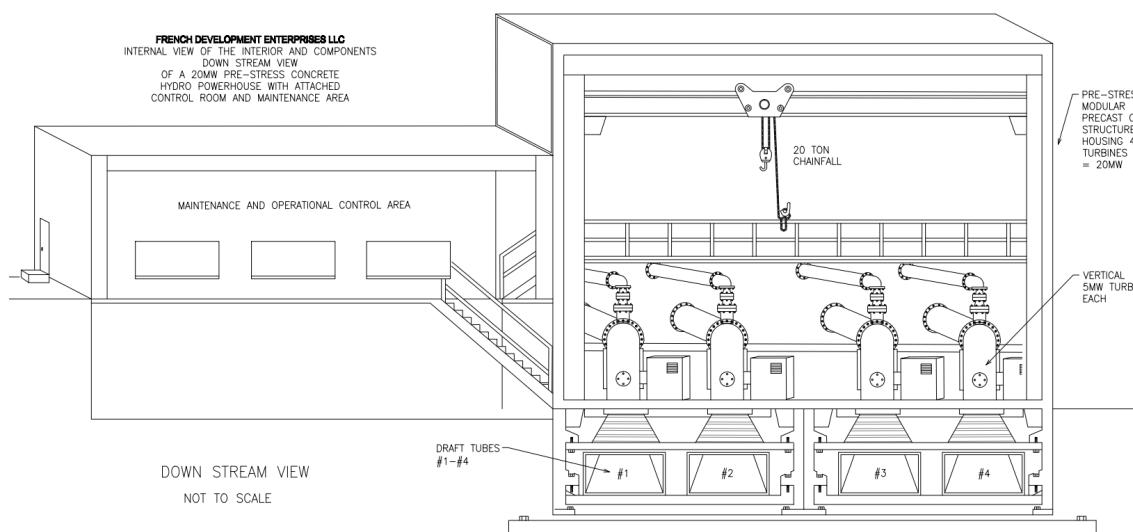


# Modules may be removed for future enhancements

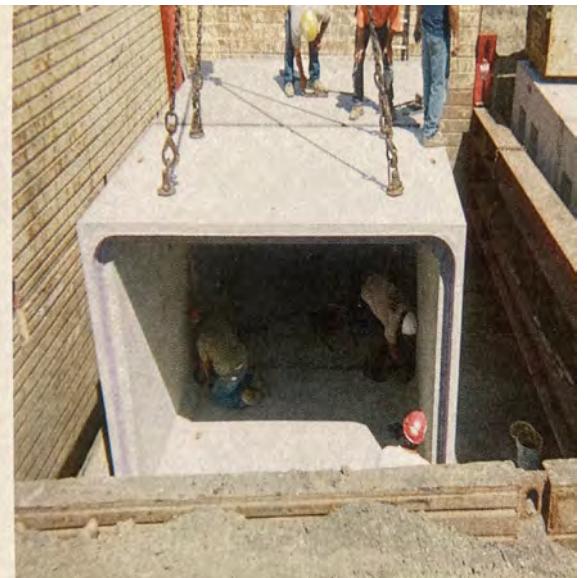
## Future addition of power modules for Turbines

President of FDE Hydro  
Chris Bencal

And  
Consultant Will Fay

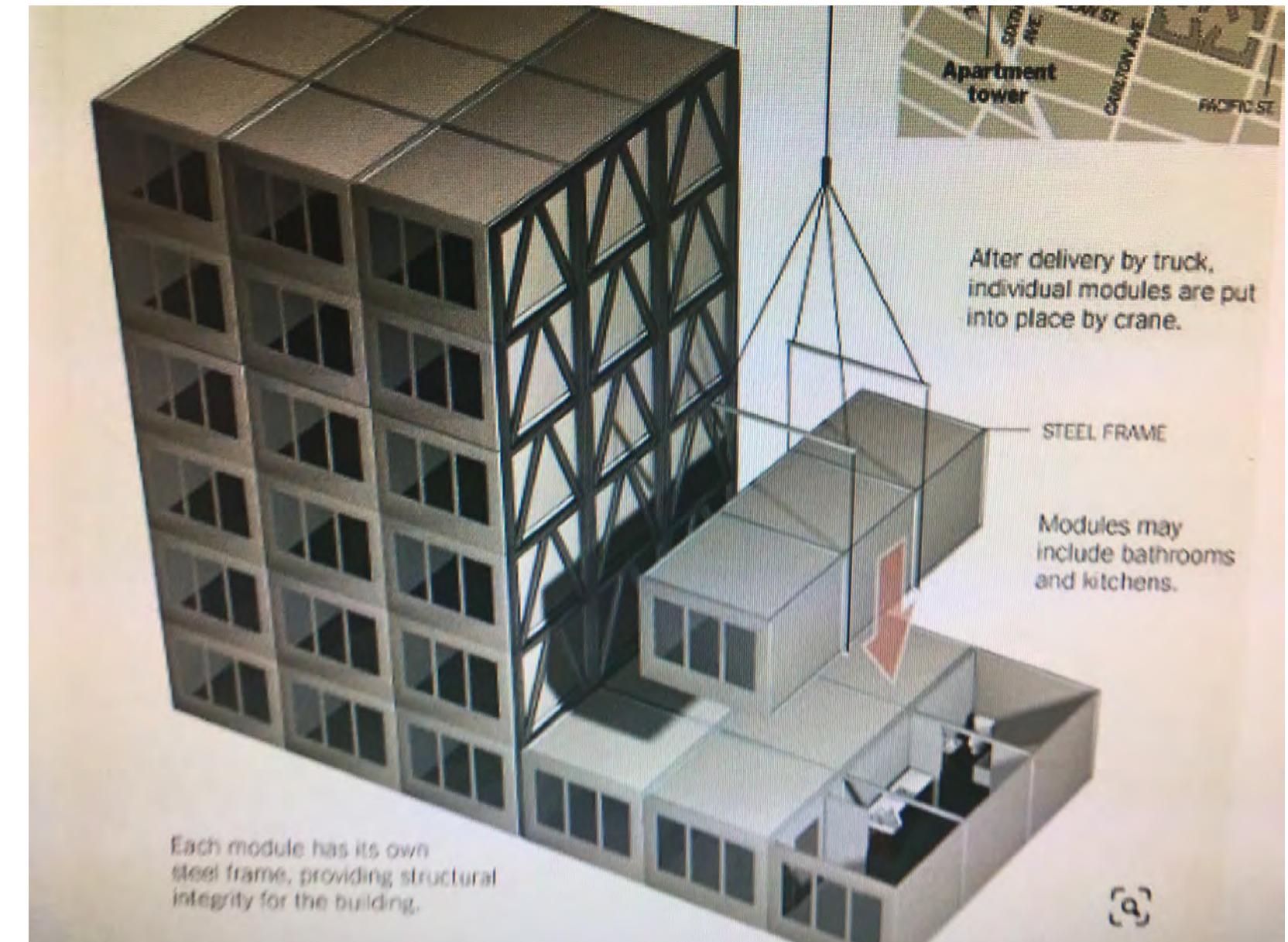


# WL French Precast Installation Experience



# Large Scale installation

Short Video on Positioning precast modules  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MiLtQVGWpHE>



# Precast Structures

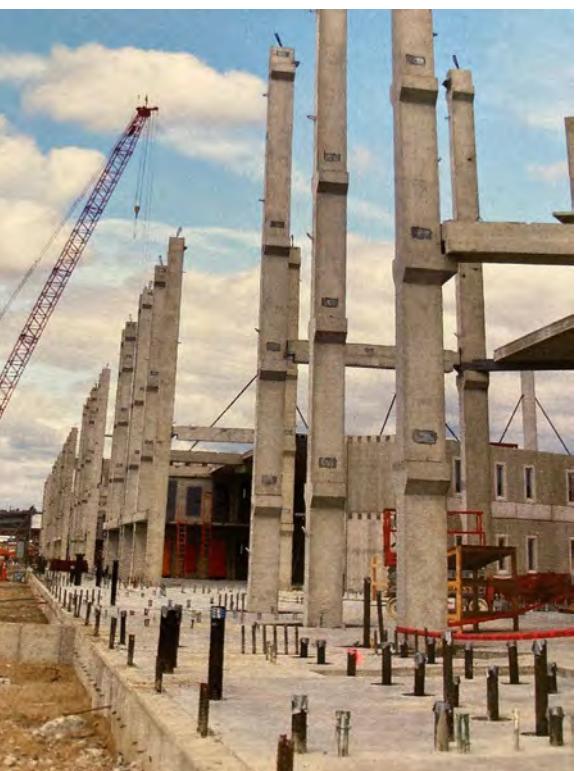
Tail way



Large Scale  
Powerhouse



Large Scale  
Powerhouse



Pass Through



Lower bay



# Transporting Precast Using the Correct Equipment

Precast lifting tool and grapple



Perform kick and swing studies



Transport based on weight  
restrictions of States



# Barge & Helo transportation maybe an option

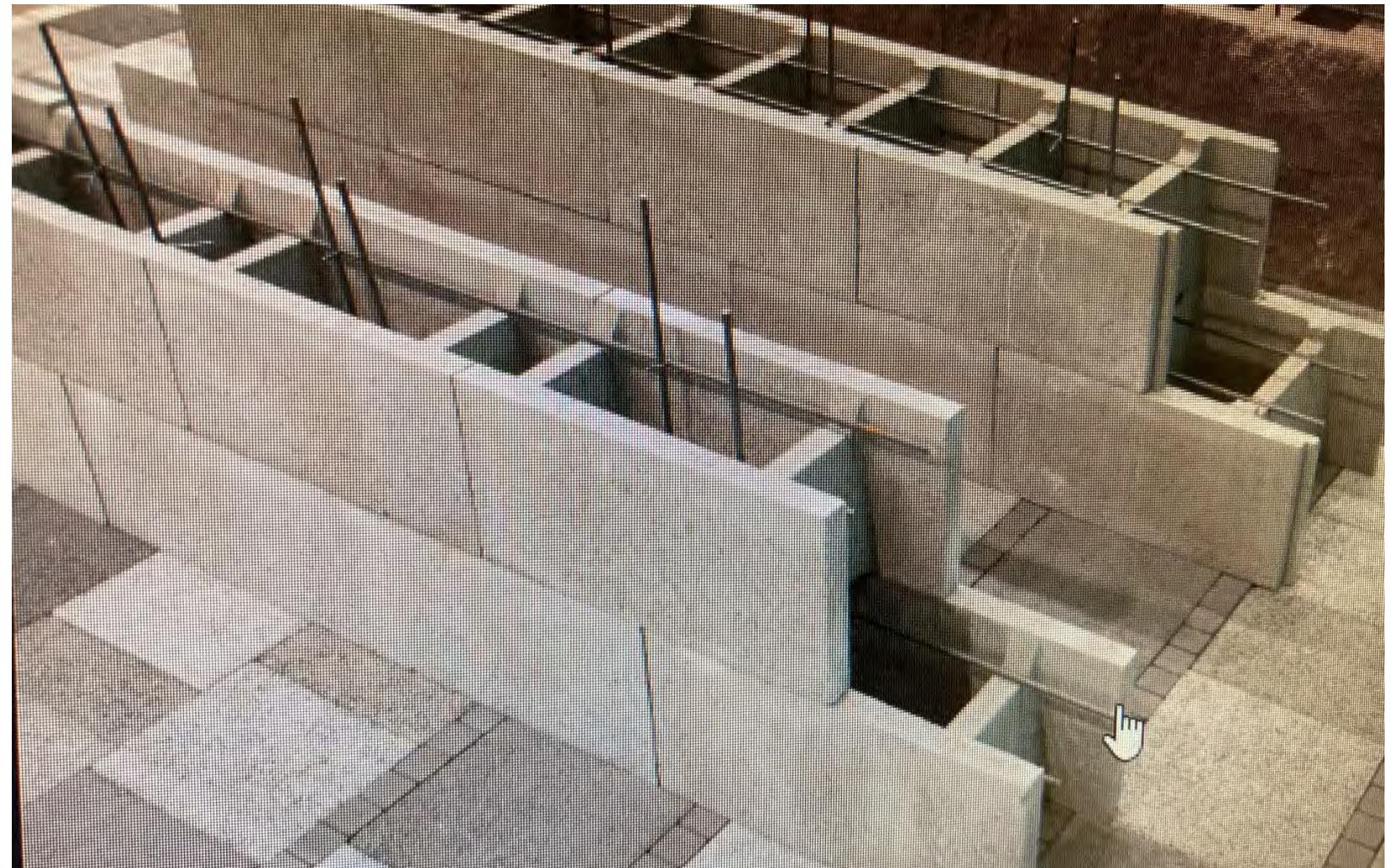
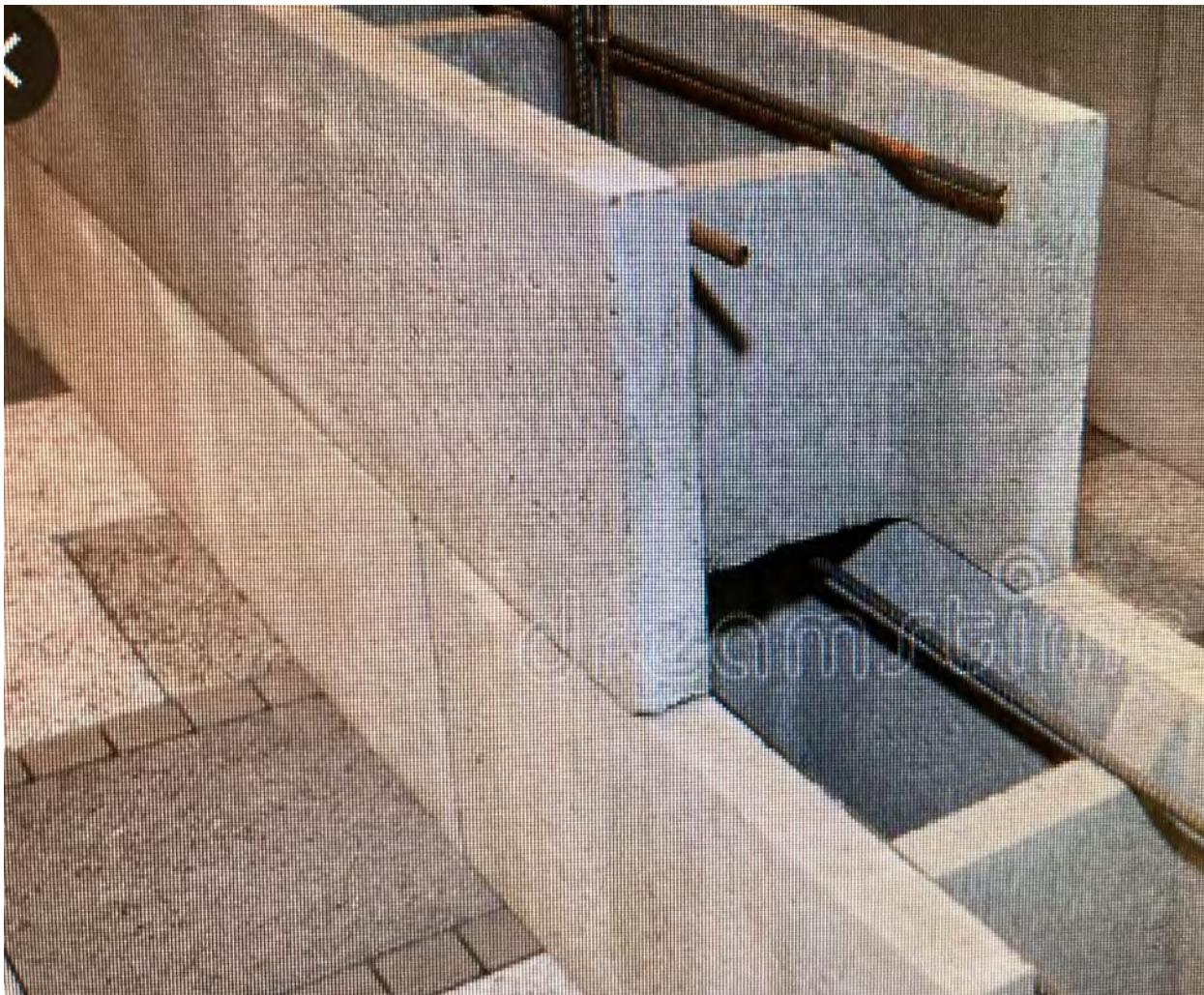
Barge transport



Helicopter transport



# Precast Wall Systems



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# Designing Modular Precast

Dams and Powerhouses



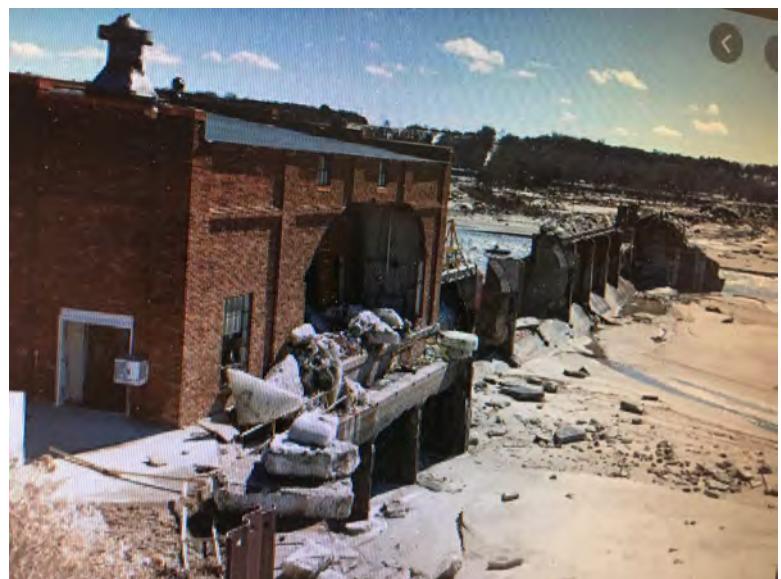
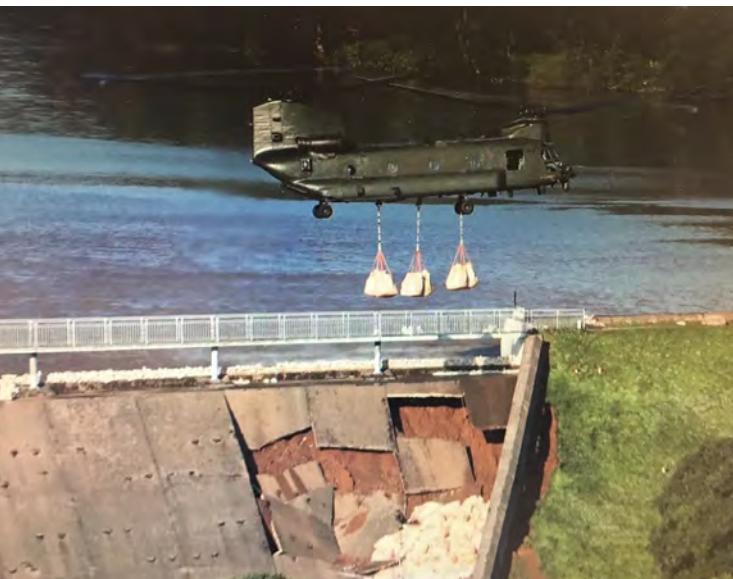
# Historical consideration of Dam Construction

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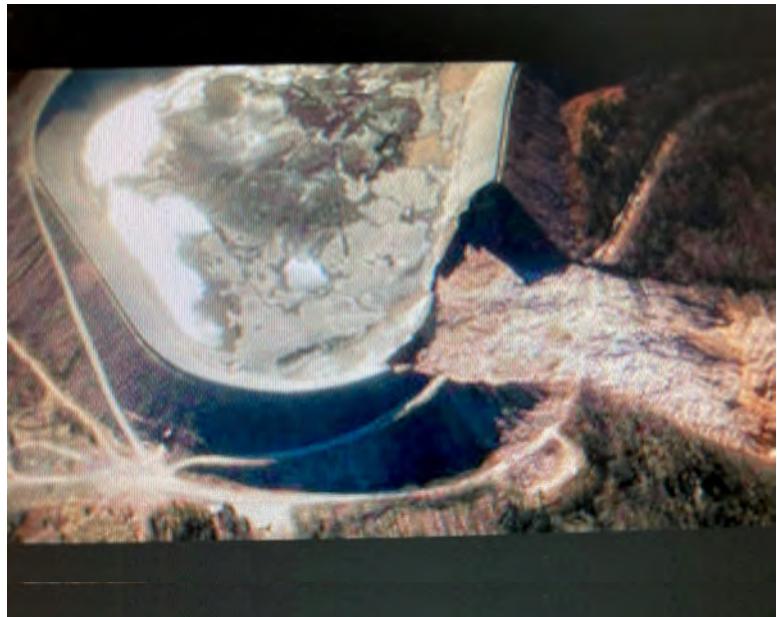
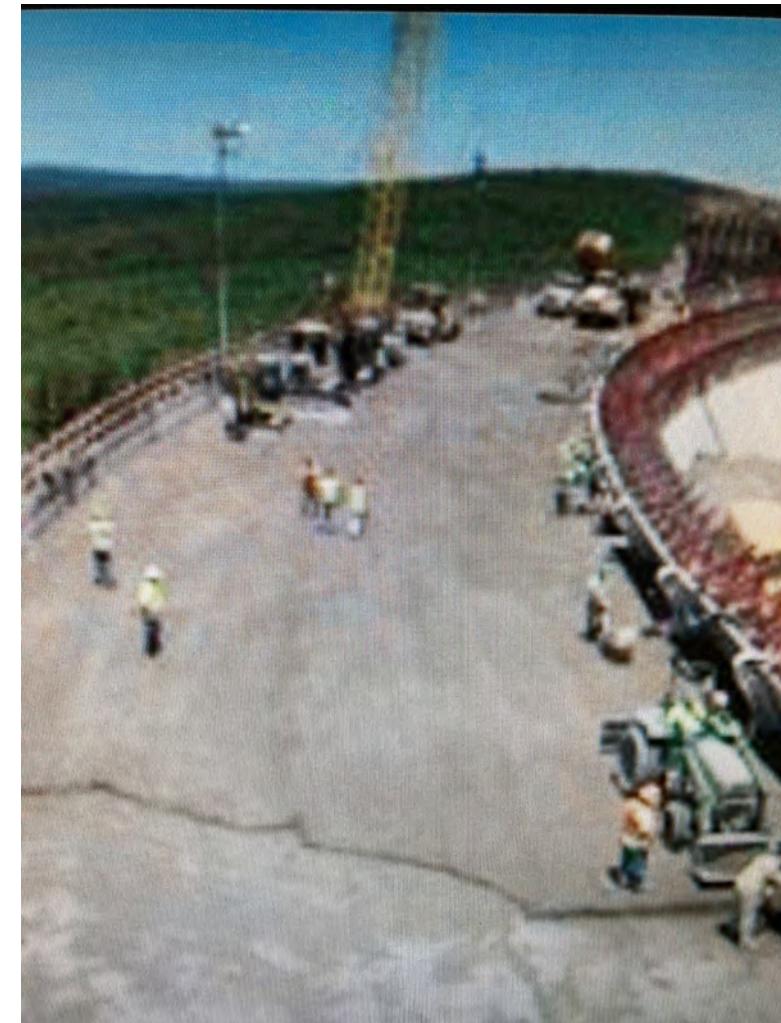
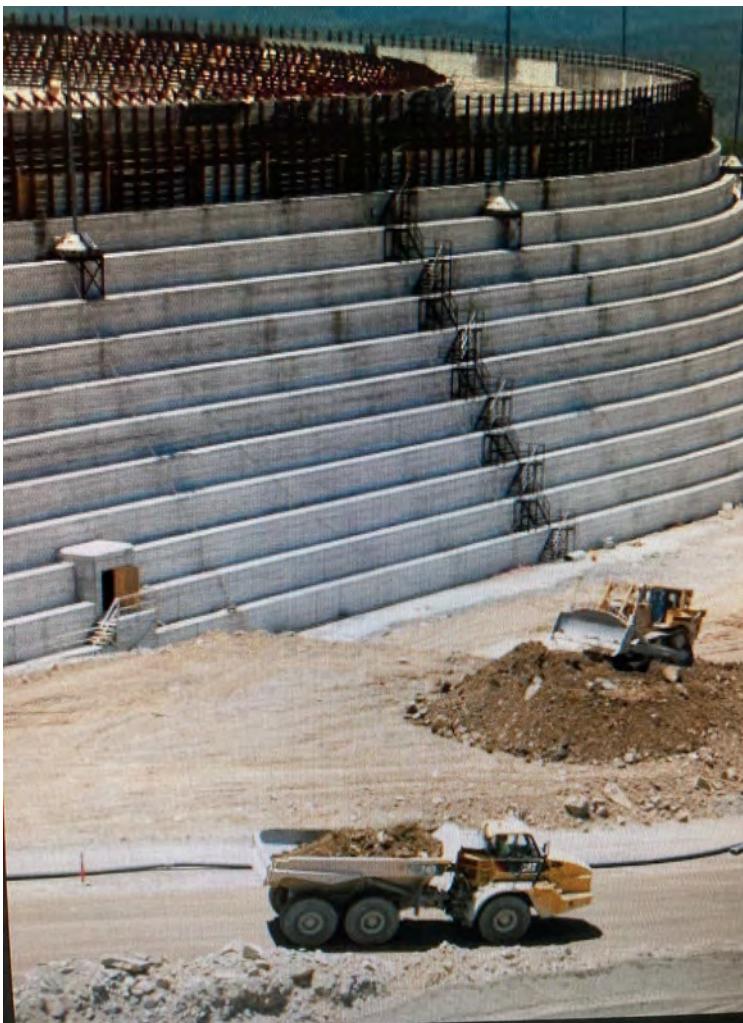


# Designing in Water

## Consider the Power of Water

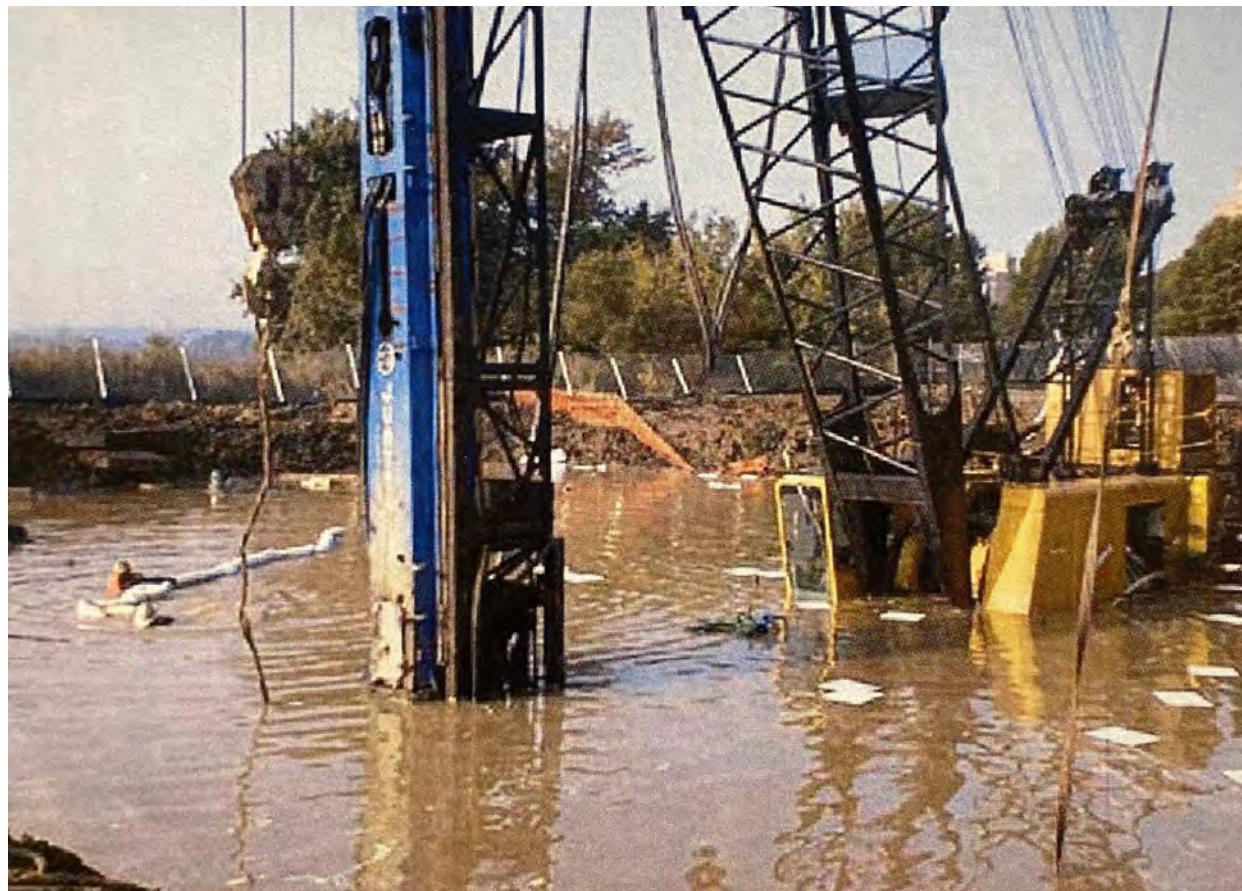


# Side Blow out and Repair Pump Storage System



# Inadequate Cofferdams design and installation

may result failure and cost overruns / project delays.



Coffer dam failure



Coffer dam over topped by storm

# French Dam Design Options Support Creation of:

Dam Impoundments; New, Repair and Retro Fit (new dam in front of existing)

Water Control dams

Precast Modular Powerhouses at non-powered dams

Run of the river Hydropower modular /scalable spill way and powerhouse application

Conduit hydropower facilities

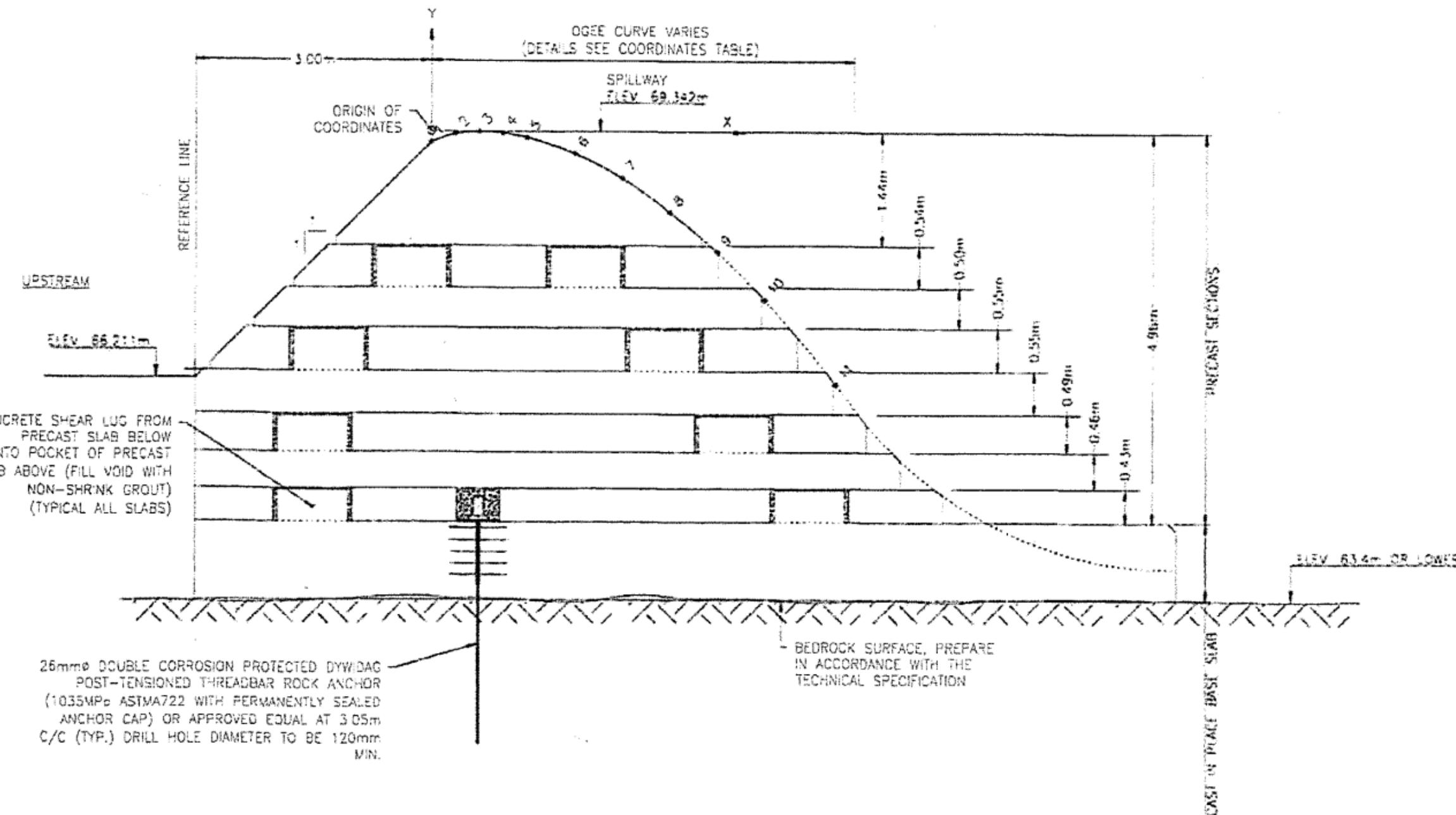
Modular Fish Passage w/ Merck Animal Health's Hyper InfusiO2n Solutions

Modular Pump Storage Hydro (m-PSH)

Resilient and secured hydro powered modular / scalable micro-Grids

All FDE Hydro water infrastructure solutions are US and Canadian Patents Protected

# Example of Precast Dam Design

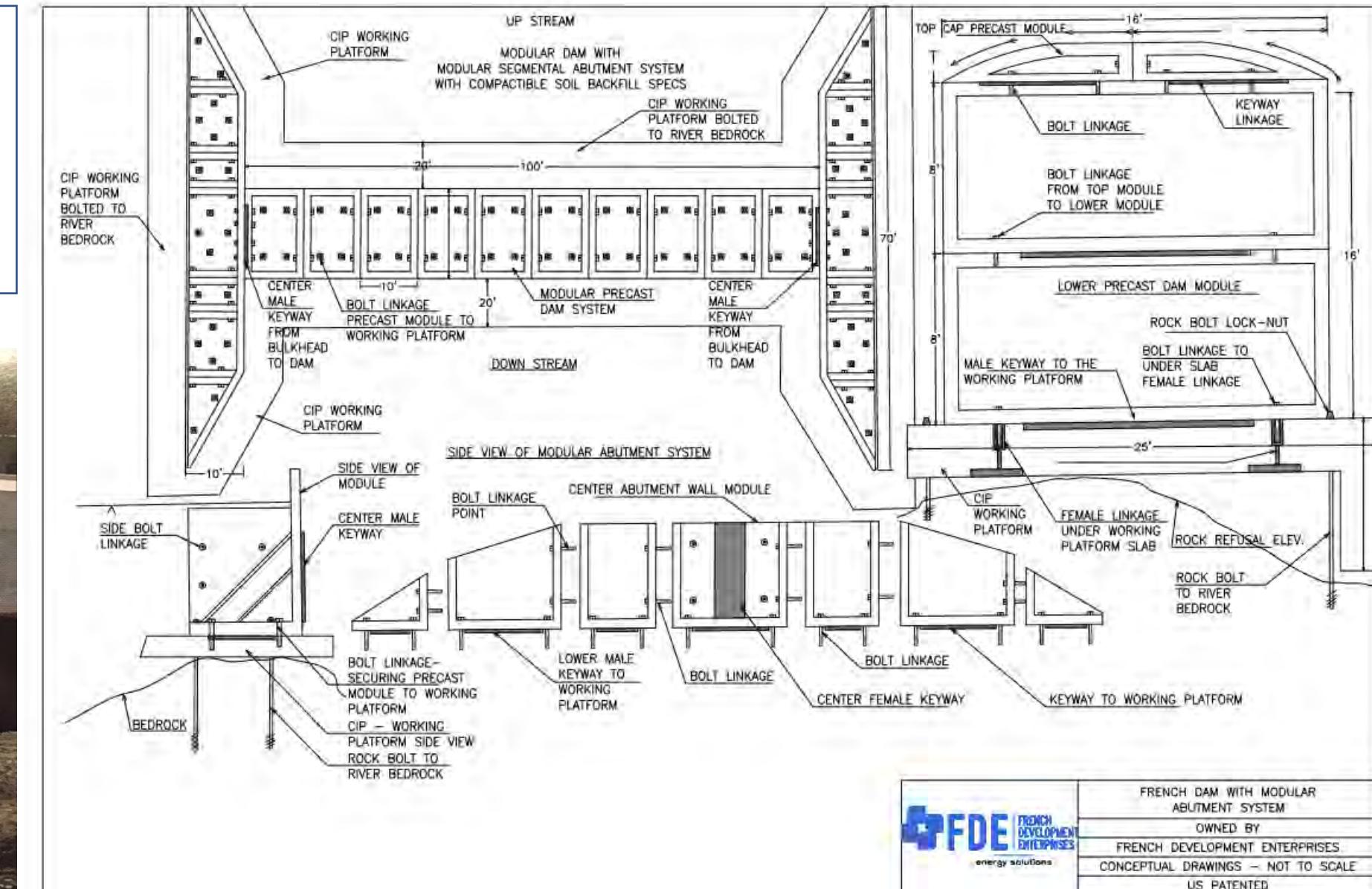
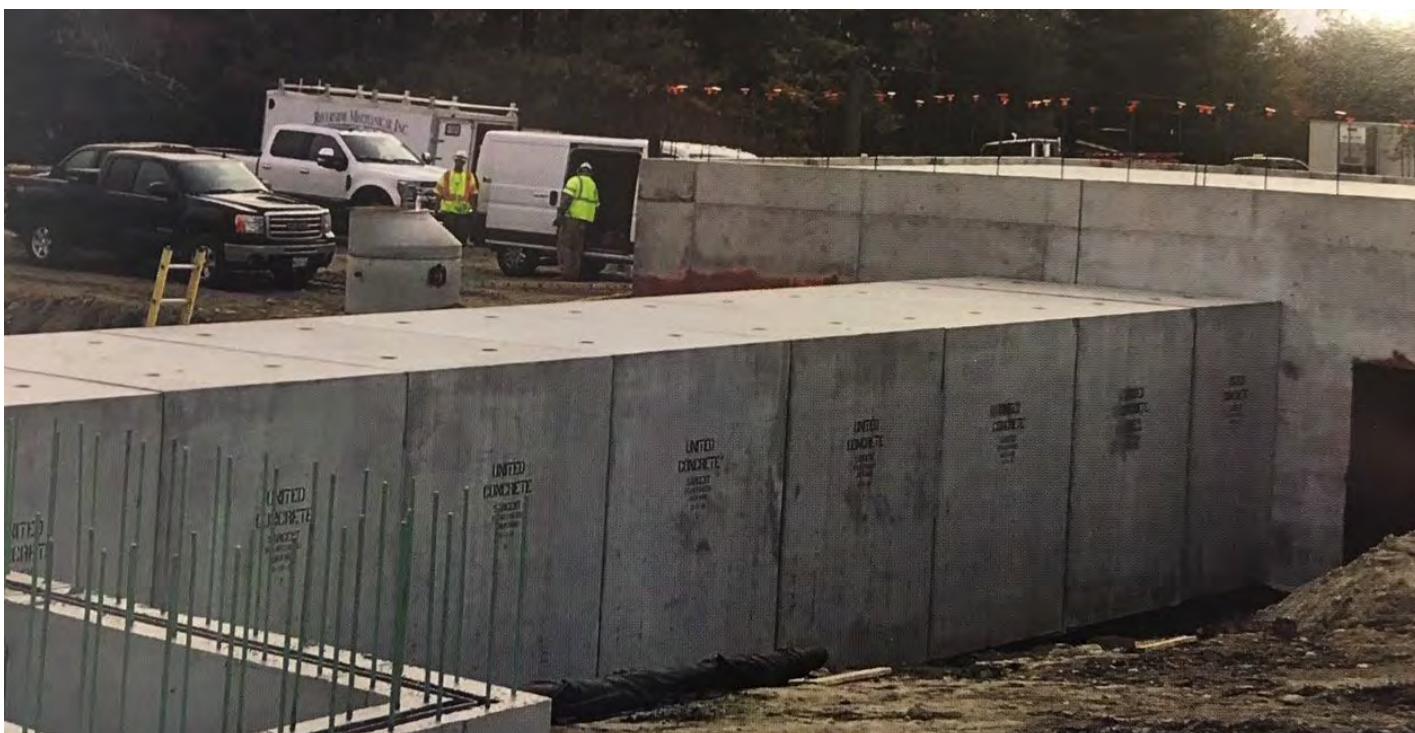


# Abutment System I

## Modular Precast

Precast may be any size and any shape

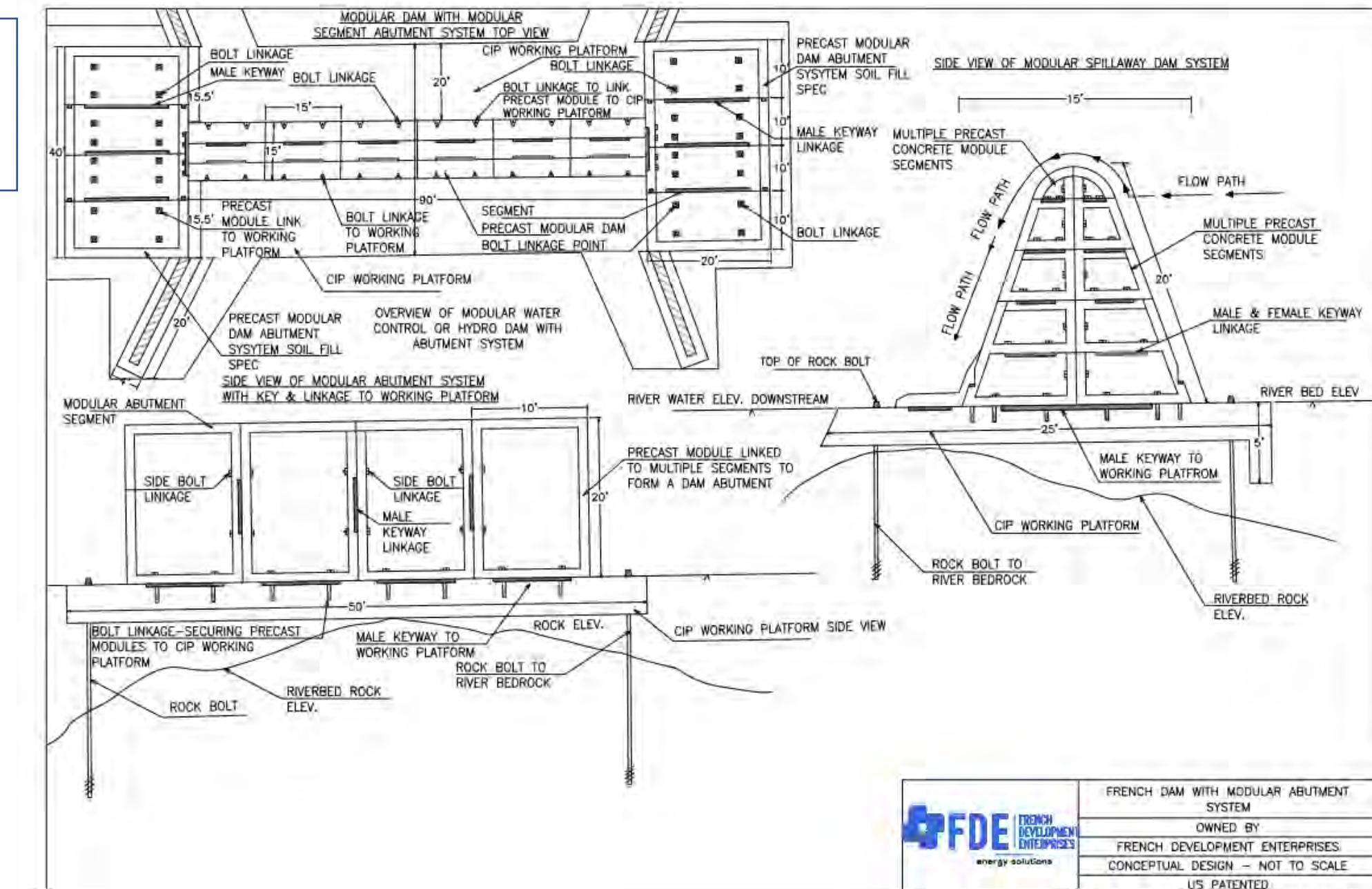
Image below is an example of Cast-in-Place bulkhead which may be easily replaced with modular precast as detailed in the drawing to the right.



# Abutment System II

## Modular Precast

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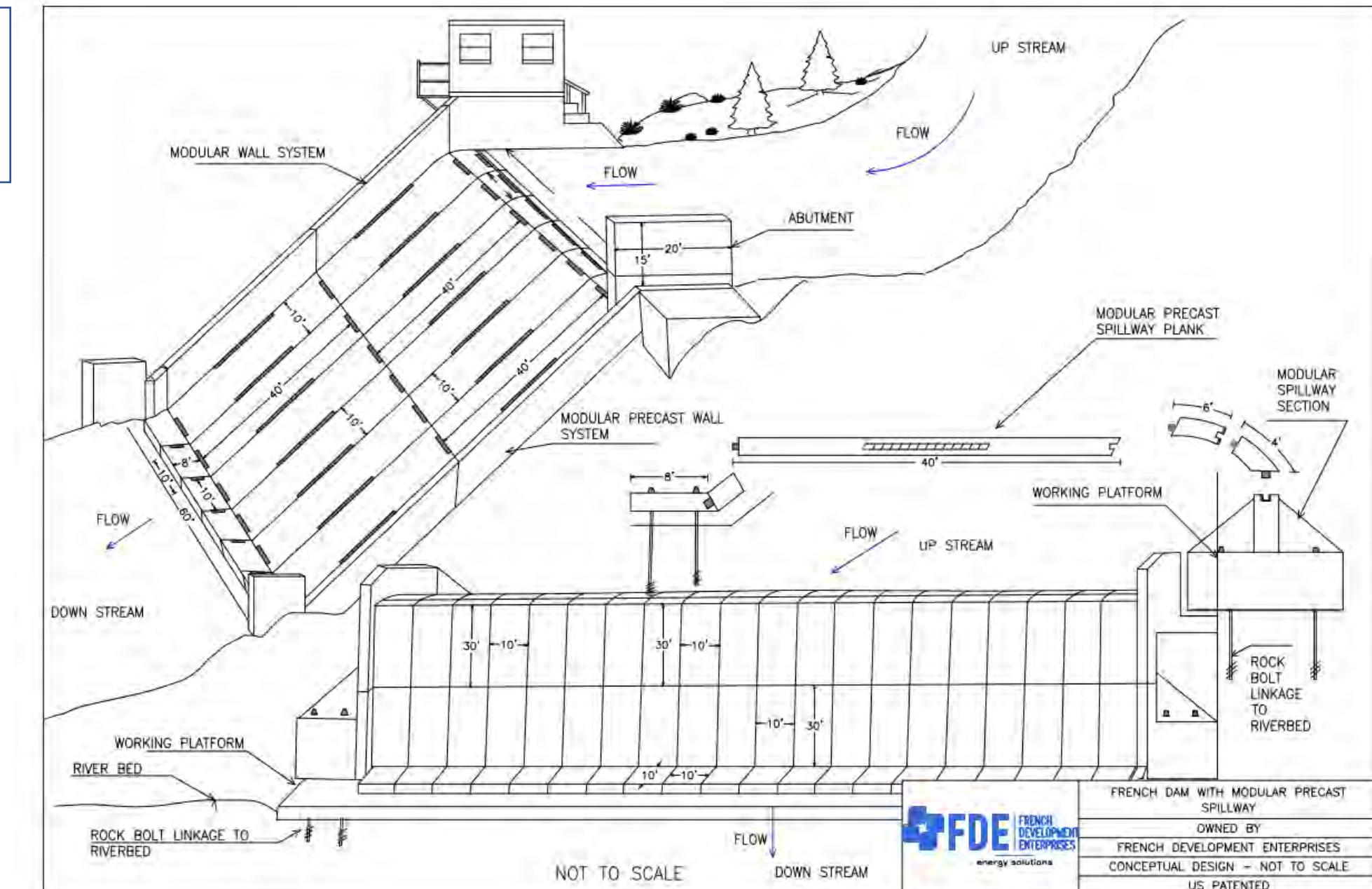


FRENCH DAM WITH MODULAR ABUTMENT SYSTEM
OWNED BY
FRENCH DEVELOPMENT ENTERPRISES
CONCEPTUAL DESIGN - NOT TO SCALE
US PATENTED

# Spillway & Abutment

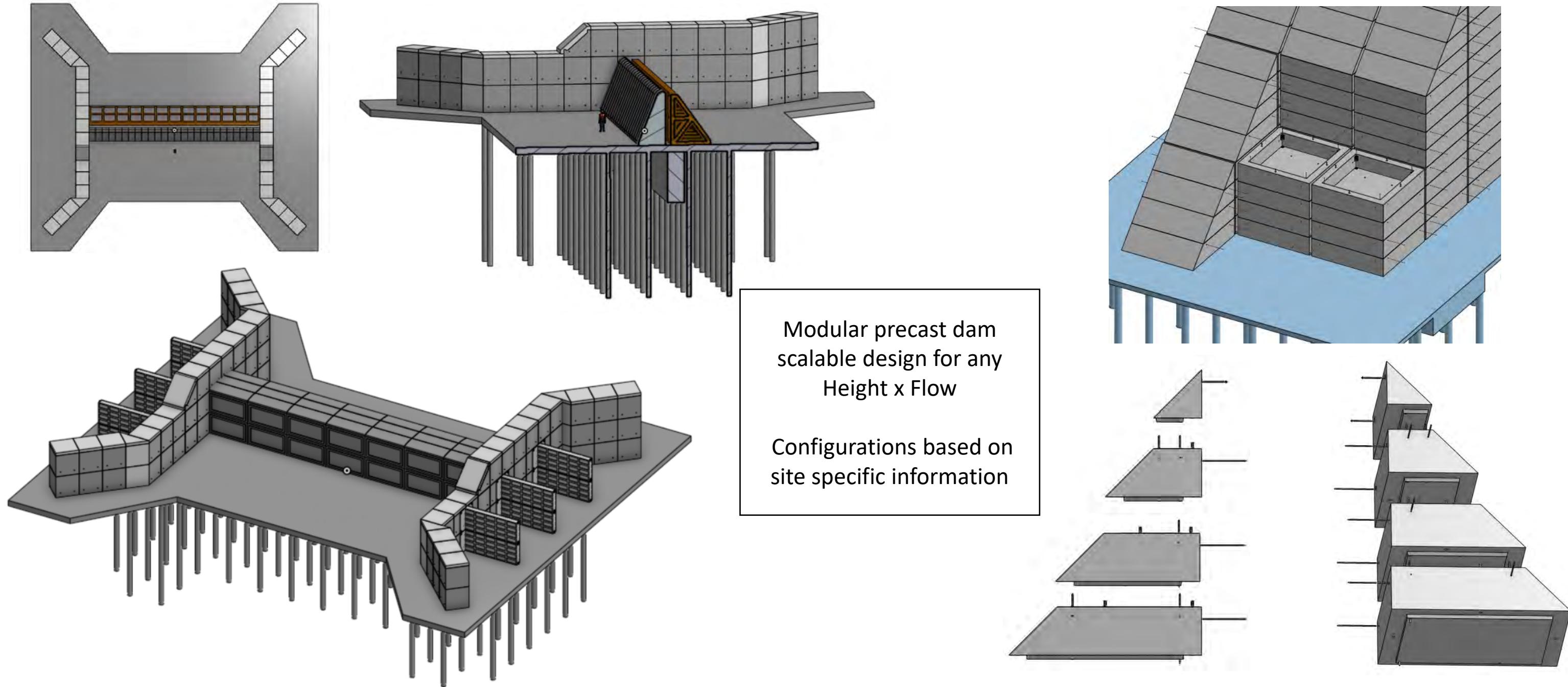
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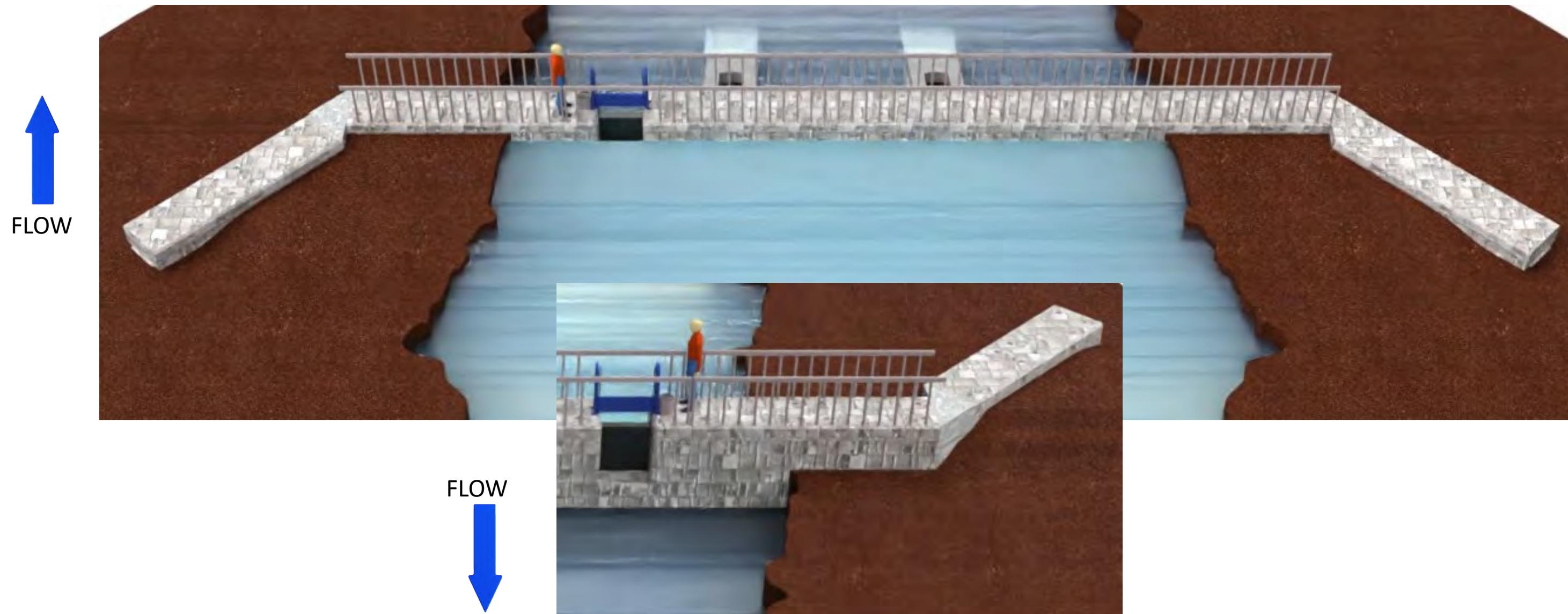
# Conceptual Abutment Dam Any Size, Any Shape

## CAD Precast Modules

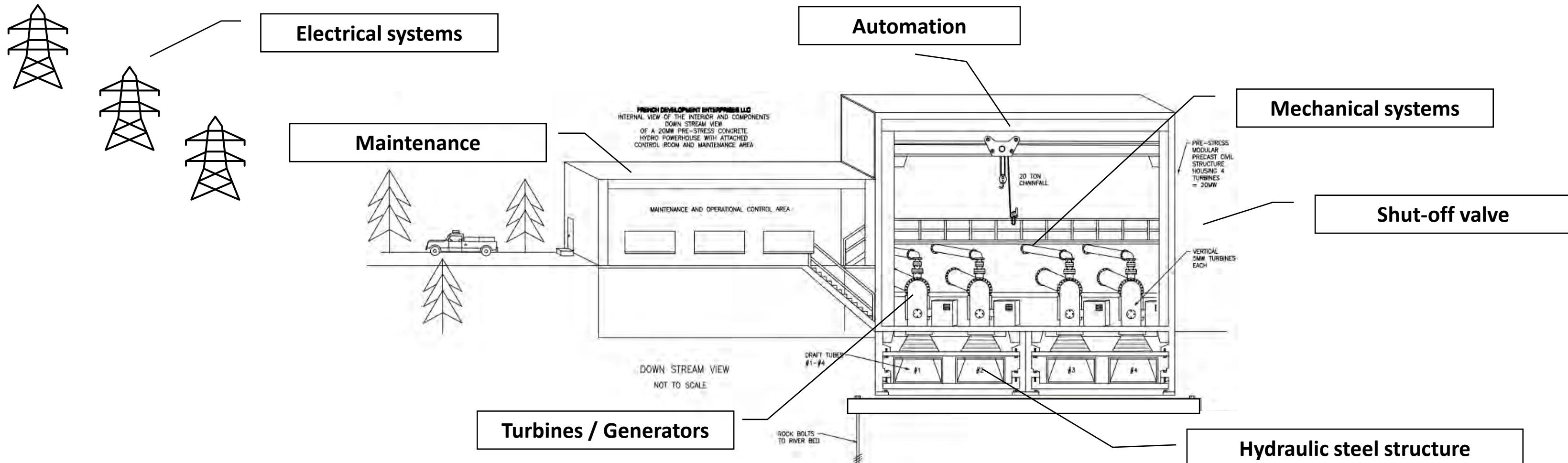


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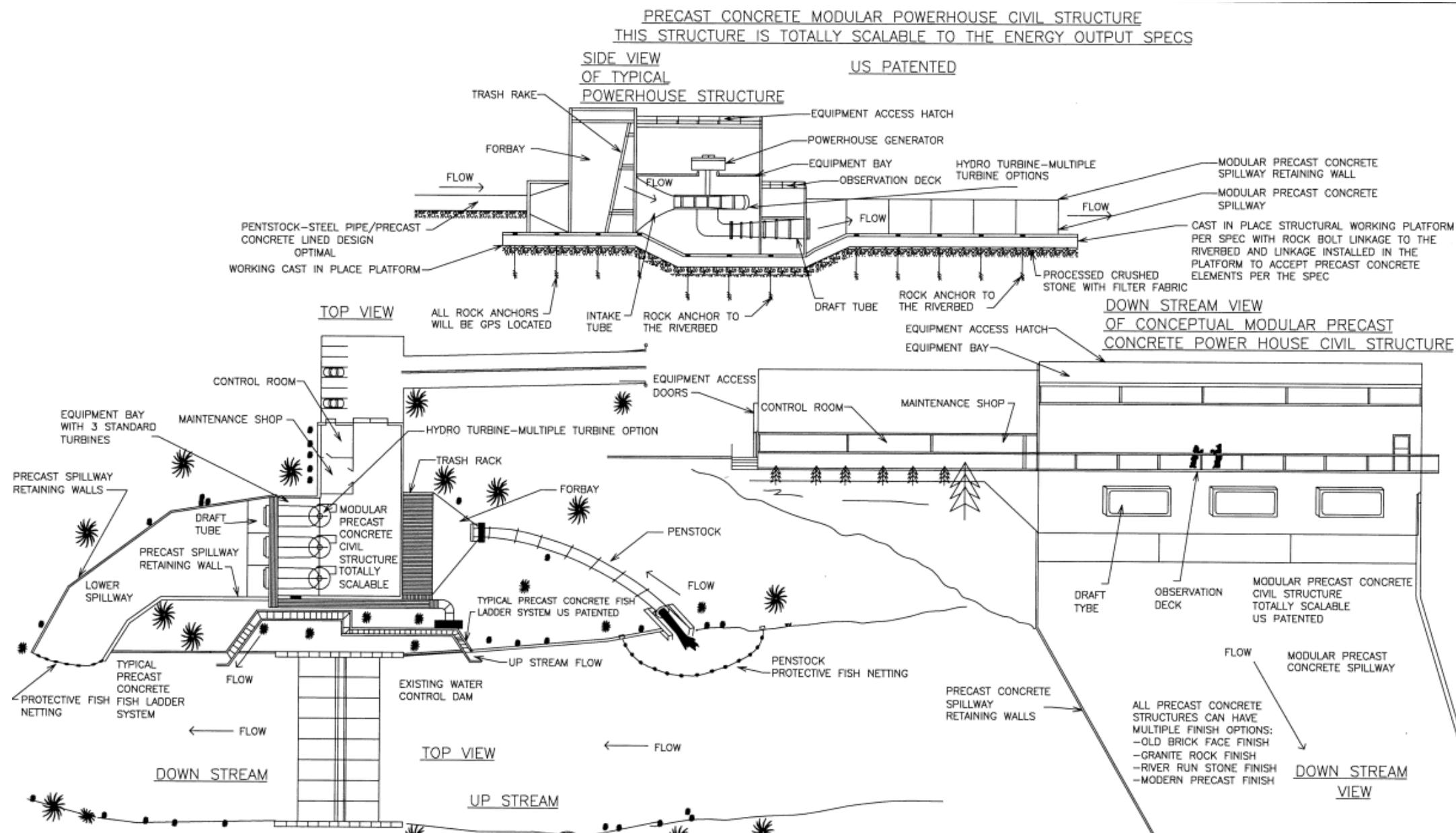
## CAD Rendering



# Modular Precast Powerhouse, Elements to consider

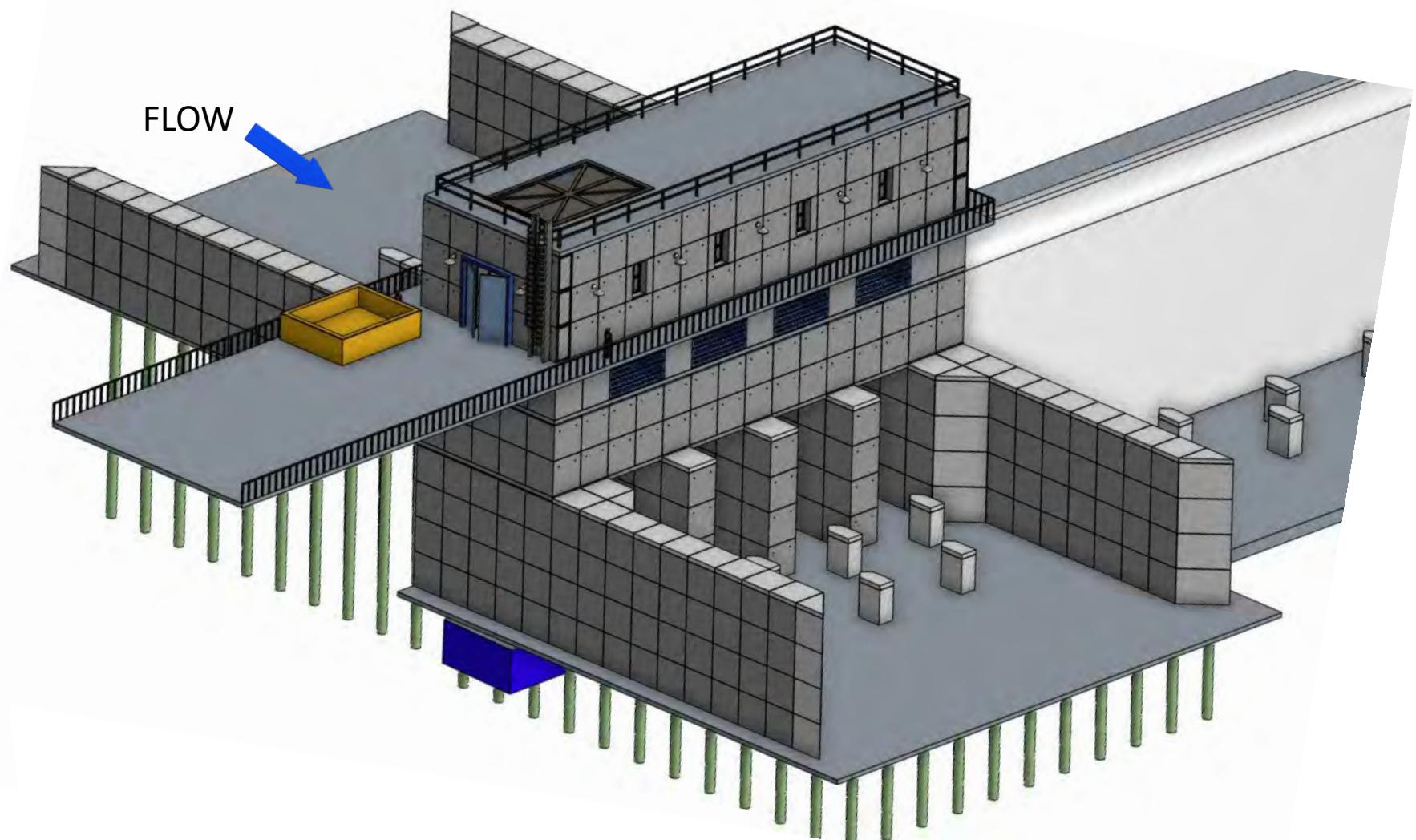
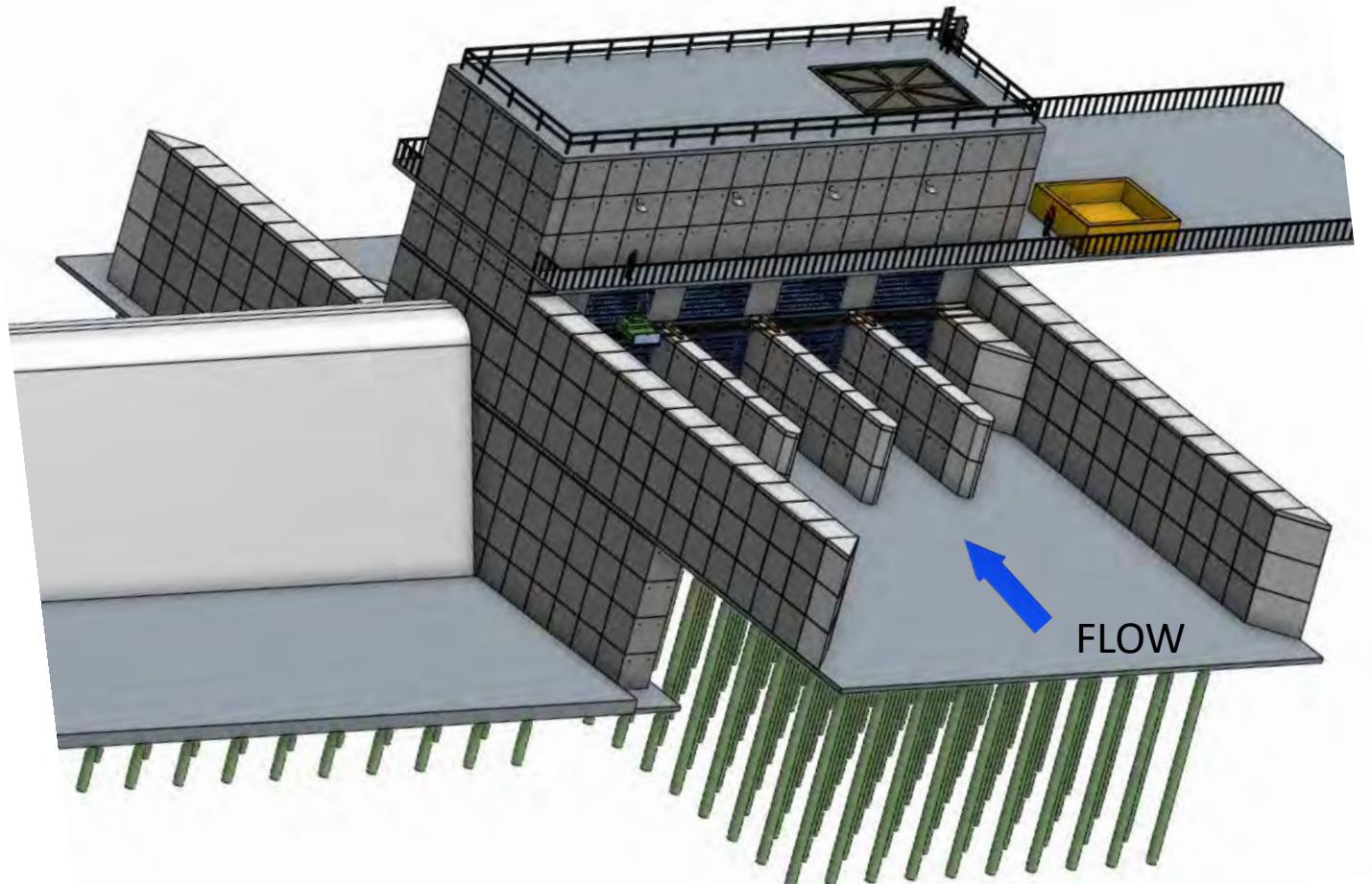


# Design of Precast Powerhouse



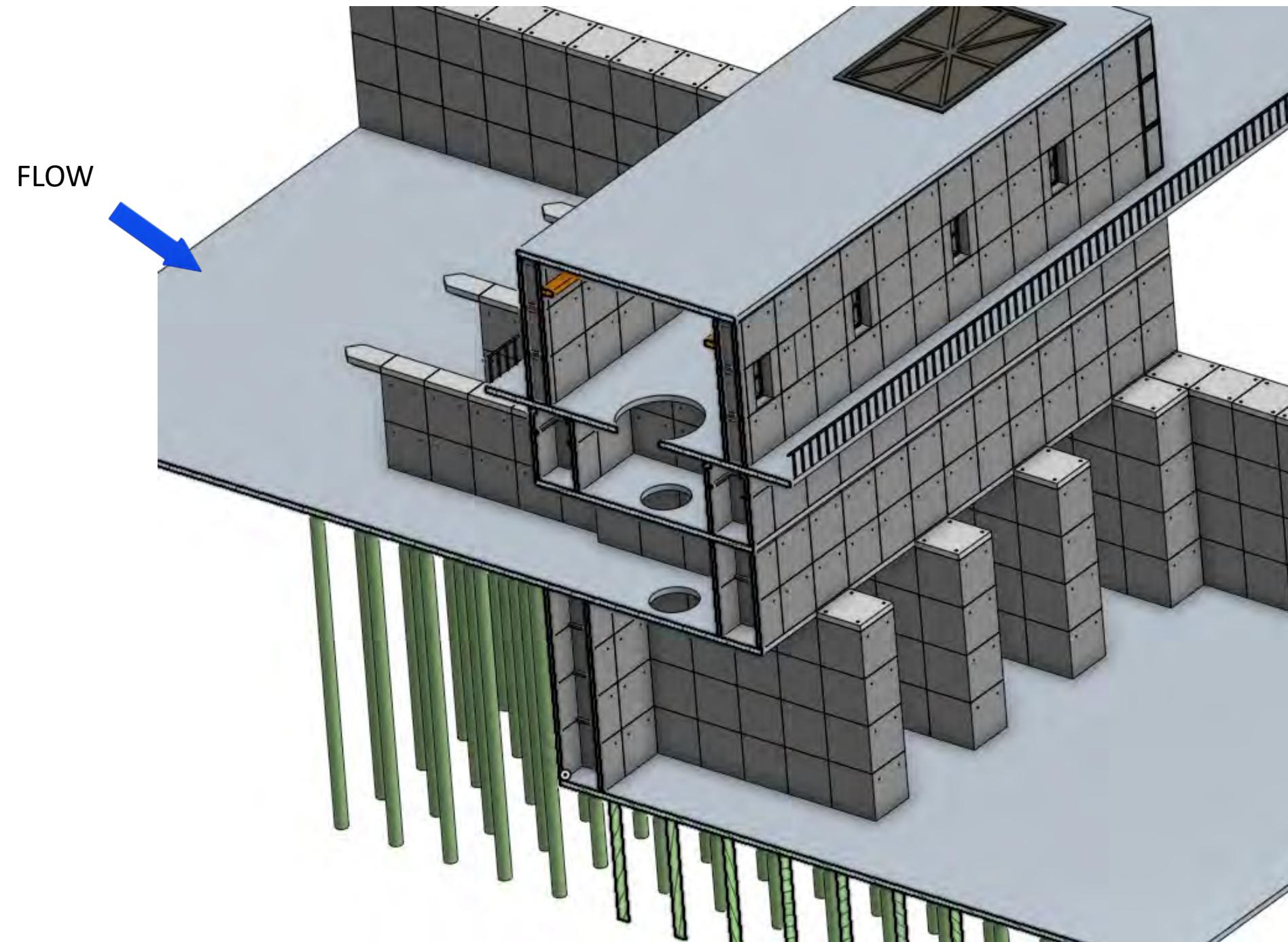
# Small and Medium Head Powerhouse

## CAD Precast Modules



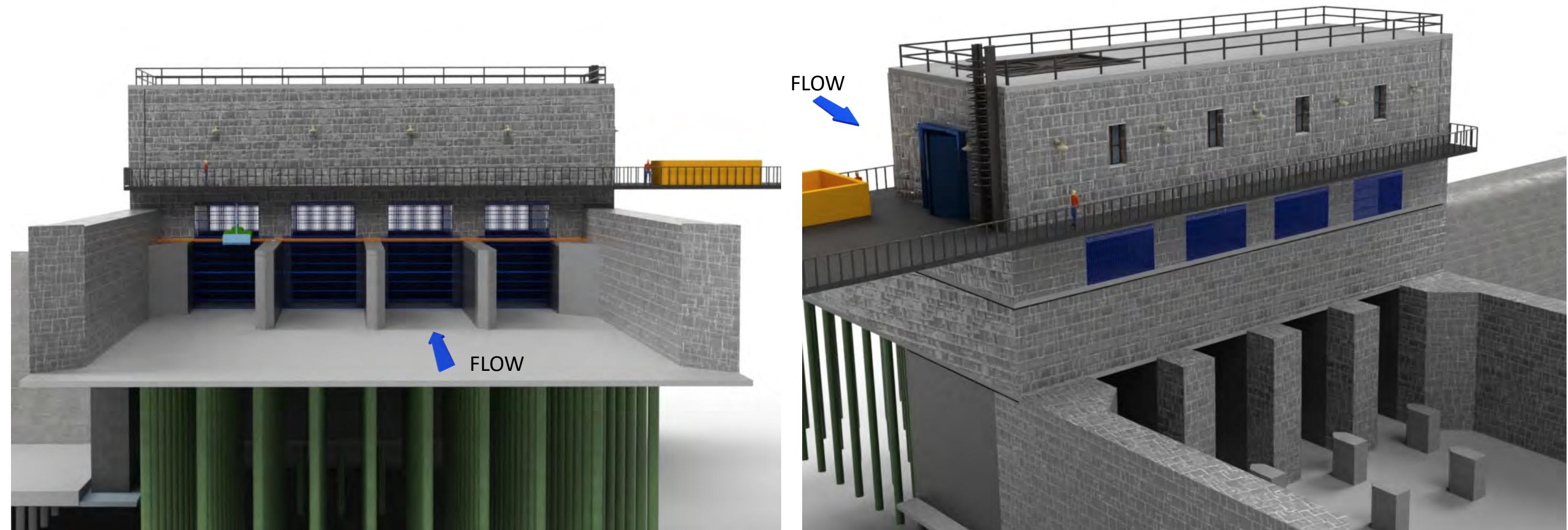
# Powerhouse – Section Through Turbine Bay

## CAD Precast Modules



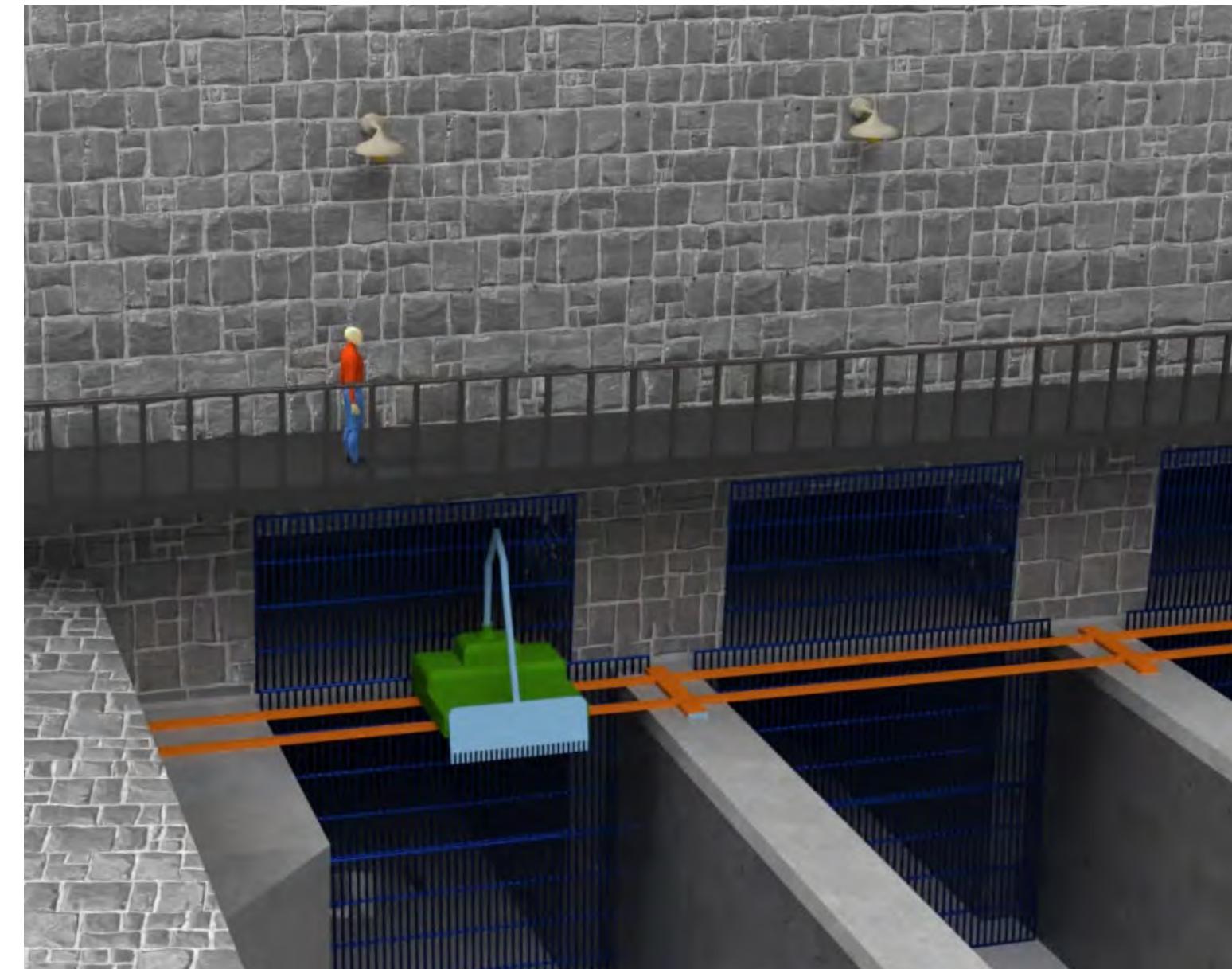
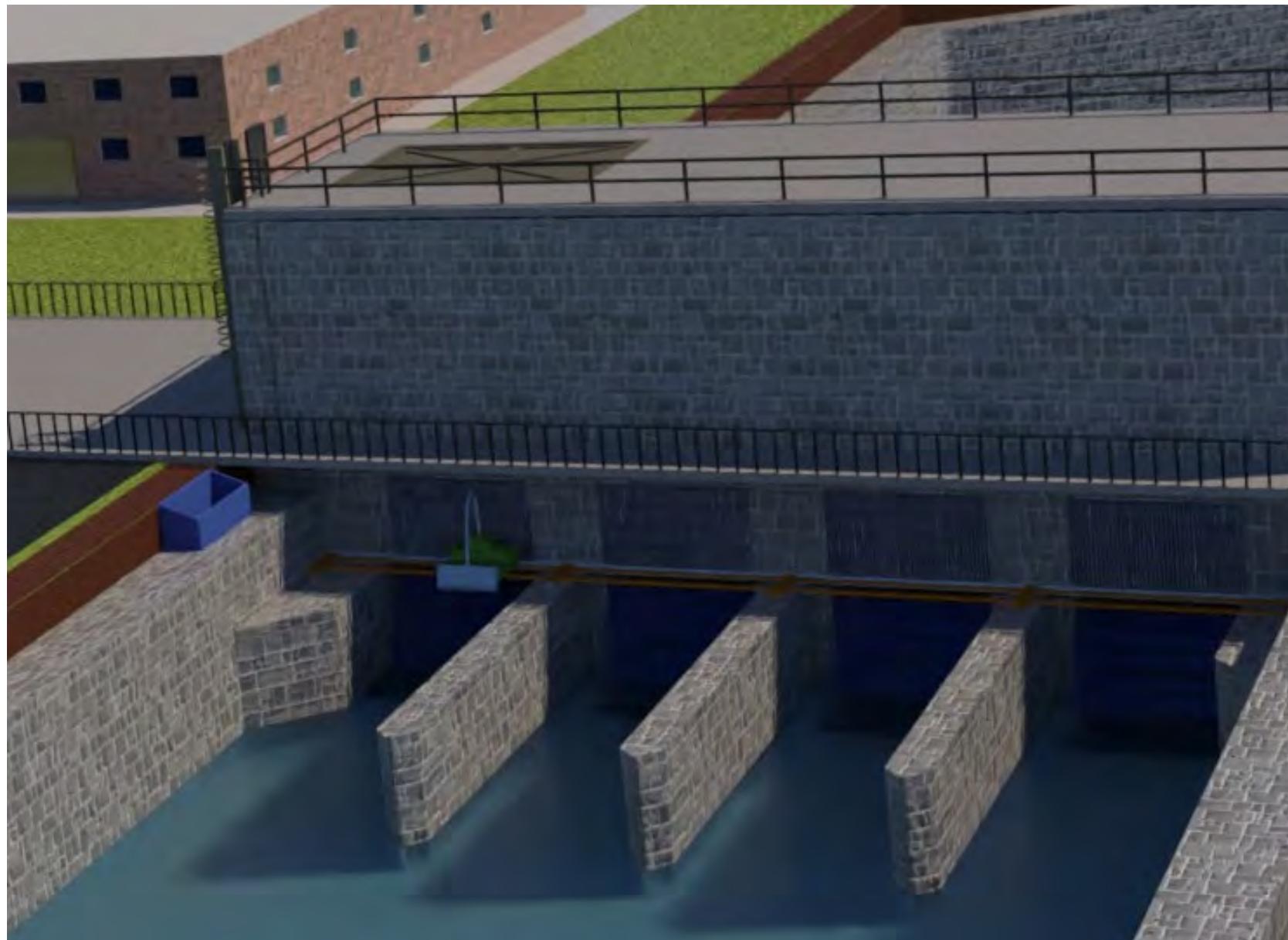
# Turbine Powerhouse Architectural Precast Finish

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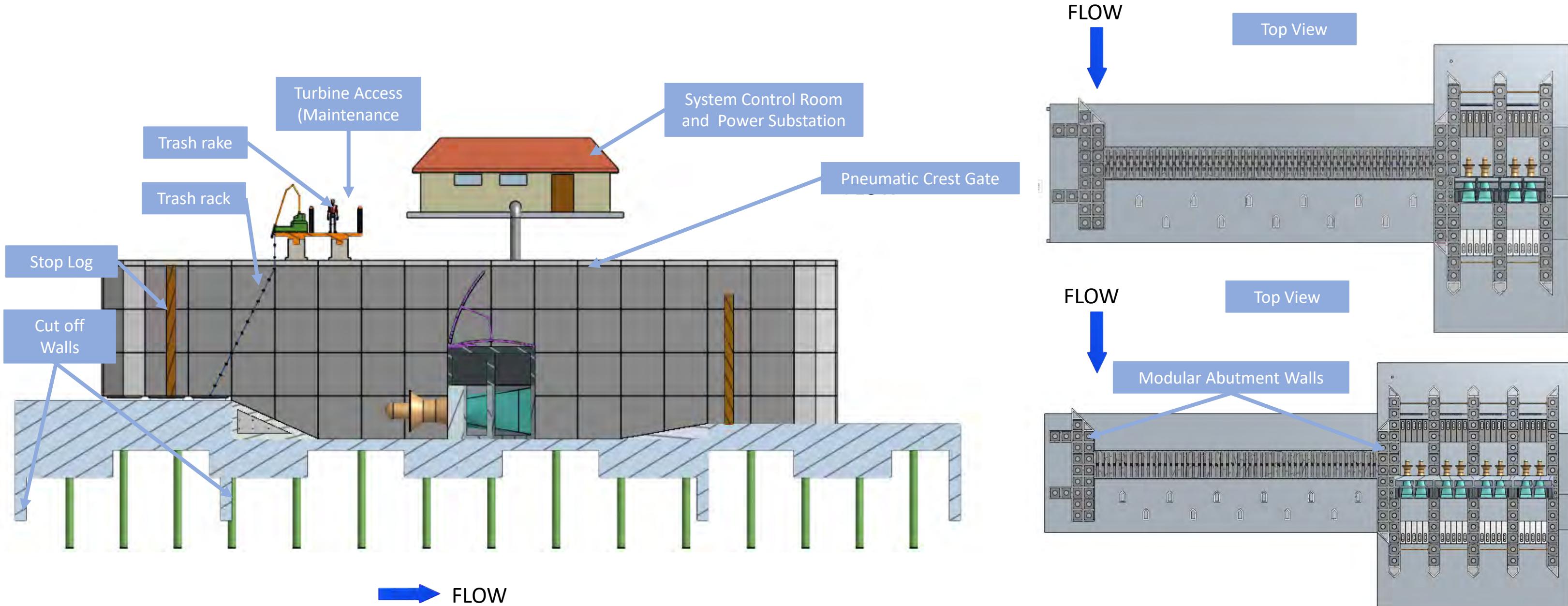
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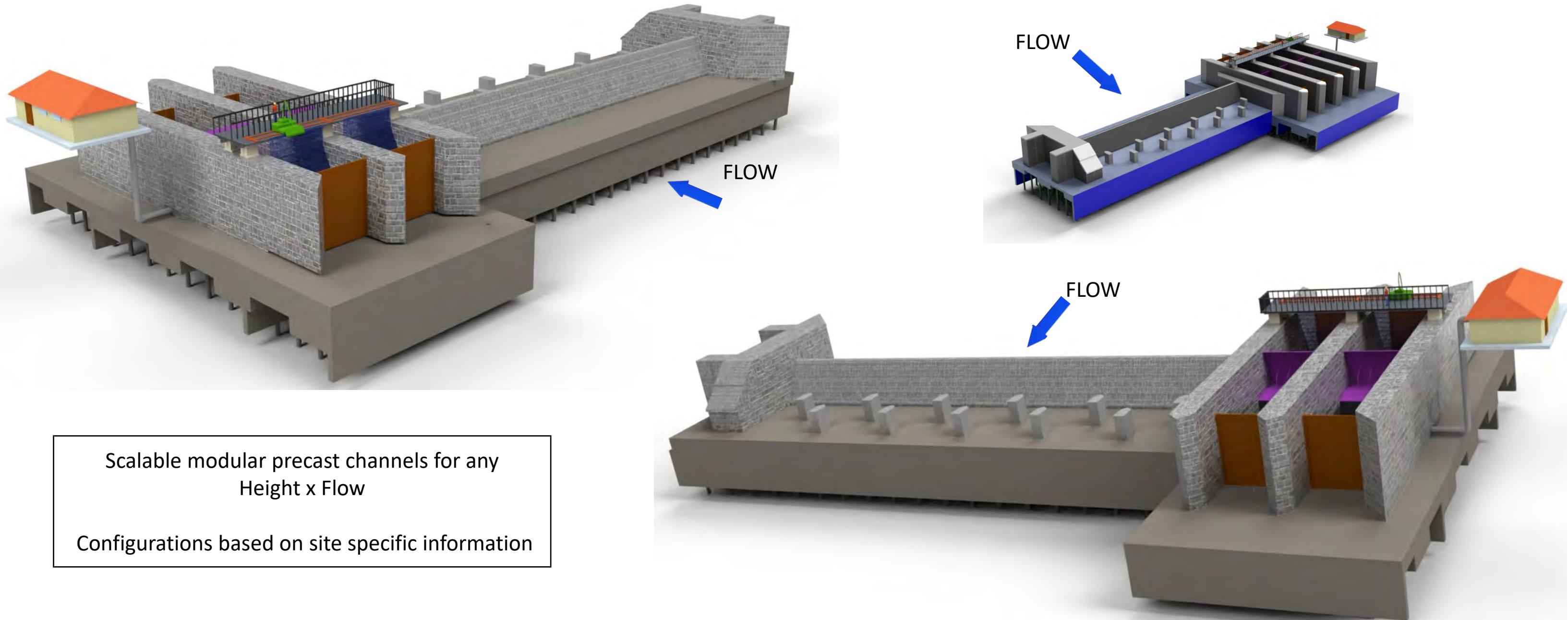
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## CAD Precast Modules



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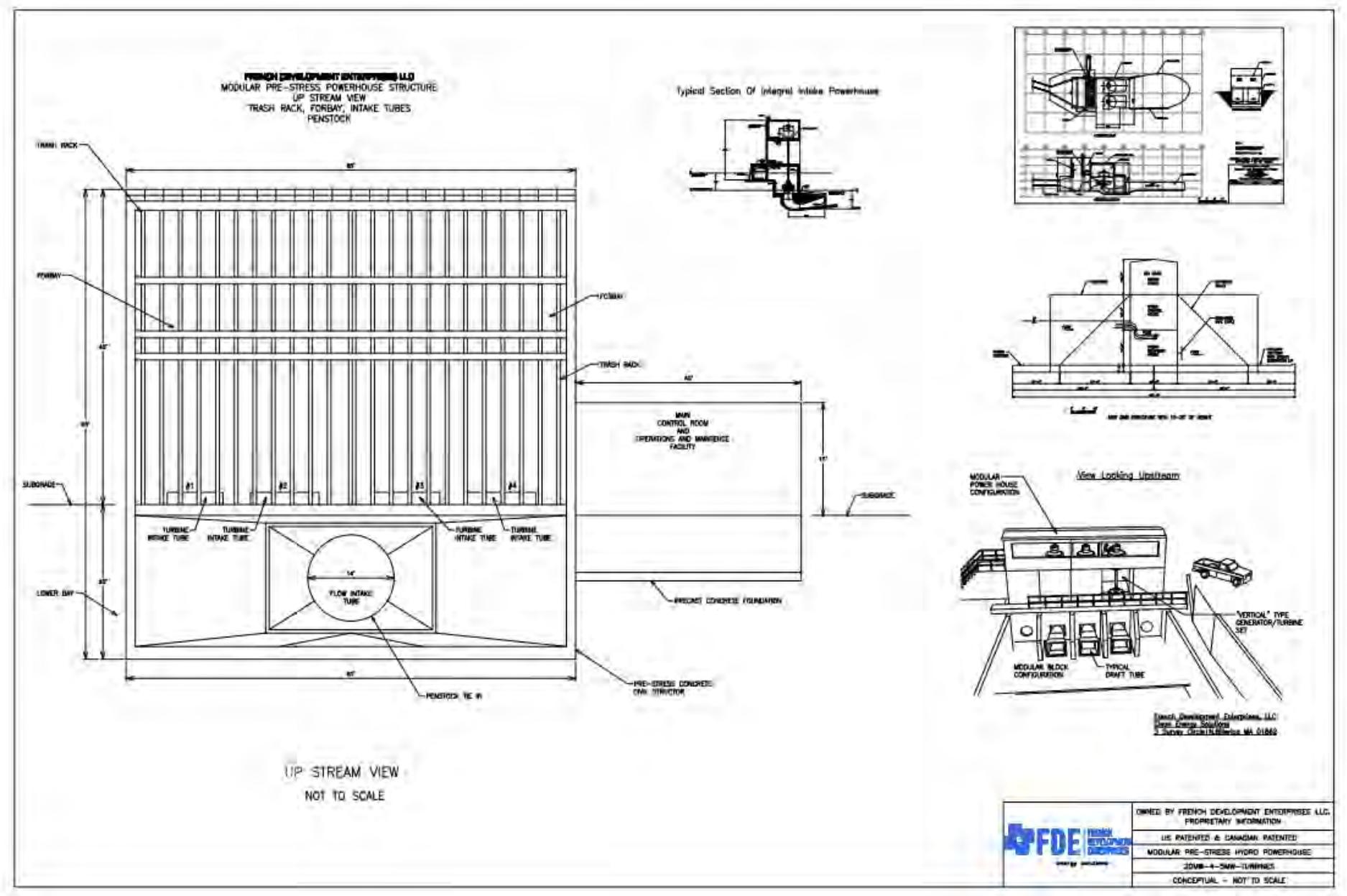
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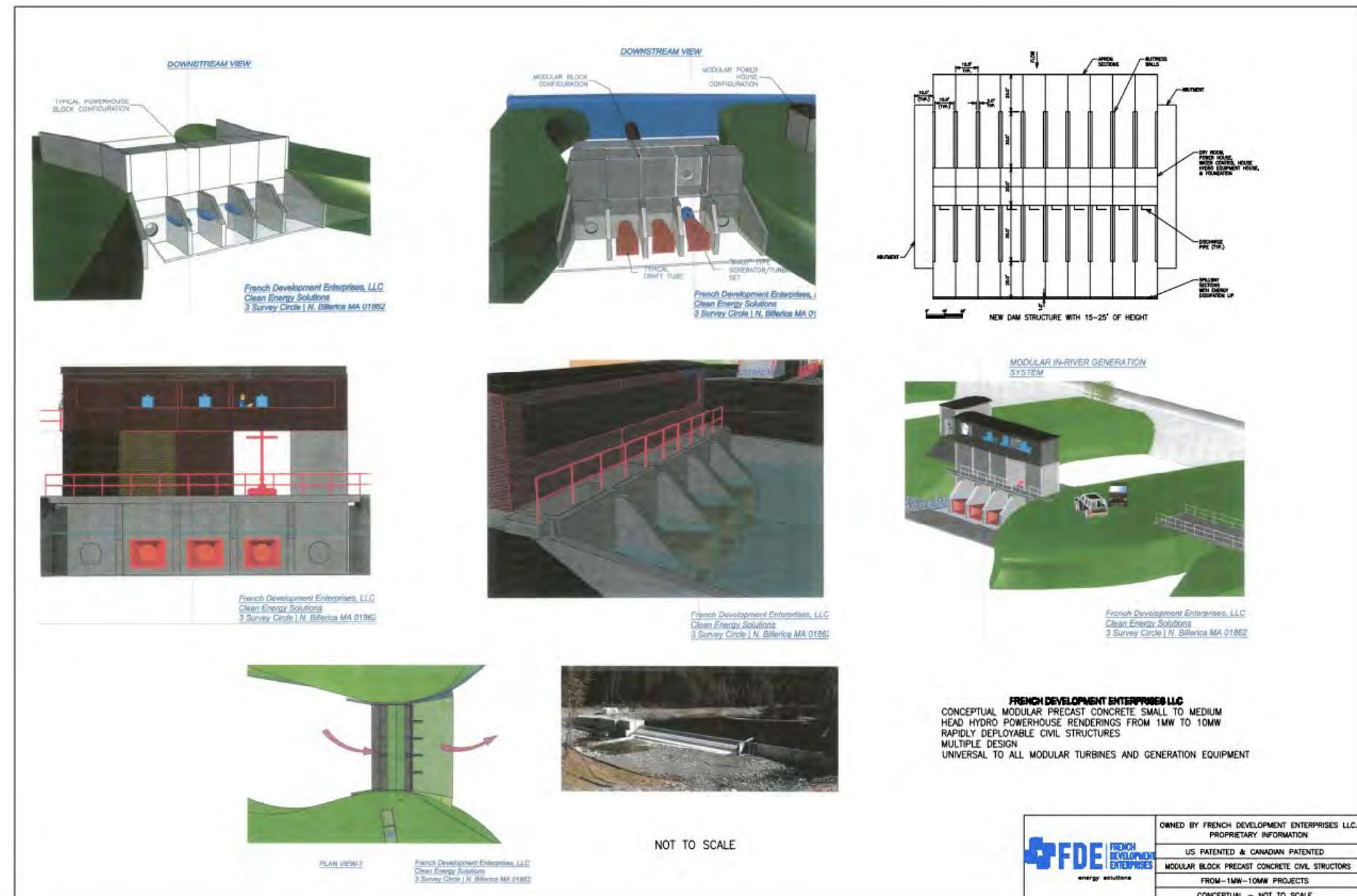
# Powerhouse, Precast can be Scaled



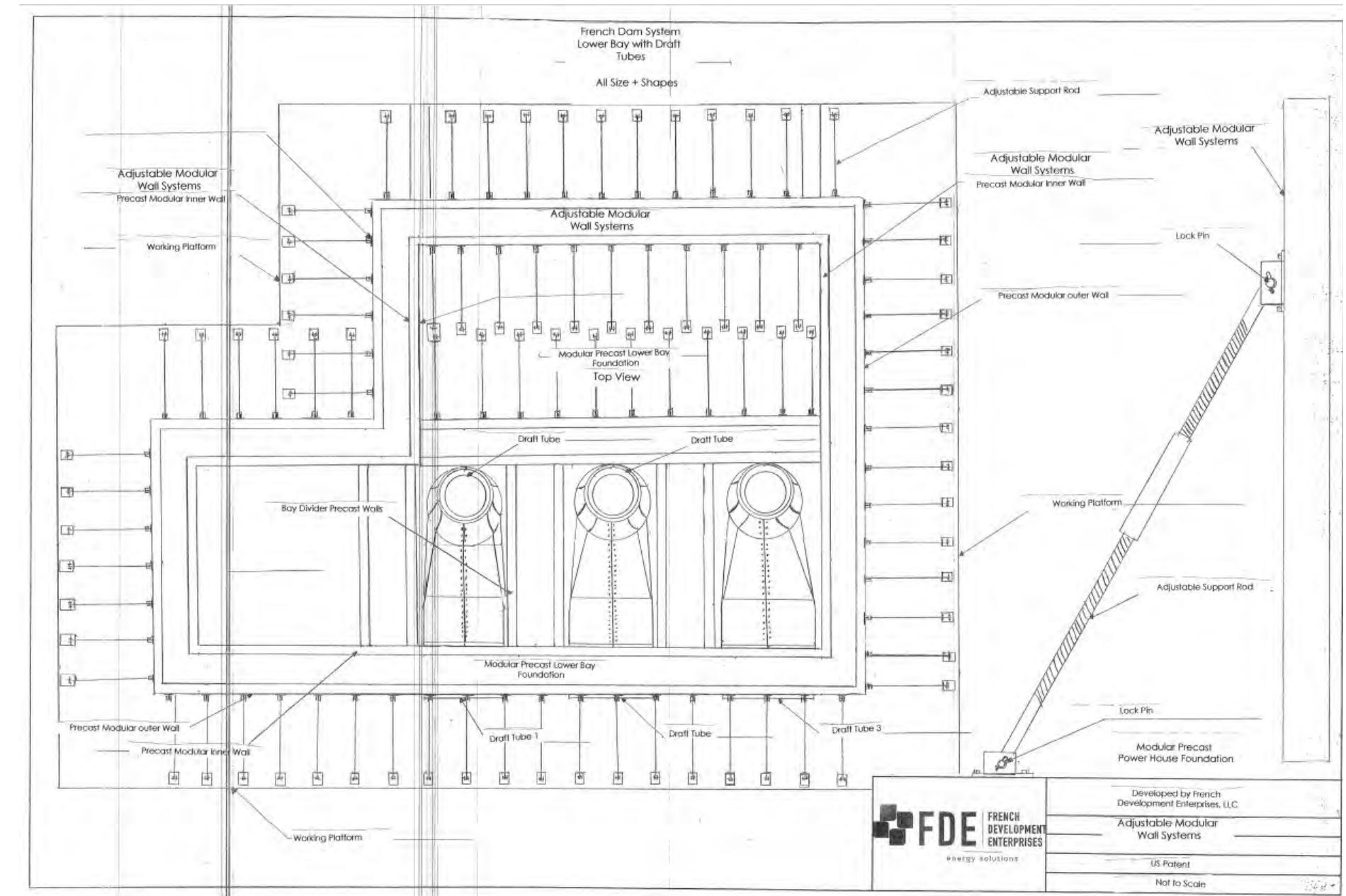
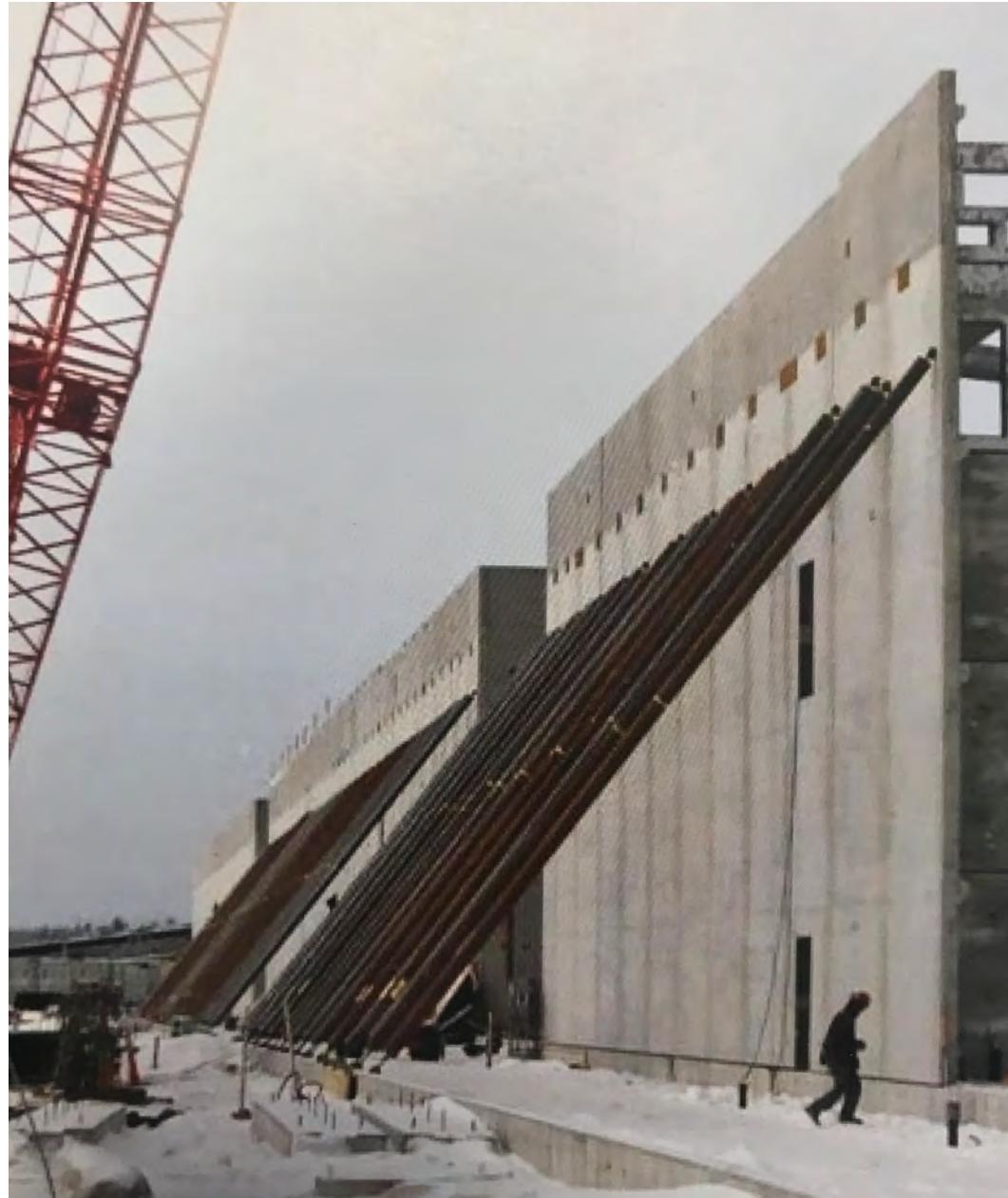
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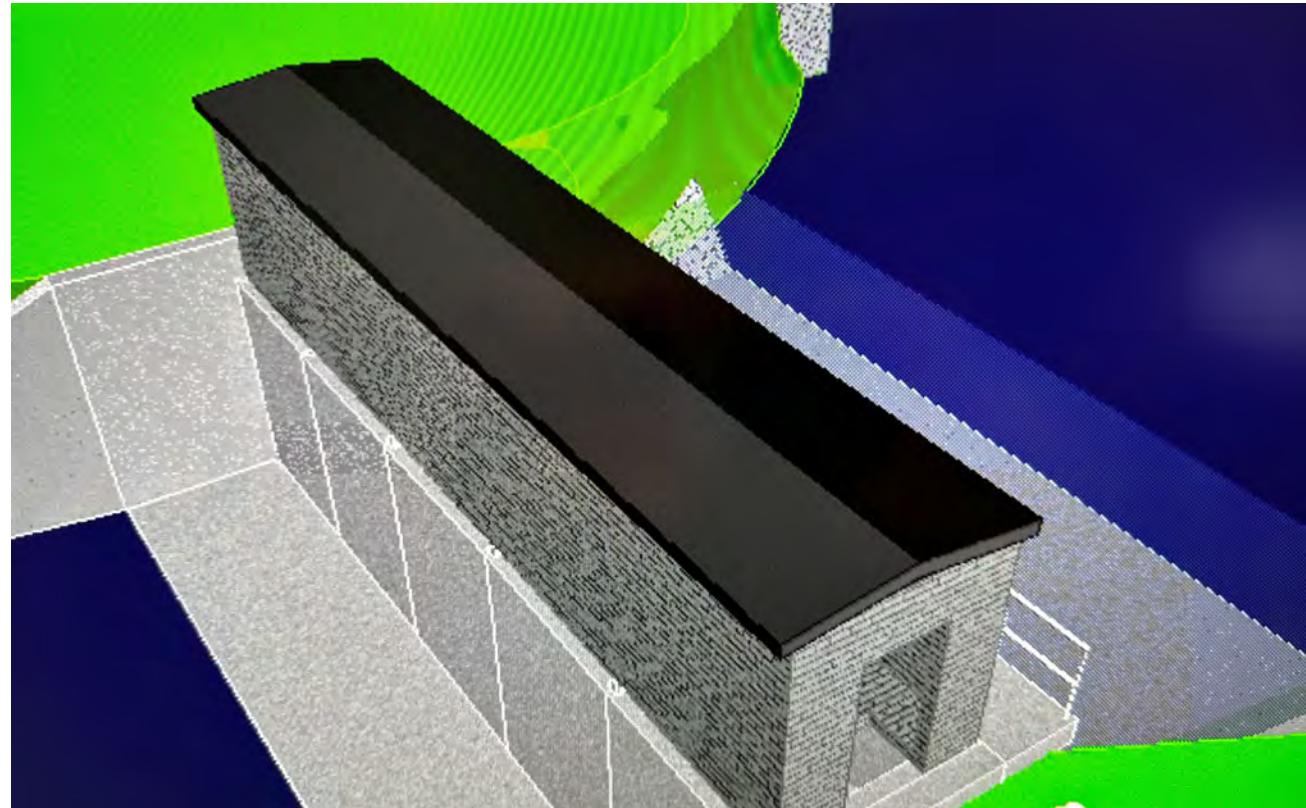
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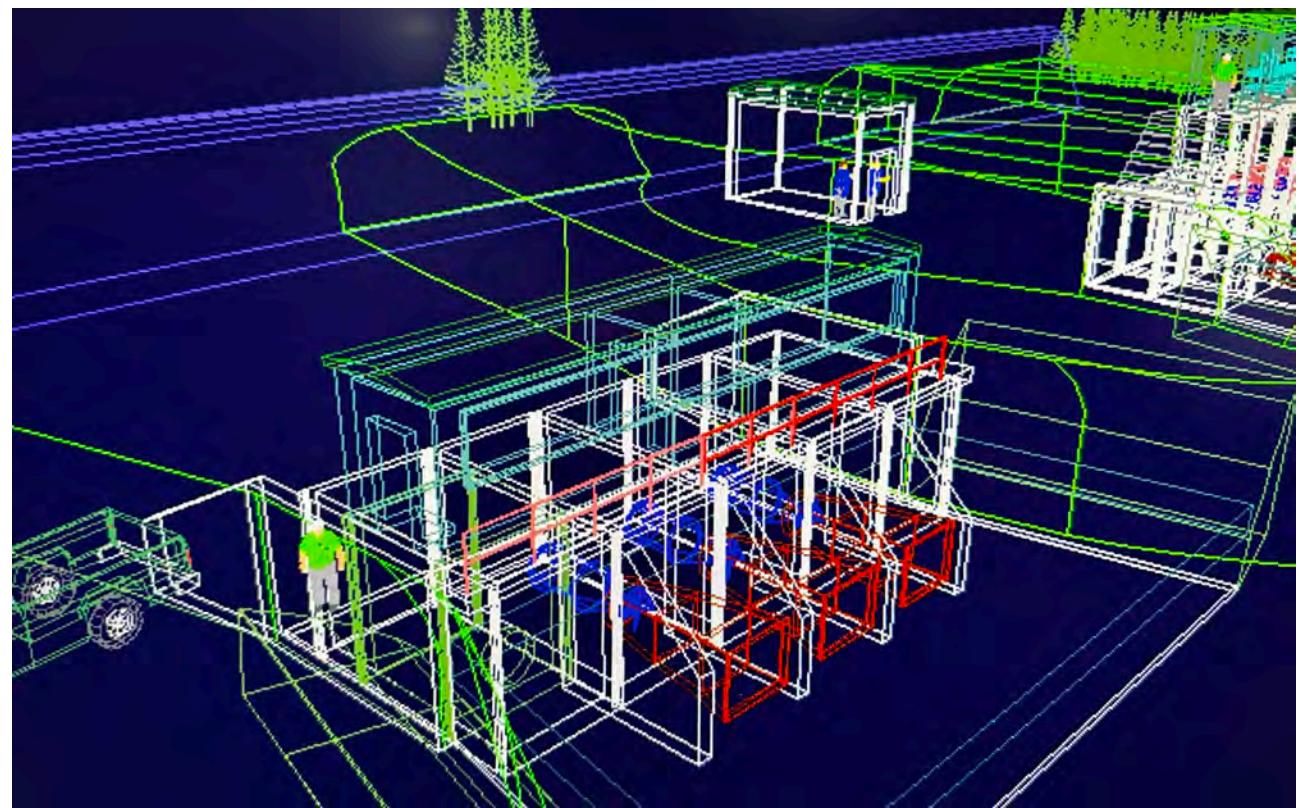
# Adjustable Wall System



# Powerhouse Videos



**3D model of Powerhouse design**



**Wire frame of Powerhouse design**

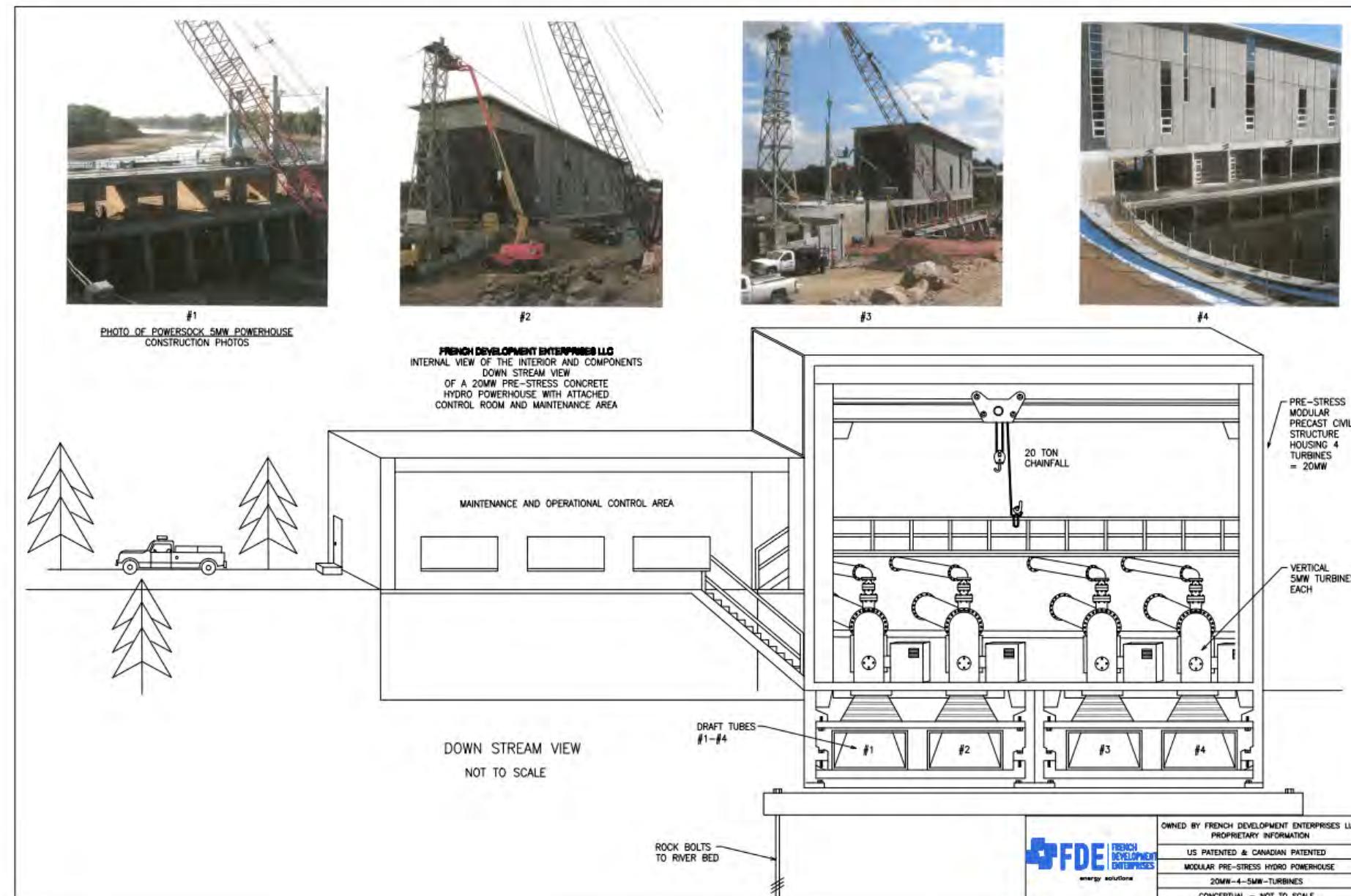
**Please watch our videos on the web page just below this presentation**

# Powerhouse Images using Precast Concrete

Powerhouse was constructed in 2011-2012  
Bottom is cast-in-place  
Upper structure constructed using precast



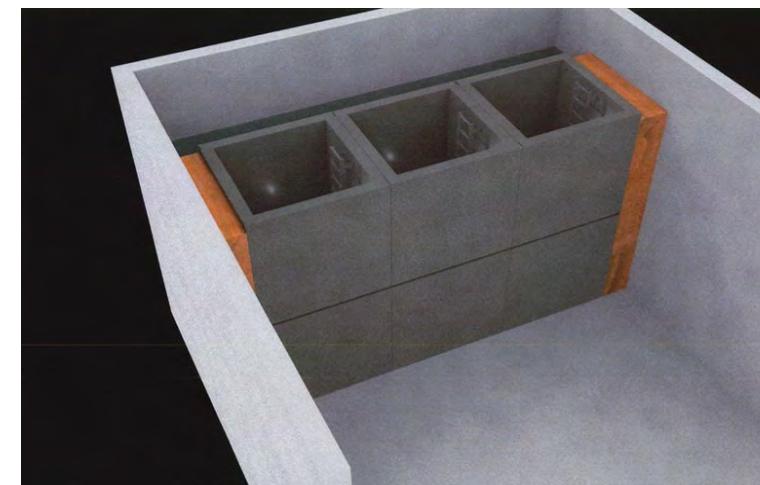
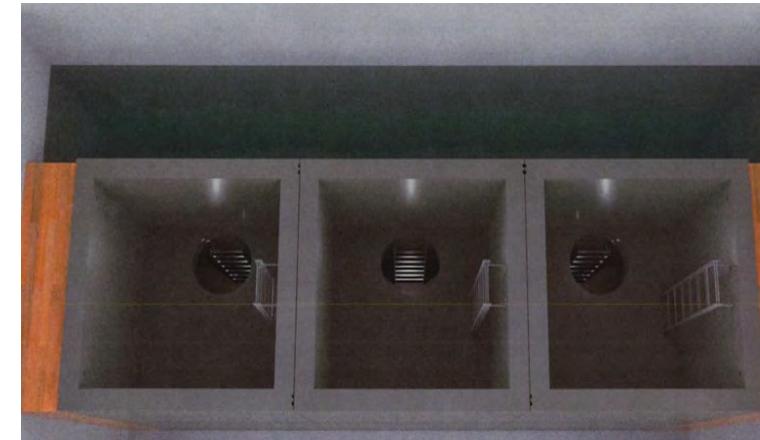
# Powerhouse



# Modular Precast is Universal to all Modular Turbines

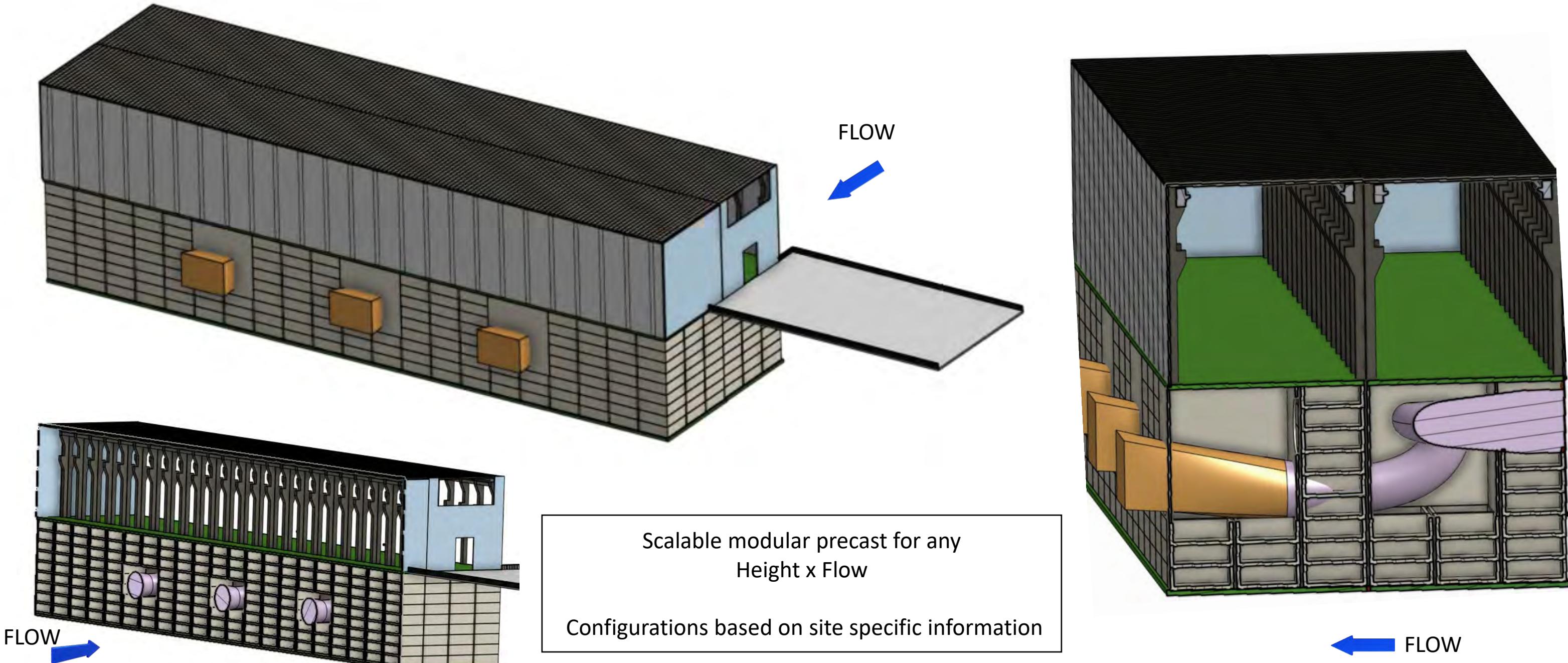


The modular powerhouses can be configured to accept many families of turbine, generator and pump combinations.



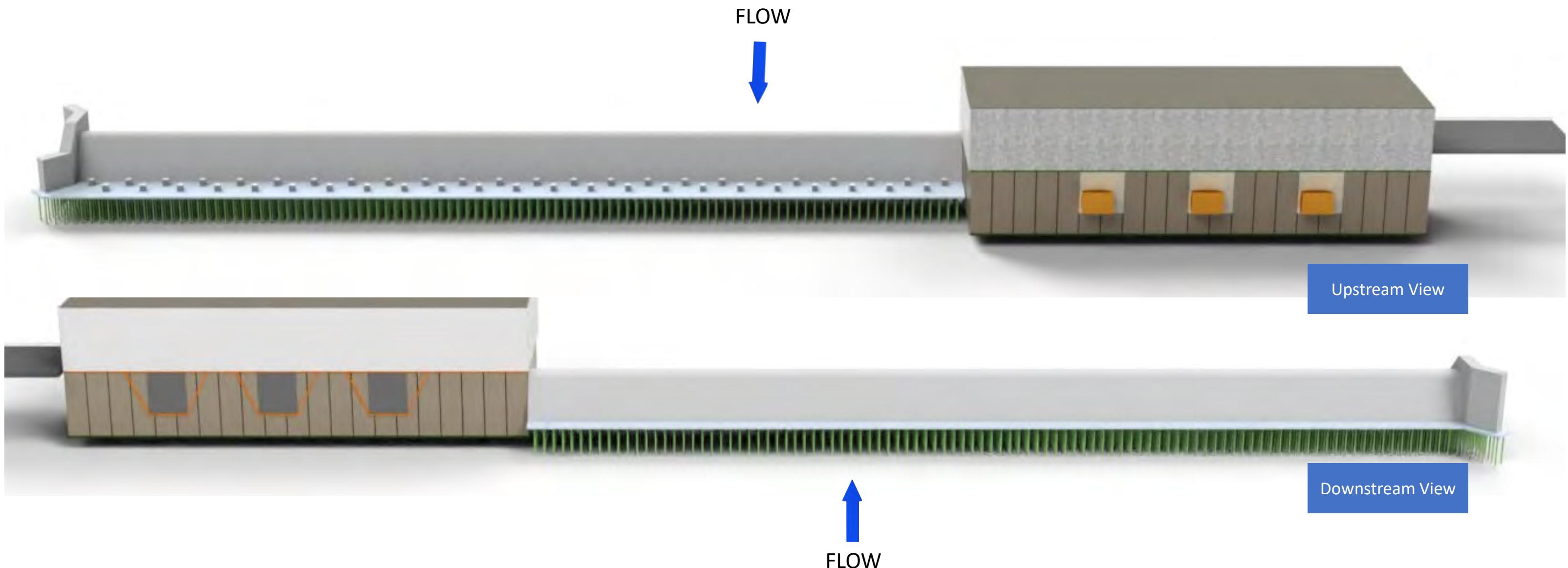
# Large Powerhouse Dam (500 to 2000MW)

## CAD Precast Modules



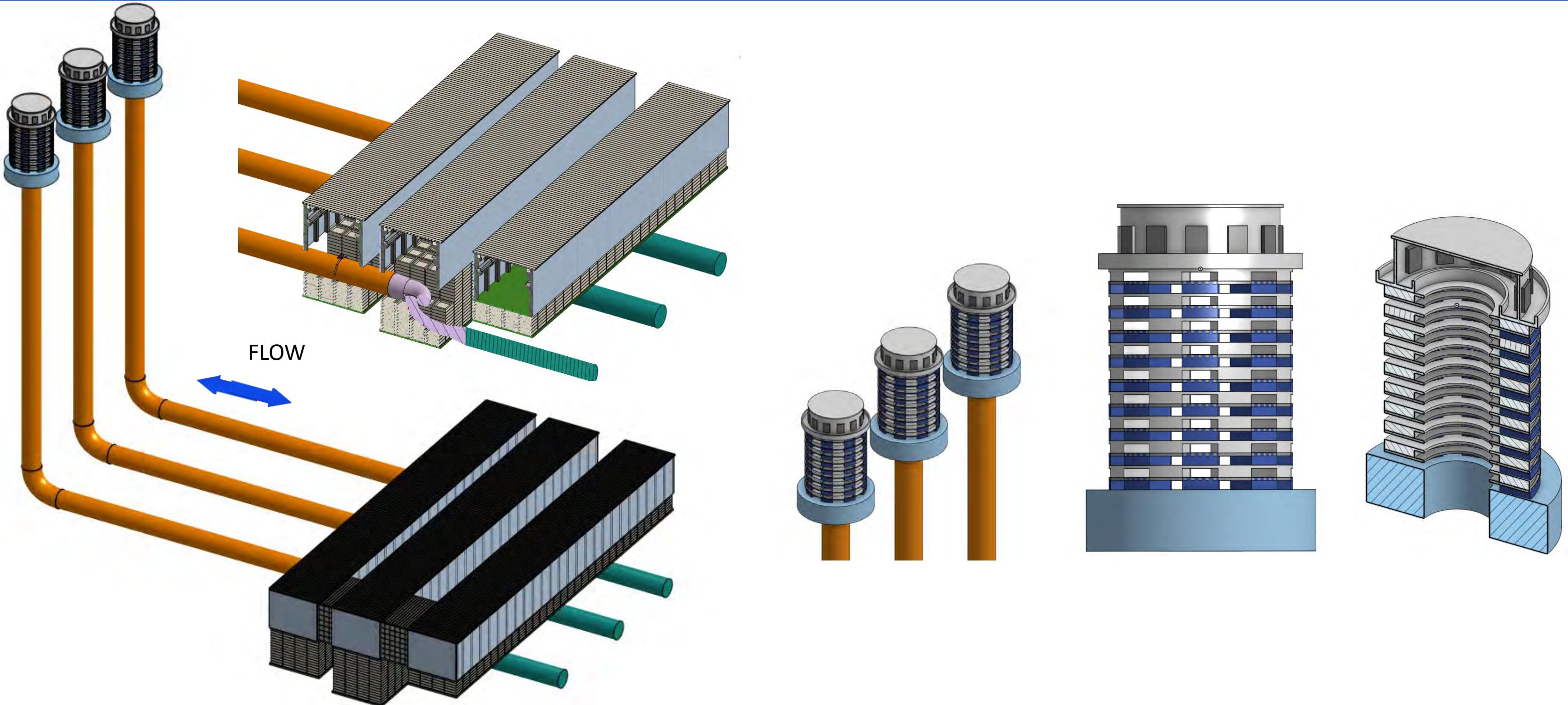
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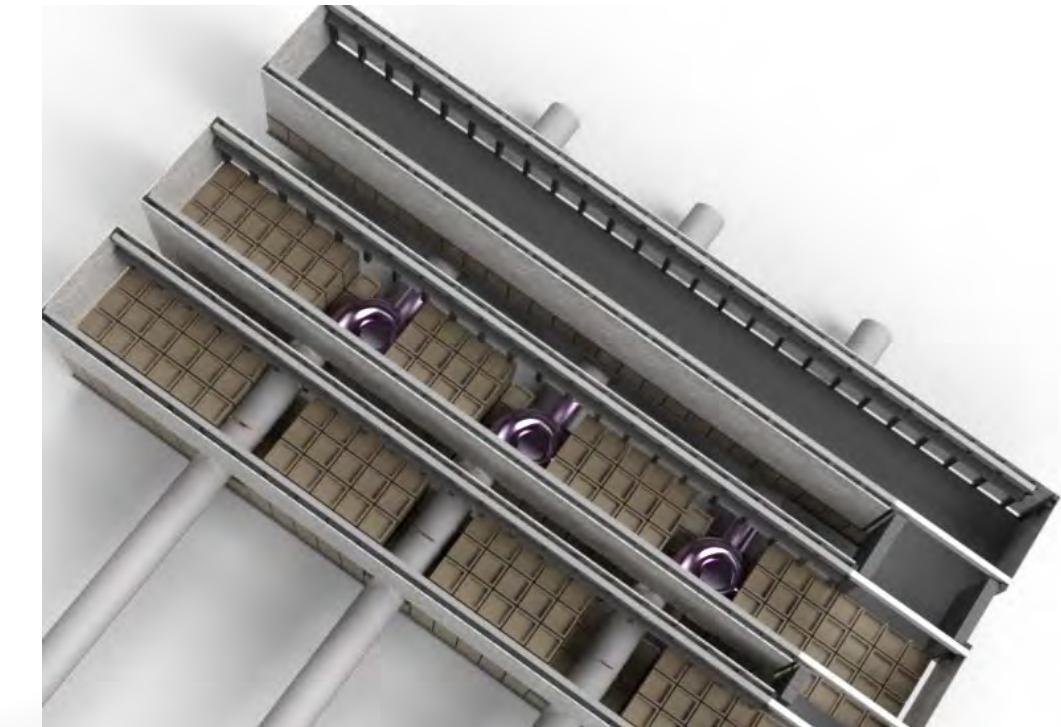
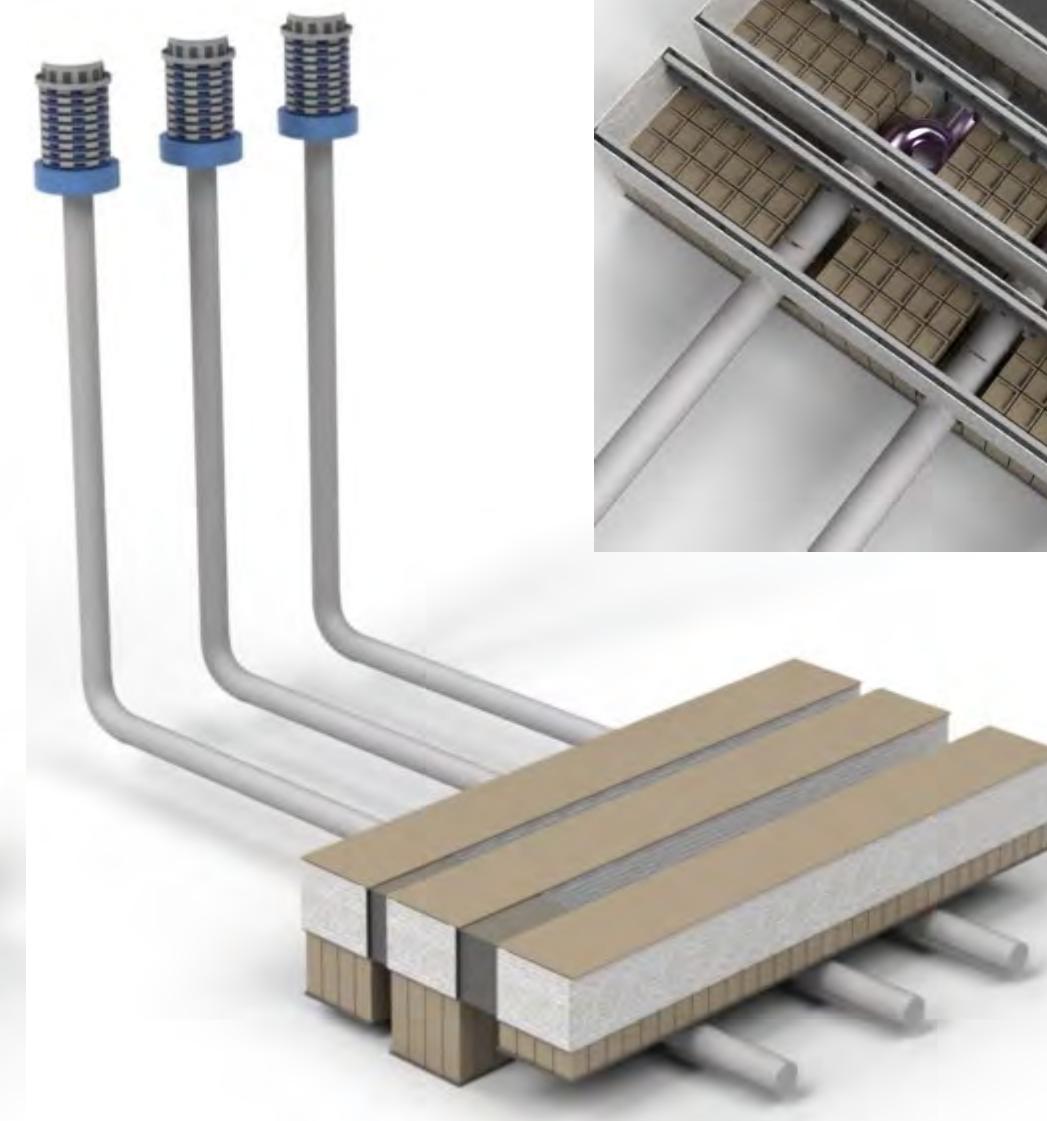
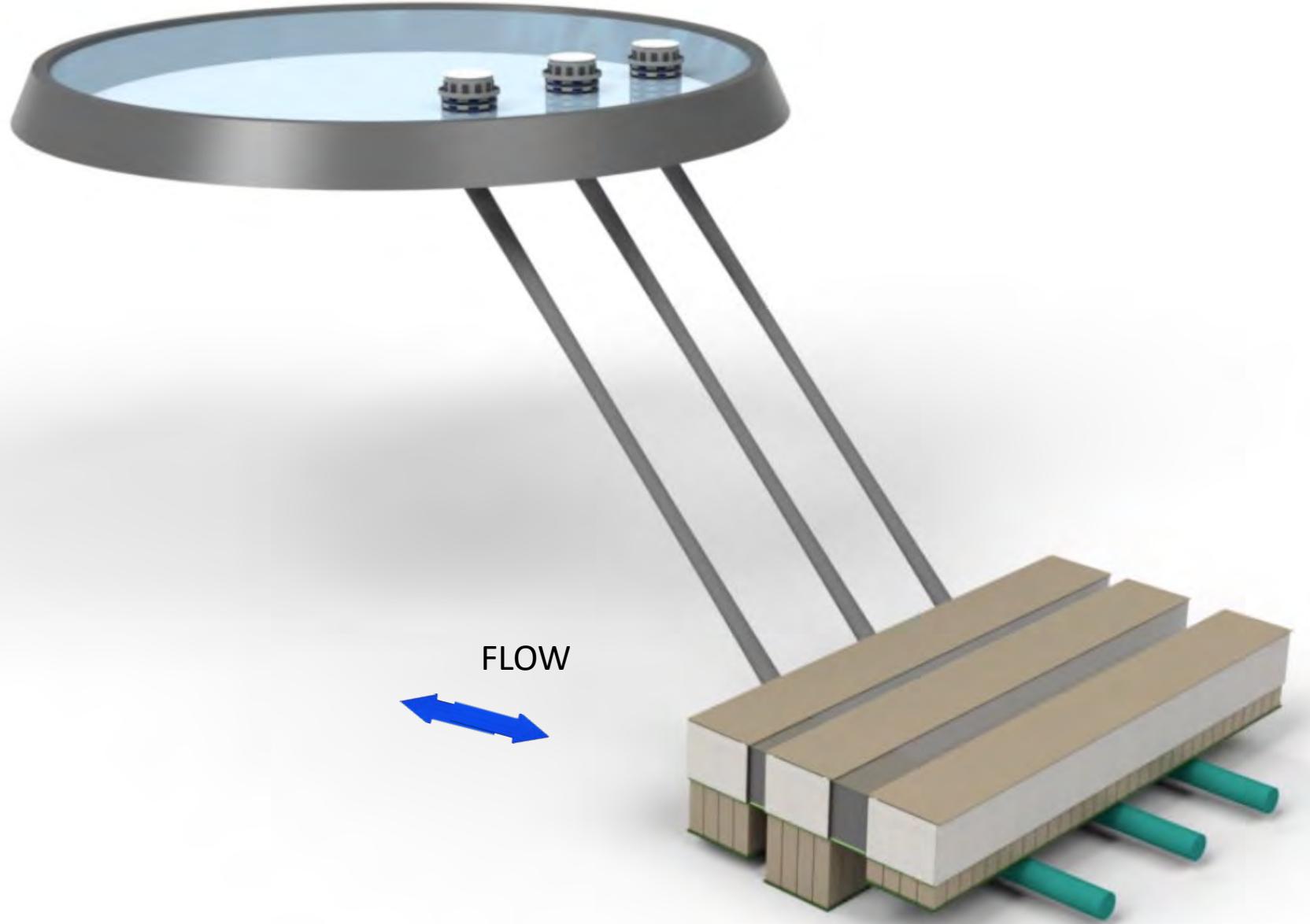
# Pump Storage Hydro

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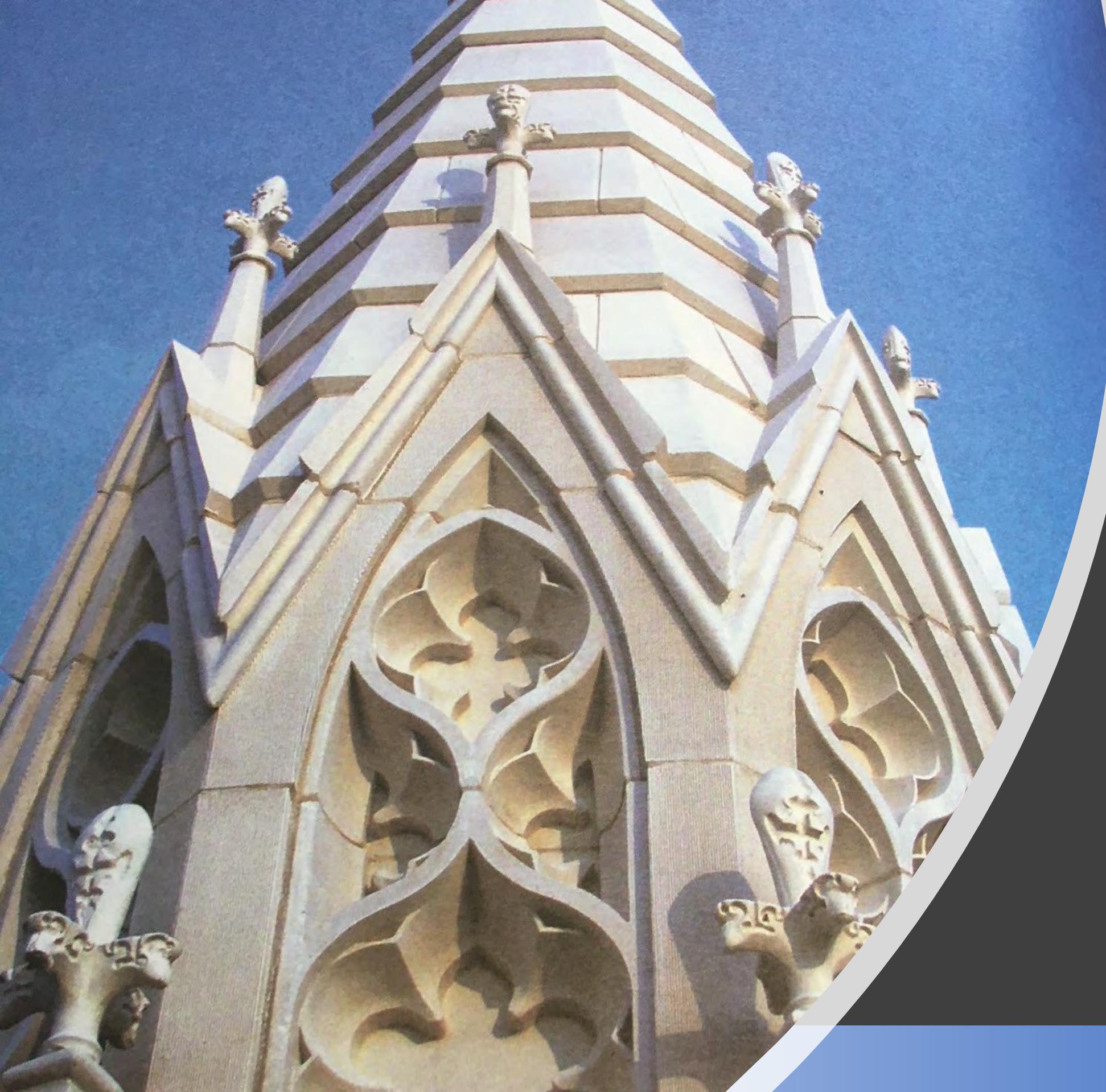


# Pump Storage Hydro

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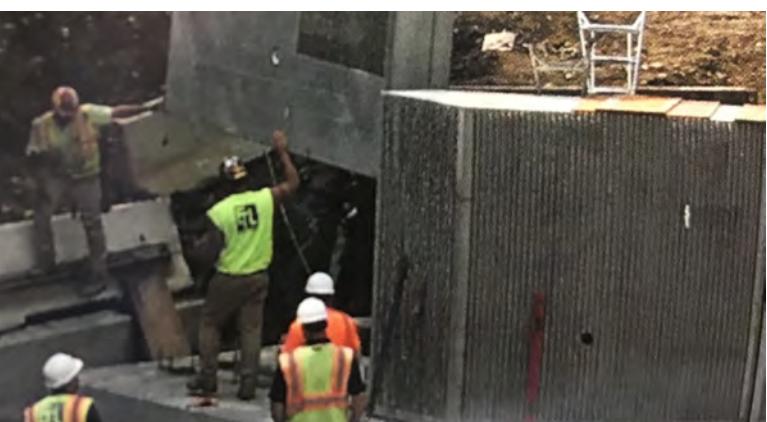


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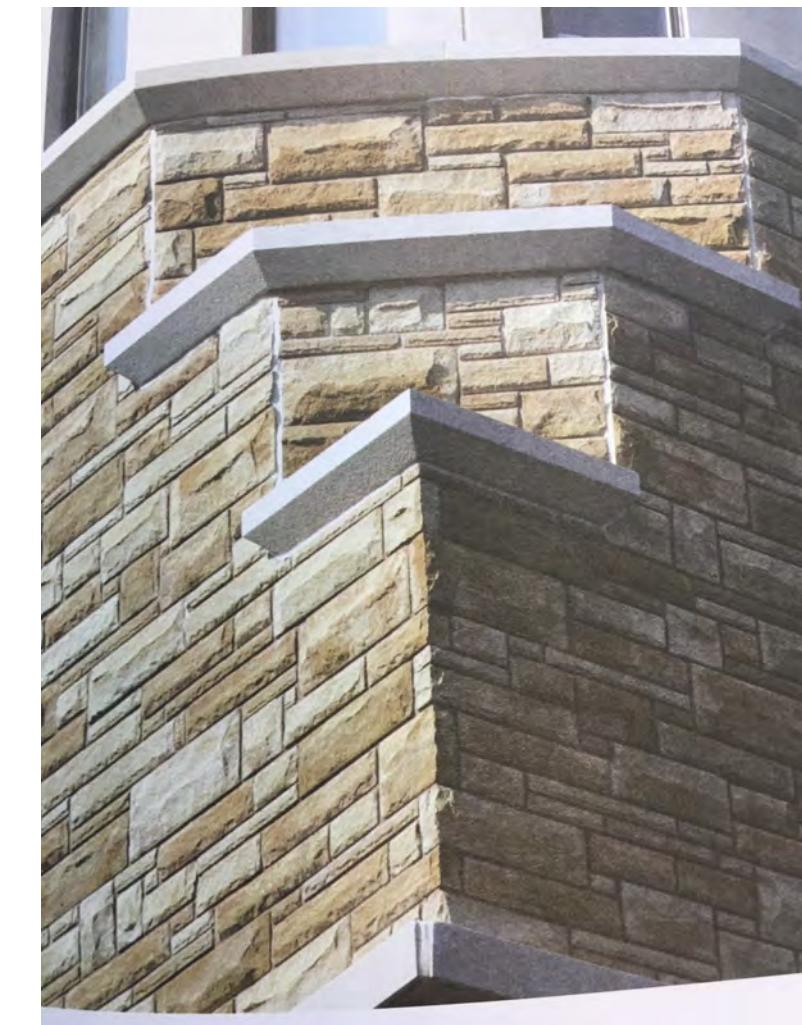
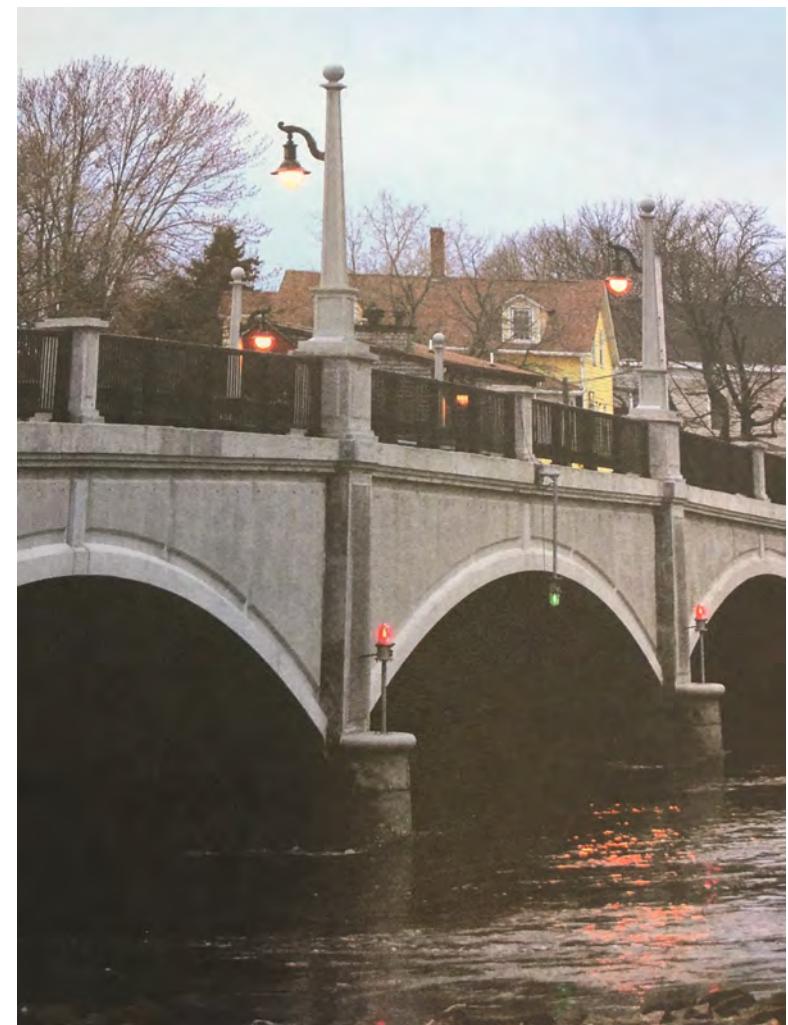


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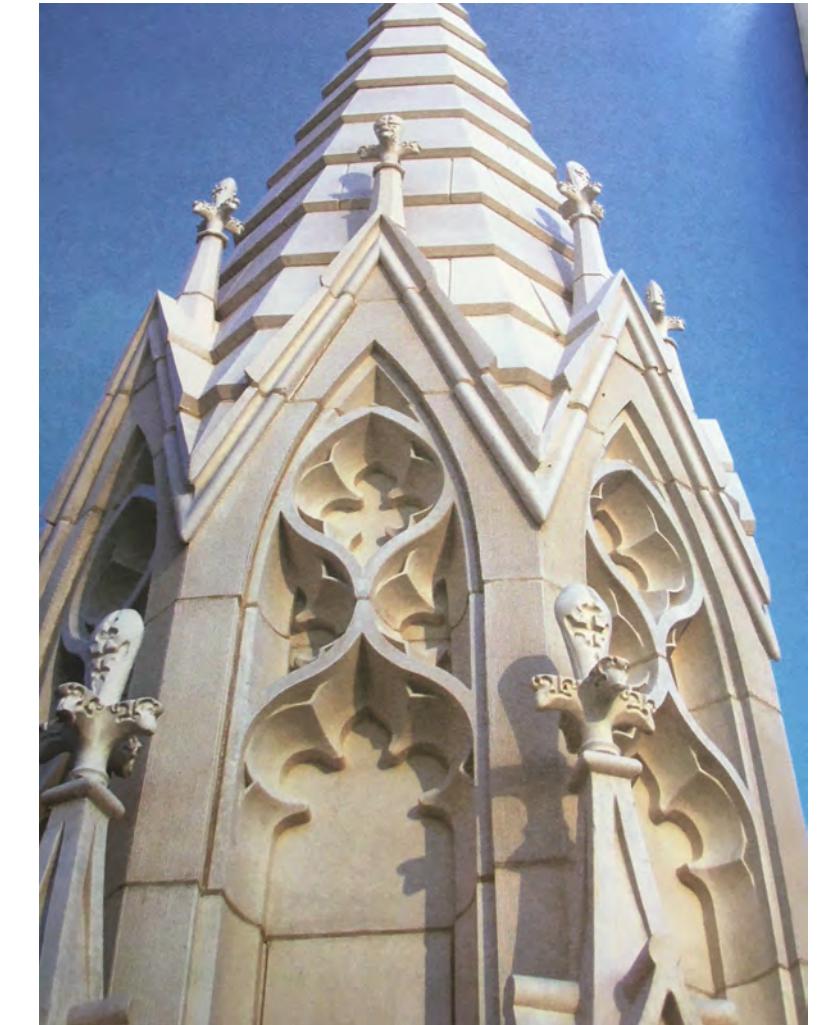
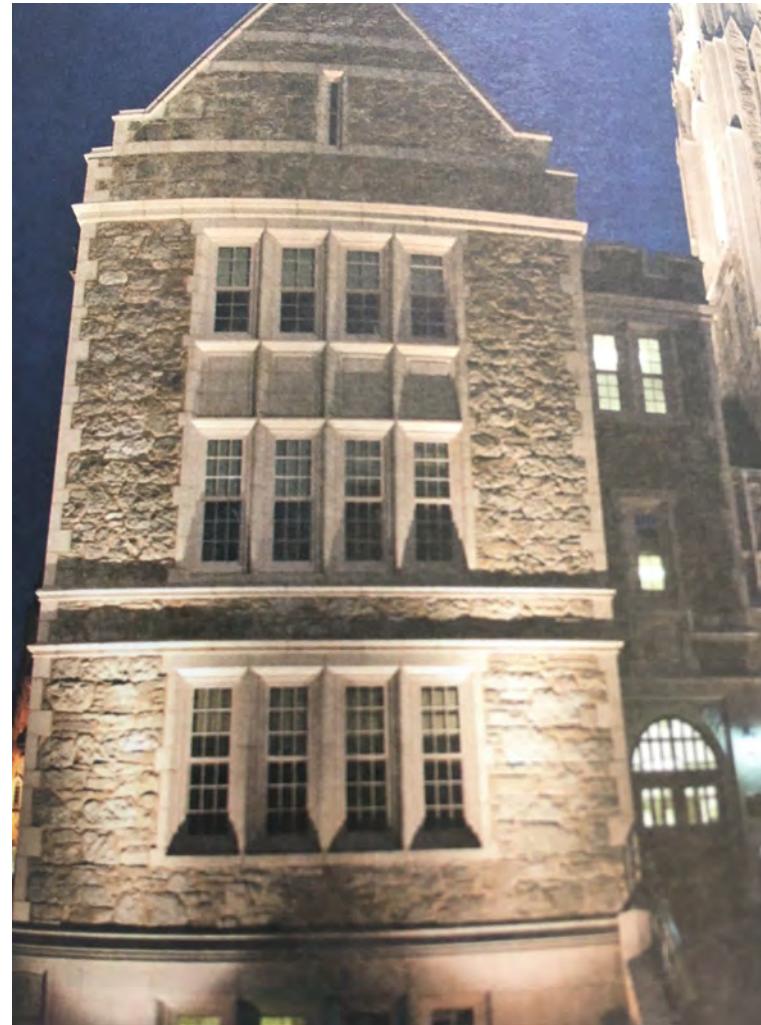
# Precast Finishes



# Advances in Precast Finishes



# Advances in Precast Finishes Creating Fantastic Buildings



# Precast in Tunnel Construction

**Applications to large water conduits and Penstocks**



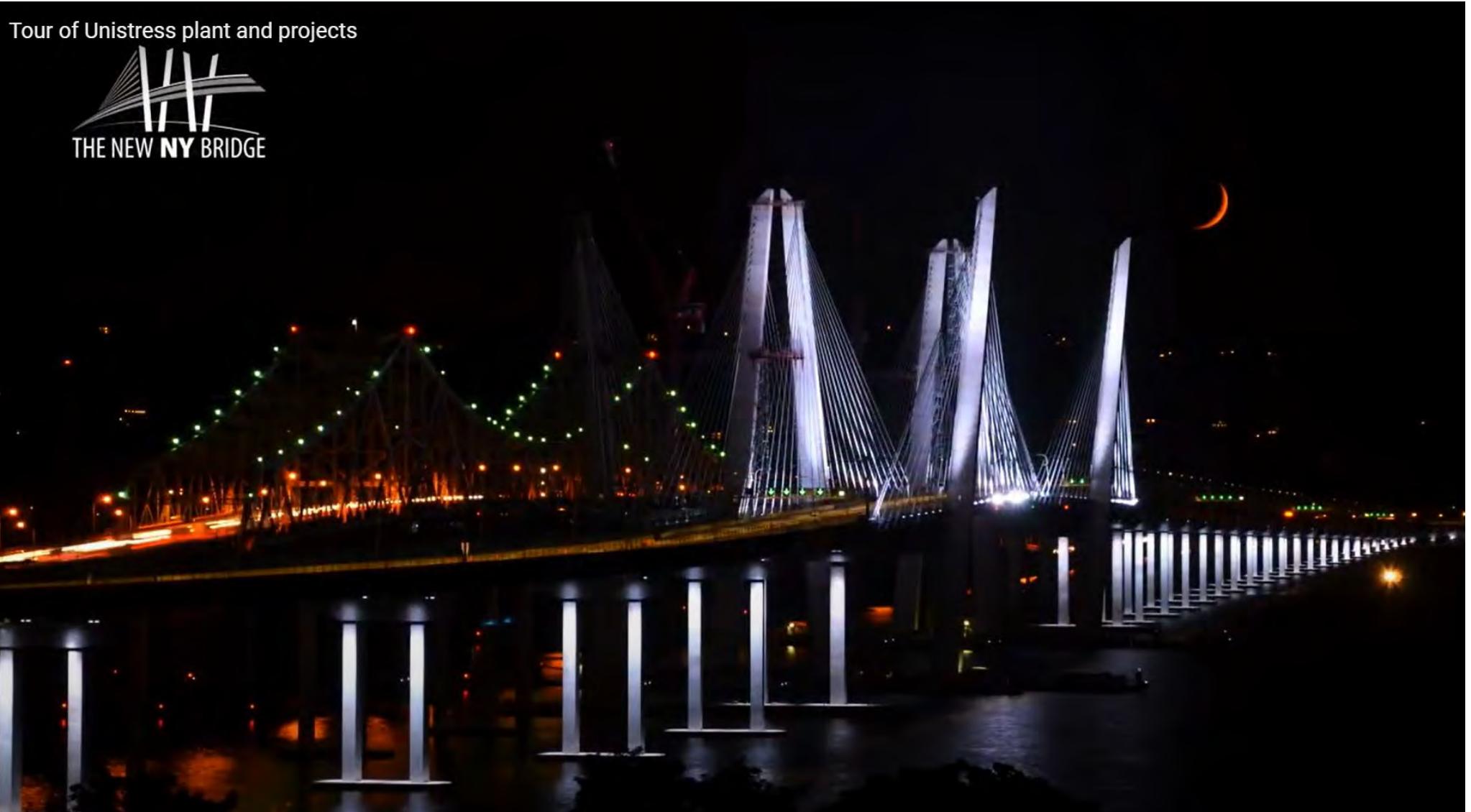
# Large Scale Precast Facility at Work

## Tour of Unistress plant and project

<click below to start video>

## Unistress Plant and Project

Ref: <https://www.unistresscorp.com/>



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# Dam Site Selection



## Top utility executives' priorities when building a new energy asset

- Lower risk to all stakeholders
- Much quicker Return on Investment (ROI)
- Newest innovation in materials, equipment and construction means and methods
- Modular precast provides 100-year service life (longer than other energy assets)
- Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) solution
- Features Hydro provides others do not (black start, energy on demand, flexibility to the grid, load following) hydropower is considered the most resilient and efficient energy source
- Modular precast concrete water solutions reduce major risk reduction for project stake holders
- Modular precast hydro power's Capacity Factor (3x other needed renewables)
- Modular Hydro power can be constructed at lower cost, below other renewable energy assets

# Site Selection Should Consider Project Requirements

## Project phase considerations and solutions

### New

- New Dam
- New Pump Storage Impoundment
- Power Non-power Dam
- Run of the river

### Retro-Fit

- Replace leaving dam in place (minimal disruption to silt and pollution)

### Repair

- Repair existing Non-power Dam (or replace)
- Repair existing Powered Dam (or replace) impoundment, spillway or powerhouse
- Mine tailing impoundment, with precast water cut walls with wick drain and lower elevation

### Improve

- Powered dam to higher power level
- Smart sustainability and resilient, adjustable hydraulic operated spillway.
- Modular upgrades, adding future power and dam control features
- Fish passage to greater number of passage lower turn backs

# Site Evaluation

## **Site Evaluations must be conducted by Licensed Professional and should consider**

- Engineering Survey / Geological Survey
- Hydrologist Survey and River parameters
- Site access / Heavy equipment / Platforms and work areas
- Laydown area / Staging area / Barge movement

## **Licensing/ Permitting**

- FERC “Licensing”
- Bureau of Reclamation “Lease of Power Privilege”
- EPA (State and Federal)
- Others

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# Dam Design

# Designing Precast Dams and Powerhouses Software Specifically for Modular Precast

## Tekla Software

Developed for Design of Modular Precast Units for Dams Powerhouses Conduits  
Interconnected Switch Rooms

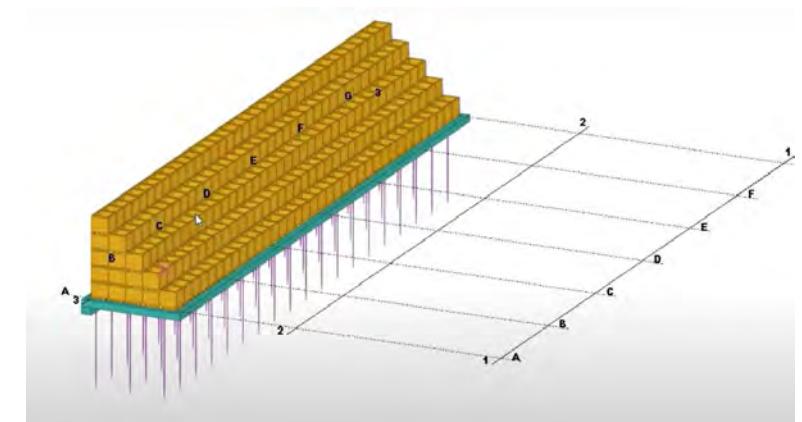
A short review of Tekla functionality for utility precast can be found here:

[YouTube Video of Tekla Software in action](#)

## Large Dam

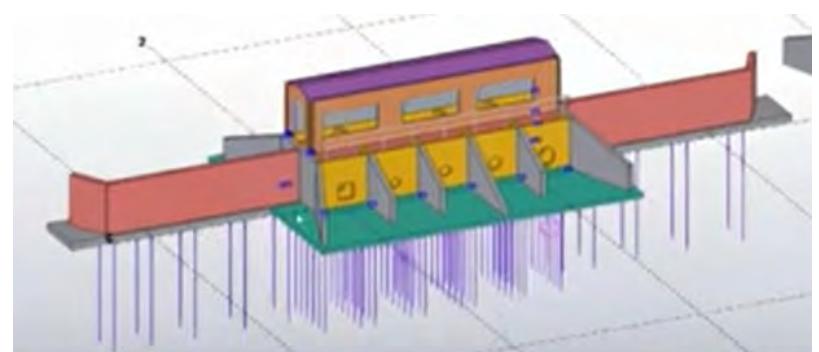
[French Modular Dam designed using Tekla Software](#)

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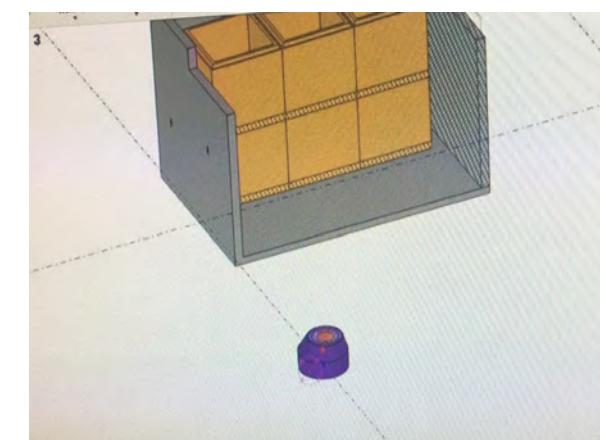
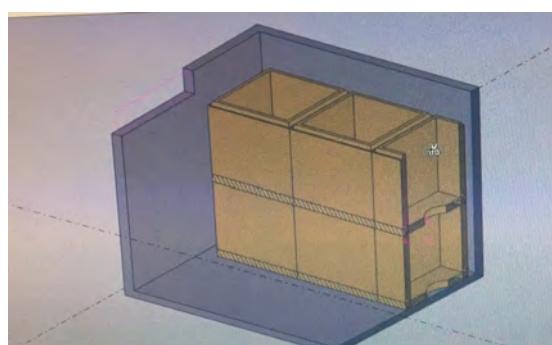
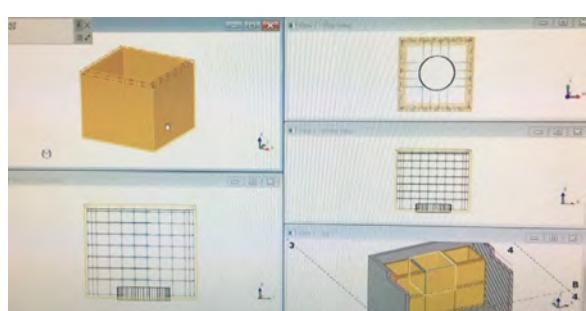
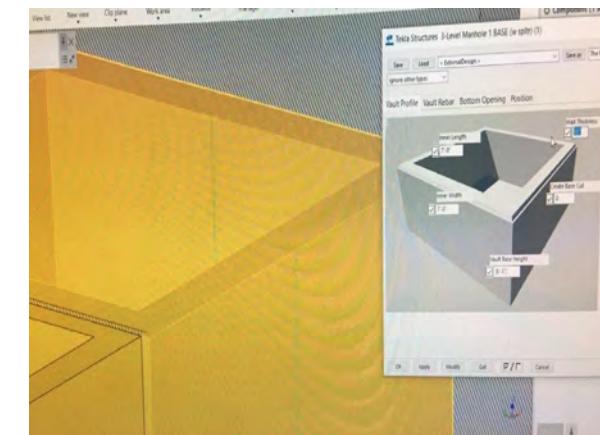
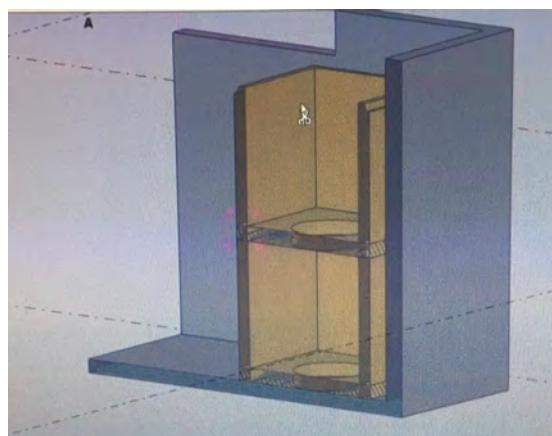
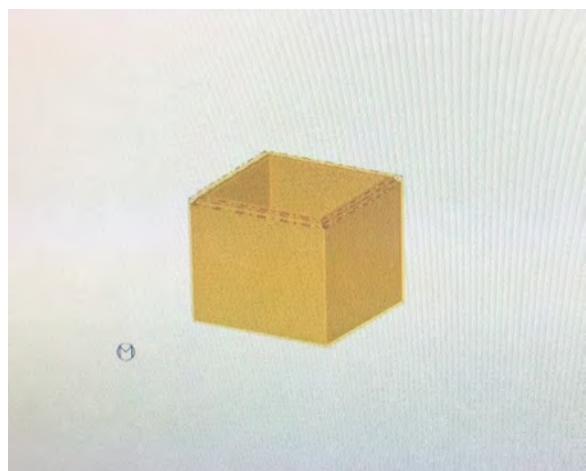


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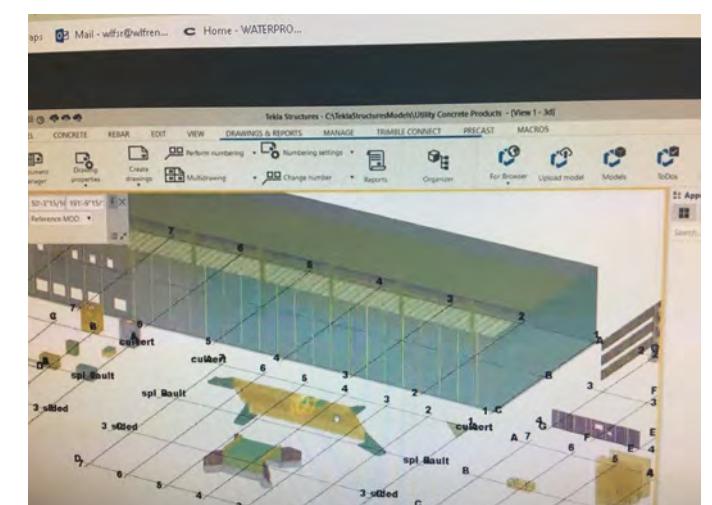
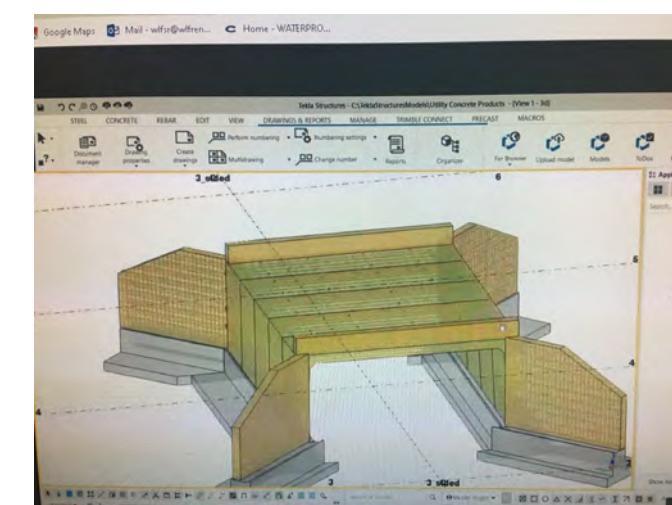
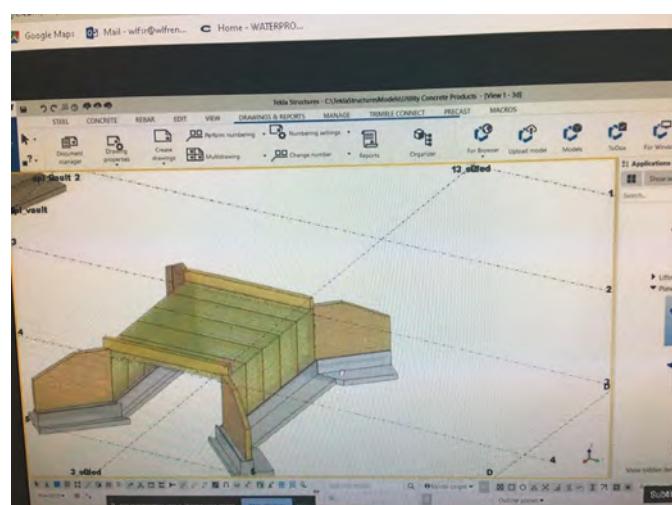
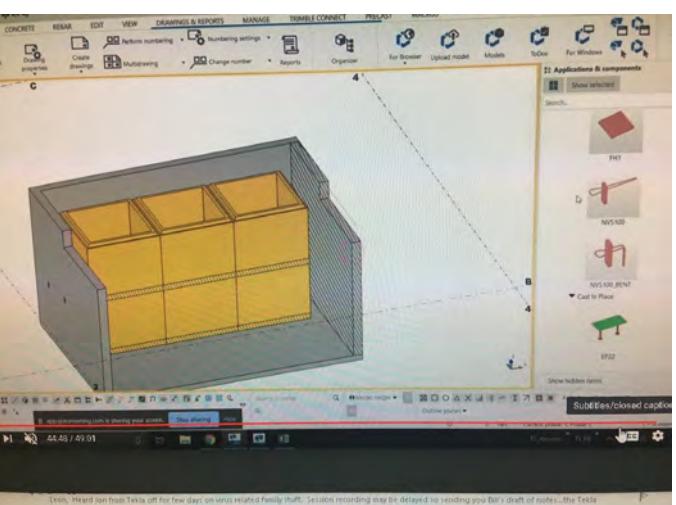
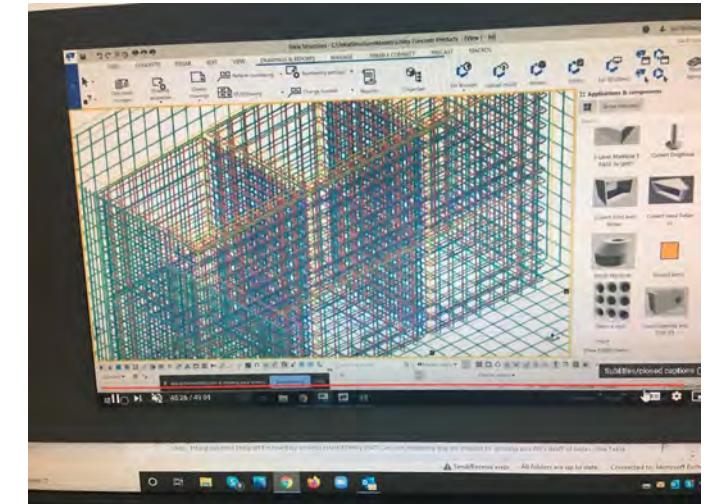
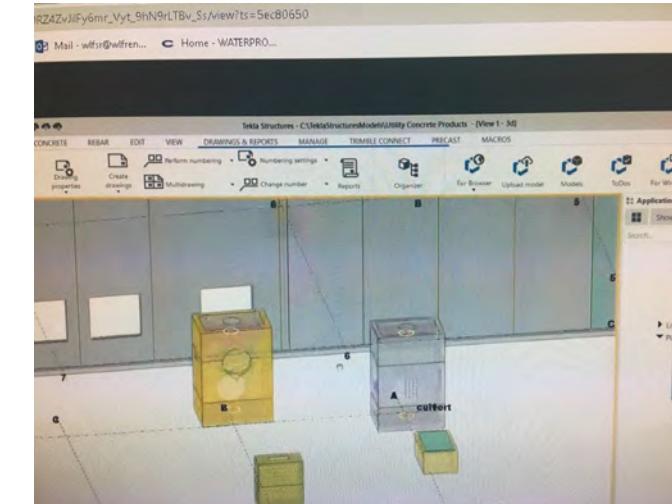
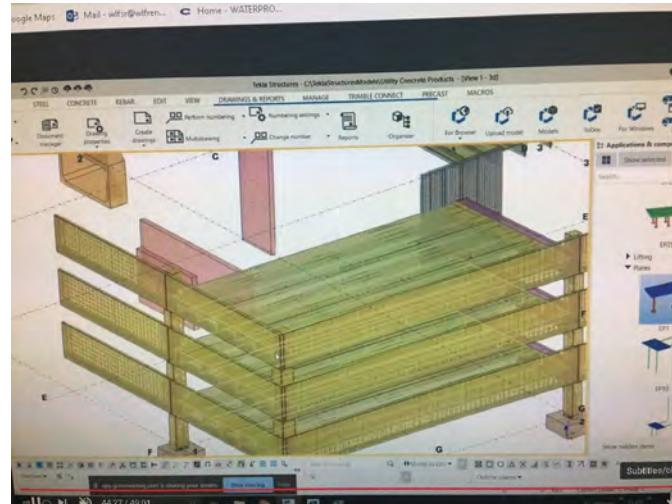
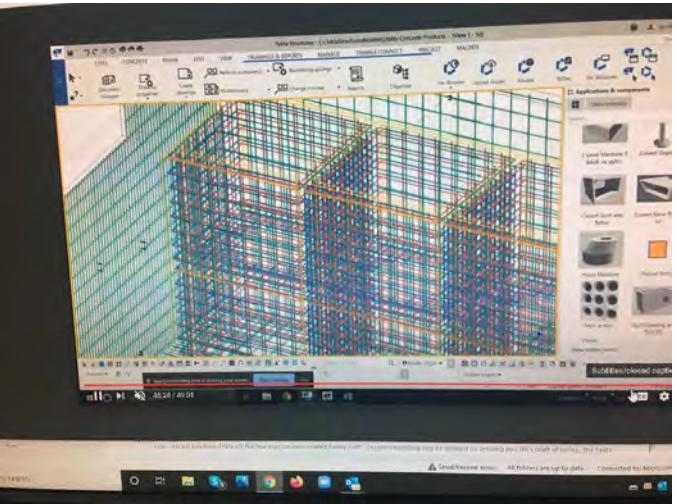
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# Modular Precast Design

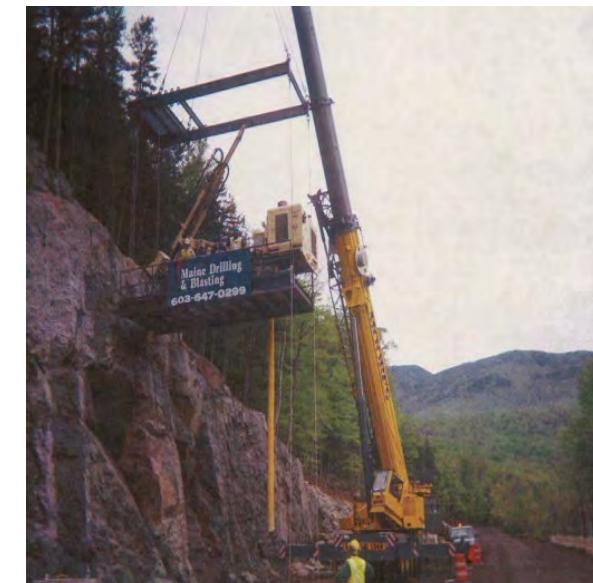


# Including Design of Rebar Structures, Crane Lifts and Assembly

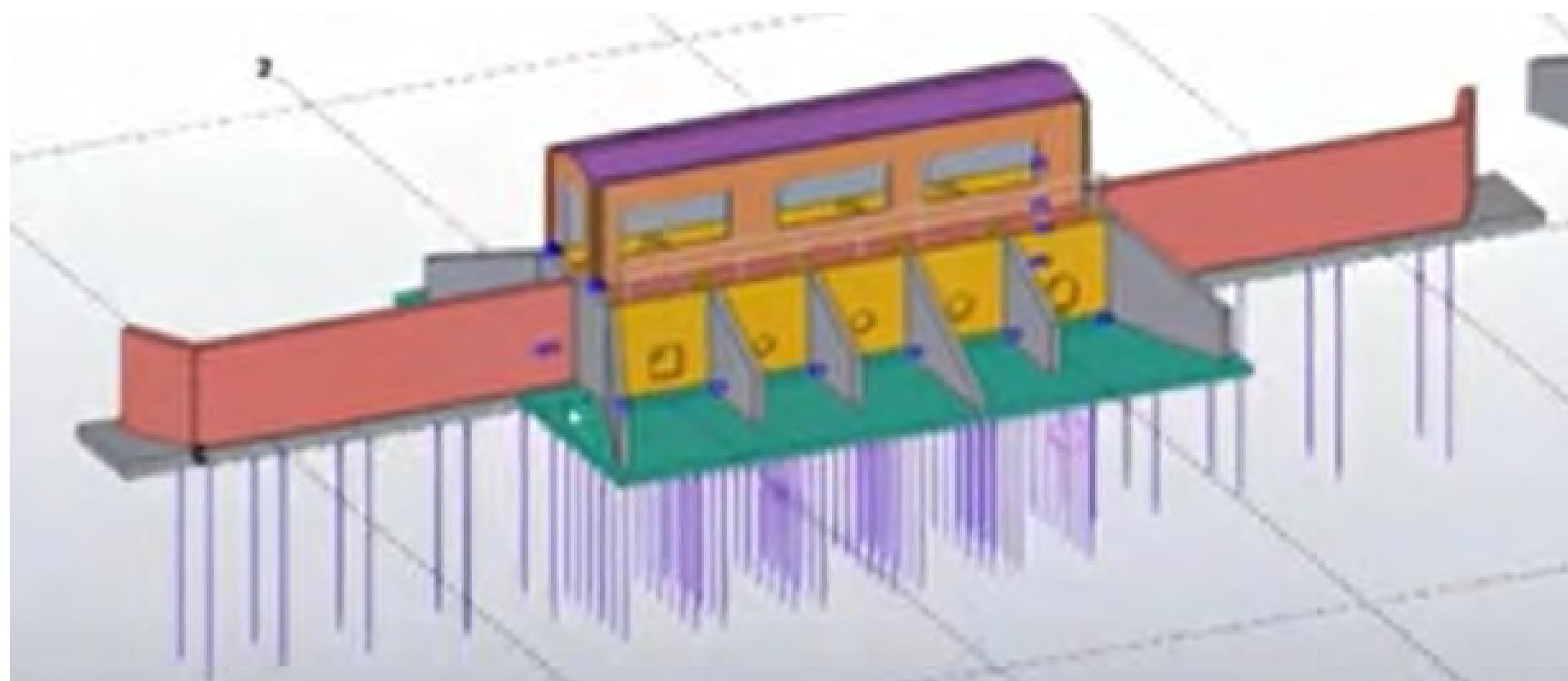


# Create Designs to Connect with the Site Bed Rock

Rock Bolts to anchor dam's work platform and abutments to site bedrock



# Powerhouse and Rock bolts



## Powered Dams required:

- Power interconnects,
- Transmission lines
- Switching stations

## Design should consider:

- Construction Staging Area
- Crane lifts
- Material



# Low Environmental Impact

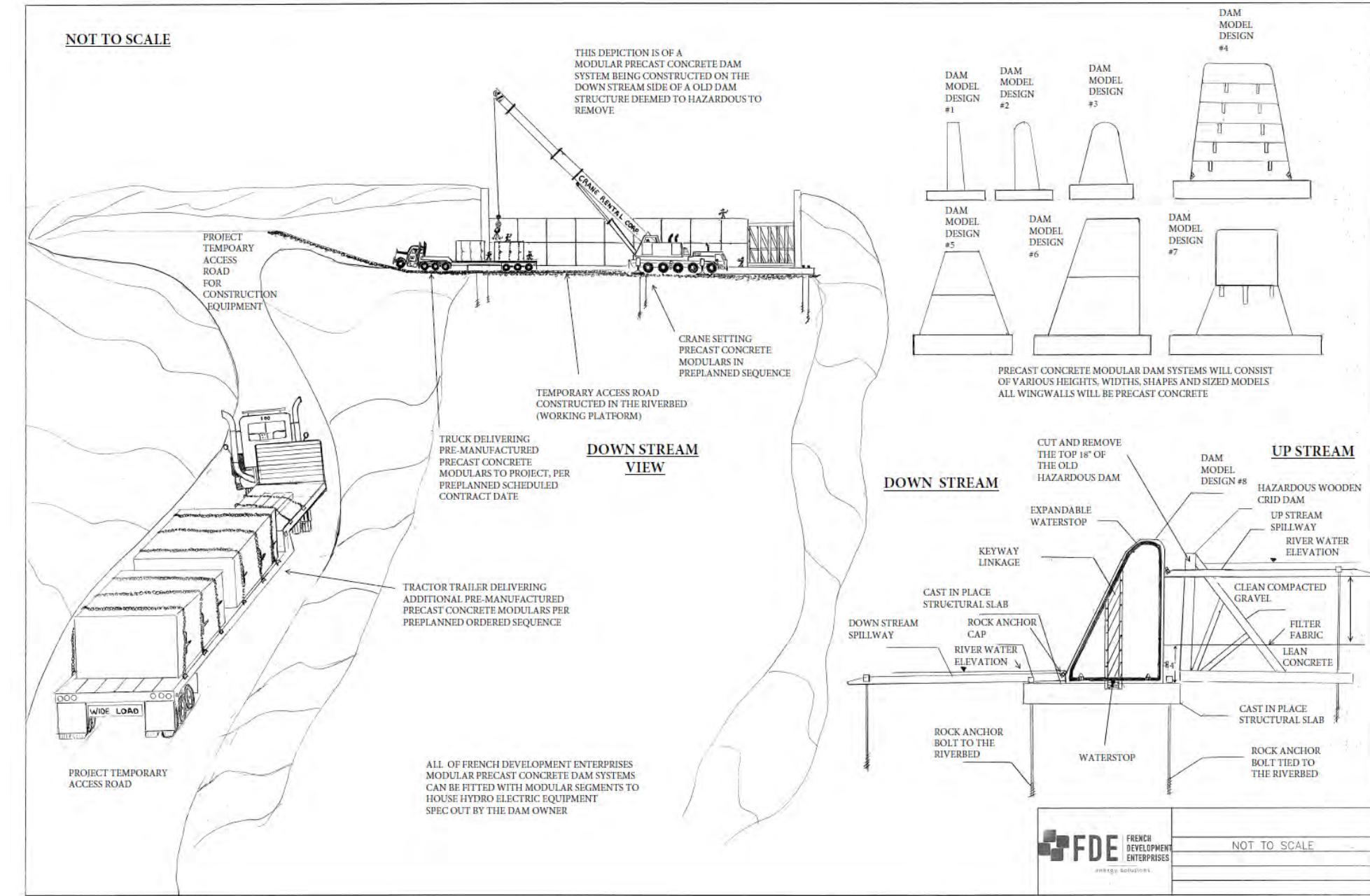
## Road Access and Crane pad

### Modular Precast Solution requires less time to construct.

Less time in river and at site

Less overall construction equipment over life of development job.

Access roads and Crane pads will be constructed of local stone to reduce the impact to site during and after construction.



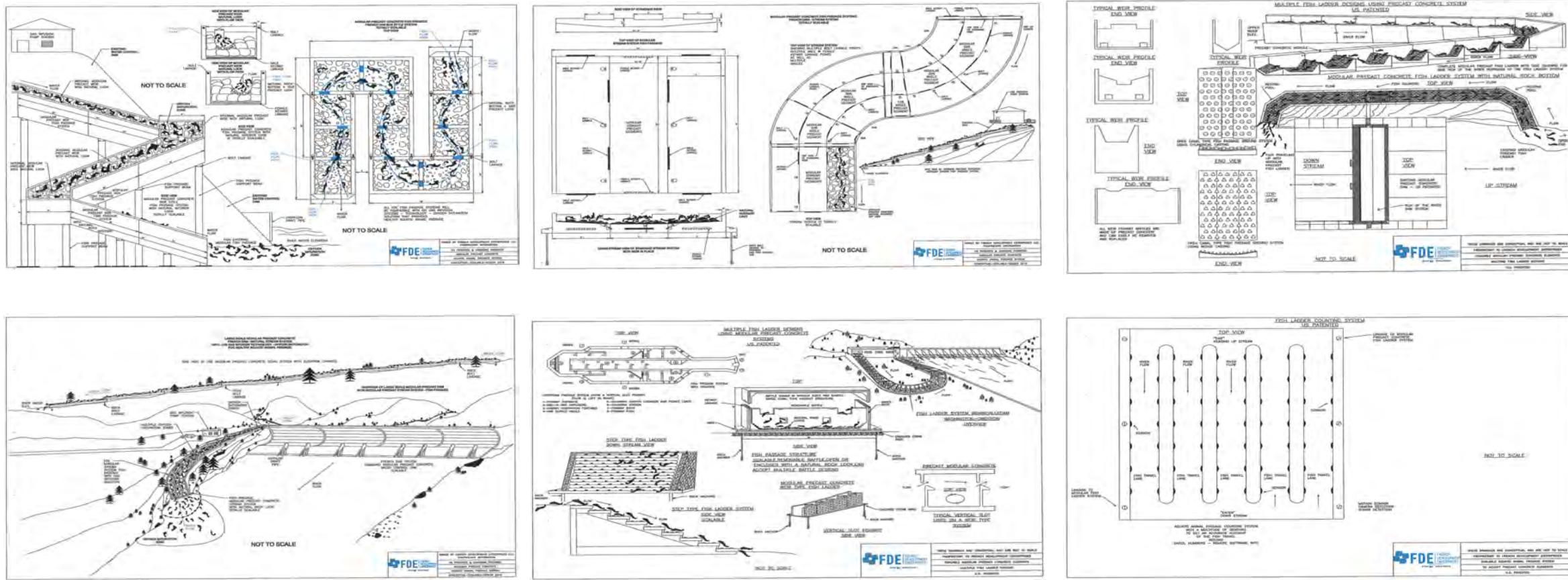
# Modular Designed Dams and Powerhouses Are Fish Friendly with Advanced Modular Fish Passage

**Fish Passage is a primary environmental concerns for dams**

FDE Hydro patents cover pre-cast modular fish ladder and in partnership with Biomark™ we offer a solution to this key environmental challenge.

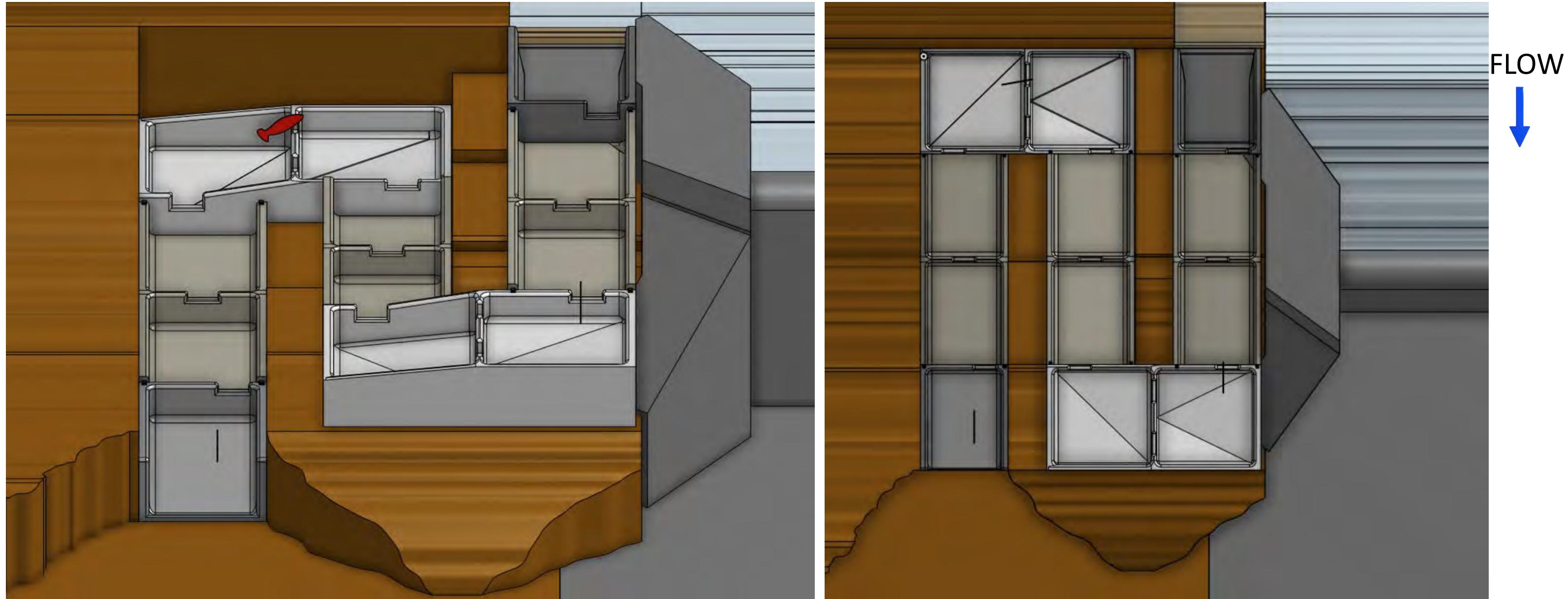
System ready for testing and deployment –Plug and Play

Fish ladder designed by aquatic engineers (Huntsman Marine Institute) Biomark™ containerized HyperInfusiO<sub>2</sub>n™ Unit



# Fishway – Pool & Weir

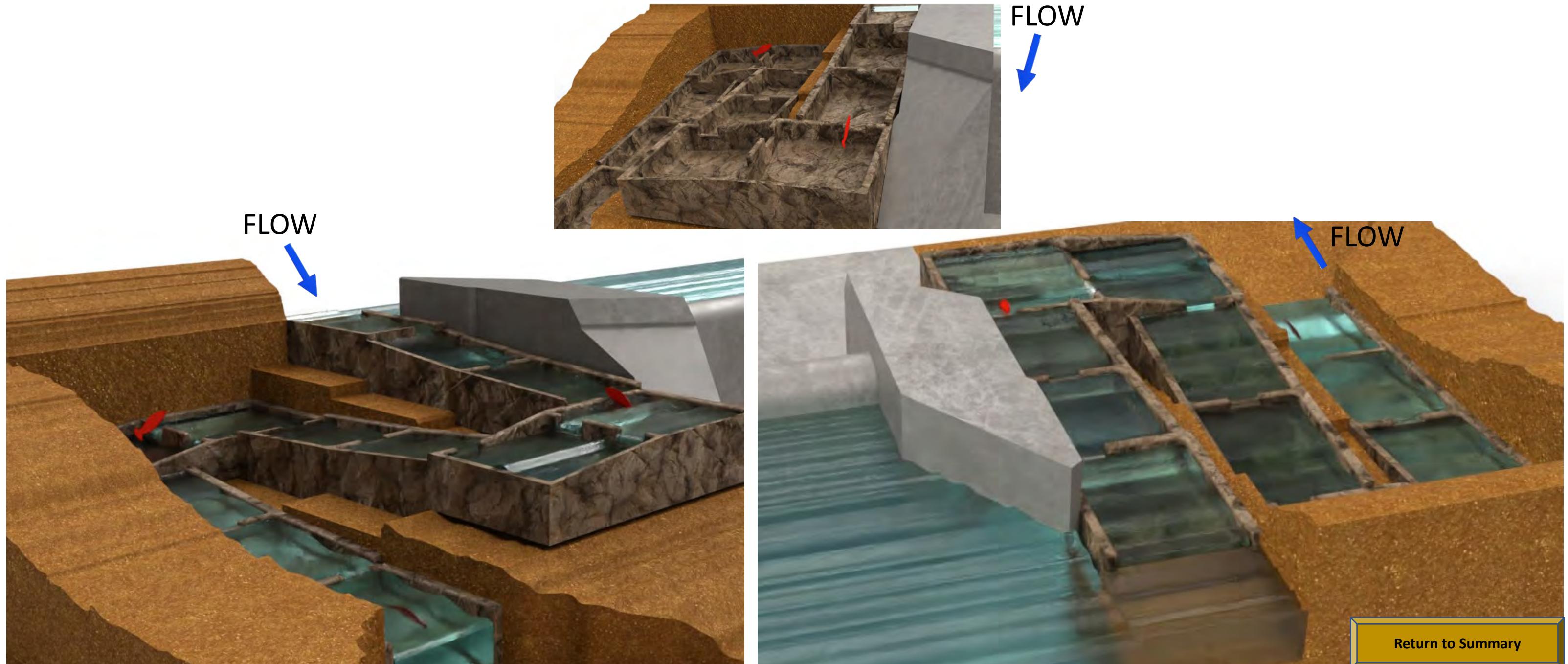
## CAD Precast Modules



Sloped modular blocks designed according to USFWS specs

# Fishways – Pool & Weir

## CAD Rendering



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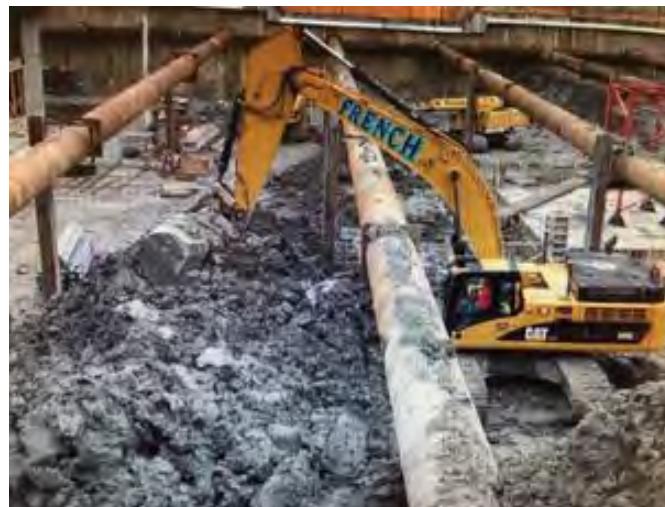
# Site Prep

**Coffer Dam and Dry working area  
Access to work area**

# WL French +50 years history Heavy Civil



# WL French +50 years history Heavy Civil cont.



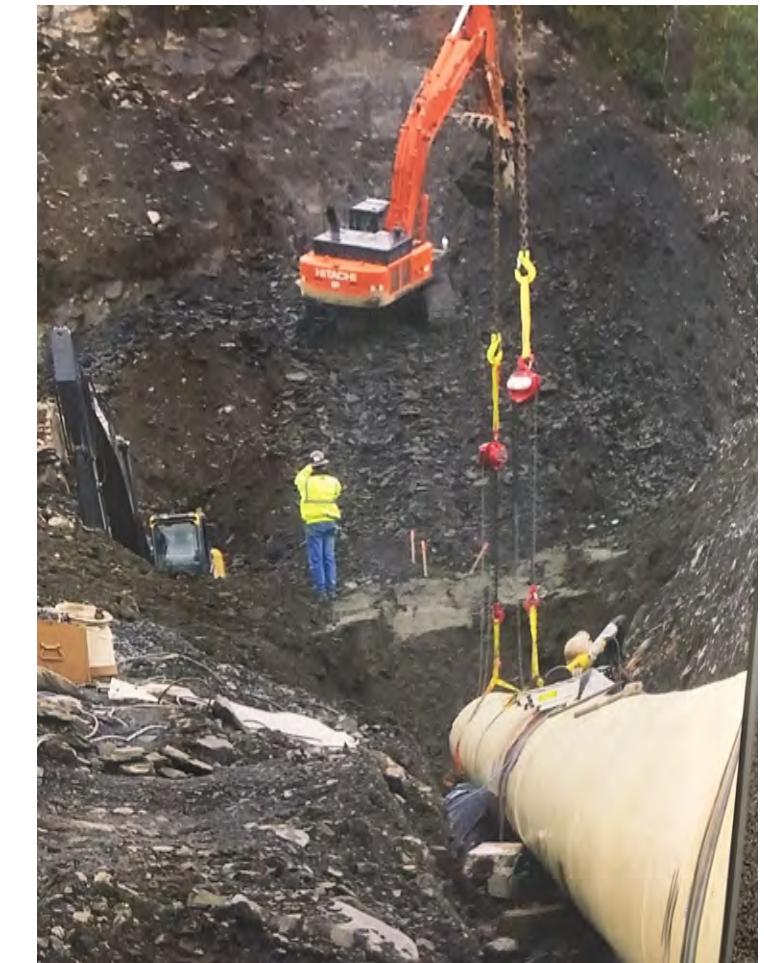
# Site Prep, Water control and Access to Work Area



Coffer Dam in the river (Pilings)  
and next to the river (Berm)  
Providing a Dry working area



Access to work area



# Coffer Dam around CIP work platform

## Layout the work platform using a Total Station

A total station is an optical surveying instrument that uses electronics to calculate angles and distances. It combines the functions of a theodolite with that of a transit level and electronic distance meter (EDM).

Rock bolts shown in a grid pattern



Reference 1: <https://www.engineersupply.com/total-stations.aspx>

# Preparing for Work Platform



# French Dam Work Platform



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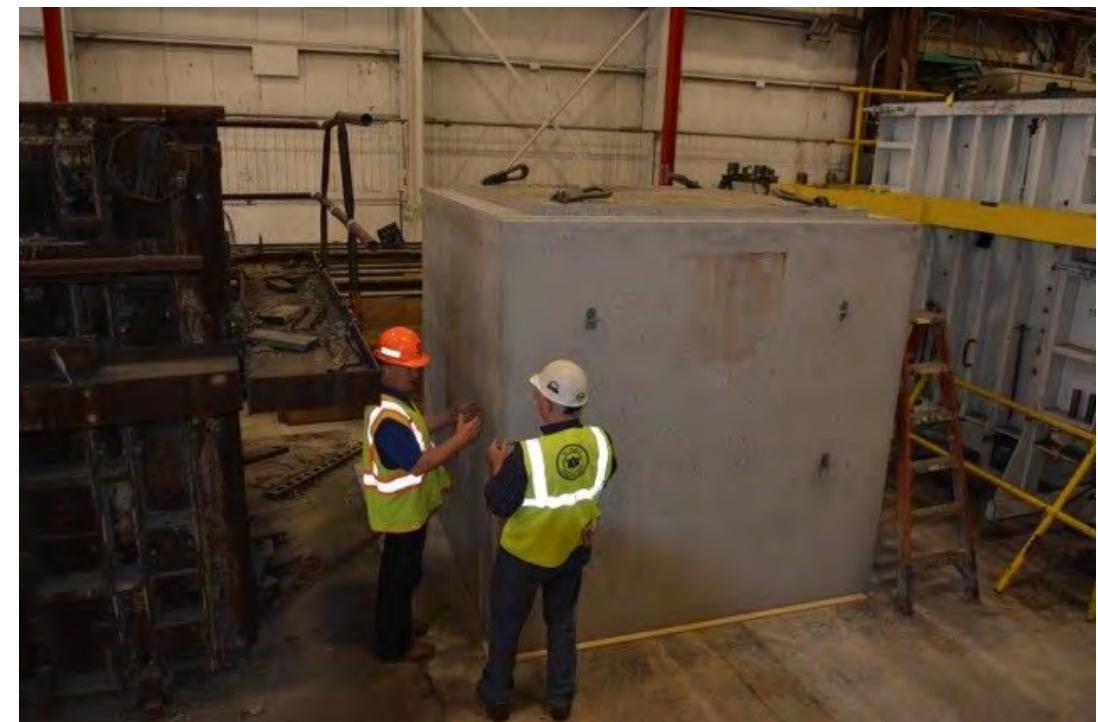
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1. PRE-FABRICATED UNDER SLAB LINKAGE
2. WORKING SLAB FORMED WITH UNDER SLAB LINKAGE SET IN PLACE USING GPS
3. REINFORCING ROD IS PLACED AND READY FOR CONCRETE
4. CONCRETE SLAB BEING POURED AND FINISHED
5. WORKING SLAB COMPLETE WITH BOLT LINKAGE IN PLACE
6. AT FINAL REVIEW BEFORE PRECAST MODULAR INSTALLATION. ALL BOLT LINKAGE WAS "DEAD ON"

# Precast Module Layout is Critical



# Modular Controlled and Predictable Production Sequence



# Precast working Platform Module



# Positioning Modules



# Staging Precast prior to Assembly



# Assembly of Modules



**Construction of the Precast Modules can be completed**

- Wind Swept Rain
- Heavy Down pours
- Minimal crew and crane operators

**(Test site was completed in 3 ½ hours in rain)**

**For CIP construction these conditions would have sent the crew home with pay**

- No work complete (schedule delay)
- Cost over run

**Weather can affect a site for days to weeks**

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