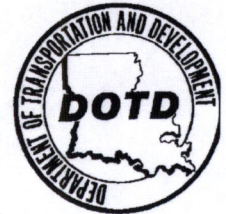


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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL BRIDGE DESIGNERS  
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SUBJECT: BRIDGE DESIGN TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM NO. 19 (BDTM.19)  
PRESTRESSED GIRDER SPAN DECK CANTILEVER DESIGN

DATE: SEPTEMBER 27, 2010

The following policy shall be applied to all projects to be let after October 2010.

Deck cantilevers, for all prestressed girder spans, shall be designed using the deck thickness (excluding the haunch).

Typically, the deck cantilever thickness is equal to the deck thickness plus the haunch. However, the haunch thickness varies along the girder due to possible camber remaining in girders, thus the deck cantilever thickness will vary along the span as well. To account for this, it is conservative to ignore the haunch and use the deck thickness for cantilever design.

This technical memorandum will be posted on the Bridge Design Website: [http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside\\_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Bridge\\_Design/Pages/Technical-Memoranda.aspx](http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Bridge_Design/Pages/Technical-Memoranda.aspx)

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