MAINTENANCE PLANNING GUIDELINES

2/2014

ACTIVITY: Bridge Maintenance (R321)

ACTION: Substructure Repairs

A. Sealing Abutment & Pier Caps

MAJOR & MINOR

DEFINITION: The time and expenses incurred with maintaining bridges on the state highway system. Examples include handrail, curb, sidewalks and median, cathodic protection maintenance and super and sub structure repairs.

PURPOSE: To prevent intrusion of water and chlorides leading to deterioration.

SCHEDULING: Sealing may be performed anytime during dry weather conditions. Refer to manufacturer's recommendations for appropriate temperatures.



RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT:

- Heavy Duty Van Truck
- Scaffolds
- Electric Generator
- Sandblaster/Hoses
- Compressor
- Traffic Control Equipment;
 (See EPG 616.23 Traffic Control for Field Operations)

RECOMMENDED MATERIAL:

- Blasting Sand or Abrasive
- Horseyset WD
- Carboline Multi-gard 954
- Pilgrim Plastic
- Pavon
- Vulken 925
- C.I.M. 1000
- Future-Flex 520 HB
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- Mark 68.1 (Poly-Carb Co.)
- Tapco H-550

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE:

- 1. Place traffic control devices as needed.
- 2. Remove all dirt and debris by compressed air, scraping, or other hand tool methods.
- 3. Lightly sandblast, pressure wash or wire brush top of caps and up or down on each vertical face at least 6 inches.
- 4. Remove any remaining material with compressed air.
- 5. After surface is cleaned and dried, install sealant on top of caps and up or down on each vertical face at least 5 inches.
- 6. Remove traffic control devices.

SAFETY: Refer to the *Comprehensive Safety Program sharepoint portal*. Wear all appropriate PPE. Refer to the <u>Risk Based Assessment</u> for additional information.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

REFERENCES: EPG 771.13 Sealing Abutment and Pier Caps.