




Timely Preservation Performed Today...


Better Bridge Infrastructure Tomorrow.

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What is Preservation?

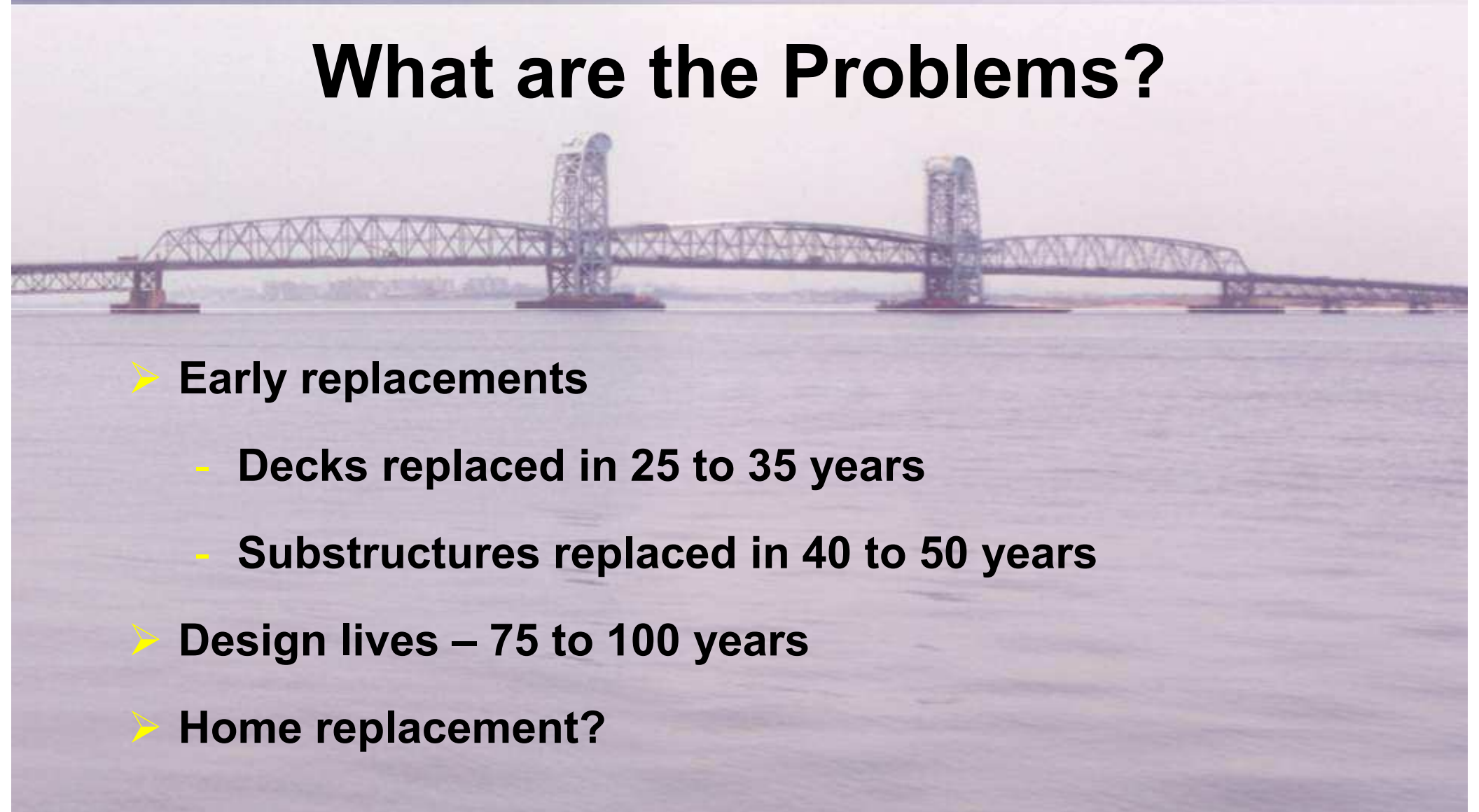
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- All activities that help to realize or exceed design life
 - Question: what is the difference between maintenance and preservation?
 - Maintenance: proactive & reactive; Preservation: proactive, both are necessary
 - Patching – reactive / Washing – proactive

What is Preservation?

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- Preservation is not...
 - Reactive (emergency repair)
 - Structural (structural improvement)
 - Operational (widening)
 - **Philosophical shift**
 - From “reactive putting out fires” to “proactive planning for tomorrow’s problems”


PROBLEMS

What are the Problems?

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- **Early replacements**
 - Decks replaced in 25 to 35 years
 - Substructures replaced in 40 to 50 years
 - **Design lives – 75 to 100 years**
 - **Home replacement?**


PROBLEMS

What are the Problems?

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- **Rust never rests – even during economic downturn / funding decrease**
 - **Structures built in 1950's and 1960's will need increasing attention**
 - ***We have to do more with less***

FUTURE PROBLEMS

What will we face?

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- **Currently – very expensive to replace**
 - **Currently achieving only 50% of design life, thus doubling the cost**
 - **Structure conditions going from bad to worse**
 - **Increasing future tax burden due to the increasing number of assets to manage**



PRESERVATION

Identify

- What
- Where

Quantify

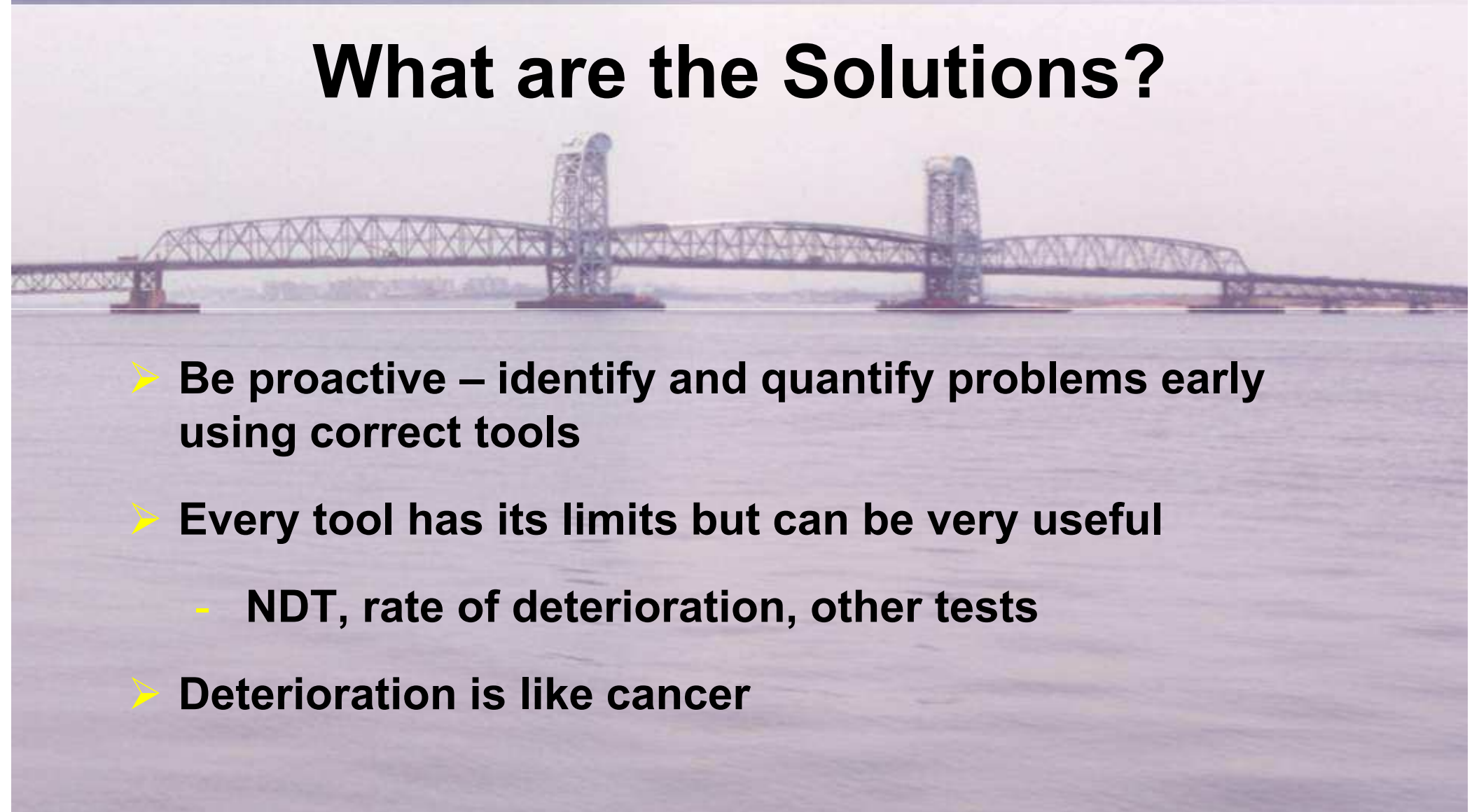
- How bad is bad?
- Future progression & effects

Solve

- Cost-effective solutions
- Exceed design life


SOLUTIONS

What are the Solutions?

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- Be proactive – identify and quantify problems early using correct tools
 - Every tool has its limits but can be very useful
 - NDT, rate of deterioration, other tests
 - Deterioration is like cancer

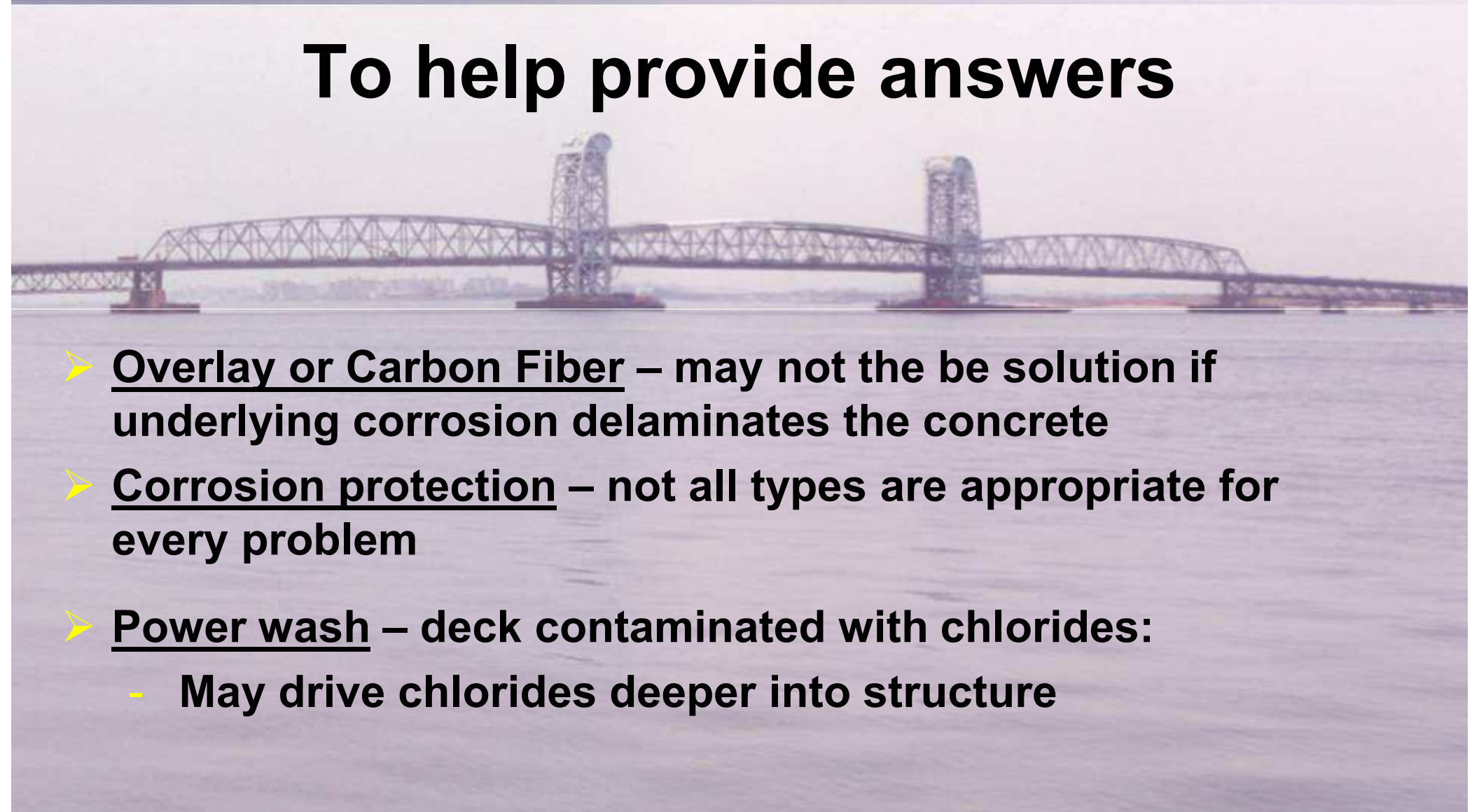
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What are the Solutions?

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- The earlier we quantify the problem, the easier it is to solve
 - Once problems are understood, our resources help you make decisions
 - There is no “one size fits all” evaluation methodology or solution


OBJECTIVES

To help provide answers

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- Overlay or Carbon Fiber – may not be the solution if underlying corrosion delaminates the concrete
 - Corrosion protection – not all types are appropriate for every problem
 - Power wash – deck contaminated with chlorides:
 - May drive chlorides deeper into structure

OBJECTIVES

What Do We Promote?

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- **Exceeding design life (increased service life)**
 - **Tools necessary to quantify and solve given problems**
 - **Documented evidence to promote best practices**
 - **Life Cycle cost savings outweigh initial investments = Preservation**

OBJECTIVES

What Do We Promote?

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- Education relating to preservation – best practices
 - Doing more with less time, less funding
 - \$2M repair or \$10M replacement?
 - Repair = \$8M savings
 - Over 20 years at 5%= **\$21M savings** (more than pays for repair)

WHY BPA?

The BPA exists to:

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- A wide-angle photograph of a large, multi-span bridge with two prominent towers, likely a cantilever bridge, spanning a body of water under an overcast sky.
- Provide a knowledge bank and **forum for best practices, materials, and tools**
 - Seek active members to contribute and learn
 - Develop best practices – what has worked, where, when, and how

What is the History of BPA?

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- **Concept: St. Louis (April, 2007)**
 - **Roundtable: TRB 2008**
 - FHWA, NCPP, FP², Agencies (Caltrans, VDOT, NCDOT, LA DOTD, NYSDOT)
 - **AASHTO Monterey - Rollout (July 2008)**
 - **Supported TSP2 Development (2009-2010)**
 - **NHI Webinar w/ FHWA, AASHTO, & BPA (2010)**




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GOALS

In 2011...

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- A wide-angle photograph of a large, multi-span bridge with two prominent towers, likely a cantilever bridge, spanning a body of water under an overcast sky.
- Partner with TSP2, stay on the cutting edge
 - Educate owners regarding best practices
 - Become an objective resource for Preservation news
 - Implement additional subcommittees, webinars, and education



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We welcome new members!

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