## WEATHERING STEEL BRIDGES

KYTC Uses of Weathering Steel

## Weathering Steel Design

Nearly all KYTC steel bridges are designed using weathering steel unless specified otherwise
Grade 50 is most common; however, grades 70 and 100 are also used



## Weathering Steel Advantages

Reduce maintenance costs
Painting steel bridges is very costly
Comparable pricing to non-weathering steel
The cost of weathering steel is about 2-3¢ per pound more than non-weathering

Aesthetics

Provides a more natural look



#### Weathering Steel Disadvantages

- Aesthetics
  - Rusted appearance causes concern
- Staining



- Rust stains appear on decks, barriers, piers, etc.
- Beams must be painted to avoid staining concrete



## Weathering Steel Bridges of KY Calhoun



#### Weathering Steel Bridges of KY Over Natcher Parkway



## Weathering Steel Bridges of KY Somerset



## Weathering Steel Bridges of KY Elliott County



## Weathering Steel Bridges of KY McKinneysburg



## Weathering Steel Pictures



## Weathering Steel

# The designer, his new bride, and his bridge (Calhoun)



## Weathering Steel

#### QUESTIONS



# PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

#### KYTC Preventive Maintenance on Steel Bridges



- Cleaning Lower Chord and Truss Member
  - Removes debris build up
  - Removes salts from snow and ice activities
- Cleaning Bearing Devices and Lubrication
  - Removes salt and debris buildup
  - Corrosion resistance
    - Exxon Moly Centaur, Shell Rhodina, Bostik Never-Seez, Certified Labs Premalube, Rhomar Bridgemate
  - Lubricates to assist movement in 'locked' bearings

#### Bearings prior to cleaning



#### Bearings prior to cleaning



#### Bearings during and after cleaning



#### Bearings during and after cleaning



# Cleaning Pile / Pier Caps, Abutments Removes salt and debris buildup Seals to prevent future salt intrusion Spot Painting / Patching Halts corrosion at current state Prevents future exposure

#### Products





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#### Before and after pier cap cleaning





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