

# Design of Earthquake Damage Repairs to Wharves Before the Earthquake Occurs

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# A Different Approach



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# The Issue

With the design of a new container  
wharf the issue  
is *not* whether or not it will be damaged  
in an earthquake,  
but rather how to manage the damage  
when it occurs.

# Current

## Original Design

- criteria and codes

- minimize damage

- visible and repairable

## Damage Repair

- designed post event

- time sensitive

# Questions

What is acceptable risk?

How conservative is the design?

Does the owner understand these questions and what they are paying for?

# Understanding

Costs of loss of operations is often higher than repair costs

Balance the economics of level of design in a new structure with future repair costs

# Recommended

Look beyond design code and criteria

Anticipate the damage

Develop repair design criteria

Design the repairs

Integrate yard features at wharf interface

Document what is done

Do all this at the beginning, before the earthquake

# Approach

Expedites repairs

Repair solutions built into initial design

Design so that damage is away from critical components

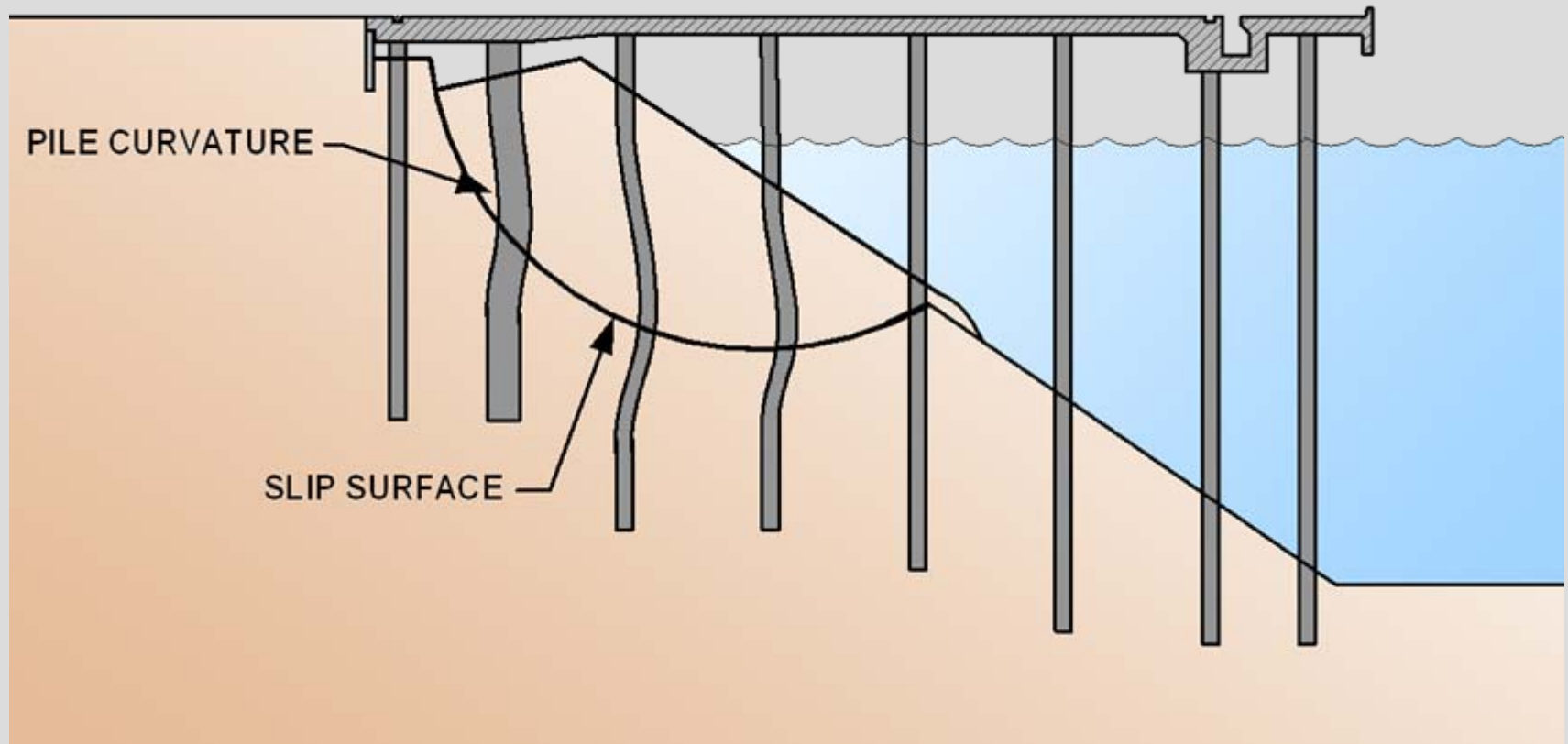


# Components Vulnerable to Earthquake Damage



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# Deformation of Slope, Piles and Cutoff Wall





# Damage of Expansion Joint and Crane Rail



# **Crane Stranded at Displaced Expansion Joint**



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# Case Studies and Design Details to Facilitate Repair



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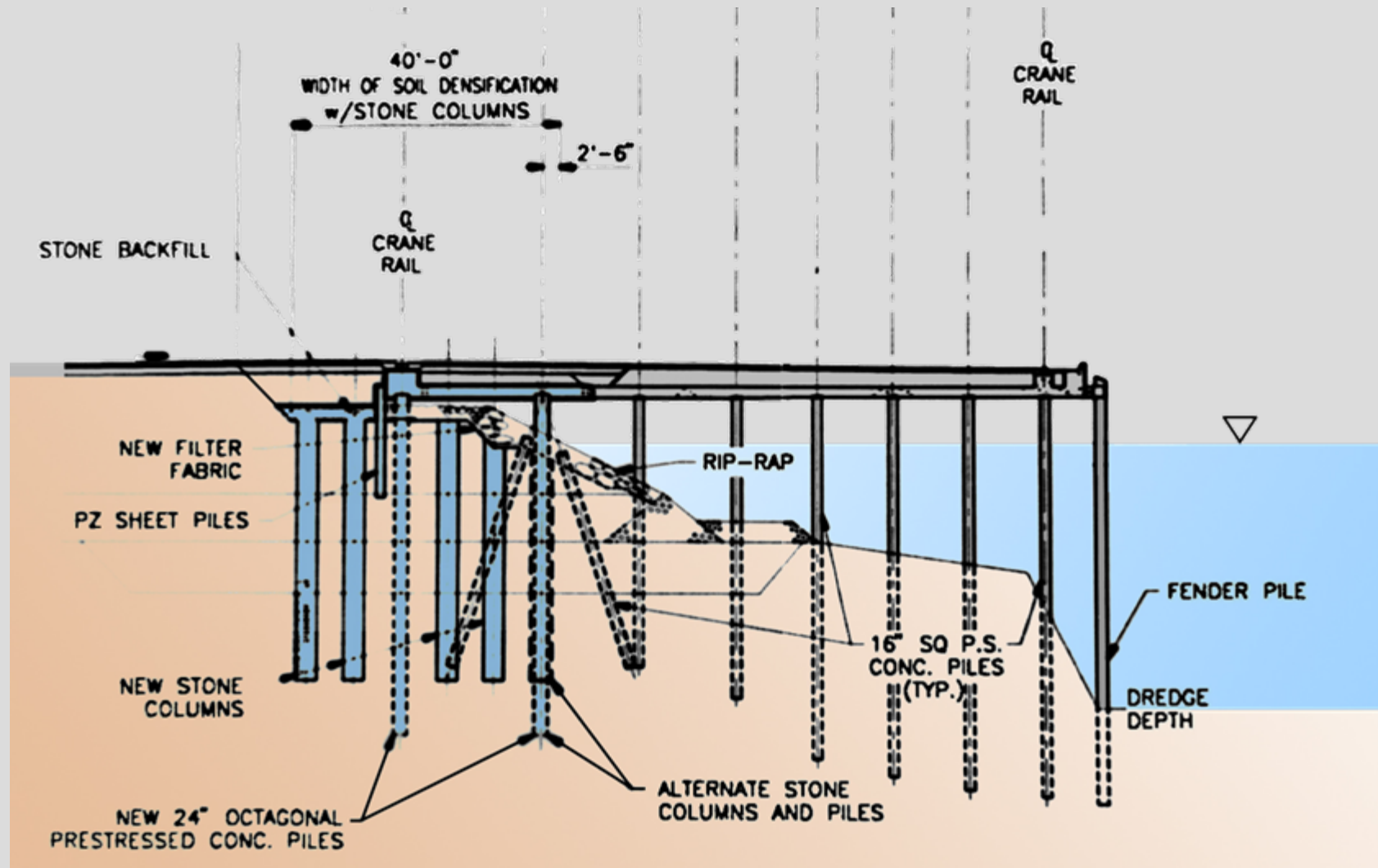




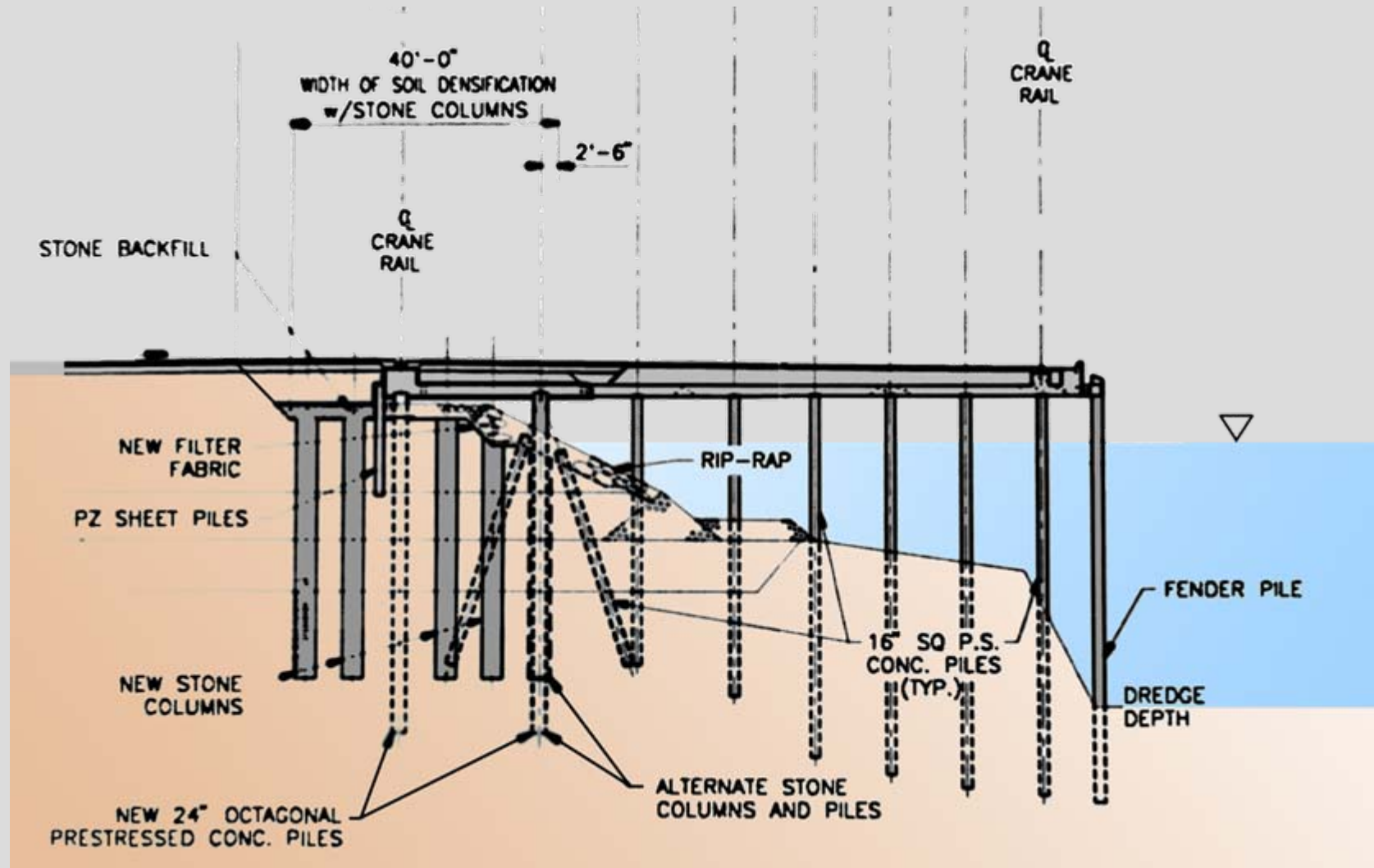
# Repairs to the Ben Nutter Terminal Wharf, Berths 35 – 37 after the Loma Prieta Earthquake

Typical Damage  
to Piles

# Pile Damage & Repair at Berths 35-37



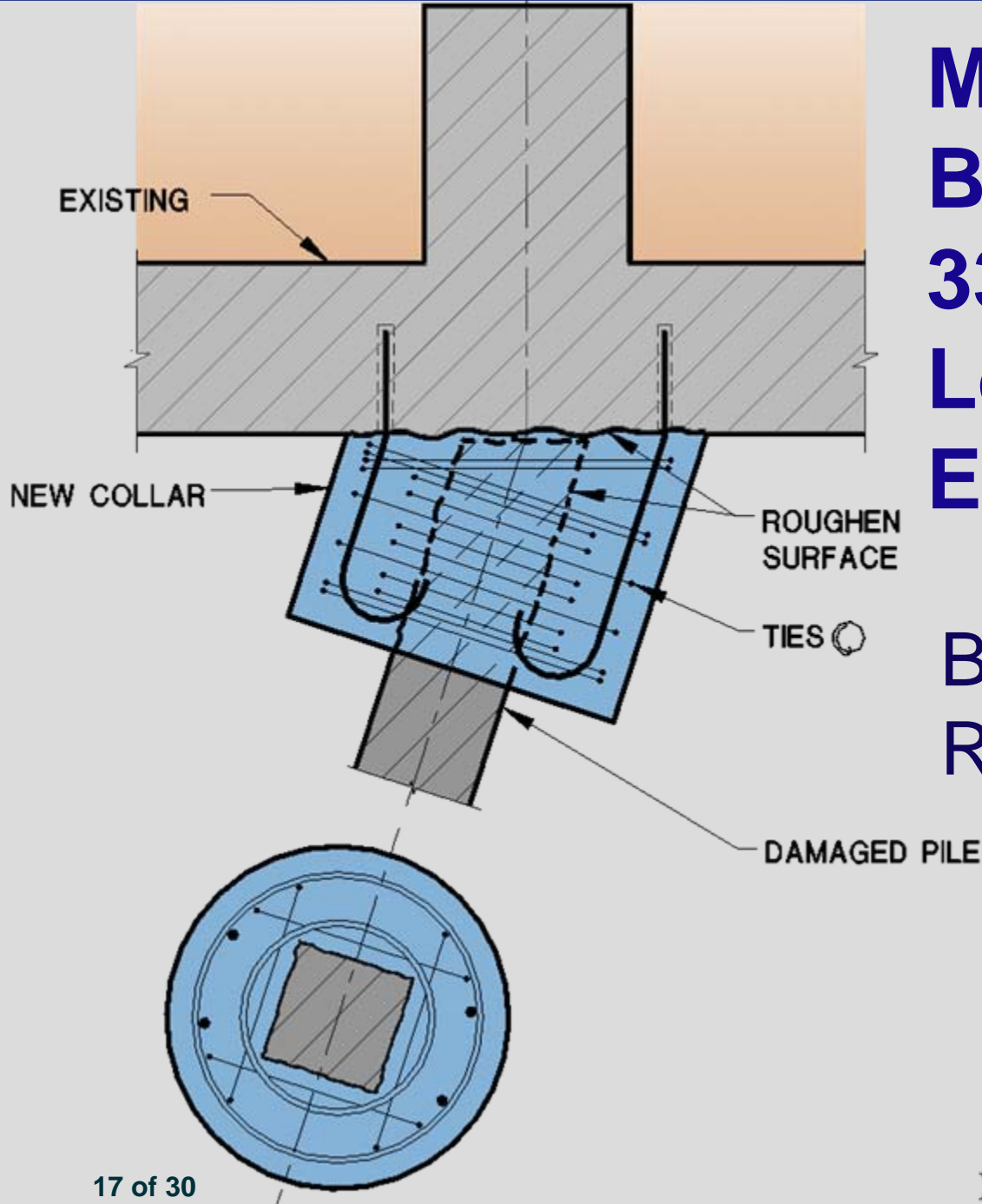
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# Matson Wharf, Berths 32 and 33 after the Loma Prieta Earthquake

## Batter Pile Repair Detail

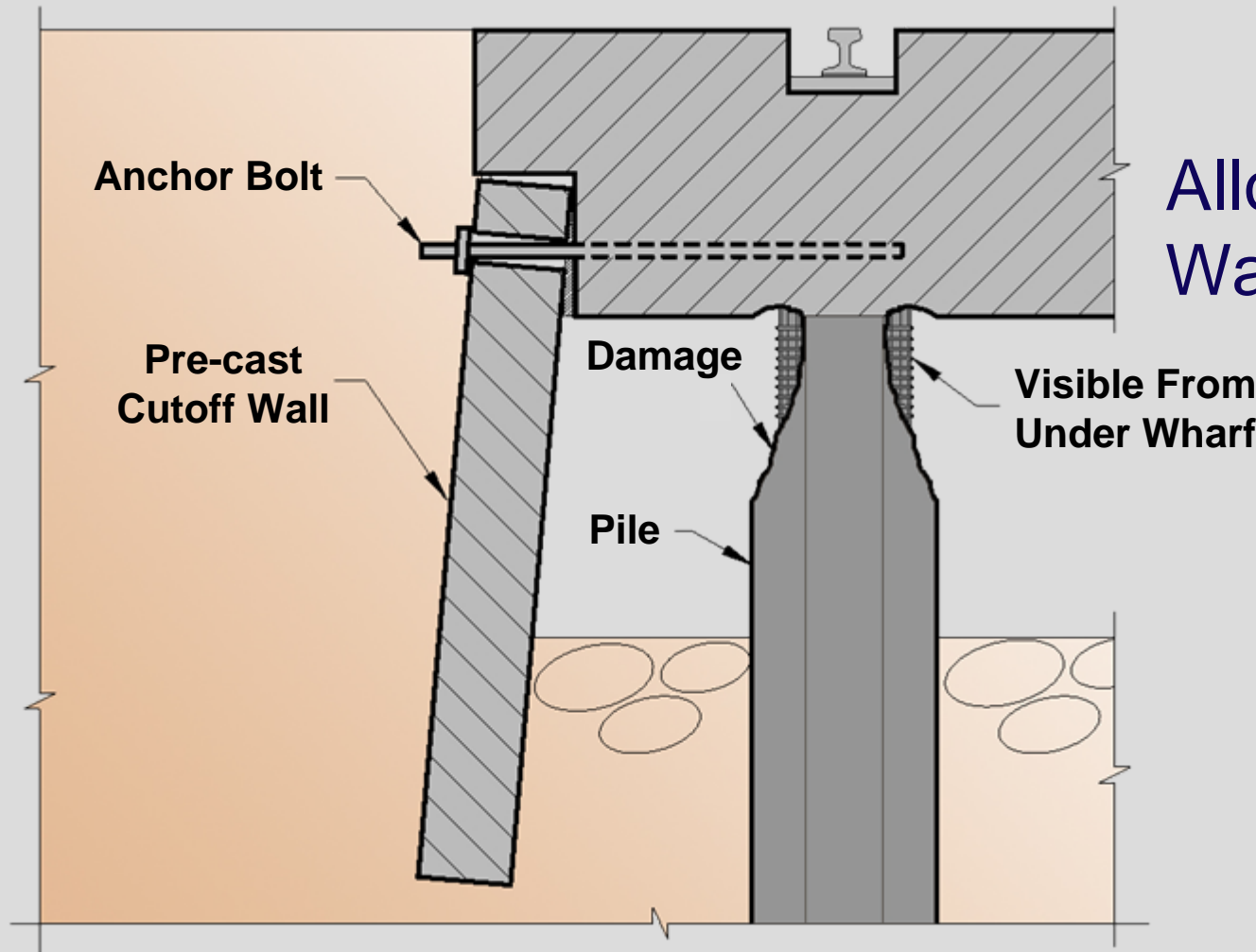


# **Damage Limiting and Repair Friendly Design Features of the New Berths 57 – 59 Wharf**



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# Bolted Pre-cast Cutoff Wall



Allows Cutoff  
Wall to Rotate

# Bolted Pre-cast Cutoff Wall

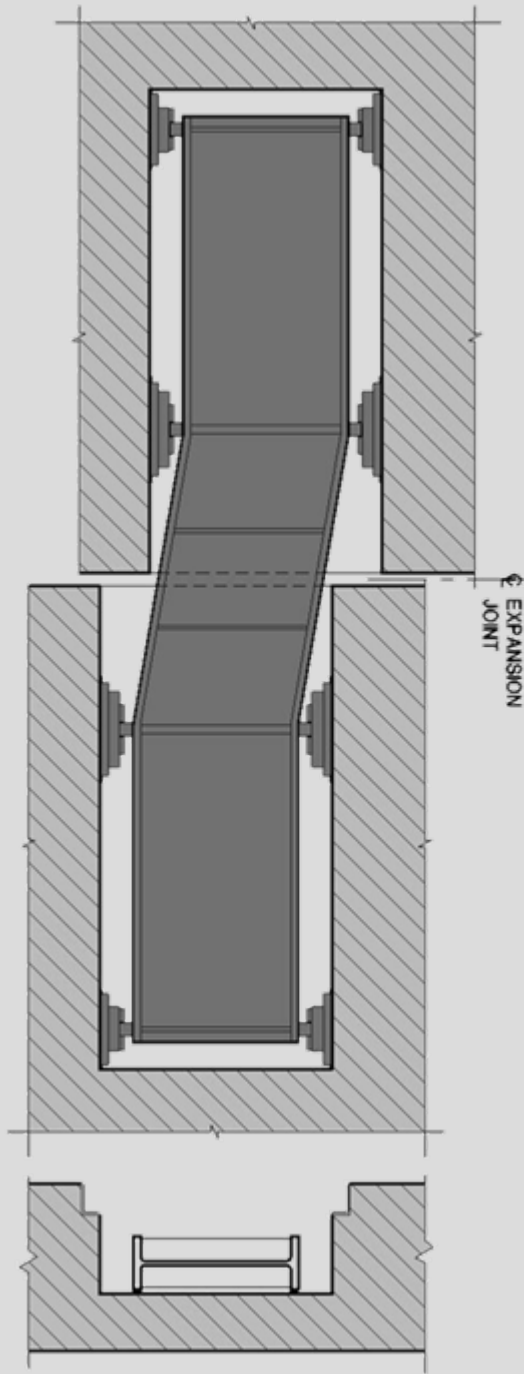


Remove wall for access for pile repair



# Setting Pre-cast Cutoff Wall





# Accessible, Ductile, and Replaceable Shear Keys at Expansion Joints

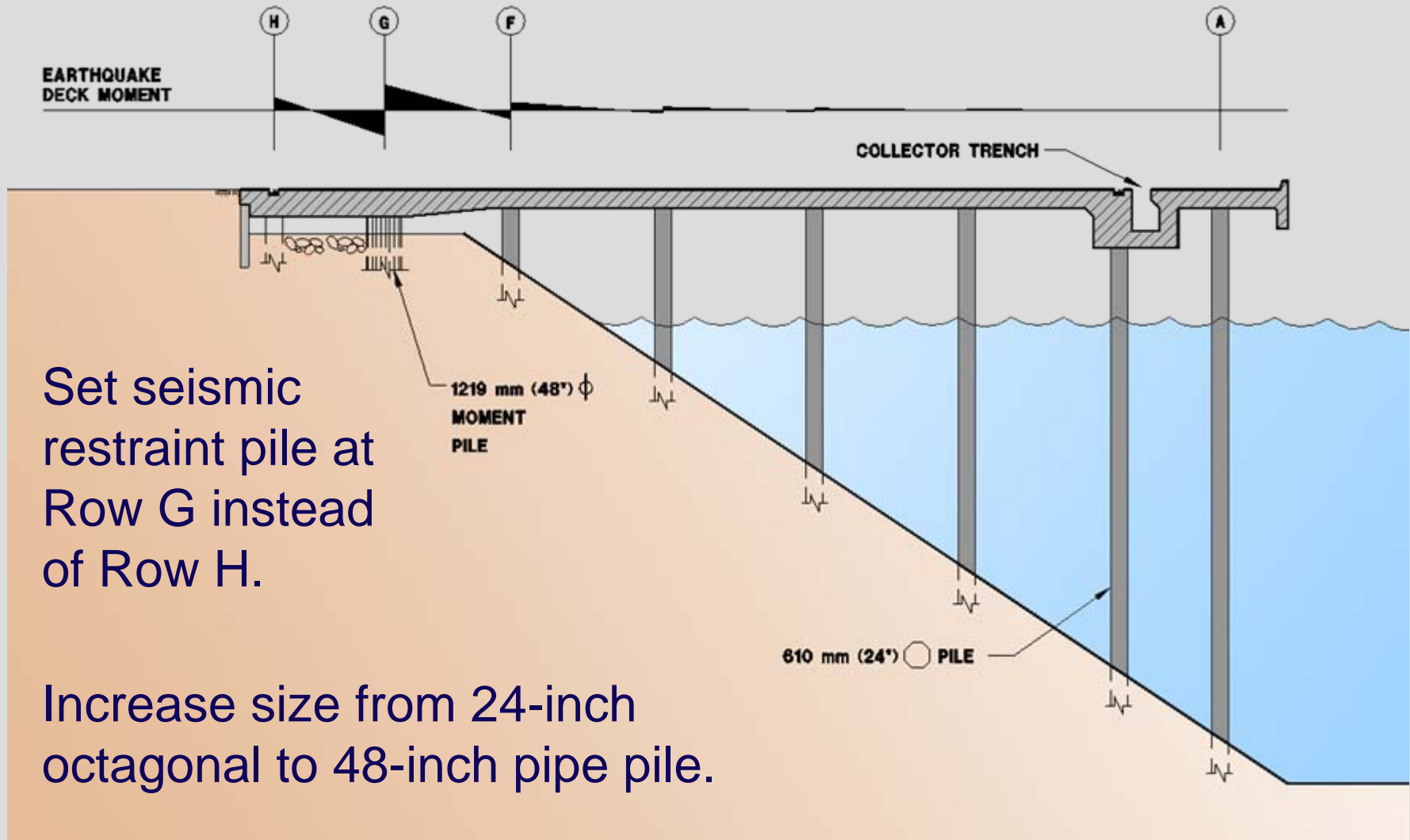
Expected Deformation





# One of 3 Installed W36x256 Shear Key Beams

# Changed Location of Seismic Pile



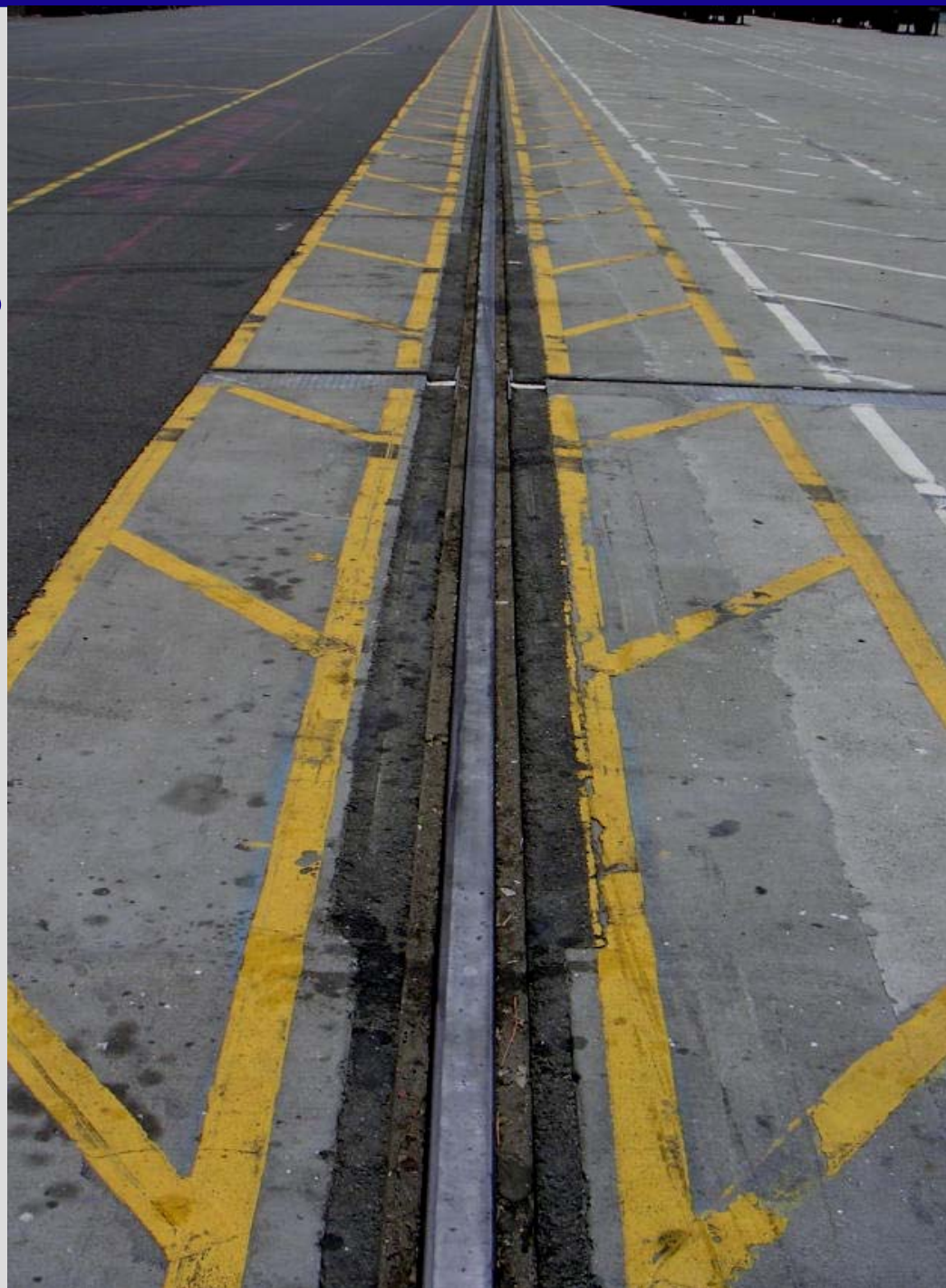


# Allowance for Offsets at Expansion Joints

Widen slot crane rail  
sits in

Widen base plate  
with moveable clips

Modifications in crane  
power trench width



# Fiber Wrap the Pile Plastic Zone

Fiber Reinforced Wrapping of Pile  
(Courtesy of FYFE Co. LLC)





# Space for Inspection



Leave space to inspect top of piles



# Dike Densification and Soil Treatment





# Cement Deep Soil Mixed Walls



# Construction Inspection

Inform field crew of design rationale for considerations for future repairs

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