Evaluation and Repair of Shear Walls of a Parking Garage

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- Background
- Non-Destructive and Intrusive Testing
- Development of Repair Procedures
- Details of Repairs
- Monitoring of Repairs
- Summary

Exterior View Terminal A



Exterior View Terminal B



Exterior View Terminal B



Interior View of the Terminal



Airport Modernization Plan

- Construction of 7-Deck Consolidated Rental Car Facility (ConRAC)
- Construction & Renovation of Terminals
- \$ 1.4 Billion Design-Build Project Started in 2005 on a Fast-Track Basis

ConRAC

- Rental Car Facility Across from the Terminals
- Houses Entire Rental Car Operations
 & Public Parking Spaces
- 3000 Parking Spaces
- Design: Precast, Pre-stressedColumns and Beams

Exterior Views of ConRAC



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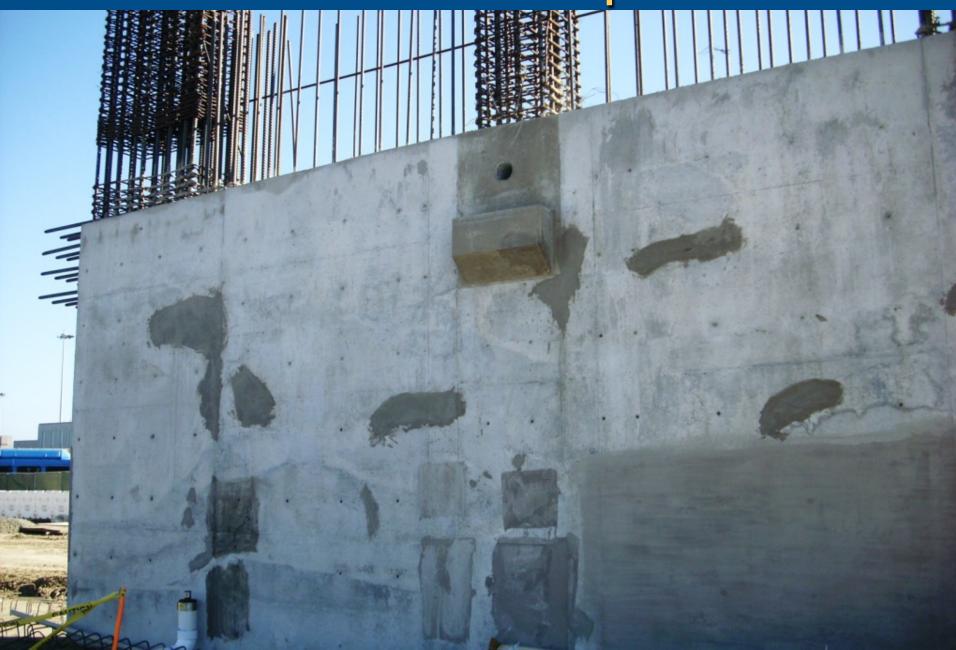
Exterior Views of ConRAC



Concerns

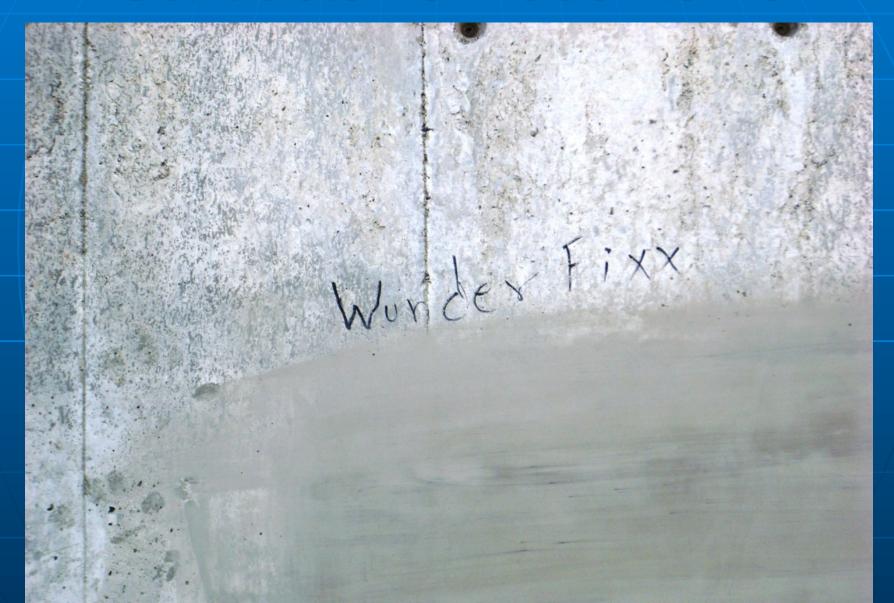
- 32" Thick Shear Walls Between 1st & 2nd Floor
- After Removal of Forms Revealed Minor to Severe Honeycombing in some of the Walls
- At a Few Locations Unconsolidated Concrete Extended Through the Entire Depth

Contractor's Attempt for a Fix





Contractor's Trade Name



Group Meeting Recommendation

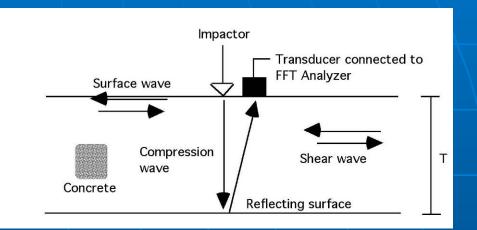
- Perform Non-Destructive
 Testing to Determine Extent
 of the Unconsolidated
 Concrete
- Develop Repair Procedure(s)

CSI's Initial Work-Scope

- Test 10 Walls at ~ 150
 Locations Designated by the
 Engineer of Record Using
 Impact-Echo (IE) technique
- Locations to Include Honeycombed as well as Sound Concrete

Impact-echo Principle

- A short pulse is introduced in the structure.
- Reflected waves are analyzed with the waveform analyzer in the frequency domain.
- Dominant frequencies relate to the condition of the structure.

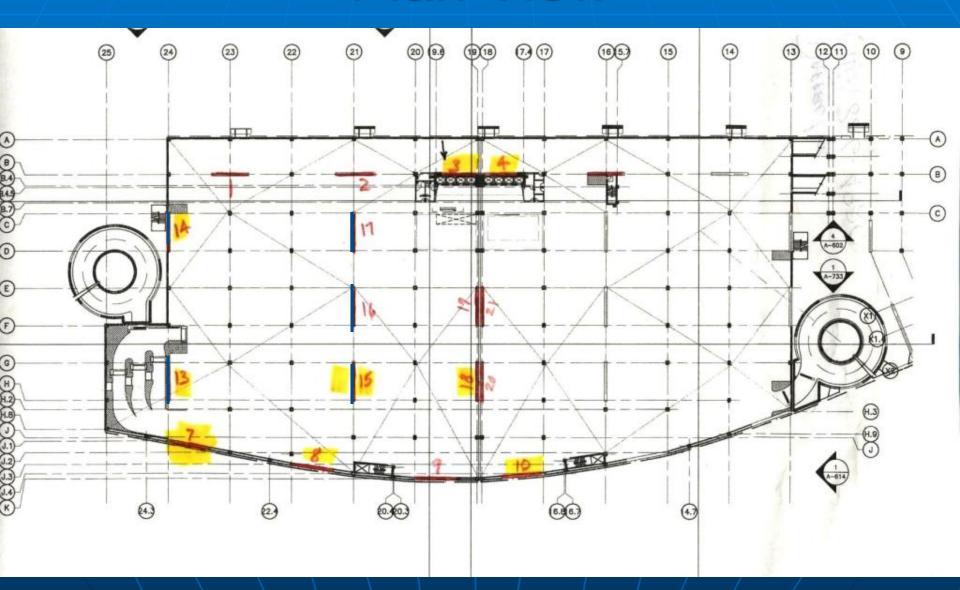




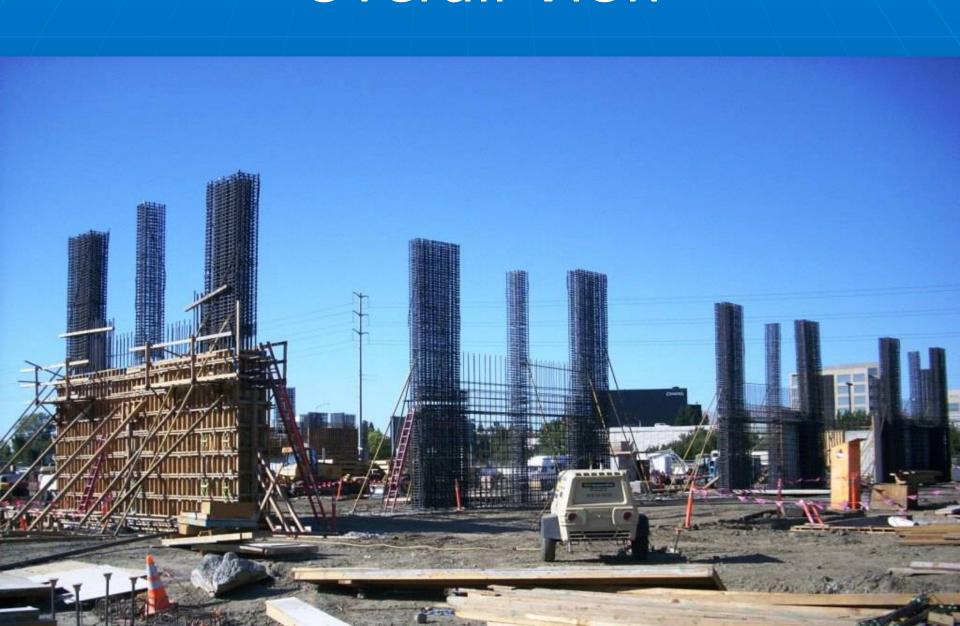
Impact-echo

- Based on propagation of a stress wave through the material.
- Needs an access from only one side to conduct the tests.
- "Local" Test
- On-site Evaluation- most often no further analysis is needed.

Plan View



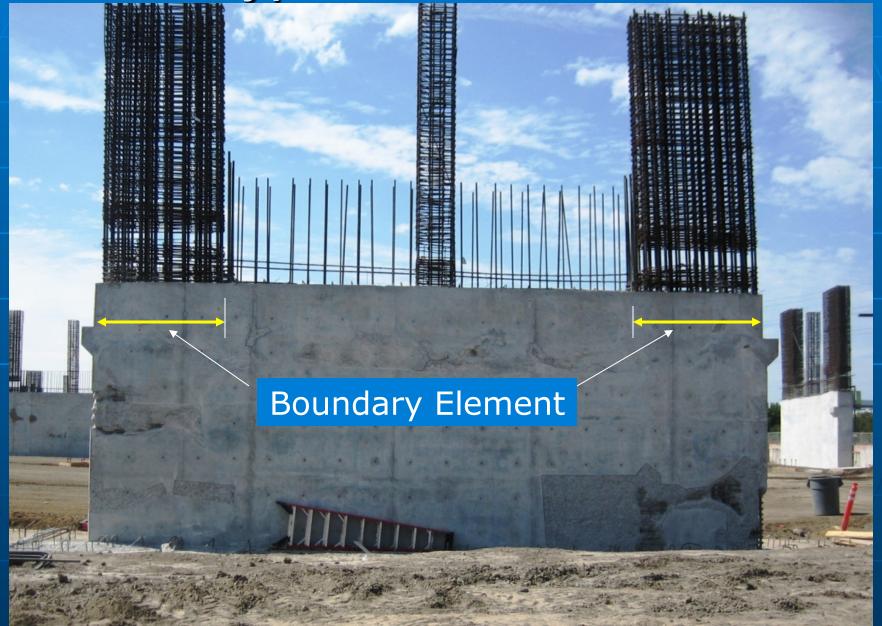
Overall View



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Typical Shear Wall



Shear Wall-Side View



Boundary Elements: Heavily Reinforced











Honeycombed Concrete





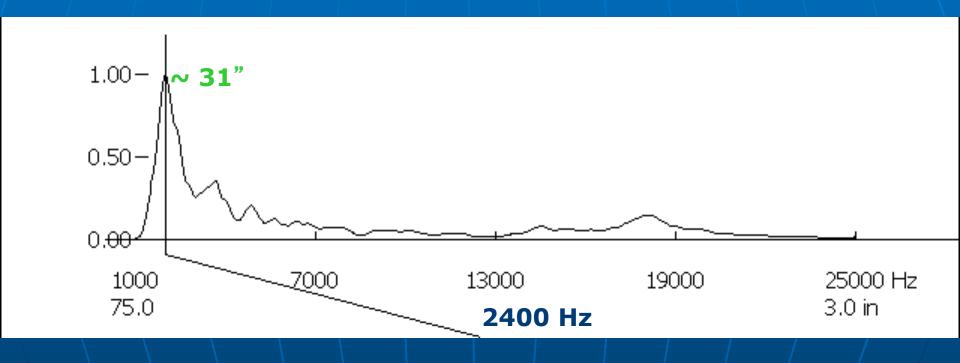




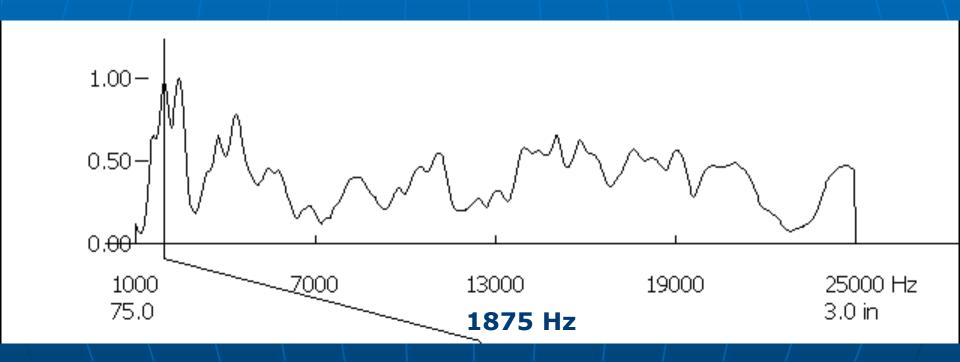




IE Results- Sound Concrete



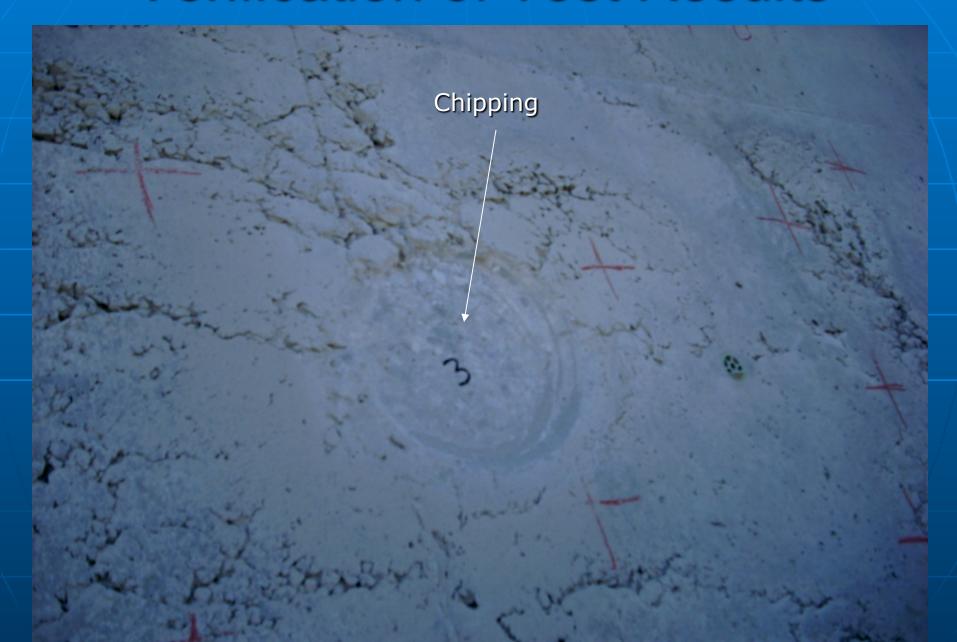
IE Results-Honeycombed Concrete



Verification of Test Results



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Results Summary

- Majority of the Locations
 Did Not Contain Through
 the Depth Voids
- A Few Locations Contained Unconsolidated Concrete up to 40% of the Depth

Results Summary

ONE EXCEPTION



Shear Wall IE Results

 Showed Inconsistent, Non-Repeatable Signals at Two Adjacent Locations



Shear Wall- Add' L Work

 Chipping of the Concrete Showed Color Variation



Shear Wall- More Add' L Work

Drilled and Removed Partial Depth, 2" dia.
 Cores Close to the Interior Rebar





....And then Drilled 5/8" Dia. Holes



For Borescope Observations



Borescope Observations Showed

- Interior Delamination
- Bug Holes in One Hole, Depth: 8-9"
- Crack in Another Hole; Depth: 9-10",
 Color Change in Material
- Crack in Third Hole; Depth: ~8",
 Color Change in Material Starting at 6.5"

Recommendations

- Perform Microscopic
 Examination to Characterize
 the Concrete
- Chip the Area Concrete to Examine the Interior Condition







Development of Repair Procedures

- With the Discussions Between the Engineer, Material Supplier & CSI, Repair Procedures Were Developed for Three Different Conditions Using ACI &ICRI Guidelines:
- No.1: For Defects up to 1½" Deep
- No.2: For Defects More than 1½"
 Deep & Rebars Are Exposed in Non-Boundary Elements

Development of Repair Procedures for Various Conditions

- No. 1: For Defects up to 1½" Deep, Minimum Rebar Exposure
- No. 2: For Defects More than 1½" Deep & Rebars Exposed in Non-Boundary Elements
- No. 3: For Defects More than 1½" Deep & Rebars Exposed in Boundary Elements

General Repair Details

- Saw-Cut Straight Edges, ¼" Deep,
 No Feathering
- Mechanically Remove All
 Honeycombed Concrete with a
 Fractured Aggregate Profile ~ 1/4"
- Presoak Concrete Surface to Provide SSD Condition
- Mix & Apply the Repair Material
- Damp Cure for 3 Days

Differences in Procedures

- Procedure 1: Different Material for Shallow Repairs
- Procedures 2 & 3: Same Material but in Procedure 3, Repair Material to be Placed by Forming & Pumping.

Hammer Sounding



Saw Cutting the Outer Edges



Chipping the Concrete



Checking the Profile



Offering Guidance



More Chipping!



Cleaning



Cleaning



Water Supply



Spraying with Water



Spraying with Water



Checking the Depth

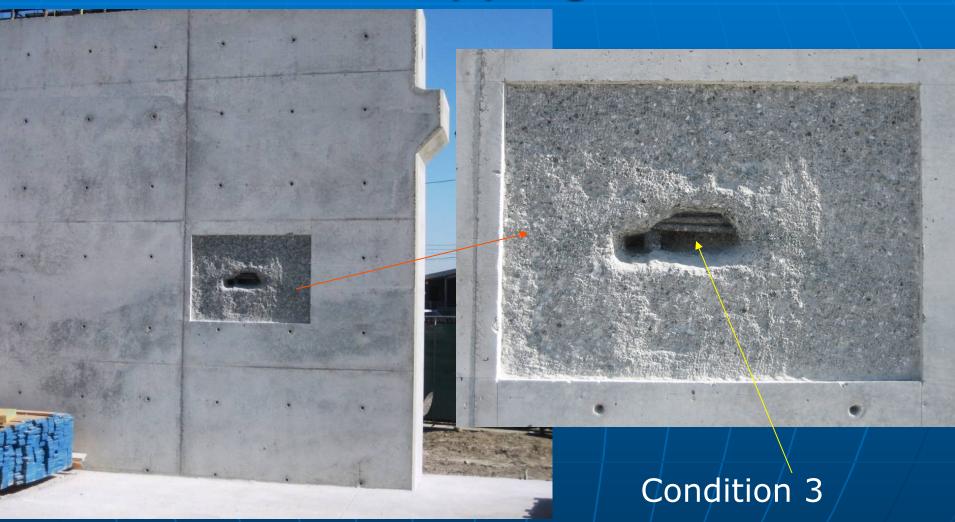


Checking the Depth

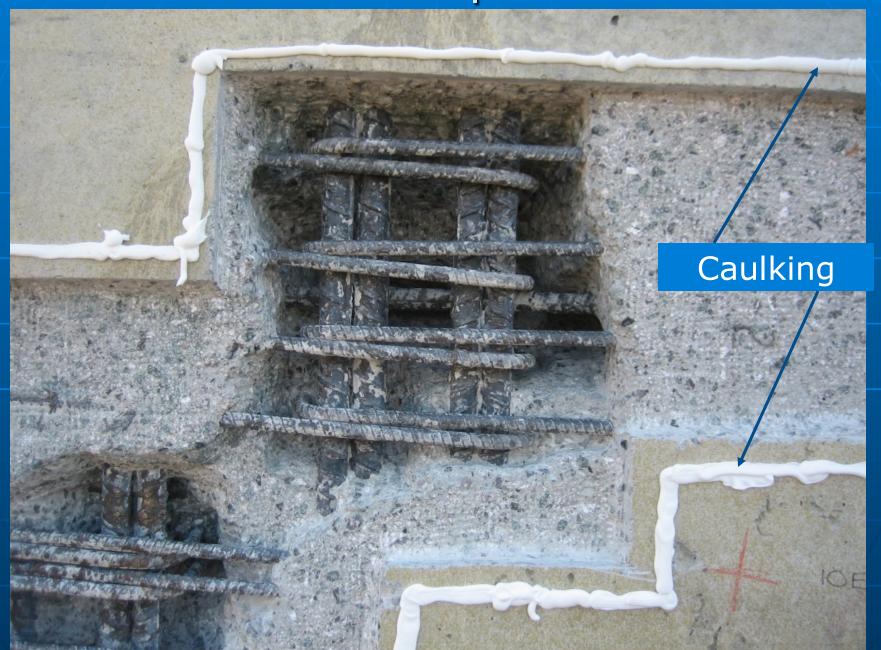




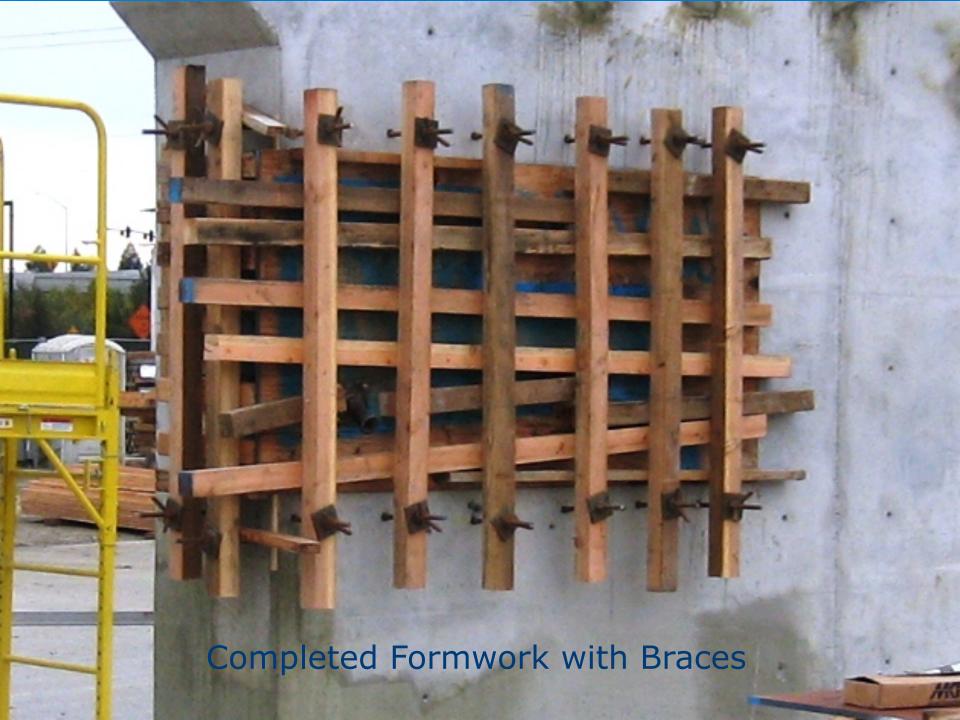
Good Chipping Work!



Condition 3 Repair Details

















Achieved the SSD Condition for the Concrete by Flooding the Formed Area with Water and Emptying it.

Procedure also served to make sure that the forms were sealed properly.













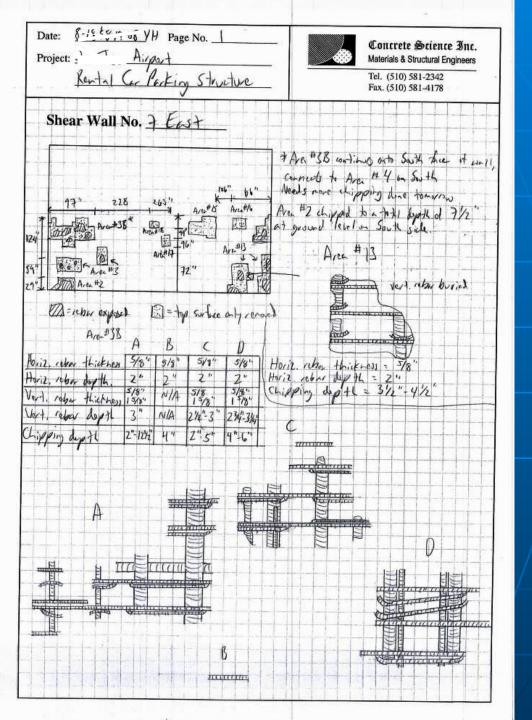
Had to get used to the new pump!



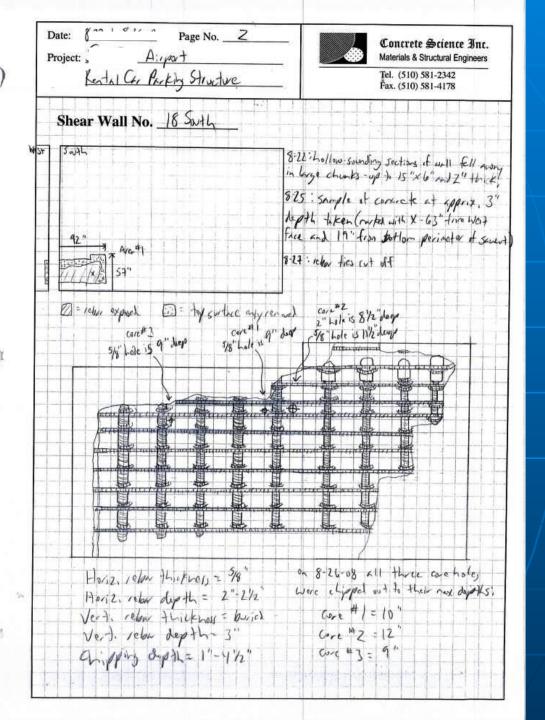




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Rental Car Parl	ding Structure	Tel. (\$10) \$81-2342 Fax (\$10) \$81-4178		
Shear Wall No.		Repair Area	1 No.	
Type of Repair:		Material Used:		
Temperature:	Relative Humidity	:	Wind:	
Amount of Mixing Water:	Amount o	f Material:		
Time/Mixing Start:	Mixing Time:	Time/Ap	plication:	
Surface Condition:				
Notes:				



Repair Summary Table

Location		Date	Repair			
Wall No.	Area No.	(Finished Chipping)	Date	Type	Material	
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Condition 3: Finished Repair



Condition 3: Finished Repair



Curing Procedure

- For Conditions 1 & 2: Application of Water Based, Film Forming Curing Compound
- For Condition 3: Form Curing for 3
 Days and then Application of the Curing Compound

Chipped Areas

Repaired Areas



Partially Finished

Before



Before

Partially Completed



Summary

- Honeycombed Shear Walls Were Tested with Impact-Echo.
- IE Results Indicated that at Some Locations Unconsolidated Concrete Extended up to 13-14" from the Surface.
- Repairs Were Completed with Three Procedures.
- Successful Completion with Cooperation from Everyone Involved in the Project.

Thank You!

Any Questions?