

17BP.5.H.2 Q&A:

Q: Would block outs be allowed in the buildup wall. The block outs we would propose would not interfere with rebar placement and we would patch them according to NCDOT Specs.

A: Blockouts will be allowed in the wall to facilitate jacking. Blockouts to be poured after jack removal.

Q: Could you clarify the note that states: "The contractor shall not support the jacks directly off the top of the bent cap". Does this mean that no jacking forces will be allowed on the top of the bent cap, or that we simply cannot place a jack on the cap without something between them to distribute the load.

A: Designers intent was for jacking to occur off external support directly under flanges. Any alternative jacking scheme must be engineered and sealed by NCPE.