

# LRFD End Bent

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# LRFD vs. LFD

**Loading used  
to determine  
# of piles**

**LRFD**

Factored

**LFD**

Unfactored

**Live load**

HL-93

([Design Truck or  
Tandem] + Lane)

HS-20

(Truck or Lane)



# New Policies

- Min. of 5 piles per end bent
- $4' \leq \text{pile spacing} \leq 10'$



# End Bent Design Flow Chart

**Step 1: Run design with initial pile capacity given by Geotech**

Cap design is okay

Cap design fails

Check policy on piles:  
- Min. 5 piles / end bent  
-  $4' < \text{pile spacing} < 10'$

Options:  
- Increase number and size of reinforcing bars using “cap investigation” tab  
- Increase number of piles / Adjust pile spacing  
- Increase cap depth

Policy satisfied

Policy NOT satisfied

Send the pile load to Geotech.

Revise input and rerun design (go back to step 1)

Run program and make sure cap design is okay

Geotech. sends the final foundation recommendation with final pile capacity

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Rerun design with final pile capacity to make sure everything is okay

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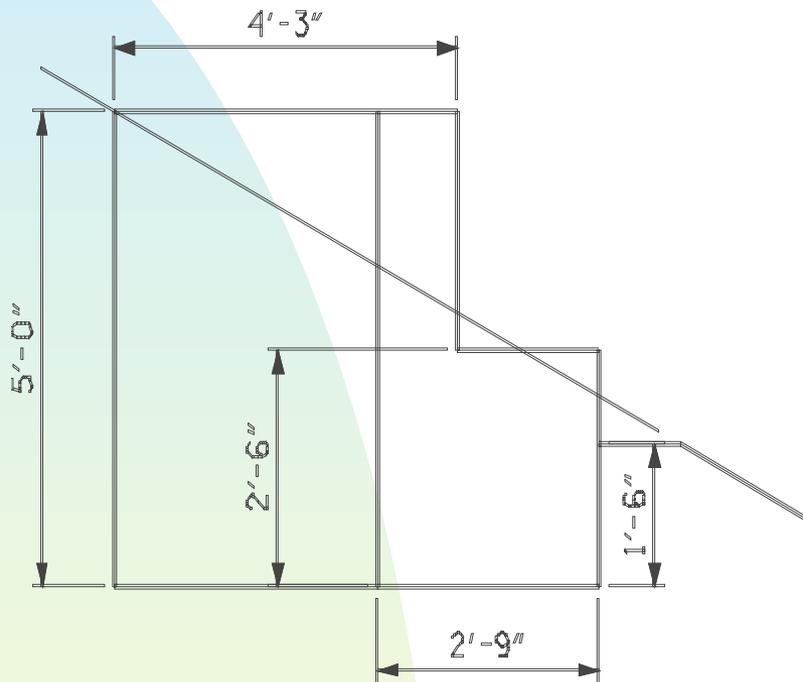


# What you will expect

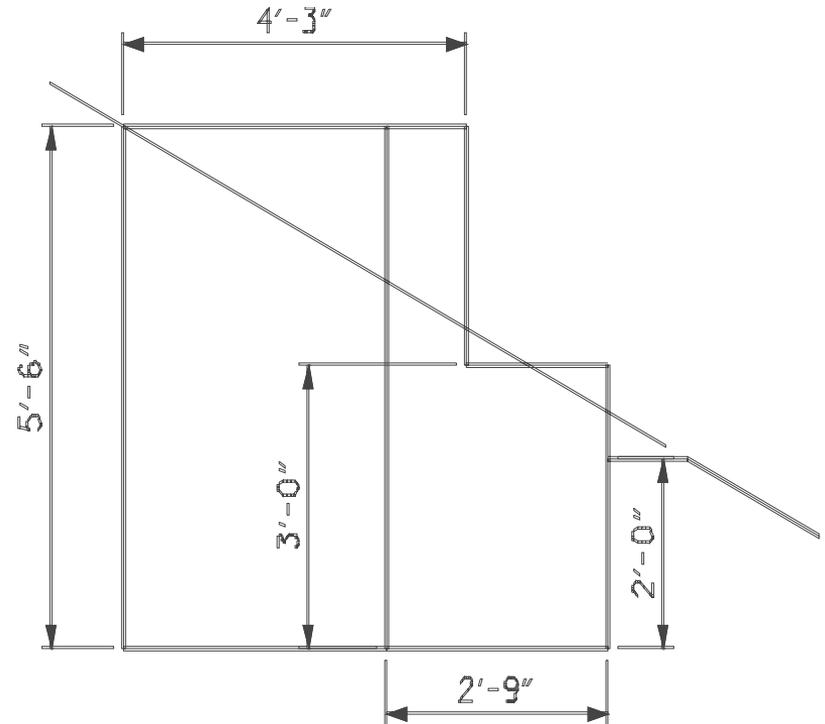
- Fewer # of piles
- Larger pile spacing
- Closer stirrup spacing
- Deeper cap (large bridges)



# When increasing cap depth...



BEFORE



AFTER



# Any questions before going to NCBDS?

