Aesthetic Conceptual Theme Development



Developing Aesthetic Treatment Options and Themes Structural Design Elements: Aesthetic Hardscape Components

The following are structural design elements within a highway corridor that could have theme or aesthetic treatment to and items which Caltrans has previously designed aesthetics for statewide. Examples of Caltrans designed structural design elements are presented in the following pages and include:

- Bridge Structures
 - Overcrossings (OC)
 - Undercrossings (UC)
 - Pedestrian OC/UC
 - Viaducts
 - Interchanges
- Bridge Abutment Faces
- Bridge Columns/Bents
- Outrigger Bents
- Bridge Barriers

- Light fixtures
- Slope Paving
- Wing Walls
- Sound Walls
- Sound Wall Pilasters
- Retaining Walls
- MSE Walls

IV. Conceptual Corridor Aesthetics Modern Theme

During the course of this process it has been determined the "Modern Theme" will be the concept for the I-710 corridor. Conceptual images representing the "Modern Theme" for all structural elements as described previously is portrayed in the following pages. Further detail of these elements will need to be documented and have concurrence by Caltrans, Metro and the Cities throughout each stage of the project.

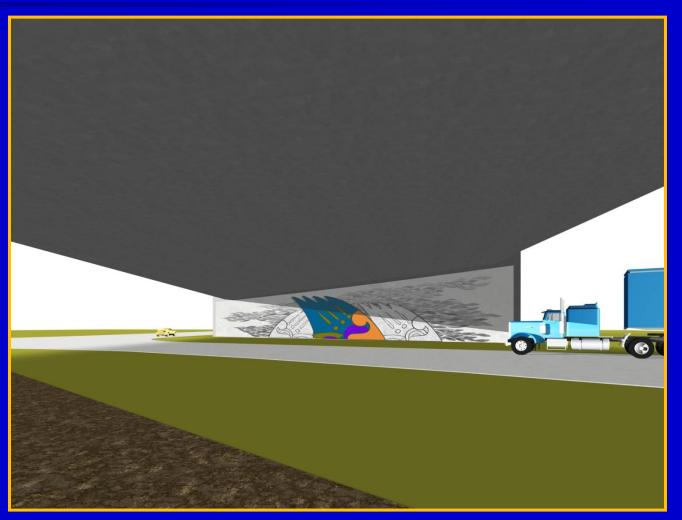
Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Ramp Design @ Overcrossing – Modern Theme



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Bridge Metal Light Standard Design - Modern Theme



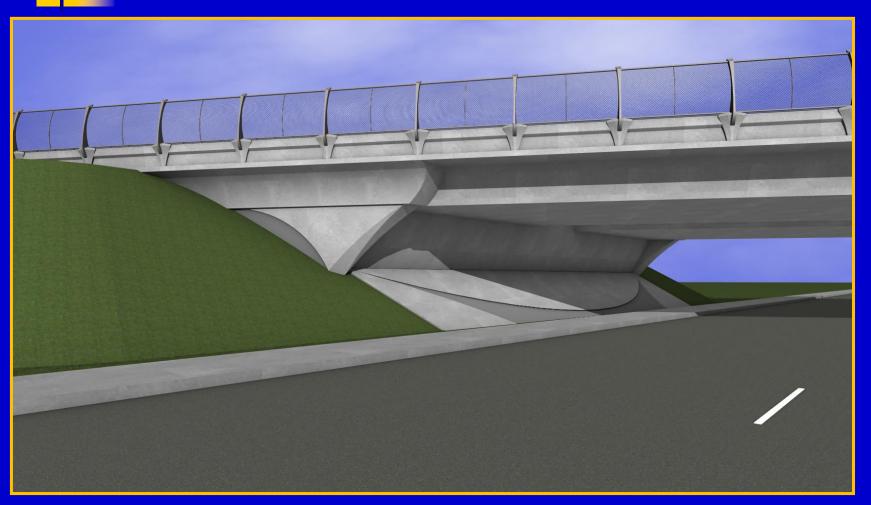
Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Bridge Abutment Abstract Design - Modern Theme



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Bridge Abutment/Retaining Wall Design – Modern Theme



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Bridge Abutment/Retaining Wall Design – Modern Theme



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Superstructure & Fence Design Option – Modern Theme



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Pedestrian Overcrossing – Modern Theme



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Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Pedestrian Overcrossing – Modern Theme

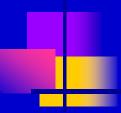


Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Elevated Freight Corridor – Modern Theme



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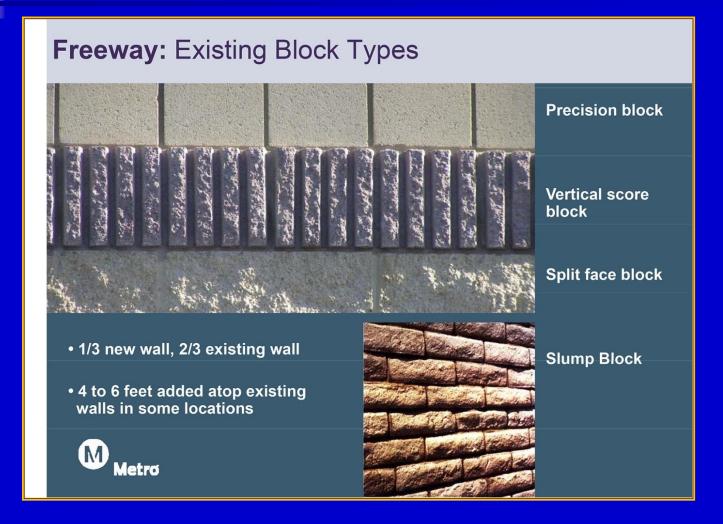
V. Sound Walls

Sound Walls: Responding to Community

Sound Wall Program & Design Criteria:

- Construction meets State and Federal requirements.
- Sound wall aesthetics and design to receive close coordination between the Department and local communities throughout the life of the project.
- Sound wall to use split face block with vertical score border, custom pilaster.
- Sound wall color to be 'tan'. Referee samples shall be made available to Department and local communities for approval of final color during design phase and documented in this report.
- Existing walls to be stained or colored to match new additional block color.
- Vines, shrubs, trees and groundcover shall be planted on the back or front of new and existing sound walls where feasible.

Sound Walls: Block Types



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Sound Walls: Existing Condition



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Sound Walls: "Traditional" Design Scheme: Tan Color Split Face Block, Vertical Score Border, and Custom Pilaster



Rte 710 Corridor Aesthetic Master Plan Conceptual Sound Walls: "Traditional" Design Scheme: Tan Color Split Face Block, Vertical Score Border, and Custom Pilaster



Conceptual Sound Walls: "Traditional" Design Scheme:
Tan Color Split Face Block, Vertical Score Border, and Custom Pilaster



Placement of two vines per plant hole is highly recommended. Core holing for vines has shown not an effective method and not a recommended option.