Reasons to Specify Tricon’s

**Con-Struct™ Prefabricated Bridge System**

**System’s Structural Attributes**

- All designs prepared to latest versions of applicable specifications.
  - 2002 AASHTO Standard Specifications for Highway Bridges
- We design to a 75 year design life minimum.
- System’s unique composite design creates:
  - A prestressed member by stressing the trapezoidal shaped steel tub girders into a predetermined camber and precasting a concrete deck, center diaphragm and end walls.
  - A precompressed concrete deck (driving surface) which eliminates shrinkage cracks and provides superior protection to underlying steel reinforcement.
  - A very durable and aesthetically pleasing bridge which will maintain its appearance and functionality for many years.
- Hot-dip Galvanizing provides 75+ years of maintenance free protection to the Con-Struct™ steel tub girders.
- High quality concrete fabrication in controlled plant environment.
- Total weight of Con-Struct™ Prefabricated Bridge System is less than a concrete beam superstructure allowing some existing substructures to be utilized in a bridge replacement.
- Shallow superstructure depth for increased under-clearance.
- Future superstructure widening can be done quickly, cost effectively and with minimal disruption to traffic.
- System provides for rapid bridge replacement. Elements can be erected and ready for traffic in one day in critical locations.
- Temporary removal, storage and relocation of Con-Struct™ Prefabricated Bridge System elements is even possible!
System’s Aesthetic Attributes

- Clean, modern aesthetic design (just say no to “ugly” bridges)
- Able to accept any D.O.T. bridge rail type
- Various aesthetic styles can be achieved with architectural railings

System’s Environmental Attributes

- **Attention to Safety, Durability, Mobility and Efficiency**
  - Prefabrication and rapid construction drastically reduce congestion, hours and fuel spent in delays, and hours spent working in hazardous construction zones.

- **Conserves Materials and Resources**
  - Con-Struct elements are prefabricated off-site, construction waste is virtually eliminated.
  - Construction waste is also reduced at the precast plant by producing products in reusable steel forms and recycling water and wash-out materials.
  - A significant amount of industrial by-product and recycled materials are used in the Con-Struct system;
    - Supplementary cementitious materials such as fly ash (ASTM C 618) are used to replace 20 to 35% of the Portland cement in our mix designs.
    - Steel components are high in post-consumer recycled content.
  - Con-Struct elements are usually transported and erected within 200 miles of the precast plant.
  - Con-Struct elements are produced using local/regional raw materials such as aggregates, cement, sand, reinforcing steel and additives that are extracted, harvested, recovered or manufactured within 500 miles of the precast plant.
  - A Con-Struct™ bridge will need very little maintenance during its life.

- **Avoids Negative Impacts on the Ecosystem**
  - A single span structure with a small civil footprint avoids disrupting the ecologically sensitive waterway.
  - Concrete bridge decks have a higher solar reflectance (0.35 to 0.80) than other bridge deck materials, reducing the heat island effect in urban areas.
  - Paints, stains and sealers, as used in some bridge systems, range in volatile organic compound emissions and should be considered along with the durability of such components.
  - Because Con-Struct elements are prefabricated off-site;
    - Less dust is generated at the jobsite
    - Less noise is generated at the jobsite
Engineering Services

- In-house engineering provided by TEG Tricon Engineering Group, Ltd. a Tricon Precast Company
  - Feasibility Studies
  - Budget Estimates
  - Total Design and Construction Packages
    - Hydraulic Analysis
    - Geotechnical Analysis
    - Engineering Design Calculations and Construction Drawings signed and sealed by a Professional Engineer registered in the State where project is to be constructed.
  - Surveying
    - Small Bridge Inspection and Engineering Expertise
    - On-Site Technical Assistance

Tricon Precast, Ltd.

- Tricon is committed to quality.
  - Our systems and production processes are approved in over half of the United States.
  - We are working on approvals in the rest.
- Tricon has some of the most knowledgeable and experienced field representatives in the industry.
  - Most of our field staff Registered Professional Engineers.
  - Those few that are not bring years of experience to the table.
- Outstanding Customer Service
  - Just ask anyone who knows us.
- Providing you with the most reliable and constructible small bridge systems in our industry.