

# **Trench Former<sup>®</sup>**

Pre-Engineered Cast In Place  
Trench Drain Forming System

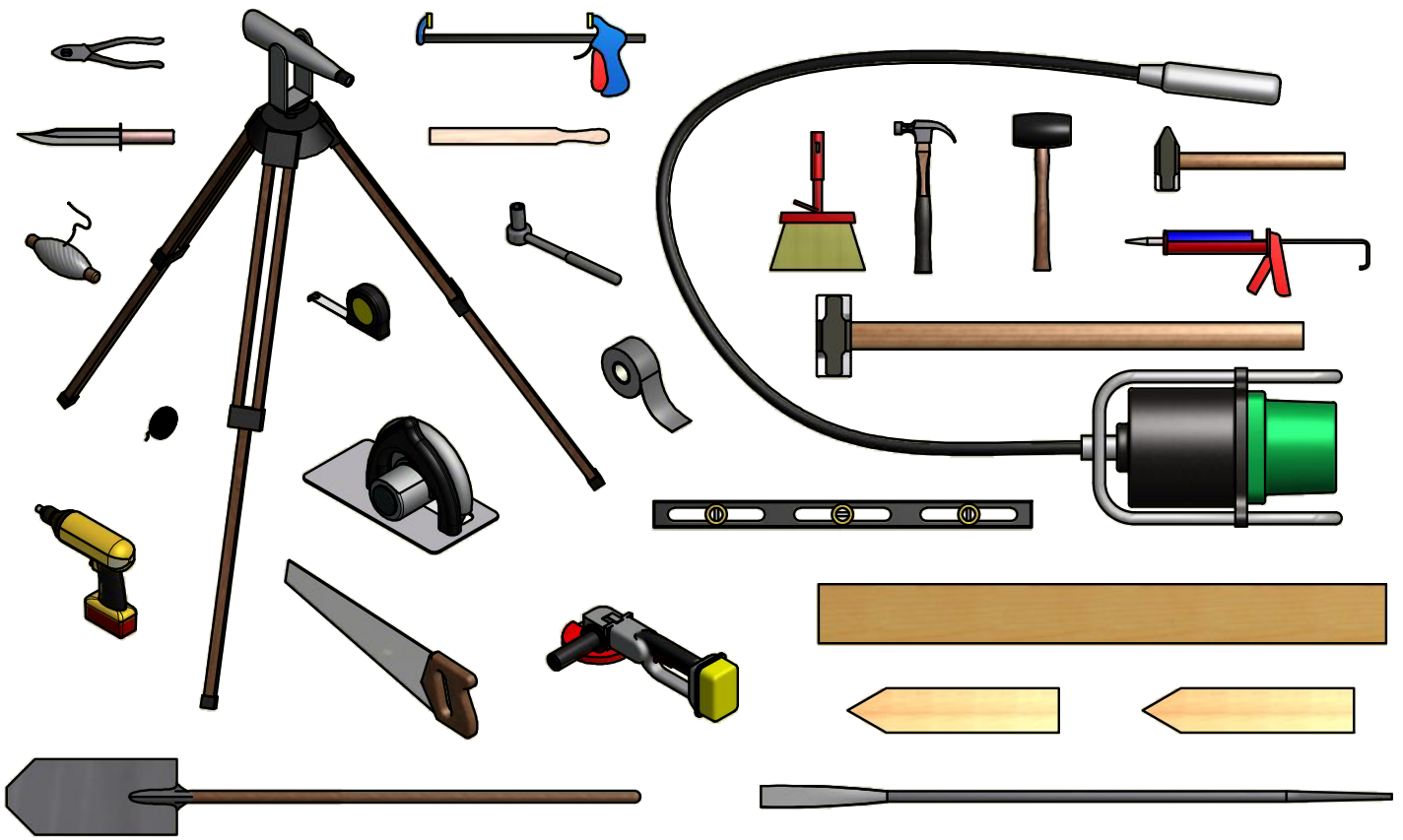


## **MHD<sup>®</sup> & XHD<sup>®</sup> Installation Guide**

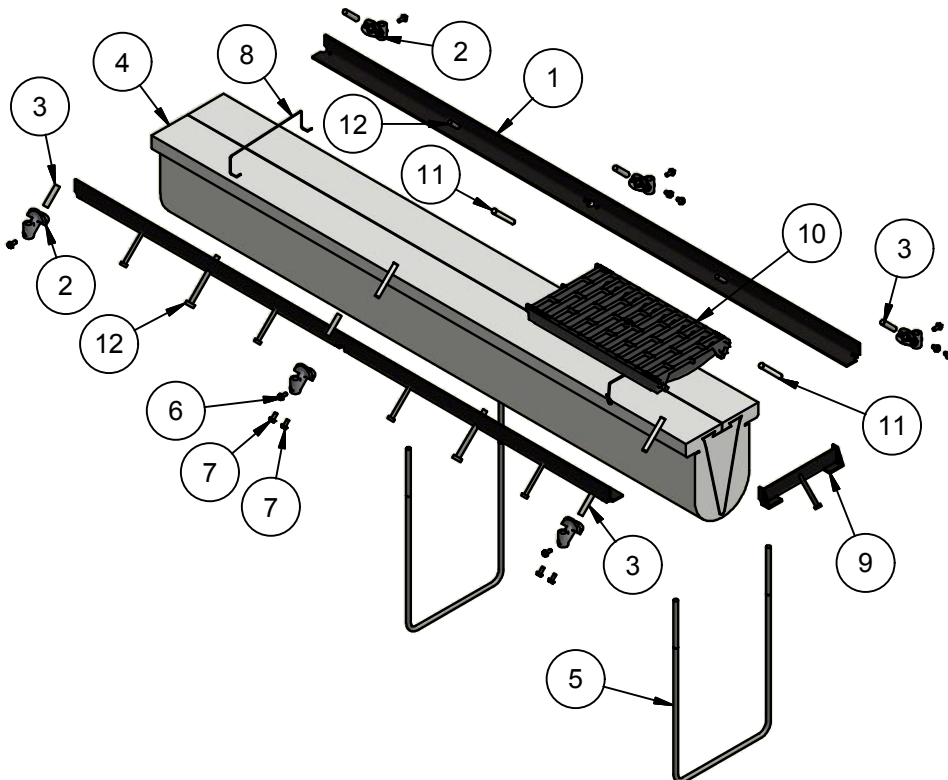
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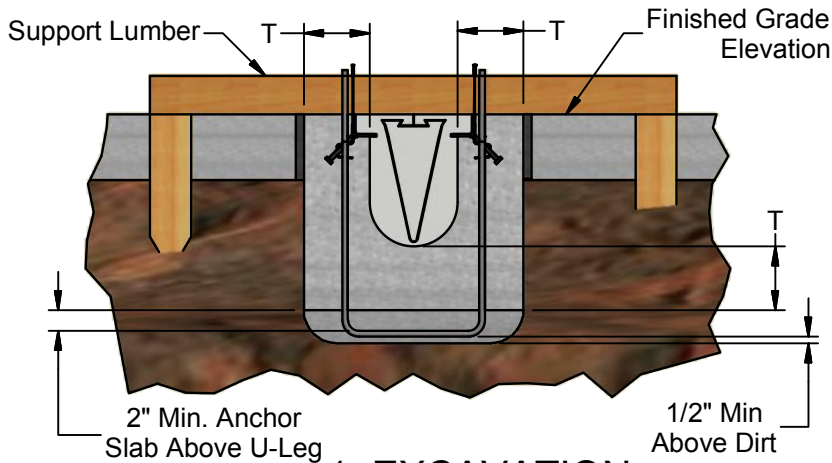
## USEFUL OR REQUIRED TOOLS



## COMPONENT IDENTIFICATION

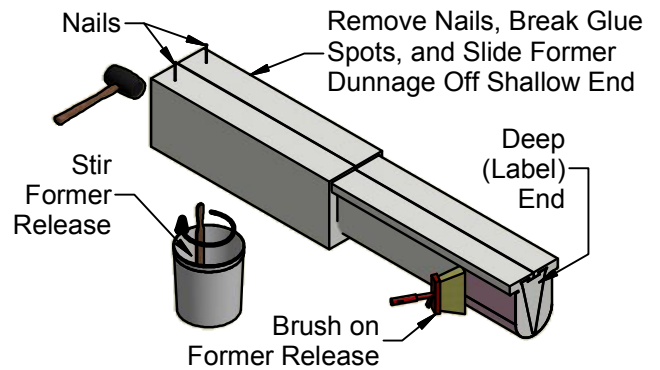


COMPONENTS	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION
1	Angle Frames/Rail
2	1803 Cast Leg Bracket
3	1803 Leg Bracket Foam Hole Plug
4	EPS Former
5	Rebar U-Leg
6	Leg Lock Screw
7	Thread Forming Screw - Ø5/16" x 7/8"
8	Cross Tie Wire
9	End Rail
10	Grate
11	Grate Lock Pins - Ø1/2" Clevis Pins
12	Fixed Lock Pin - Ø1/2" Concrete Anchor

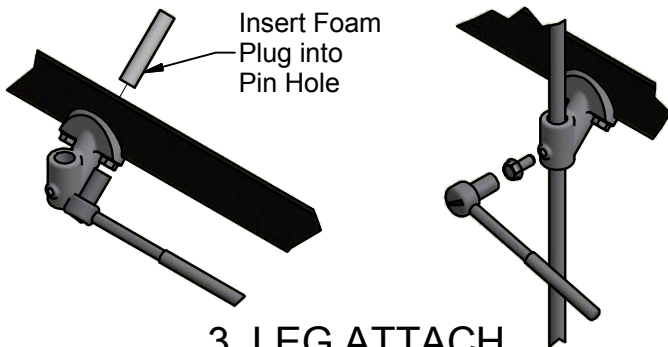


## 1. EXCAVATION

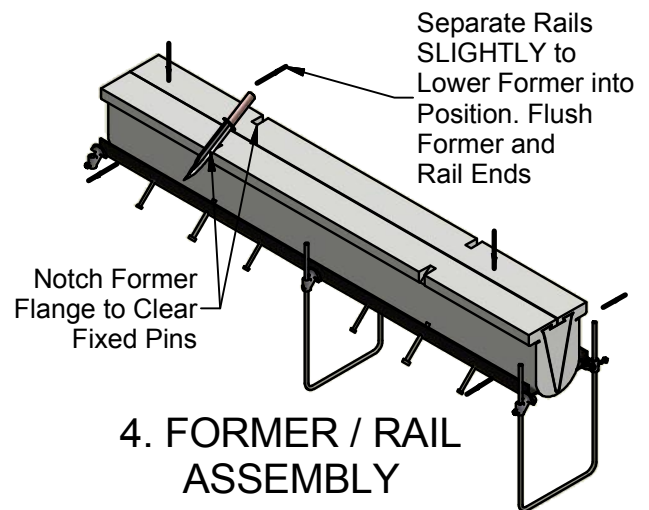
T = per Structural Specifications



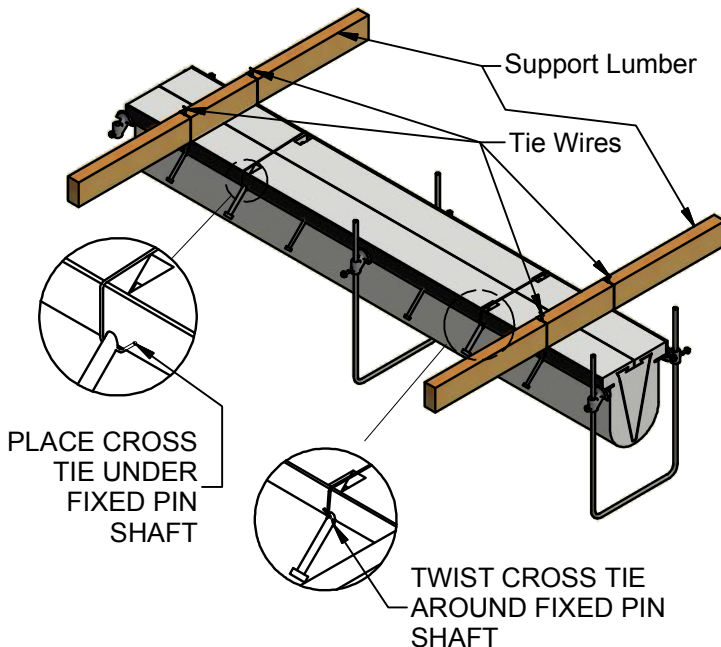
## 2. FORMER PREPARATION



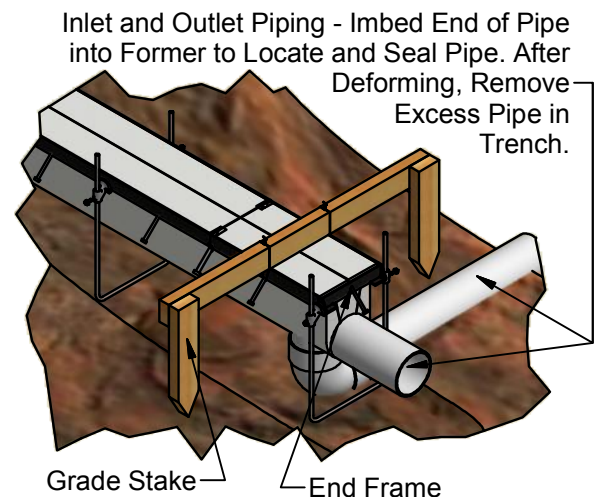
## 3. LEG ATTACH



## 4. FORMER / RAIL ASSEMBLY

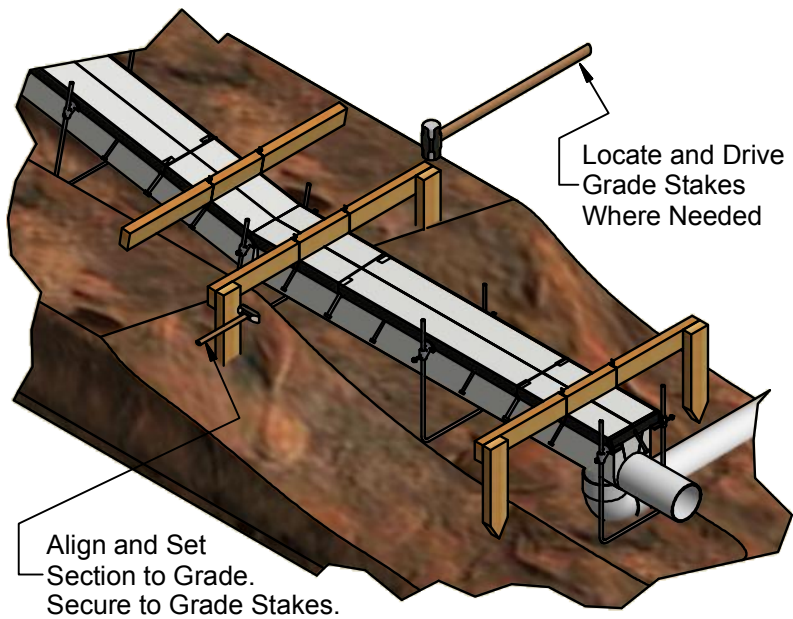


## 5. SUPPORT LUMBER ATTACH

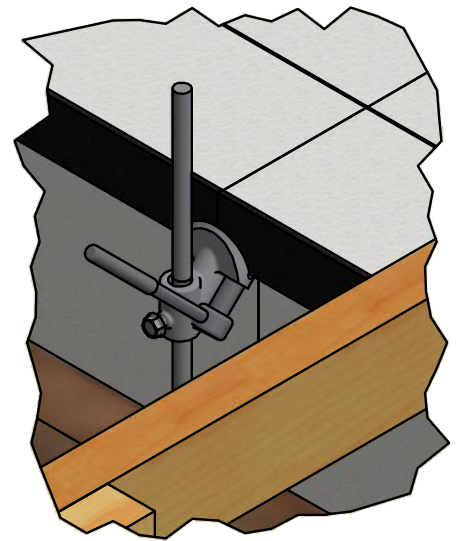


## 6. DISCHARGE PLACE & ALIGN

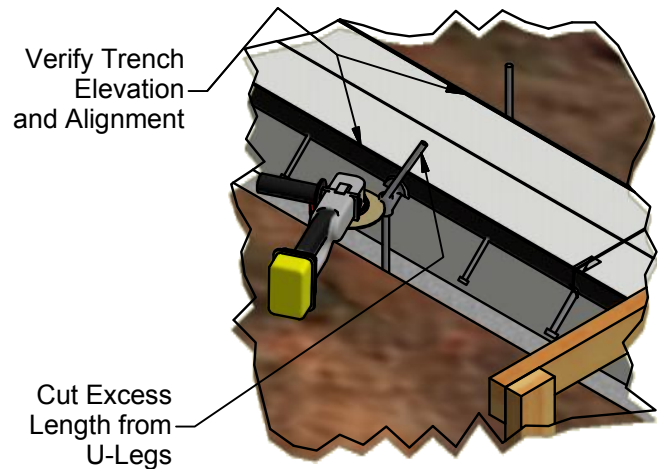
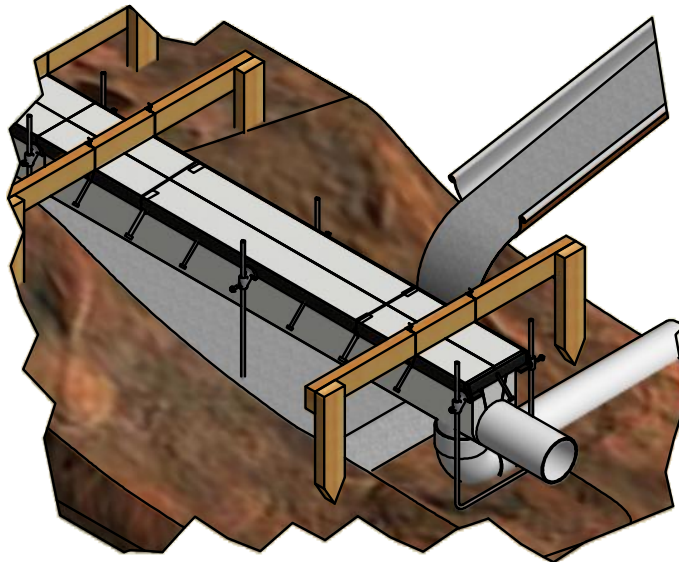
Locate and Align Outlet Channel First. Start at Deep End and Work to Shallow End



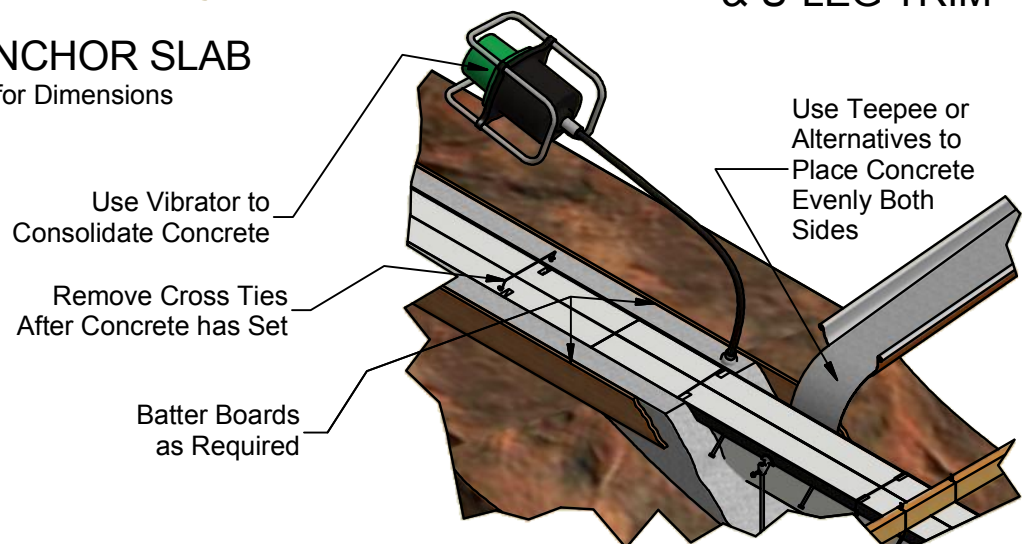
## 7. SECTION PLACE & ALIGN



## 8. RAIL CONNECTION



## 10. FINAL ALIGN & U-LEG TRIM

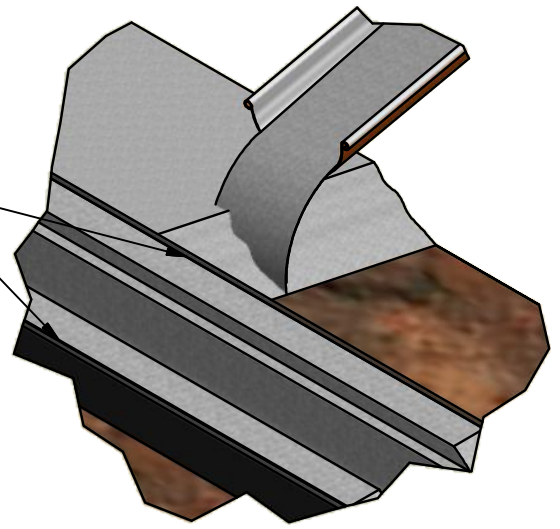


## 11. ENCAPSULATION CONCRETE PLACEMENT AND CONSOLIDATION



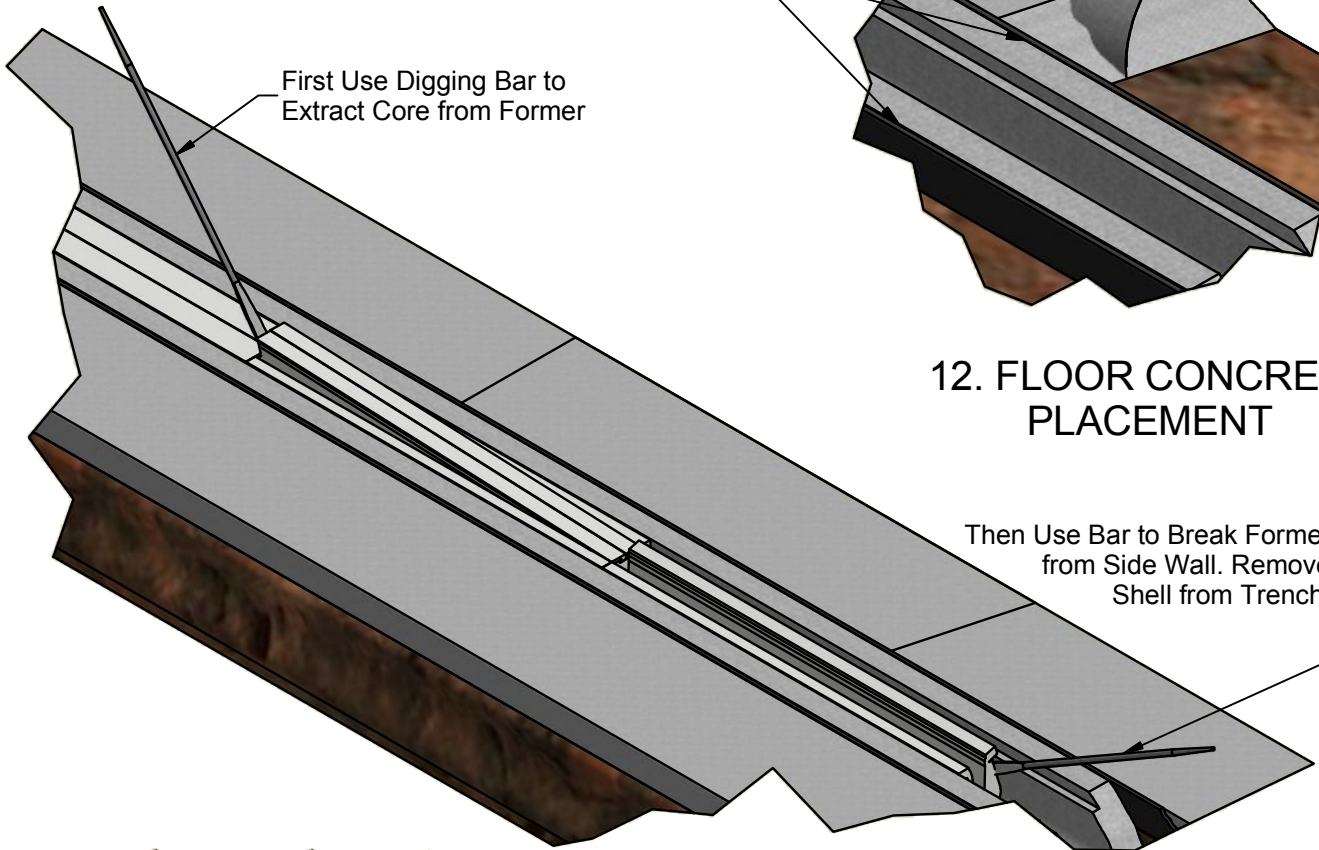
Expansion Joint Material per  
Structural Specifications

First Use Digging Bar to  
Extract Core from Former

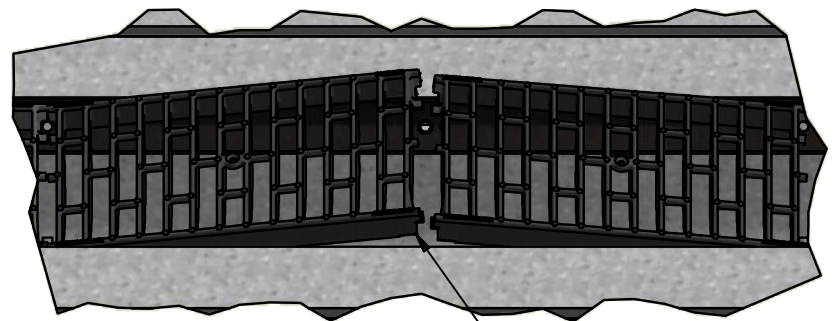


## 12. FLOOR CONCRETE PLACEMENT

Then Use Bar to Break Former  
from Side Wall. Remove  
Shell from Trench.



## 13. FORMER REMOVAL

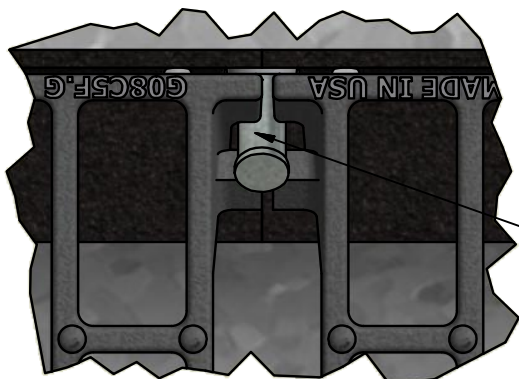


Hook Grate Under Fixed Pins

Pivot Grates to Seat on Rails

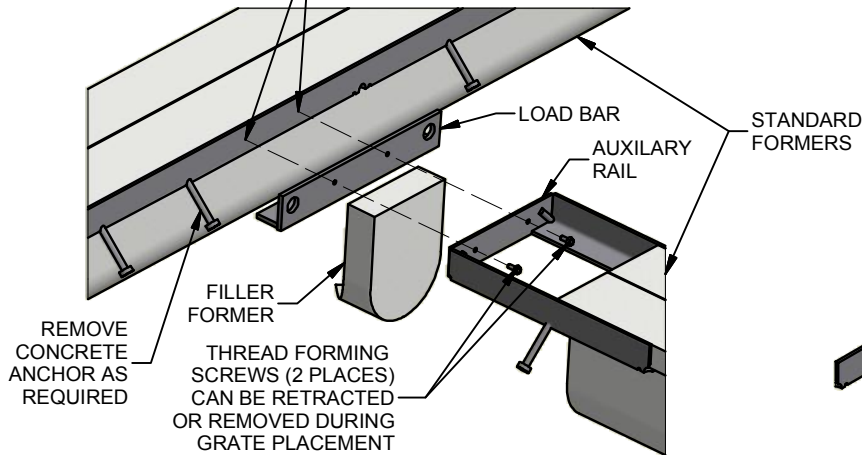
Use Cross Tie or Other Tool to Remove Foam Hole Plug  
from Pin Hole and Discard Plug. Insert Grate into Rails.  
Apply Water Proof Marine Grease (by Others) to Clevis Pins  
and Insert Clevis Pin into Leg Bracket to Retain Grates.

## 14. GRATE INSTALLATION

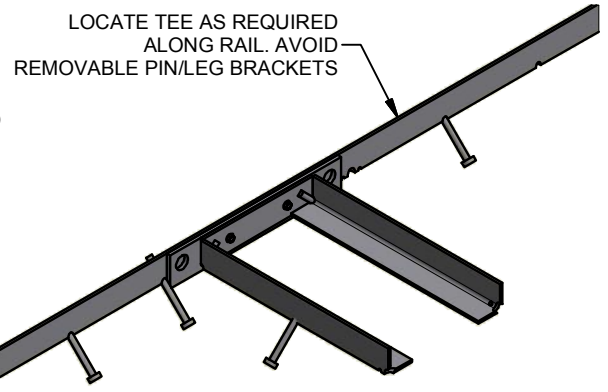


# AUXILIARY RAIL USAGE

DRILL (9/32" or "K") SCREW  
PILOT HOLES IN RAIL AS  
REQUIRED. USE HOLES IN  
LOAD BAR AS TEMPLATE.

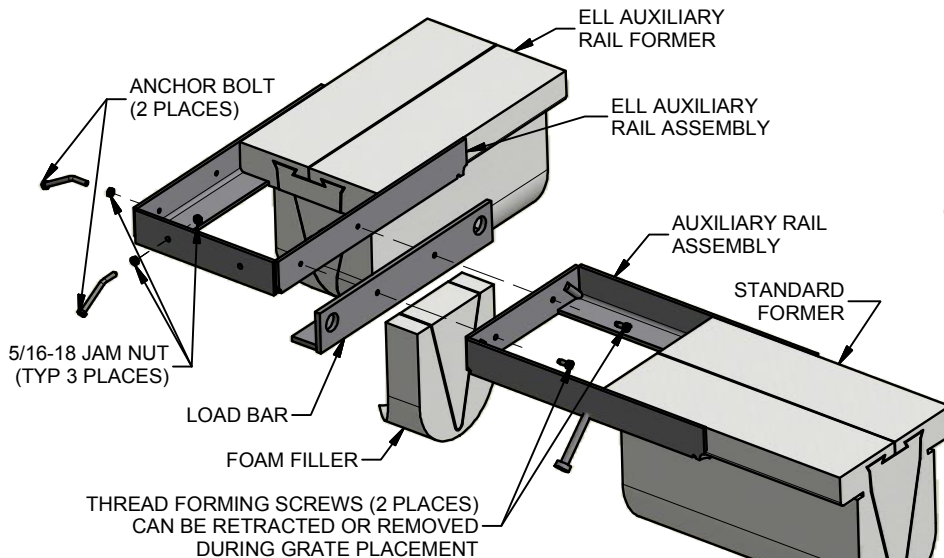


EXPLODED VIEW

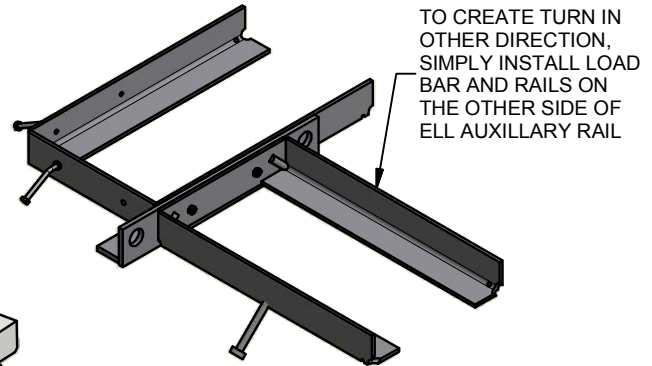


ASSEMBLED VIEW

## TEE DETAIL

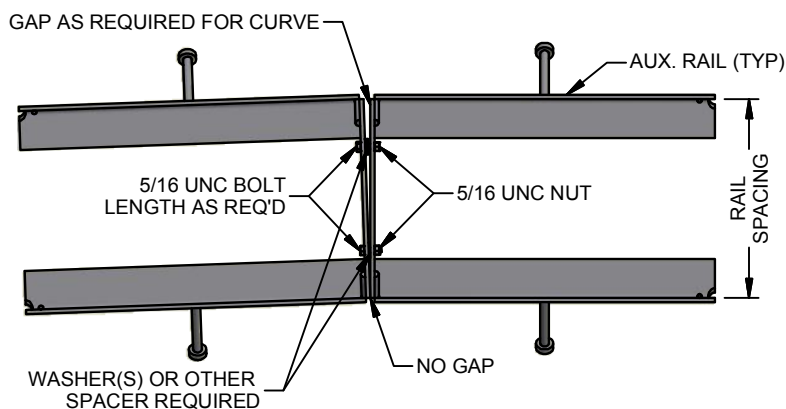


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ASSEMBLED VIEW

## ELL DETAIL



### NOTES:

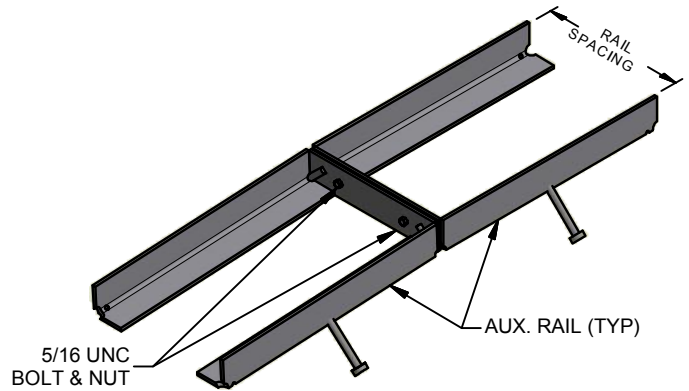
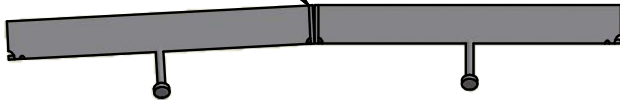
1. INSTALL ANGLE ASSEMBLIES AS OFTEN AS REQUIRED TO PREVENT TRENCH RAILS FROM DEVIATING BEYOND DESIRED AMOUNT FROM TRUE RADIUS.
2. FILL ANY GAP AT END OF FORMER WITH FOAM-IN-PLACE FOAM OR COVER GAP WITH TAPE PRIOR TO FORMER RELEASE APPLICATION.
3. CALCULATE GAP PER ASSEMBLY IS AS FOLLOWS:  

$$\text{GAP (INCH)} = \frac{\text{SPACING BETWEEN ANGLE ASSEMBLIES (INCH)} \times \text{RAIL SPACING (INCH)}}{\text{CURVE RADIUS (INCH)}}$$

## SWEEP DETAIL

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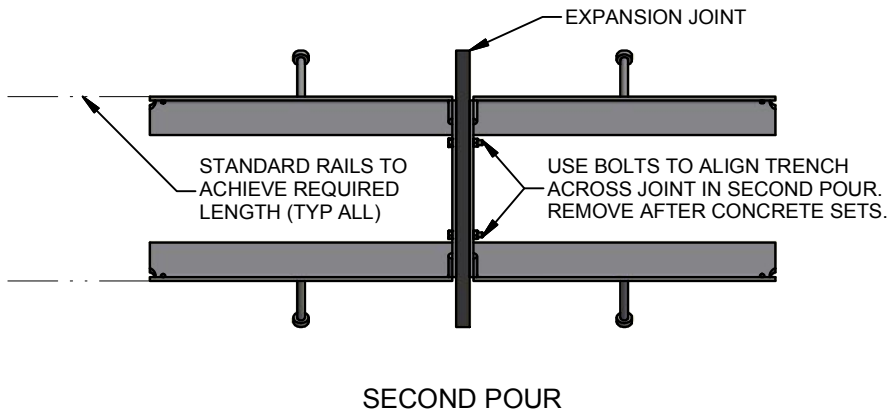
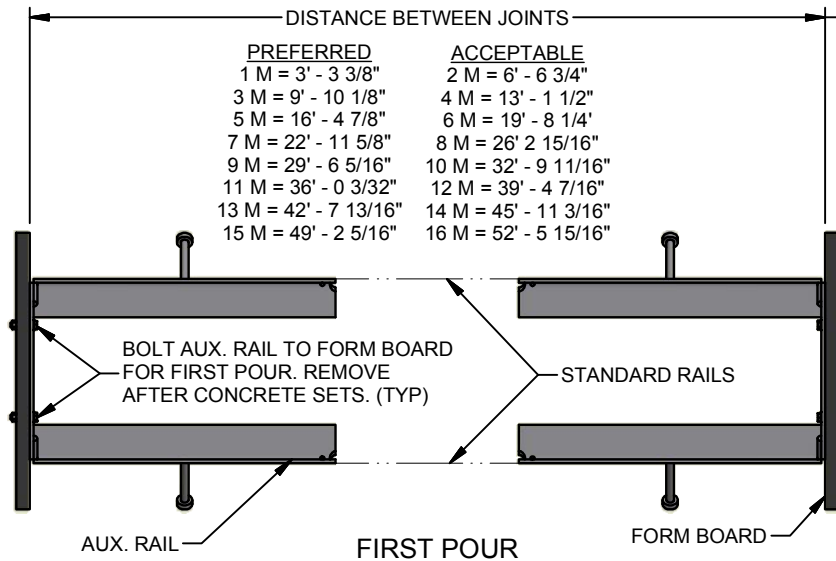
WASHER OR OTHER SHIMS  
TO CREATE GAP AS  
REQUIRED FOR SLOPE



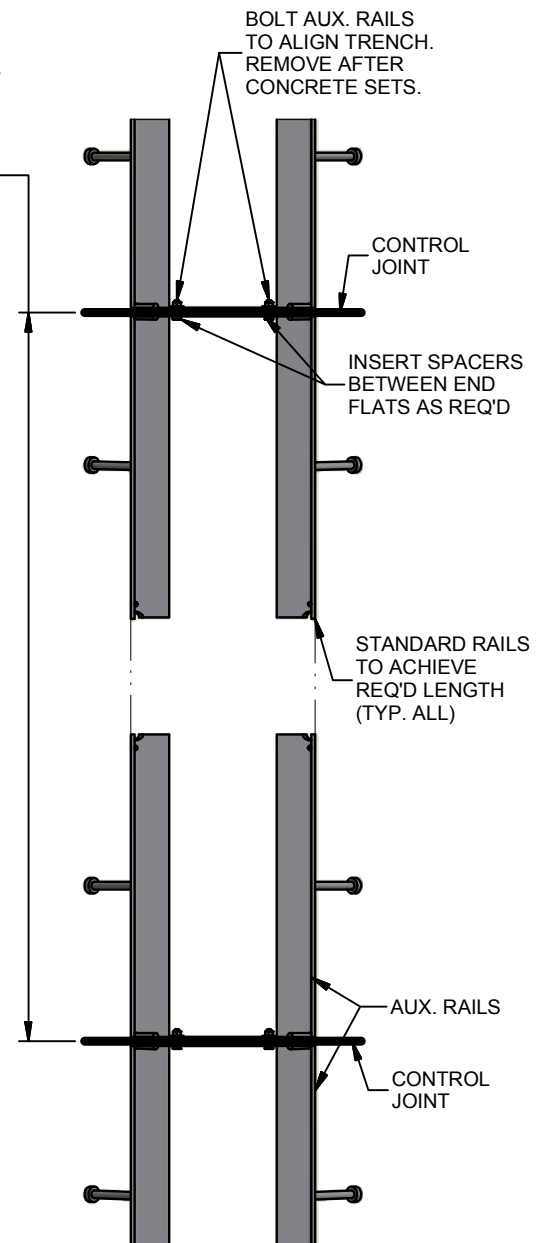
## NOTES:

1. COORDINATE BREAK POINT OF SLOPE WITH POSSIBLE LOCATIONS OF AUXILLARY RAILS IN TRENCH RUN.
2. ADD OR REMOVE ESP FOAM AT END OF SECTIONS AT SLOPE BREAK AS REQUIRED.

## SLOPE BREAK DETAIL



## EXPANSION JOINT DETAIL



## CONTROL JOINT DETAIL

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