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# ***Positive Impact of Insulated Concrete Forms: Sustainable, Economical, Efficient***

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# Introduction

- Goal: Explore Innovative Building Systems to:
  - Cut building costs
  - Increase speed to market
  - Support eco-friendly technology
- Result: Insulated Concrete Forms for Institutional Construction
  - Administration Building
  - West Village Residence Hall

# Agenda

- Project Design Considerations
- Metrics: Up Front Savings and Life Cycle Cost
- Challenges of Using ICF on Institutional Projects

# Project Design Considerations

# Acoustics

- Located at a Freeway and Major Street
- Significant Traffic Noise
- Numerous Windows
- Board of Regent Meetings

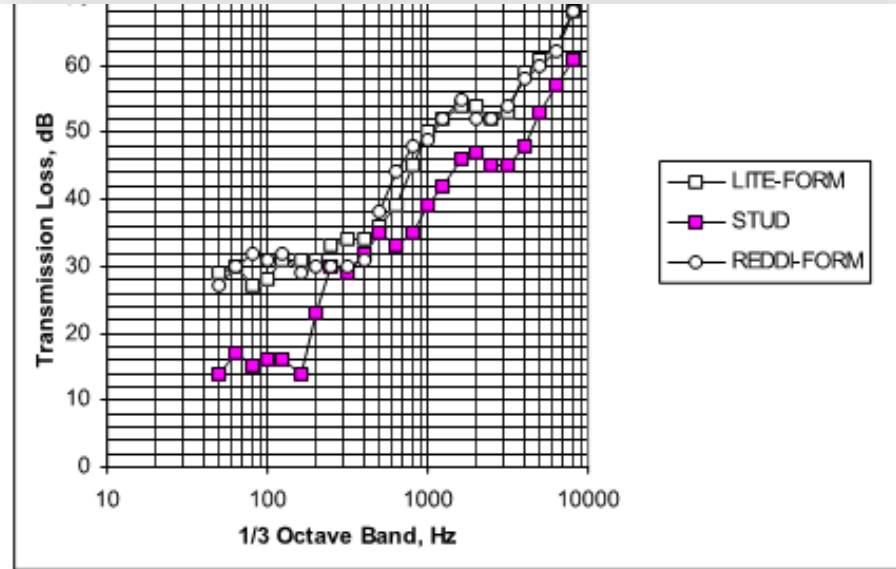


Figure 10 - Comparisons of Average Transmission Loss

# Safety of Occupants





# DAS for Cellular Service

- Rebar and Concrete in the Exterior Walls
- Low E Glass
- Structural Steel Floors and Roof



# **Metrics: Up Front Savings and Life Cycle Cost**

# Cost of Construction

Option	Structural Framing Options	Cost/SF (Gross)	Estimated Project Cost
1.a	6" ICF with 10" Hollow Core Plank (1 Corridor)***	\$27.09	\$5,825,246
1.b	6" ICF with 8" Hollow Core Plank (2 Corridor Walls)***	\$28.05	\$6,030,143
1.c	SMS with 10" Hollow Core Plank (1 Corridor)	\$22.68	\$4,877,200
1.d	SMS with 8" Hollow Core Plank (2 Corridor Walls)	\$23.00	\$4,944,260
2.a	SMS with Hambro (1 Corridor)	\$26.35	\$5,664,698
2.b	SMS with Hambro (2 Corridor Walls)	\$27.28	\$5,866,061
2.c	6" ICF with Hambro (1 Corridor)***	\$29.04	\$6,242,647
2.d	6" ICF with Hambro (2 Corridor Walls)***	\$30.64	\$6,585,805



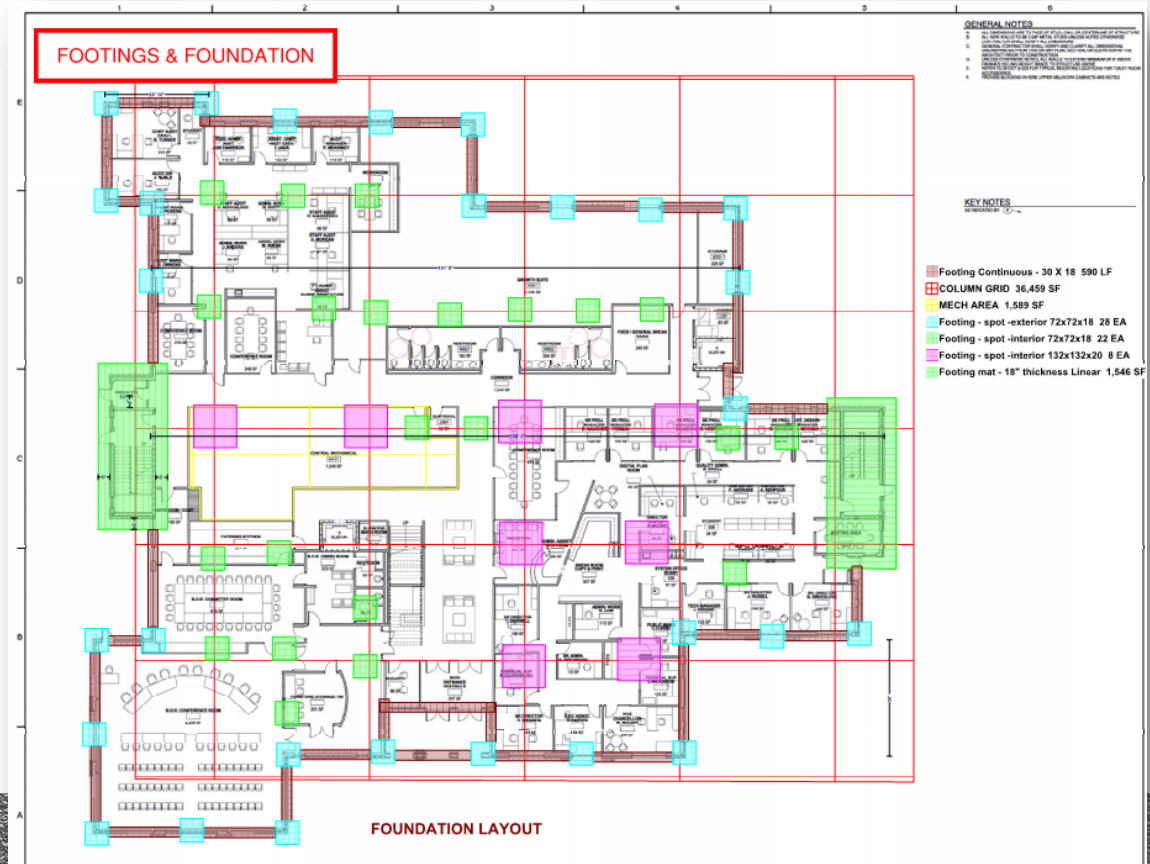
# Scopes of Work and Dollars Affected

- Foundations
- Steel Structure Reduction
- Exterior Wall Changes
- Cooling Load Reduction
- Schedule Reduction

# Foundations

## Conventional Structural Steel Building

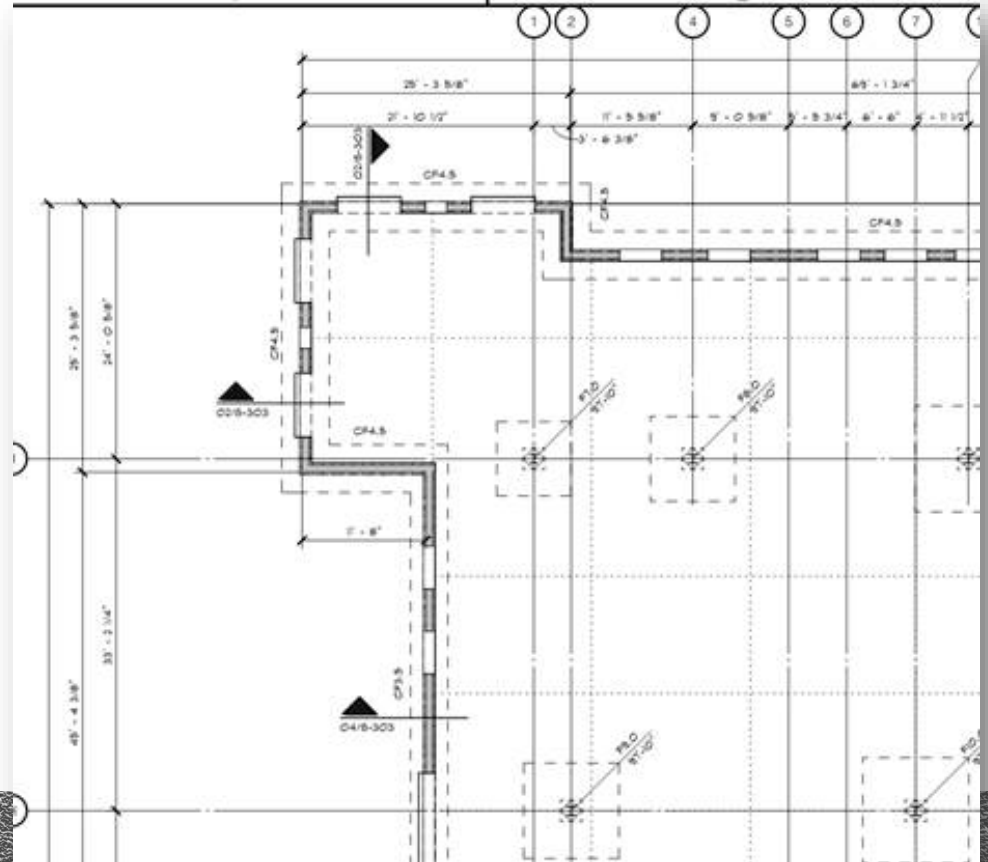
- Spot footings
- Grade beams
- Mat footings



# Foundations

## ICF Structure

- Continuous footings
- Spot footings on interior only
- More CY of concrete
- More efficient installation

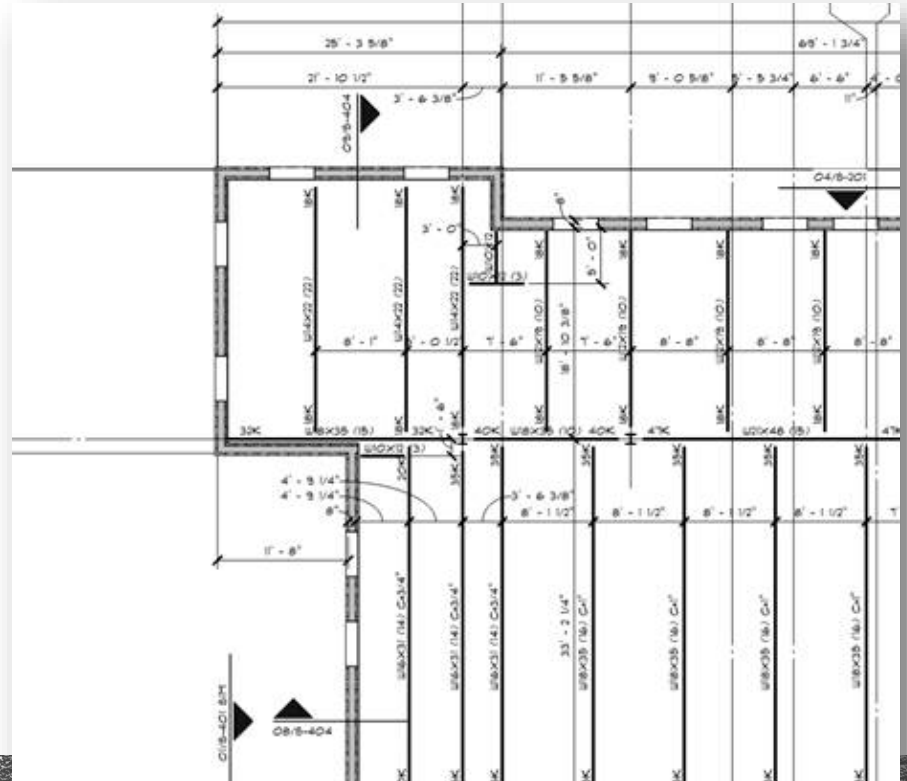




# Structural Steel Reduction

## ICF

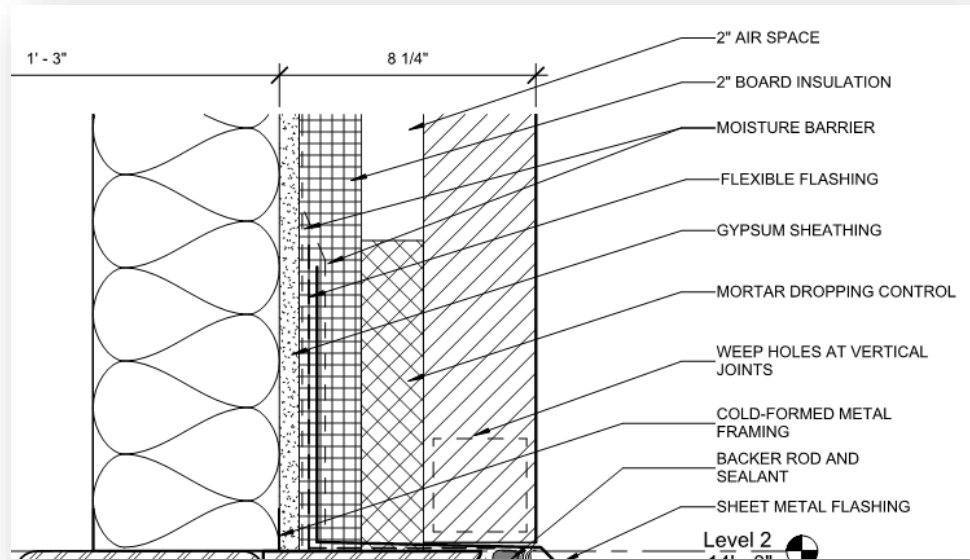
- Reduction of perimeter steel
- Removal of moment connections



# Exterior Wall Changes

## Typical Exterior Wall

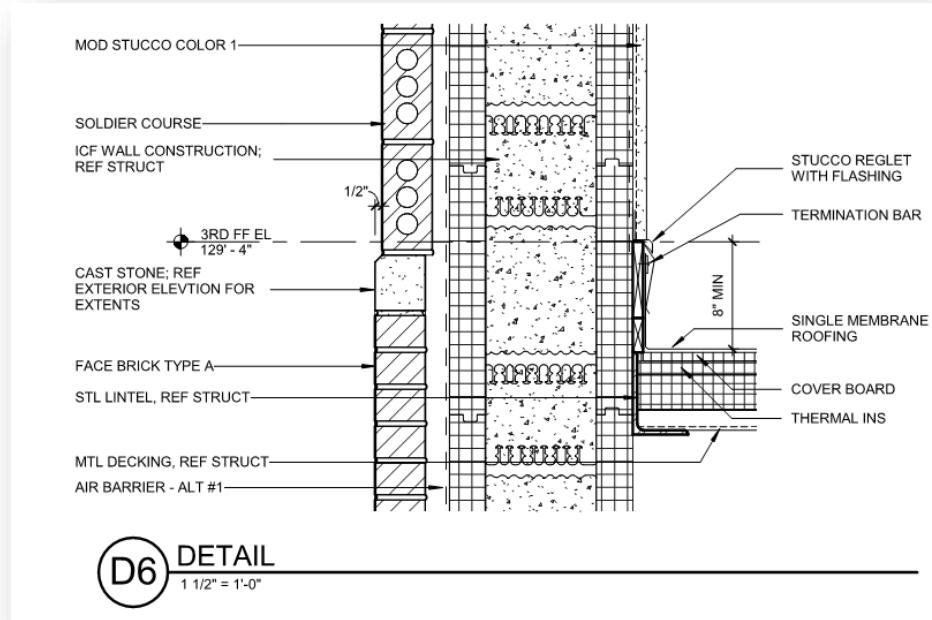
- Ext drywall partitions
  - 6" metal stud
  - Exterior sheathing
  - Batt insulation
- Damp-proofing
- Rigid board insulation



# Exterior Wall Changes

## ICF Exterior Wall

- Delete exterior drywall partitions
- Dampproofing?
- Delete rigid board insulation
- Add interior furr out?





# Cooling Load Reduction

## ICF Impact on Cooling Load

- Reduce amount of air leakage
- Better insulation at exterior walls
- Load reduction at TTU System Office Building: 15 tons of HVAC capacity



# Up Front Savings at TTU System Office Bldg

	Qty	Unit	\$ / Unit	Total
<b>ICF System</b>				
Foundation	188	CY	\$ 800	\$ 150,400
Steel Embed Allowance	1	LS	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
ICF (insulation, concrete, rebar, formwork) - Includes 1'-8" below grade	44,281	SF	\$ 19.50	\$ 863,480
Fluid Applied Membrane Air Barrier (includes cleaning polystyrene)	32,815	SF	\$ 5.20	\$ 170,638
Drywall interior side	2,545	LF	\$ 16.00	\$ 40,720
*VRF System	235	TONS	\$ 7,000	\$ 1,645,000
Schedule Reduction	(3)	WKS	\$ 15,500	\$ (46,500)
	<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$ 2,853,738</b>
<b>Conventional Structural Steel System</b>				
Foundation	153	CY	\$ 972	\$ 148,716
Steel (columns & bracing)	120	TONS	\$ 4,200	\$ 504,000
Steel rigid moment connections	162	EA	\$ 600	\$ 97,200
Exterior Drywall Partition (includes thermal insulation)	2,545	LF	\$ 98.00	\$ 249,410
Parapet framing	640	LF	\$ 32.00	\$ 20,480
Rigid Insulation	2,545	LF	\$ 22.00	\$ 55,990
Fluid Applied Membrane Air Barrier	32,815	SF	\$ 4.50	\$ 147,668
*VRF System	250	TONS	\$ 7,000	\$ 1,750,000
	<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$ 2,973,464</b>
<b>ICF System Total</b>				<b>\$ 2,853,738</b>
<b>Conventional Structural Steel System Total</b>				<b>\$ 2,973,464</b>
<b>Deduct for ICF System</b>				<b>\$ (119,726)</b>

ICF \$2,853,738

Steel \$2,973,464

**Savings \$119,726**

**3 Week Schedule Reduction**

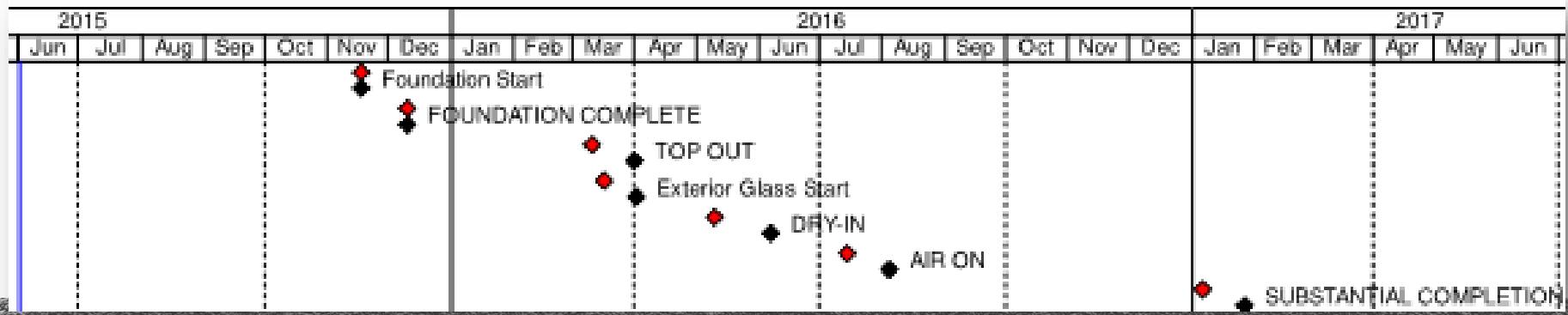
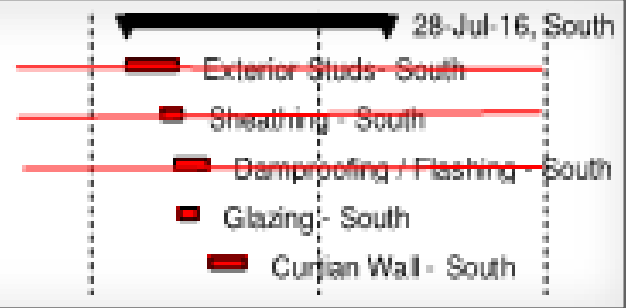
# Life Cycle Cost at West Village

- ICF Efficiencies Reduce HVAC Tonnage 30-40%
- Savings Equate to \$430,000 or \$1.83/SF
- Estimated Energy Savings of \$156,180\*  
\*Not including VRF savings



# Reduce Work Activities = Potential Schedule Reduction

South	74	14-Apr-16	28-Jul-16
Exterior Studs- South	15	14-Apr-16	04-May-16
Sheathing - South	6	29-Apr-16	06-May-16
Damproofing / Flashing - South	10	04-May-16	17-May-16
Glazing - South	6	06-May-16	13-May-16
Curtain Wall - South	10	18-May-16	01-Jun-16





# Schedule Considerations

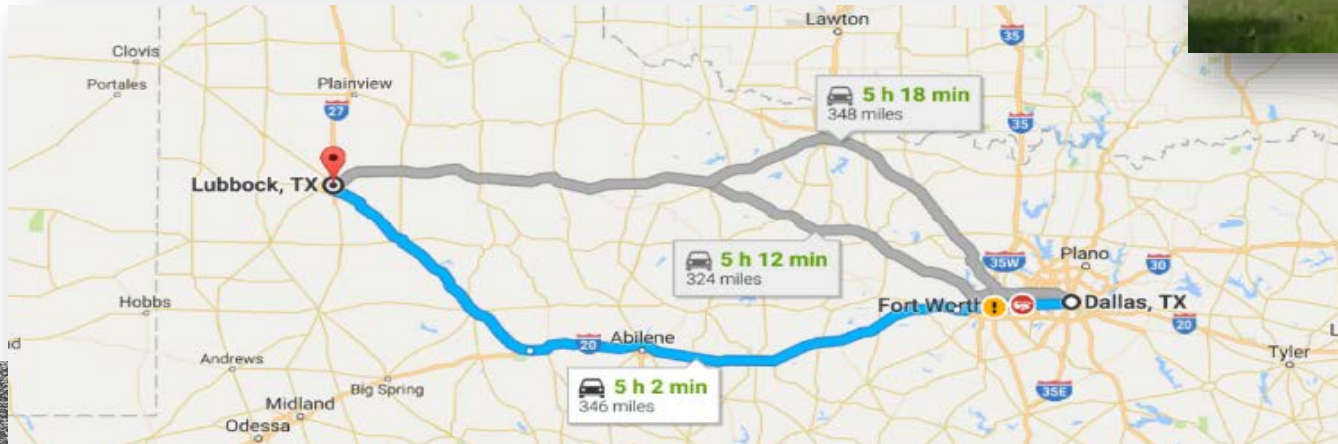
- Building Layout
- Coordination With Other Trades
- Windows/Embeds and Block Outs



# Challenges of Using ICF on an Institutional Project

# Challenge: Limited Subcontractor Availability

- Mostly Residential
- Most Subcontractors Located in Larger Metro Areas





# Solution: Focus on Select Subcontractors

## 1. Utilize ICF Block Suppliers

- NurDura
- FoxBlocks

## 2. Utilize Design Professional Accustomed to ICF

## 3. Make Project Attractive

- Good detailing
- Quality specifications
- Appropriate schedule

### Question:

Drawing A-602 provides a masonry opening of 23'-10 7/8" for the horizontal portion of storefront AL15. However, drawing S-102 indicates an inside face of foam to inside face of foam dimension of the stair wells to be 23'-6 7/8". Due to the storefront masonry opening dimension being greater than the inside dimension of the stairwells, please provide a specific jamb detail of the storefront condition interfacing with the ICF walls at these locations. Additionally, drawing A-602 indicates detail C3/A-502.1 for the jamb condition of storefront AL15. Please confirm detail C3 on A-502.1 is to be a cut through the vertical window of AL15 as shown on A-602.



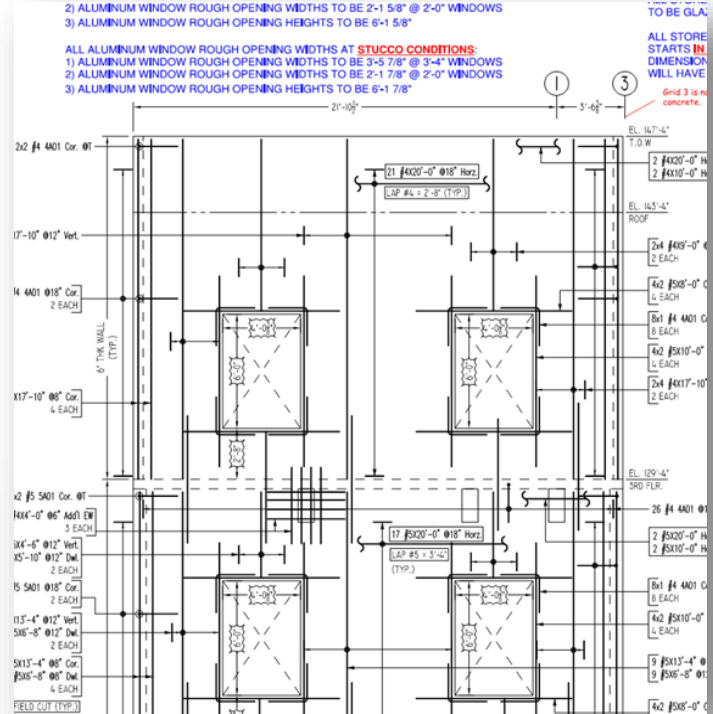
# Challenge: Delivering Institutional Quality

- Subcontractors Not Accustomed to Delivering Quality Level
- Difficulty Increases with Building Height
- Openings + Embeds = Honeycombs



# Solution: Buy/Specify ICF Systems

- Pre-formed Shapes
- Require Shop Drawings
- Alignment Systems
- ICF Outrigger Brackets



# Solution: Plan Ahead/Problem Areas

- Conduct Preconstruction with Supplier, Installer and Design Professional
- Increase Window Buck Reinforcement
- Reduce Aggregate Size
- Leave Out Window Bucks at Sills





# Solution: Plan Ahead/Problem Areas

- Horizontal Stiff Backs on Outside
- Plumb Walls & Corners Before & During Placement
- Post Pour Honeycomb Checks at Embeds
- Identify Problem Areas After Placement / Learn From Mistakes





# Challenge: Safety

- Lack of Knowledge of Institutional Expectations
- Introduction of Multiple Stories



# Solution: Plan Ahead

- Help ICF Sub Plan Ahead
- Utilize ICF Outrigger Systems
- Expand on Existing Knowledge
- Specify/Buy Engineered Systems
- Plan for Leading Edge/Gaps in Protection



# Conclusion: Key Benefits of ICF

- ✓ Cost Savings
- ✓ Schedule Reduction
- ✓ Eco-Friendly
- ✓ Utility Savings
- ✓ Safe Shelter







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