

OPSS 916 – Construction Specification for Precast Concrete Bridge Elements

Date: April 2026

Comments received by TCP:

Comment ID	Organization	TCP Comment	MTO Response
485-1	Individual - Comments submitted on behalf of Ontario precast producers (CPCI and its ON member producers)	<p>Submission Requirements Working Drawings General</p> <p>Comment: The requirement for Working Drawings to be submitted 14 days prior to the commencement of fabrication is restrictive, particularly as these drawings are specified to be for information purposes only. It is suggested that this timeframe be reduced to 7 days, consistent with OPSS.PROV 909, Clause 909.04.02.01, for working drawing submissions. This adjustment would still allow adequate time for review.</p> <p>In addition, the requirement for submissions 5 weeks prior to commencement of the work when other authorities are involved is excessive. An additional 7 days or at most 14 days beyond the typical 7-day period, should be sufficient to allow</p>	<p>MTO has changed to 7 Days, as requested.</p> <p>No change will be made when other authorities are involved due to time required to coordinate.</p>

		<p>coordination with outside authorities without creating unnecessary delays.</p> <p>Proposed change: ...shall be submitted to the Contract Administrator at least 7 Days prior to the commencement of fabrication.....Working Drawings submission shall be made at least 2 weeks prior to the commencement of work</p>	
485-2	<p>Individual - Comments submitted on behalf of Ontario precast producers (CPCI and its ON member producers)</p>	<p>916.07.03 Construction Installation Tolerances</p> <p>Comment: Could you please confirm how installation tolerances are to be interpreted when fabrication, interfacing, and erection of concrete bridge elements are performed by separate parties?</p> <p>Should each party be responsible only for meeting its respective tolerance (fabrication, erection, interfacing) with the understanding that the final installed element must fall within the overall installation tolerance?</p> <p>Proposed change: More clarity is required on this item.</p>	<p>Contracts are between MTO and the Contractor. All specification requirements apply to the Contractor, not any suppliers or subcontractors.</p>

488-1	OCPA – Ontario Concrete Pipe Association	Show your additions and Show your deletions.	A compare document showing changes, was posted on TCP.
488-2	OCPA – Ontario Concrete Pipe Association	<p>916.04.02</p> <p>Proposed revision: Inclusion of reference to document CAIS 0000-30 (Template for Pre-Fab Precast Concrete).</p> <p>Comment: Various potential reference point locations available, and will leave to MTO to determine most appropriate.</p> <p>The Prefabrication Template was proposed by OCPA and was developed & published with the assistance of Bo Ni, Senior Concrete Engineer - Standards and Contracts Branch, MTO.</p>	<p>OPSS specifications do not reference CAIS specifications.</p> <p>However, based on this comment, a requirement that the Contractor to attend the pre-fabrication meeting has been added to OPSS 1355.</p> <p>A reference and requirement to use CAIS 0000-30 (Template for Pre-Fabrication Meeting for Precast Concrete Elements) already exists in the CAIS 100 (included in all contracts). Please see Section CAGC 2.04.03 Meeting Topics and Templates (as part of the Section 2: Project Management) of CAIS 100. It is a mandatory requirement for the Contract Administrator to use the pre-fabrication meeting template.</p>

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