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MEMORANDUM TO DESIGN GROUP LEADERS AND CONSULTANTS

SUBJECT: Air-Entrainment in Prestressed Concrete

Air-entrainment in concrete may reduce the early strength gain of the concrete. This may result in additional cure time in the precasting bed and loss of productivity in the casting operation.

The use of air-entraining admixtures in prestressed concrete shall not be required in the Special Provisions. Air-entraining admixtures may be used at the contractor's option as stated in subsection 704.02 of SCDHPT Standard Specification, Edition of 1986.

Bridge Design Engineer

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