

**Call 02 Bridge Replacements on SR 571 between the Louisiana State Line and SR 584 (Bridge Nos. 0.0 and 0.9), known as Federal Aid Project No. BR-0003-00(003) / 103089301 in Amite County.**

- Q1. Does the coping concrete on top of the sheet pile walls pay as class AA concrete or is it incidental to the sheet pile wall?
- A1. It will be paid for under pay item 804-A001, Bridge Concrete, Class AA.
- Q2. In connection with the length of the test piles will the Department allow the contractor to drill a pilot hole for the test piles to safely load the pile in the hammer and leads?
- A2. Yes, but the hole shall not extend below the 500 year scour elevation.
- Q3. **1.** On sheet 8007, there is a Pile End Plate detail. Does this plate weld to the top of the pile? **2.** What is the intent of this plate? **3.** It appears the plate will essentially block the flow of the grout below the top of the pile and down the lower 9" of the precast cap. Am I missing something?
- A3. **1.** Yes. **2.** The intent of the plate is to resist pile pullout. **3.** The Contract will be required to provide a one (1") offset on all sides of the Pile End Plate, including from the top of the plate to the bottom of the cap, to allow for the flow of the grout around the pile.