

# STATE OF UTAH MSE WALL INSPECTION FORM

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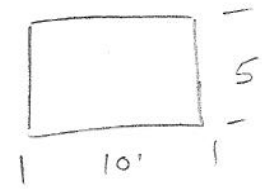
**Instructions:**

- 1-Fill out required sections for MSE Wall Inspector and Wall Characteristics.
- 2-Inspect the wall using the attached form. Questions that require a 'Yes' answer should be documented by noting the extent of the problem in the right most column and photo documentation. Photo documentation should consist of wall or bridge number, nature of problem, date, photo number for wall, and a size reference, which should be indicated in the photo (white board/paper). Photos taken should be placed on the Top View layout and indicated with the appropriate number. Note should be taken by the inspector that often anomalies are due to construction and should be distinguished from those that are a result of post-construction. If it is observable that they existed at the time of construction note should be taken in the space provided for drawings.
- 3- Shoot digital photos of the entire wall. This may require the use of a variety of shots and angles on each wall to cover the wall in its entirety.
- 4- Indicate Layout of MSE Wall in respect to major intersections, roadways, potential hazards, irrigation, vegetation, locations of conditions for which 'Yes' was marked, etc. in space provided below. Also Indicate approximate GPS Coordinates of Site of Interest in space provided below

**Inspector Information**

Inspection Date	7-20-07	Names Of Inspectors	Colin & Adam
Region	2	Identifying Road/Intersection	R15 near 300 N - 500 N. SLC

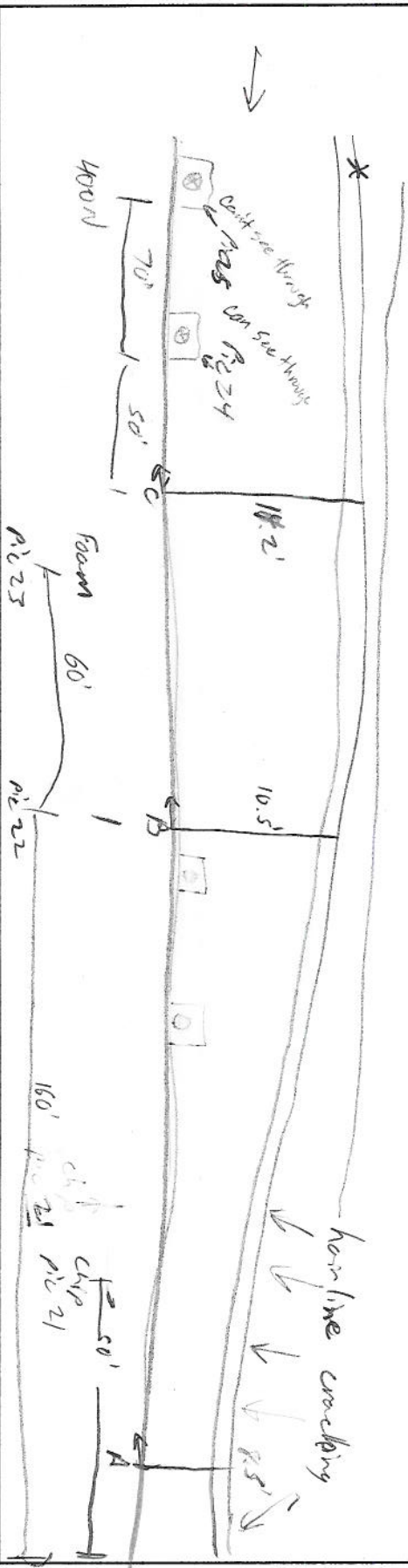
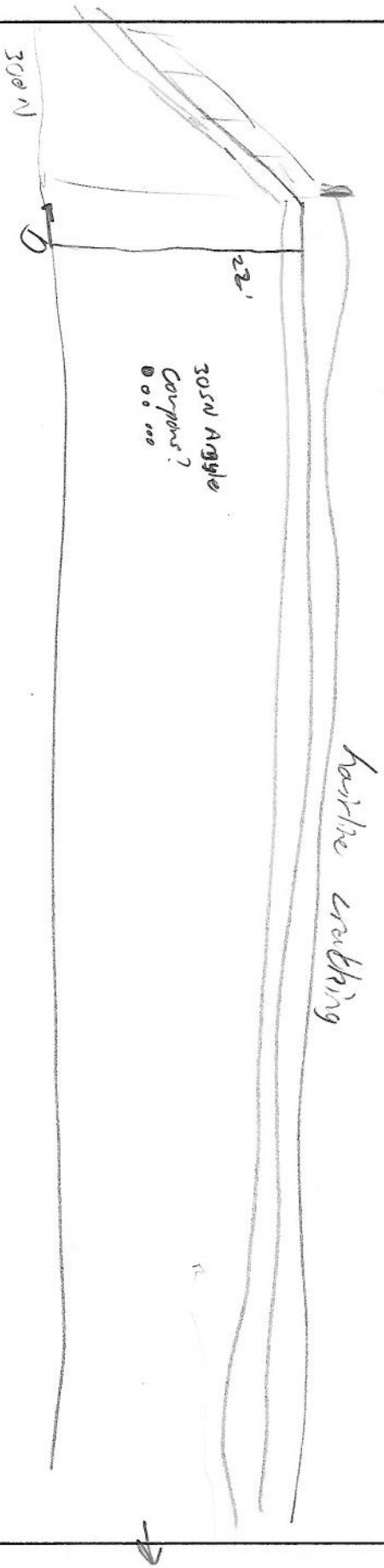
**MSE WALL CHARACTERISTICS**

MSE Wall at Bridge	(Y) N	Bridge Number if applicable: 351 (30)	Wall Number	R-351-30
Surrounding Structures	800m Houses 300N to 400 N		Maximum Height of Wall (ft)	22 ft
Distance to Each Structure	50 ft ±		One or Two Stage Wall	Two Stage
State Route Number			Estimated Max Length of Wall Abutment:	3 blocks (680')
Approximate Mile Marker			Max Slope of Ground in front of wall:	0
GPS Datum	WGS/84, NAD/83, or NAD/27		Max Height of wall burial line above surrounding level ground:	0
MSE Wall GPS Coordinates (Location of Measurement shown on plan view)	40° 46.676' N, 111° 54.959' W		Please draw rough layout of panel with approximate dimensions in space provided below:	
If known, Panel or System Manufacturer	VSL			

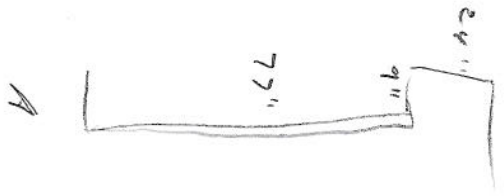
**Summary of Key Observations:**

- vegetation at top and bottom
  - exposed leveling pad (100 ft)
  - ~~culverts~~ through wall (partially clogged), not
  - difficult to observe barred entry, offsets (if any) are minimal
  - residents built right up to wall
- only bottom invert visible ↓

**Plan View/Drainage:**



Cross Sections:



Cross Sections:



MSE WALL DRAINAGE

Required Tools: Nylon Miter/Water Blotch-CRIS-Camera		Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1-Is there an active water source near the toe of the wall (to the wall near a body of water with scour potential)?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2-If applicable, are the catch basins at the base of the wall blocked?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3-Are there culverts protruding through the wall?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4-Are there vertical drains that travel through the backfill? (Photo 12)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5-Is there erosion at the base of the wall or leveling pad? (Photo 5) If
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6-Are there any signs of water flow along the base of the wall?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7-Is there 14 feet between irrigation sprinklers and wall?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8-Does the backfill or joint fabric appear to be saturated?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9-Is there vegetation growing in mud joints (Photo 8)?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10-Are the deck drains and outlets at the top of the wall blocked? (Photo 14)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11-Can water enter the wall between coping and slab (i.e. Drain appropriately)?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12-Is there evidence of discharge point of fill washing through drain pipes?

All within 7'  
 at the base and top of coping (planter on other side of sound wall) (Photos 331-335)

MSE WALL JOINTS

Required Tools: Long Level-String-Camera-CRIS		Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13-Is backfill coming out of joints or are there piles of backfill at the base of the wall? (Photos 2 & 3)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14-Are the joints wide enough to see fabric or backfill behind panels when looking into joint? (Photo 5) If yes, record the approximate maximum joint width in inches.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	15-Is exposed backfill visible in the horizontal joints? (Photo 4)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	16-Are there visible tears in the fabric? Is there evidence of backfill or water leaking through tear? (Do not induce additional damage to fabric)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	17-Do the joints have a non-uniform horizontal spacing size? Are some horizontal joints larger smaller than others? (Photo 6)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	18-Do the joints have a non-uniform vertical spacing size? Are some vertical joints larger smaller than others? (Photo 6)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	19-Are the panels offset at the joints either in or out of the wall? (Photo 7) If yes, record the approximate maximum offset.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	20-Does the fabric appear brittle, or appear as if it has undergone excessive UV exposure?

Small amounts between panels UNSURE SOURCE  
 0-3/4"  
 0-1"  
 1/8"

MSE WALL FACING

Required Tools: Long Level-String-CRIS-Camera-CrACK Gauge		Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	21-Are the panels "Tilt-Up"? Is there excessive cracking in the panels?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	22-Are there cracks that continue vertically through adjacent panels (Photos 9 & 10)? If yes, record the approximate number of panels in the wall with cracking.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	23-Are there cracks that continue horizontally through adjacent panels (Photos 9 & 10)? If yes, record the approximate number of panels in the wall with cracking.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	24-Are the panel corners making contact with each other? If yes, record the approximate number in the wall.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	25-Are the panel corners "popped-out" or clipped from contact with an adjacent panel? If yes record the number in the wall.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	26-Does crack spacing suggest Differential Settlement?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	27-Does the overlying coping exhibit Vertical Offset?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	28-Are the coping and parapets loose or detaching? If yes, it may be appropriate to contact UDOT if detachment occurs imminent.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	29-Are the panels in danger of falling off? (If potential exists contact appropriate UDOT region).
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	30-Are the panels "bulging" (bowing horizontally)? If so, record maximum deformation from accessible coping to leveling pad. (Photo 11)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	31-Is there "flipping" at the top or bottom of the wall? (Record maximum degree of tipping from azimuth using vertical level and affected area).

3-4  
 3  
 1/8"

MSE TOP OF WALL OBSERVATIONS

Required Tools: Long Level-CrACK Gauge-CRIS-Camera		Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	32-Is there evidence of settlement at the top of the wall (pavement cracking, etc)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	33-Are there any open cracks in the concrete coping (not hairline)? If yes record the approximate maximum crack width.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	34-Have the construction joints in the overlying coping opened up? (Photo 6). If yes, record the maximum joint width.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	35-Is there a large gap between the approach slab and the approach pavement? (Photo 15) Often this produces a bumping condition as the overpass is crossed. Record the approximate maximum gap size.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	36-Are the abutments, has the joint between the wall coping and the abutment opened up significantly? If so record maximum distance.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	37-Is the coping wall pulling away from pavement (roadway section)? Please record maximum displacement for wall.

rotation at south end

MSE STABILITY



Required Tools: Shovel, GEOF Probe		Structural Integrity	Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No		
Y	N/A	38-What is the location depth of leveling post? Pound Geo-Probe into soil located 2 inches from wall to a maximum depth of 24 inches (24 inches is the minimum depth for MSE Wall)	0-
Y	N	39-Is leveling post exposed?	
Y	N	40-Is there cracking in the leveling post? If so, record maximum crack size with gage	Small hair line 5/16
Y	N	41-Is there a four foot bench (level along) directly along the wall before the slope changes (Record Width)?	
Y	N	42-Is there a slope greater than V: 1.5 to H:1 in front of the wall? Please record slope and height of backfill above top of wall.	
Y	N	43-Is there a slope greater than V: 1.5 to H:1 below the wall? Please record slope and height of backfill below the wall.	
Y	N	44-Is there excessive degradation of panel face?	
MSE METAL CORROSION			
Required Tools: Non-Metal Camera, GPS, Zip Lock Bag, Trowel		Metal Corrosion	Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No		
Y	N/A	45-Is there excessive corrosion on girder/rod or other exposed metal that might indicate corrosive conditions?	
Y	N	46-Are there nigger nut slits on the face panels? Along joints? If so, record total number.	
Y	N	47-Are any internal straps exposed? Does there appear to be corrosion on these straps? If applicable please record the total number of straps affected.	
Y	N	48-Was a resistivity sample taken of exposed soil? If so, please indicate depth in inches.	
Y	N	49-Is there any indication of color corrosion (swelling bars, rust, exposed metal inside epoxy coating)? If so please record the total number of panels affected.	
MSE IMPACT/COLLISION PROTECTION			
Required Tools: Camera/GPS		Impact/Collision	Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No		
Y	N/A	50-Are guardrail wall protections in place at the base of the wall (to protect it from potential traffic hazards)?	
Y	N	51-Does it appear that the wall has been involved in an accident (replaced panel, recent damage in the wall)?	
Y	N	52-Does it appear the wall's functionality and integrity has been compromised by a collision or accident?	
MSE OBSTRUCTIONS IN REINFORCEMENT GEOMETRY			
Required Tools: Drawings		Obstructions in Reinforcement Geometry	Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No		
Y	N/A	53-Are there acute wall angles (<90)?	
MSE AS BUILT DIFFERENT FROM DESIGN			
Required Tools: Drawings, Camera, GPS		MSE as built different than design	Measurement/Extent of Problem/Location/Photo Numbers
Yes	No		
Y	N/A	54-Are there available drawings for the wall? Please indicate type (Situation and Layout, Design, As Built, etc.)	Layout
Y	N	55-Is the layout in general accordance with drawings?	
Y	N	56-Are the panels CIP (Cast in Place) Does there appear to be excessive cracking in the panels?	
Y	N	57-Was GEOF form used in the construction of the wall?	
Y	N	58-Are there any structures on or near wall that were not included in initial drawings?	
Y	N	59-Are there any irrigation, utilities, or intrusions that are not part of the initial drawings?	
Y	N	60-Have there been any excavations or evidence of excavations near the wall?	
Y	N	61-Have local property owners changed the dynamics of the wall (additional structures, irrigation, vegetation, etc.)?	
Y	N	62-Are there pits located in the wall (bridge abutment)?	

Pic 27 & 28 coupons?  
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