

ET-PLUS™ Systems

Guardrail End Treatment

Instructional Manual





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IMPORTANT: These instructions are to be used only in conjunction with the installation of the ET-PLUS" systems. These instructions are for standard installations specified by the appropriate state/specifying agency. In the event the specified systems installation requires or involves special circumstances, contact the appropriate state/specifying agency before proceeding. Trinity Highway Products, LLC. representative is available for consultation, if required.

This Manual must be available to the workers at all times. For additional copies, contact Trinity Highway Products, LLC. at 800-527-6050.

All information, illustrations, and specifications in this Manual are based on the latest ET-PLUS™ systems information available at the time of printing. We reserve the right to make changes at any time.

CUSTOMER SERVICE CONTACTS

Trinity Highway Products, LLC is committed to the highest level of customer service. Feedback regarding the ET-PLUS™ systems, their installation procedures, supporting documentation, and performance is always welcome. Our goal is to enhance highway safety through innovation. Additional information for materials and product specifications can be obtained by calling the telephone numbers or writing to the email address below:

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SUGGESTED SAFETY RULES FOR INSTALLATION - MAINTENANCE - REPAIR

* IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS *

Always keep this Manual in a location where it is easily accessed by persons who install, maintain, or repair the ET-PLUS™ systems.

SAFETY SYMBOLS

Below are the safety symbols that may appear on the ET-PLUS™ systems or in the documentation. Read the entire Manual for suggested safety, assembly, installation, maintenance, repair, and service information.

SYMBOL	MEANING	
<u></u>	SAFETY ALERT SYMBOL Indicates Danger, Warning, or Caution. Failure to read and follow the Danger, Warning, and Safety or Caution indicators could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.	
<u></u>	WARNING – READ MANUAL Read the Manual(s) and follow all warnings and safety instructions. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.	

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WARNINGS AND CAUTIONS

Read all warnings, cautions, and instructions before installing/maintaining/repairing the ET-PLUS™ systems.



IMPORTANT: READ SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY AND FOLLOW THE SAFE OPERATION PRACTICES WHILE INSTALLING THE ET-PLUST* systems. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.



WARNING: Read the instructions carefully, Be familiar with the complete instructions for the ET-PLUS™ systems before installing, maintaining, or repairing the ET-PLUS™ systems. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Ensure that the necessary traffic control is setup and any debris that has encroached onto the traveled way or shoulder has been removed, before beginning installation or repairs. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Be sure adequate time is available for complete installation, before beginning the installation process. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Do NOT perform installation, maintenance, or repair of the ET-PLUS™ systems when tired, ill, or under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or medication. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Do not install, maintain, or repair the ET-PLUSTM systems, until you have read this Manual thoroughly. Please call Trinity Highway Products, LLC at 800-644-7976, if you do not understand the installation instructions. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Use only Trinity Highway Products' parts on the ET-PLUSI™ systems for installation, maintenance, or repair. The installation or co-mingling of unauthorized parts is strictly prohibited. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with a system that has not been accepted by the Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA"). The ET-PLUSI™ systems and its component parts have been accepted for state use by FHWA. However, a co-mingled system has not been accepted.



WARNING: Do NOT modify the ET-PLUS™ systems in any way. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Do NOT perform installation, maintenance, or repair, if the ET-PLUS™ systems site, shoulder, or traveled area is covered or encroached by road debris. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Safety measures, incorporating traffic control devices, must be used to protect all personnel, while at the installation, maintenance, or repair site. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.



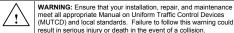
WARNING: Ensure that the entire work zone site is visible at all times. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.

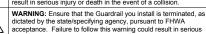


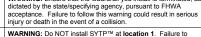
WARNING: Use caution when working near public roads. Be mindful of vehicles in motion nearby. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.



WARNING: Ensure that all Guardrail products and delineation used meet all federal, state/specifying agency, and local specifications. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.







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WARNING: Do NOT install 6'0" CRT post at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision

WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail panel to the post at location 1 in any of the ET-PLUS™ systems. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail to the HBA™ post at location 2. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

WARNING: Ensure that there is proper site grading for tube and post placement, as dictated by the state/specifying agency, pursuant to FHWA acceptance. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

WARNING: Ensure that all of the ET-PLUS™ systems Warnings, Cautions, and Important statements within the ÉT-PLUS™ systems Manual are completely followed. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision

WARNING: Always use safety precautions when performing installation, maintenance, repair, mixing chemicals, and/or moving heavy equipment. Wear steel toe shoes, gloves, safety goggles, and back protection. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders.

WARNING: Ensure all wood blocks or composite blocks used with steel posts are routered. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

WARNING: Ensure that this installation conforms with the guidance provided by the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, including, but not limited to, those regarding placement on curbs. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

WARNING: Any grout, backfill, or other materials (such as concrete, asphalt, or soil) must be low enough so as not to obstruct, constrain, or otherwise engage the bearing plate. Failure to eliminate the interaction of soil or materials with the bearing plate will hinder the performance of the ET-PLUS™ systems and could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

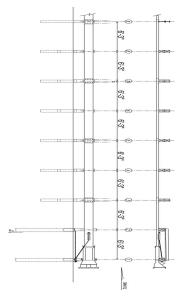
CAUTION: Ensure before installing, maintaining, or repairing the ET-PLUS™ systems that no parts are frayed, damaged, or broken. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury to the workers and/or bystanders.



KNOW YOUR ET-PLUS™ SYSTEMS

ET- PLUS™ (TL-3) 50' (15.24 m) SYSTEM

For specific installation, maintenance, or repair details, refer to the state/specifying agency's standard drawing(s).



(This drawing represents one (1) version of the 50' (15.24 m) systems)

Alternates for Foundation Tubes

At post **locations 1 and 2**, the alternates to long foundation tube without soil plate are:

- Hinged Breakaway™ ("HBA™") post
 - . Short tube with soil plate
 - HBA[™] post at location 1, Steel Yielding Terminal Post[™]
 ("SYTP[™]") at location 2
 - Long foundation at location 1, SYTP™ at location 2
 - Short foundation with soil plate at location 1, SYTP™ at location 2

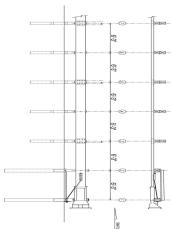
The alternate to two (2) 12' 6" (3.81 m) long rail elements is one (1) 25' 0" (7.62 m) long rail element.

For post locations 3 through 8 (50' (15.24 m) system), alternates are:

- All short tubes without soil plates and breakaway wood posts
- All HBA™ posts
- · All CRT posts
- All SYTP™
- Any combination of above options, as accepted by the FHWA and dictated by the state/specifying agency

ET-PLUS™ (TL-3) 37' 6" (11.43 m) SYSTEM

For specific installation, maintenance, or repair details, refer to the state/specifying agency's standard drawing(s).



(This drawing represents one (1) version of the 37' 6" (11.43 m) systems)

Alternates for Foundation Tubes and Posts

At post **locations 1 and 2**, the alternates to long foundation tube without soil plate are:

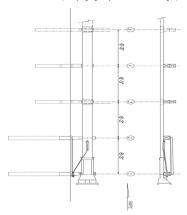
- HBA™ post
- HBA™ post at location 1 and SYTP™ at location 2
- Long foundation tube or short tube with soil plate at location 1 and SYTP™ at location 2

For post **locations 3 through 7** (37' 6" (11.43 m) system), alternates are:

- · All short tubes without soil plates and breakaway wood
- All HBA[™] posts (HBA[™] post required at location 8)
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 All CRT posts
- All SYTP™ (SYTP™ required for location 8)
- Any combination of above options, as accepted by the FHWA and dictated by the state/specifying agency

ET-PLUS™ (TL-2) 25' (7.62 m) SYSTEM

For specific installation, maintenance, or repair details, refer to the state/specifying agency's standard drawing(s).



(This drawing represents one (1) version of the 25' (7.62 m) systems)

Alternates for Foundation Tubes, Rail Panels, and Posts

At post locations 1 and 2, the alternates to long foundation tube without soil plate are:

- HBA™ post
 - HBA™ post at location 1 and SYTP™ at location 2
 - Long foundation tube or short tube with soil plate at location 1 and SYTP™ at location 2

The alternate to two (2) 12 $^{\circ}$ (3.81 m) long rail elements is one (1) 25 $^{\circ}$ (7.62 m) long rail element.

For post **locations 3 through 4** (25' (7.62 m) system), alternates are:

- Short steel foundation tubes without soil plates and breakaway wood posts or SYTP™ in tubes
- All HBA™ posts
- All CRT posts
- All SYTP™

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ET-PLUS™ SYSTEMS

(For specific materials and quantities, see state/specifying agency's option(s))

PN	Description
9G	12/12.5'/6' 3"/S (2.67/3.81/1.905/S) (Guardrail)
32G	12/12.5"/6' 3"/S (2.67/3.81/1.905/S) ANC (Guardrail)
60G	12/25'/6' 3"/S (2.67/7.62/1.905/S) (Guardrail)
62G	12/25'/6' 3"/S (2.67/7.62/1.905/S) ANC (Guardrail)
704A	Cable Anchor Bracket
705G	Pipe Sleeve - 2" STD Pipe x 5 ¹ / ₂ " (50 STD Pipe x 150 Pipe)
740G*	6" x 8" x 4' 6" x ³ / ₁₆ (152 x 203 x 1375 x 4.8) Tube Sleeve
749G	6" x 8" x 6' 0" x ³ / ₁₆ (152 x 203 x 1830 x 4.8 Tube
	Sleeve (Alternate to using 740G and 766G)
766G*	18" x 24" x 1/4" (460 x 610 x 16) Soil Plate
782G	8" x 8" x ⁵ / ₈ " (200 x 200 x 16) Bearing Plate
995A	ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head)
3000G	Cable (Assembly) 3/4" x 6' 6" (19 x 1981)
3300G	5/8" (16) Round Washer
3340G	5/8" (16) HGR Nut
3360G	⁵ / ₈ " DIA. X 1 ¹ / ₄ " (16 DIA. x 35) Splice Bolt (HGR)
3478G	5/8" DIA. x 71/2" (16 DIA. x 190) Hex Head Bolt
3497G	5/8" DIA. x 91/2" (16 DIA. x 240) Hex Head Bolt
3500G	5/8" DIA. x 10" (16 DIA. x 255) HGR Post Bolt
3580G	5/8" DIA. x 18" (16 DIA. x 460) HGR Post Bolt
3701G	3/ ₄ " (19) Washer
3704G	3/4" (19) HEX Nut
3717G	3/4 " x 21/2" (19 x 75) Hex Head Bolt (High Strength)
3718G	3/4" x 3" (19 x 75) Hex Head Bolt (High Strength)
3900G	1" (25) Round Washer
3910G	1" (25) Hex Nut
4063B	Wood Post 6" x 8" x 6' 0" (150 x 200 x 1830) CRT
4075B	Wood Block 6" x 8" x 14" (150 x 200 x 360) DR
4076B	Wood Block - 6" x 8" x 14" (150 x 200 x 360) DR
4147B	Wood Post - 5 ¹ / ₂ " x 7 ¹ / ₂ " x 3' 9" (140 x 190 x 1145)
4254G	³/ ₈ " (10) Round Washer
4255G	³ / ₈ " (10) Fender Washer 1 ¹ / ₂ " OD (38)
4258G	³ / ₈ " (10) Lockwasher
4261G	³ / ₈ " DIA. X 1 ¹ / ₂ " (10 x 38) Hex Head Bolt
4228B	3/8" x 4" (10 x 100) Lag Screw
4388G	⁷ / ₁₆ " (11) Hex Nut
4389G	7/ ₁₆ " (11) Round Washer
4390G	⁷ / ₁₆ " DIA. x 1 ¹ / ₂ " (11 x 38) GR. 5 Hex Head Bolt
4393G	7/ ₁₆ " (11) Lockwasher
5148G	3/ ₄ " DIA. X 9 ¹ / ₂ " (19 DIA. x 240) Hex Head Bolt (High Strength)
4699G	3/4" (19) Lockwasher

PN	Description	
6321G	3/8" x 2' (10 x 50) Hex Head Bolt (High Strength)	
6405G	3/8" (10) Hex Nut	
6907B	Polymer Block 4" x 7 ¹ / ₂ " x 14" (100 x 187 x 350) [King	
	Block]	
	3' 65/8" SYTP Stub	
	6' Steel Yielding Terminal Post (SYTP)	
	ET HBA Post #1 Top	
	ET HBA Post #1 and #2 Bottom	
	ET HBA Post #3 - #8 Bottom	
33877A#	ET HBA Post #2 - #8 Top	
	Strut (and Yoke Assembly)	
	6' 6" (1980) Angle Strut ET HBA	
33795G#	6' 6" (1980) Angle Strut	
	6' 7 ¹ / ₂ " (1980) Angle Strut	
33847G#	6' 9 ¹ / ₈ " Angle Strut	

^{*} Option to the 6'0" Post Sleeve Tube

Delineation Options

PN	Description	
6206B	Right Side 13" x 27 1/2" (325 x 700) Reflective Sheeting	
6207B	Left Side 13" x 27 1/2" (325 x 700) Reflective Sheeting	
	Either Side 12" x 12" (305 x 305) Reflective Sheeting (Typically 2 required)	

Review the state/specifying agency's standard drawings of these systems, for details that are specific to the project or site locations.

INSTALLING THE ET-PLUS™ SYSTEMS

Use Trinity Highway Products' drawings for the ET-PLUS™ systems with these instructions. Review the state/specifying agency's standard drawings of this system. Details will be specific to the project or site locations.



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WARNING: Ensure that there is proper site grading for tube and post placement, as dictated by the state/specifying agency, pursuant to FHWA acceptance. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphait. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Do NOT install 6'0" CRT post at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Do NOT install SYTP™ at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Ensure that all Guardrail products and delineation used meet all federal, state/specifying agency, and local specifications. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

MATERIALS

As packaged, the ET-PLUS™ systems include all materials needed for a complete installation. This will include either a 50′ (15.24 m) system, 37′ 6″ (11.43 m) system, or 25′ (7.62 m) system pay limit, unless otherwise specified in the contract plans. Note that concrete footings or foundations are not required.

TOOLS REQUIRED

The following list shows recommended tools for installation of the ET-PLUS™ systems:

- ⁹/₁₆" (14 mm) Socket or Wrench
- 15/16" (24 mm) Socket or Wrench
- 1¹/₄" (32 mm) Socket or Wrench
- 1¹/₂" (38 mm) Socket or Wrench
- Augers
- · Post Pounders (commonly used in driving posts)
 - Locking Pliers
- Tape Measure

The following list shows recommended tools for the repair of the ET-PLUS™ systems. However, since repair is directed by the state/specifying agency, they may have more specific guidelines.

- · Acetylene torch to cut off extruded rail
- Heavy-duty chain to remove the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head)
- · Locking Pliers or channel lock pliers
- Sledge hammer
- · Post removal tool and other normal guardrail tools
- Eye bolts connected to heavy duty chain (to remove the posts from tubes)
- Vehicle to pull the Extruder from the damaged rail

SITE PREPARATION

When the Guardrail is installed in-line with edge of the shoulder (without any offset), a 25:1 or flatter straight flare over the length of the systems can be used to position the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) further away from the edge of the shoulder. Minor site grading may be necessary for installations beyond the edge of the shoulder, for the proper placement of the steel tubes and the CRT posts. Use the state/specifying agency's standard specifications and drawings for the site grading. Trinity does not direct grading. Complete all grading before the start of the installation of the ET-PLUS™ systems. See INSTALLATION OF THE ET-PLUS™ SYSTEMS ON A CURVE section for the layout of the ET-PLUS™ systems on a curve.



WARNING: Ensure that there is proper site grading for tube and post placement, as dictated by the state/specifying agency, pursuant to FHWA acceptance. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

INSTALLATION



WARNING: Ensure that this installation conforms with the guidance provided by the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, including, but not limited to, those regarding placement on curbs. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

For installation of the ET-PLUS™ systems, see POST INSTALLATION section. If the systems are installed on a curve, see INSTALLATION OF THE ET-PLUS™ SYSTEMS ON A CURVE. When installing the ET-PLUS™ systems outside or inside the curve, the ET must be straight over the length of the systems. If there are special field conditions encountered when installing the ET-PLUS™ systems, contact the state/specifying agency's engineer. Trinity Highway Products LLC., at 1-800-644-7976, is available to assist the state/specifying agency, if needed.

POST INSTALLED IN RIGID MATERIAL

Provide the proper leave out (specified area of open space in the pavement) around a post when installing the post in any thickness of concrete or asphalt. The top surfaces of any grout or other backfill placed in the rigid material "leave out" MUST be low enough so that it does not engage the anchor cable bearing plate at Post 1 or otherwise obstruct/constrain the ³/₈" shear bolts or the ³/₈" hinge bolts of the HBA Post.

For "leave-out" information, please consult the applicable state/specifying agency. Additional source of "leave-out" information/details can be found in the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Memorandum B64-B, dated 3-10-04. Trinity can provide this FHWA memo upon request.



WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphait.

INSTALLATION OF THE ET-PLUS™ SYSTEMS ON A CURVE

When the ET-PLUS™ systems are installed on a curve, use the following layouts. All offsets are measured to the face of the rail. Under no circumstances shall the guardrail within the ET-PLUS™ pay limit be curved.

- Outside the curve: With the line guardrail installed parallel to the curve, the terminal end is offset from the curve a distance equal to the line guardrail offset plus the value in Table 1. (See state/specifying agency drawings for details.)
- Inside the curve (radius Greater than 1000 feet): With the line guardrail installed parallel to the curve, the terminal end is offset from the curve a distance equal to the line guardrail offset plus the value in Table 1. (See state/specifying agency drawings for details.)
- Inside the curve (radius 1000 feet or Less): With the line guardrail
 installed parallel to the curve, the terminal end is offset from the

curve a distance equal to the line guardrail offset plus 1 foot maximum in Table 1. (See state/specifying agency drawings for details.)

50 Feet 2 Feet 2 Feet 1 Foot 37 Feet 6 Inches 1.5 Feet 1.5 Feet 1 Foot 25 Feet 1 Foot 1 Foot 1 Foot	ET™ Length	Outside the Curve Max Offset	Inside the Curve With a Radius Greater Than 1000 Feet Max Offset	Inside the Curve With a Radius 1000 Feet or Less Max Offset
	50 Feet	2 Feet	2 Feet	1 Foot
25 Feet 1 Foot 1 Foot 1 Foot	37 Feet 6 Inches	1.5 Feet	1.5 Feet	1 Foot
7-11-4	25 Feet	1 Foot		1 Foot

POST INSTALLATION

Complete the following steps when installing wood CRT posts, foundation tubes with wood posts, HBA™ posts, and SYTP™. When installing posts in rigid pavement, see the POST INSTALLED IN RIGID MATERIAL section.



WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a

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NSTA	LLING TH	E WOOD CRT POSTS
Comple	ete the follo	wing steps to install the wood CRT posts:
Step		Actions
1.	systems, s	wood posts (PN-4063B) at locations required for the spaced at 6' 3" (1270 mm) apart. Select Option A or o install the CRT posts.
	Option A	Drive posts into the ground.
	Option B	Drill 12" (300 mm) maximum diameter pilot holes approximately 44" (1120 mm) deep. Insert the 6' 0" (1830 mm) wood posts into these holes. Backfill the holes with compactable materials in 6" (150 mm) lifts and compact with pneumatic equipment to optimum compaction.
		ither option within Step 1, the bottom of the upper $3^1/2^n$ ole in the post is approximately at the finished grade.
	<u></u>	WARNING: Do NOT install 6'0" CRT post at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.
	<u>:</u>	WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

PLACING FOUNDATION TUBES FOR WOOD OR SYT™ POSTS

Complete the following steps to install foundation tubes and Wood or SYT™ posts:

	posts.	Actions
Step 1.	Select Option A or Option B for this tube installation.	
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	Option A	For 6' 0" (1830 mm) Tube without Soil Plate Install the foundation tube (PN-749G), per Step 2 below.
		2. For 4' 6" (1375 mm) Tube without Soil Plate
		(locations 3 through 8, locations 3 through 7, or locations 3 through 4)
		 Install the soil tube (PN-740G), per Step 2 below.
	Option B	1. For 4' 6" (1375 mm) Tube with Soil Plate (locations 1 & 2)
		Assemble the soil tubes and soil plates. Bolt the soil plate (PN-766G) to the foundation tube (PN-740G) with two ⁵ / ₈ " x ⁷ / ₂ " (16 mm x 190 mm) Hex Head Bolts (PN-3478G) and ⁵ / ₈ " (16 mm) HGR Nuts (PN-3340G) (no washers). Install the foundation tube (PN-766G) with soil plate, per Step 2 below.
		For 4' 6" (1375 mm) Tube without Soil Plate (locations 3 through 8, locations 3 through 7, or locations 3 through 4) Install the soil tube (PN-740G), per Step 2 below.
		not over tighten the nuts and deform the tubes, this will e post replacement.
	<u></u>	WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.
2.	as a guide utilized, po	foundation tubes at locations 1 and 2 . Use the strut for the spacing of the tubes. If the soil plate is soition it on the downstream side of the post (away npact head).
		not drive tubes with the wood post inserted, this will e post replacement.

INSTALLATION OPTIONS FOR FOUNDATION TUBES FOR WOOD OR SYT™ POSTS

Complete the following steps to install foundation tubes and Wood or SYT™ posts:

FOR PERMEABLE SOIL		
Step	Actions	
1.	If the soil is permeable (water will drain from the tubes), drive the tubes (with an appropriate driving head) to the optimum height, where the top of the tube is $2^5/_8$ " (67 mm) above the finished grade.	
	Note: Take extra care to prevent settlement or lateral displacement of the tubes, to ensure the posts attach to the Guardrail, correctly.	
2.	Ensure that the finished Guardrail height will be approximately $27^3 l_a$ " (706 mm) above the finished grade, or as the state/ specifying agency plans indicate.	
3.	Ensure that the tubes do not project more than 4" (100 mm)	



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FOR NON-PERMEABLE SOIL

Cton		Actions
Step	0-1+ 0-	Actions
1.	permeab	otion A, Option B, or Option C below, if soil is non-
	Option	For 6' Tube Only
	Α	 Drill a 12" (300 mm) maximum diameter pilot
		hole approximately 75" (1905 mm) deep.
		Insert the tube into the hole to the optimum
		depth, where the top of the tube is 25/8" (67 mm)
		above the finished grade.
		For 4' 6" Tube with Soil Plate
		Drill a 12" (300 mm) maximum diameter pilot
		hole approximately 57" (1450 mm) deep.
		Insert the soil plate/tube assembly into the hole
		by impact or vibratory means with an
		appropriate driving head.
		Insert the tube to the optimum depth of where
		the top of the tube is 25/8" (67 mm) of the above
		the finished grade.
		For 4' 6" Tube without Soil Plate
		Drill a 12" (300 mm) maximum diameter pilot
		hole approximately 57" (1450 mm) deep.
		Insert the tube into the hole to the optimum
		depth, where the top of the tube is 25/8" (67 mm)
		above the finished grade.
	Option	For 4' 6" Tube with Soil Plate
	В	Cut slots for the soil plates out by hand or by using a
		rock bar and then follow all of the steps of Option A
		for 4' 6" tube with soil plate, above.
	Option	For 4' 6" Tube with Soil Plate
	С	Drill three adjacent 12" (300 mm) maximum
		diameter holes or one 24" (610 mm) maximum
		diameter hole to accommodate the soil plate/tube
		assembly and then follow all of the steps of Option A
		for 4' 6" tube with soil plate, above.
	Note: Ta	ke extra care to prevent settlement or lateral
		nent of the tubes, to ensure the posts attach to the
		, correctly.
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	\wedge	WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified
		area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is
	∠ • \	reserved and filled with state/specifying agency
		approved backfill material that will not prevent
		movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement
		such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death
		in the event of a collision.
-	Doolefill th	ne hole with compactable materials in 6" (150 mm) lifts
2.		ne note with compactable materials in 6" (150 mm) lifts bact with pneumatic equipment to optimum compaction.
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above the finished grade.

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Ensure that the finished Guardrail height will be approximately 273/4" (706 mm) above the finished grade, or as the state/specifying agency plans indicate.

Ensure that the tubes do not project more than 4" (100 mm)

INSTALLING HBA™ BOTTOM POSTS

Complete the following steps to install HBA™ Bottom Posts:

Step		Actions
1.	Arrange the posts so that the large hole (13/16" [21 mm]) is placed	
	downstream (away from the impact end of the systems).	
2.	Adjust the offset to Post 2 , if the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head)	
	causes a gap between the rail panel and Post 2.	
	Note: The	e rail panel must be within 1/2" (13 mm) of Post 2 .
3.	Select Op	tion A or Option B for this installation.
	Option	 Drive the HBA™ Bottom Posts (PN-33873A,
	Α	PN-33874A) with an approved driving head
		to the appropriate depths. The appropriate
		depth will be approximately 72" (1830 mm)
		for post PN-33873A, at Posts 1 and 2 and
		44" (1120 mm) for post PN-33874A, at Posts 3 through 8, Posts 3 through 7, or Posts 3
		through 4.
	Option	For HBA™ Bottom Posts (PN-33873A) at Posts 1
	В	and 2
		Drill a 12" (300 mm) maximum diameter pilot
		hole approximately 72" (1830 mm) deep.
		For HBA™ Bottom Posts (PN-33874A) at Posts 3
		through 8, Posts 3 through 7, or Posts 3 through
		4
		Drill a 12" (300 mm) maximum diameter pilot
		hole approximately 44" (1120 mm) deep. 2. Insert the posts to the appropriate depth by
		impact or vibratory means with an appropriate
		driving head.
		Backfill the hole with compactable materials in 6"
		(150 mm) lifts and compact with pneumatic
		equipment to optimum compaction.
	Note: In e	either option, the optimum depth will have the ¹³ / ₁₆ " (21
		in the post plates (ears) even with the finished grade.
		WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified
	/!\	area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is
		reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any
		posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of
		concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could
		result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

INSTALLING FOUNDATION TUBES, HBA™ POSTS, OR SYTP™ WHEN ENCOUNTERING ROCK

Complete the following steps to install foundation tubes, HBA™ posts or

SYTP™ when encountering rock:		
Step		Actions
1.	Select Option A or Option B below when encountering rock, unless there is a more restrictive state/specifying agency specification.	
	Option A	If rock is encountered with depth of 20" (510 mm) or less mm) or less 1. Drill a 12" - 16" (300 mm - 400 mm) diameter hole into the rock. 2. Drill the hole 2" (50 mm) deeper than the required embedment depth. 3. Place granular material or small pieces of the drilled rock in the bottom 2" (50 mm) of the hole for drainage.
		Continues on next page.

 Install the tube/post into the hole. Backfill the hole with compactable materials in 6" (150 mm) lifts and compact with pneumatic equipment to optimum compaction.

Note: If compactable, the material removed from the hole may be used for the backfill.

Option B

If rock is encountered with depth greater than 20" (510 mm)

- Drill a 12" 16" (300 mm 400 mm) diameter hole 22" (560 mm) deep into the rock.
- Cut off the embedded portion of the tube/post so the Guardrail will be installed at the proper mounting height.
- Place granular material or small pieces of the drilled rock in the bottom 2" (50 mm) of the hole for drainage.
- Install the tube/post in the hole. Backfill the hole with compactable materials in 6" (150 mm) lifts and compact with pneumatic equipment to optimum compaction.

Note: If compactable, the material removed from the hole may be used for the backfill.



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INSTALLING WOOD POSTS IN TUBES

Complete the following steps to install wood posts in tubes

Complete the following steps to install wood posts in tubes:			
Step	Actions		
1.	Insert Pipe Sleeve (PN-705G) in post (PN-4147B) and install the		
	wood post in the steel tube at location 1.		
2.	Install wood post(s) (PN-4147B) in tubes at locations required		
	for the systems, as dictated by the state/specifying agency.		
3.	Insert a 5/8" x 91/2" (16 mm x 240 mm) Hex Head Bolt (PN-		
	3497G) through the foundation tube and the wood post at all		
	locations EXCEPT locations 1 and 2.		
	Note: The bolt must be installed from the embankment side, to		
	aid in possible post replacement.		
4.	Place a 5/8" (16 mm) HGR Nut (PN-3340G) on the end of the		
4.			
	inserted bolt.		
5.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position.		
	Note: Do not over tighten the holts and deform the tubes, this		



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INSTALLING HBA™ TOP POSTS

will complicate post replacement.

Complete the following steps to install the HBA $^{\rm TM}$ Top Posts, after the Bottom Posts have been installed:

AT POST 1

Step	Actions		
1.	Install the Top Post (PN-33871A) at Post 1 , by aligning the holes of the post plates (ears) on the Top and Bottom Posts.		
	Note: The Top Post's post plates (ears) can be installed on either side of the Bottom Post's post plates (ears).		
2.	Insert a ${}^{3}/_{8}$ " (10 mm) diameter x 2" (50 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-6321G) through the ${}^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) holes of the		

	post plates (ears) on the Top and Bottom Posts.
3.	Place a 3I_8 " (10 mm) Washer (PN-4252G) and a 3I_8 " (10 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4258G) under a 3I_8 " (10 mm) Hex Nut (PN-6405G) on the inserted bolts to secure.
	Note: The bolts can be installed so the nuts are on the inside or outside of the post plates (ears).
4.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly.
5.	Insert a 3 / ₄ " (19 mm) diameter x 2 / ₂ " (63 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-5148G) in the 13 / ₁₆ " (21 mm) hole of the HBA TM Post 1 post plates on the side opposite the strut.
	Do not install the $^3/_4$ " (19 mm) bolt on the strut side of Post 1 , until the strut is ready to be installed.
	Note: The bolts can be installed so the nuts are on the inside or outside of the post plates (ears).
6.	Place a $^{3}l_{*}$ " (19 mm) Washer (PN-3701G) and a $^{3}l_{*}$ " (19 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4699G) under a $^{3}l_{*}$ " (19 mm) Hex Nut on the inserted bolt to secure.
7.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly.

AT POST 2

04	Actions
Step	
1.	Install the Top Post (PN-33877A) at Post 2 , by aligning the holes of the post plates (ears) on the Top and Bottom Posts.
2.	Insert a $^3/_8$ " (10 mm) diameter x 2" (50 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-6321G) in the $^7/_{16}$ " (11 mm) holes.
	Note: For the bolt opposite the strut, install it so the nut is on either side of the post plates (ears). For the $^3/e^*$ (10 mm) bolt that is on the side of the strut, install the bolt through the post plates (ears) with the bolt head on the same side as the strut.
3.	Place a $^{3}l_{8}$ " (10 mm) Washer (PN-4251G) and a $^{3}l_{8}$ " (10 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4258G) under a $^{3}l_{8}$ " (10 mm) Hex Nut (PN-6405G) on the inserted bolts to secure.
4.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly.
5.	Insert a 3 / ₄ " (19 mm) diameter x 2 ½" (63 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-5148G) through the 13 / ₁₆ " (21 mm) hole of the HBA TM Post 2 post plates on the side opposite the strut.
	Do not install the $^3/_4$ " (19 mm) bolt on the strut side of Post 2 , until the strut is ready to be installed.
	Note: The bolts can be installed so the nuts are on the inside or outside of the post plates (ears).
6.	Place a ³ / ₄ " (19 mm) Washer (PN-3701G) and a ³ / ₄ " (19 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4699G) under a ³ / ₄ " (19 mm) Hex Nut on the inserted bolt to secure.
7.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly.

AT POSTS 3 THROUGH 8, POSTS 3 THROUGH 7, OR POSTS 3 AND

4	
Step	Actions
1.	Arrange the Top Posts (PN-33877A), for Posts 3 through 8 , Posts 3 through 7 , or for Posts 3 through 4 , by aligning the holes of the post plates (ears) on the HBA™ Top and Bottom Posts, if used.
2.	Insert a $^{3}/_{8}$ " (10 mm) diameter x 2" (50 mm) Hex Head Bolt (PN-6321G) through in the $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) holes of the post plates (ears).
3.	Place a $^{3}/_{8}$ " (10 mm) washer (PN-4254G) and a $^{3}/_{8}$ " (10 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4258G) under a $^{3}/_{8}$ " (10 mm) Hex Nut (PN-6405G) on the inserted $^{3}/_{8}$ " diameter Hex Head Bolt.
4.	Insert a 3 / $_{4}$ " (19 mm) diameter x 2 / $_{1}$ " (63 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-6321G) through the 13 / $_{16}$ " (21 mm) holes.
	Note: The bolts can be installed so the nuts are on either side of the post plates (ears).

- Place a 3/4" (19 mm) Washer (PN-4252G) and a 3/4" (19 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4258G) under 3/4" (19 mm) Hex Nut on the inserted 3/4" (19 mm) diameter Hex Head High Strength Bolt to secure
- Tighten the nuts to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly.

INSTALLING THE SYTP™

The SYTP™ can be driven or installed in a tube. For SYTP™ installation in a tube, see the INSTALLING THE SYTP™ IN TUBES section. The SYTP™ can be installed at all locations EXCEPT at location 1.

Complete the following step to install the SYTP™:



WARNING: Do NOT install SYTP™ at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision

DRIVING THE 6' SYTP™

Step	
1.	Drive all the 6'0" SYTP™ (PN-14578) to the optimum depth,
	where the centers of the four (4) yielding holes through the
	flange are at the ground line.



WARNING: Do NOT install SYTP™ at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



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NSTALLING THE SYTP™ IN TUBES			
Step	Actions		
1.	Install the 3' 6^{9} /s" SYTP(s) TM (PN-14329) in tubes, as dictated by the state/specifying agency.		
	?	WARNING: Do NOT install SYTP™ at location 1. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.	
	<u></u>	WARNING: Ensure that the proper Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.	
2.	Follow the instructions in the INSTALLING THE STRUT section, Step 5.		
3.	Except at Posts 1 and 2 , install the SYTP™ in a tube at locations required for the systems with the four (4) yielding holes (through the flange) at the top of the tube.		
4.	From the embankment side of the tube, insert a $^5/_8$ " x $9^1/_2$ " (16 mm x 240 mm) Hex Head Bolt (PN-3497G) through the tube, the Spacer (PN-4161), and the SYTP TM .		
5.		" (16 mm) HGR Nut (PN-3340G) on the inserted bolt, the SYTP™ to the tube.	
	Note: Do not over tighten the nut and deform the tube, this will complicate post replacement.		

INSTALLING THE STRUT

Complete the following steps when installing the strut:

Note: For All strut installations, the installer must provide a shallow valley/trough for installation of the strut, since a portion of the angle strut will be below grade.

INSTALLING THE STRUT WITH HBA™ POSTS/SYTP™ Complete the following steps to install the strut with HBA™ posts/SYTP™:

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Step		Actions	
1.		Angle Strut (PN-33875G for HBA™, or PN-33795G for	
	HBA™/SYTP™) on the outside flanges of the HBA™ posts or the SYTP™ at locations 1 and 2 . (Use PN-33875G with the		
	The SYTP™ at locations 1 and 2. (Use PN-33875G with the HBA™ posts or the HBA™ post/SYTP™ in a tube. Use PN-		
	33795G with the HBA TM post/SYTP TM .)		
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		strut can be placed with one of the legs flat on the bund or with the leg edge on the ground. The strut may	
		installed either on the traffic side or the field side of	
		e posts.	
2.	Install a 3/	" (19 mm) diameter x 2 ½" (63 mm) Hex Head High	
	Strength E	Bolt (PN-3717G) in the ¹³ / ₁₆ " (21 mm) hole of the	
	HBA™ Pc	ost 1 post plates. Place the bolt through the top and	
		ost's post plates and through the strut.	
3.		" (19 mm) Washer (PN-3700G) and a 3/4" (19 mm)	
		er under a 3/4" (19 mm) Hex Nut on the end of the bolt	
4.	to secure.		
4.		e nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not date a torque requirement.)	
5.		tion A, Option B, or Option C below, for installing the	
	strut on pe	ost 2:	
	Option	For HBA™ post at location 2	
	Α	1. Insert a ³ / ₄ " (19 mm) diameter x 3" (75 mm) Hex	
		Head High Strength Bolt (PN-3718G) through the strut, two or three 3/4" (19 mm) Washers (PN-	
		3701G), and the ¹³ / ₁₆ " (21 mm) holes of the	
		HBA™ post plates of Post 2 . (The two or three	
		washers allow the strut to pass over the 3/8" (10	
		mm) bolt head.)	
		2. Place a ³ / ₄ " (19 mm) washer and a ³ / ₄ " (19 mm)	
		Lockwasher (PN-4699G) under a 3/4" (19 mm)	
		Hex Nut (PN-3704G) on the inserted bolt. 3. Tighten the nuts to a snug position. The designer	
		does not recommend a torque requirement for	
		the HBA field assembly.	
	Option	For 6' SYTP™ only at location 2	
	В	1. Place a 7/16" (11 mm) Round Washer (PN-4389G)	
		on the two (2) ⁷ / ₁₆ " (11 mm) diameter x 1 ¹ / ₂ " (38 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolts (PN-4390G).	
		Place the bolts in the two slotted holes of the strut	
		and the yielding diameter holes of the SYTP™.	
		 Place a Lockwasher (PN-4699G) under a ⁷/₁₆" 	
		Hex Nut (PN-3704G) on the ends of the inserted	
		bolts. 4. Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer	
		 Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not recommend a torque requirement.) 	
	Option	For 3' 6 ⁵ / ₈ " SYTP™ in tube at location 2	
	С	 Place a ³/₄" (19 mm) Washer (PN-3701G) on 	
		diameter x 91/2" (240 mm) Hex Head High	
		Strength Bolt (PN-3718G).	
		From the embankment side, insert the bolt through the strut, foundation tube, Spacer (PN-	
		4161), and the SYTP™.	
		Place a washer under a nut on the end of the	
		inserted bolt.	
		Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer	
		does not recommend a torque requirement.)	
		Note: Do not over tighten the bolts and deform the	
		tubes, this will complicate post replacement.	

INSTALLING THE STRUT WITH WOOD CRT POST IN TUBE AT POST 1 AND SYTP™/ SYTP™ IN TUBE AT POST 2

Complete the following steps to install the strut with wood post in soil tube at Post 1 and SYTP™/ SYTP™ in tube at Post 2:

AT POST 1

Step	Actions		
1.	Place the angle strut (PN-33795G) on the embankment side of the SYTP™. (The strut can be placed with one of the legs flat on the ground or with the leg edge on the ground.)		
2.	Place a $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) Round Washer (PN-4389G) on the two (2) $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) diameter x $^{1}/_{2}$ " (38 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolts (PN-4390G).		
3.	Insert the two bolts through the two slotted holes of the strut and the yielding diameter holes of the SYTP™, at Post 2 .		
4.	Place a ⁷ / ₁₆ " (11 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4393G) under a ⁷ / ₁₆ " (11 mm) Hex Nut (PN-4388G) on the ends of the inserted bolts.		
5.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not recommend a torque requirement.)		

FOR ANGLE STRUT WITH 6' SYTP M ONLY AT POST 2			
Step	Actions		
1.	Place the angle strut (PN-33795G) on the embankment side of the SYTP™. (The strut can be placed with one of the legs flat on the ground or with the leg edge on the ground.)		
2.	Place a $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) Round Washer (PN-4389G) on the two (2) $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) diameter x $^{1}/_{2}$ " (38 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolts (PN-4390G).		
3.	Insert the two bolts through the two slotted holes of the strut and the yielding diameter holes of the SYTP™, at Post 2 .		
4.	Place a $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) Lockwasher (PN-4393G) under a $^{7}/_{16}$ " (11 mm) Hex Nut (PN-4388G) on the ends of the inserted bolts.		
5.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not recommend a torque requirement.)		

FOR ANGLE STRUT WITH SYTP™ IN TUBE AT POST 2			
Step	Actions		
1.	Place the angle strut (PN-33795G) on the embankment side of the tube. (The strut can be placed with one of the legs flat on the ground or with the leg edge on the ground.)		
2.	Place a $^{3}l_{4}$ " (19 mm) Washer (PN-3701G) on a $^{3}l_{4}$ " (19 mm) diameter x $9^{1}l_{2}$ " (240 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-4699G).		
3.	From the embankment side, insert the bolt through the strut, foundation tube, Spacer (PN-4161), and the SYTP™ at Post 2 .		
4.	Place a $^{3}l_{4}$ " (19 mm) Washer (PN-3701G) under a $^{3}l_{4}$ " (19 mm) Hex Nut on the end of the inserted bolt.		
5.	Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not recommend a torque requirement.)		
	Note: Do not over tighten the bolts and deform the tubes, this will complicate possible post replacement.		

INSTALLING THE STRUT WITH WOOD POSTS IN SOIL TUBE

Complete the following steps to install the strut with wood posts in soil tubes:

Step	Actions		
1.	Select the Option A or Option B for installing the strut with wood posts in soil tubes:		
	Option	For angle strut	
	Α	Place the angle strut (PN-33875G) on the embankment side of the foundation tubes.	
		 Place a ³/₄" (19 mm) Washer (PN-3701G) on a ³/₄" (19 mm) diameter x 9 ¹/₂" (240 mm) Hex Head High Strength Bolt (PN-5148G). 	

- From the embankment side, insert the bolt through the strut, the foundation tube, and the wood post.
- Place a second washer under a ³/₄" (19 mm) Hex Nut (PN-3704G) on the end of the inserted bolt.
- Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not recommend a torque requirement.)

Option For channel ground strut

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- Place the slotted yokes of the ground strut (PN-9852A) over the foundation tubes, at the base of Posts 1 and 2.
- Place a ⁵/₈" (16 mm) Round Washer (PN-3300G) on a ⁵/₈" (16 mm) diameter x 9¹/₂" (240 mm) Hex Head Bolt (PN-3497G).
- From the embankment side, insert the bolt through the strut, foundation tube, and the wood post.
- Place a second washer under a ⁵/₈" (16 mm) HGR Hex Nut on the end of the inserted
- Tighten the nuts to a snug position. (The designer does not recommend a torque requirement.)

Note: Do not over tighten the bolts and deform the tubes, this will complicate possible post replacement.

INSTALLING OFFSET BLOCKS AND RAIL PANELS

The ET-PLUS™ systems use 25' 0" (7.62 m) rail panels (PN-60G and/or PN-62G) or 12' 6" (3.81 m) rail panels (PN-9G and/or PN-32G). The state/specifying agency standards must be reviewed for what systems to use.



WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail panel to the post at location 1 in any of the ET-PLUS™ systems. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail to the HBATM post at **location 2.** Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

SPLICING THE RAIL PANELS

Complete the following steps to splice the rail panels:

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Step	Actions
1.	Lap the terminal rail in the direction of traffic, unless the
	state/specifying agency's policy dictates otherwise.
2.	Splice the rail panels together with eight (8) 5/8" x 11/4" (16 mm x
	32 mm), HGR Splice Bolts (PN-3360G), and 5/8" (16 mm) HGR
	Hex Nuts.
3.	Tighten the bolts. (There is no torque requirement.)

INSTALLING THE OFFSET BLOCK AND RAIL PANEL TO WOOD POSTS (POSTS 3 THROUGH 7 OR 8)

Complete the following steps to attach the offset blocks and rail panels to the wood post:

Step	Actions			
1.	At locations with wood posts and wood blocks, insert a ${}^{5}l_{8}^{"}$ (16 mm) diameter x 18" (460 mm) HGR Post Bolt (PN-3580G) through the rail panel, offset block (PN-4075B), and the post. Note: Offset blocks are NOT used at post locations 1 and 2, but are used at all other locations.			
	WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail panel to the post at location 1 in any of the ET-PLUS™ systems. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.			
2.	Place a $^5/_8$ " (16 mm) Round Washer (PN-3300G) under a $^5/_8$ " (16 mm) HGR Nut (PN-3340G).			
3.	Tighten the bolts. (There is no torque requirement for these bolts.)			
4.	Secure the offset block by toe nailing the block to the post or the post to the block, with two (2) 16d hot-dipped galvanized nails approximately 3" (75 mm) from the top of the post or block, one on each side, to prevent it from rotating.			

INSTALLING THE OFFSET BLOCK AND RAIL PANEL TO HBA™ POSTS OR SYTP™ (POSTS 3 THROUGH 7 OR 8)

Complete the following steps to attach the offset blocks and rail panels to the HBA™ post or SYTP™:

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Step	Actions					
1.	At locations with HBA Posts or SYTP™ with wood blocks, insert a $^{5}/_{8}$ (16 mm) diameter x 10" (255 mm) HGR Post Bolt (PN-3500G) through the rail panel, Routered Wood (PN-4076B) or Composite Blockout, and the HBA™ post or SYTP™.					
	Note: Offset blocks are NOT used at post locations 1 and 2 For SYTP™ stubs, there are two (2) sets of holes in the SYTP™ for attaching the rail. Use the holes in the SYTP™ stub that will place the rail at the correct height.					
	<u>\rightarrow</u>	WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail panel to the post at location 1 in any of the ET-PLUS™ systems. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.				
	<u></u>	WARNING: Ensure all wood blocks or composite blocks used with steel posts are routered. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.				
2.	Place a 5/8" (16 mm) Round Washer (PN-3300G) under a 5/8" (16 mm) HGR Nut (PN-3340G) on the inserted bolt.					
3.	Tighten the bolts. (There is no torque requirement for these bolts.)					

INSTALLING THE RAIL PANEL TO THE POST WITHOUT OFFSET BLOCK AT POST 2

Complete the following steps to attach the rail panel to the post without offset block at Post 2:

Step	Actions				
1.	Select the Option A, Option B, or Option C to install the rail panel without offset block at Post 2 :				
	Option A For Wood Post	Insert a ⁵ / ₈ " (16 mm) diameter x 10" (255 mm) HGR Post Bott (PN-3500G) through the rail and the wood post at location 2. Place a ⁵ / ₈ " (16 mm) Round Washer (PN-3300G) under a ⁵ / ₈ " (16 mm) HGR Nut (PN-340G) on the inserted bolt. Tighten the bolts. (There is no torque requirement for these bolts.)			
	Option B For SYTP™	Insert a ⁵ / ₈ " (16 mm) diameter x 1 ¹ / ₄ " (31 mm) HGR Blot (PN-3360G) through the rail panel and the hole in the SYTP™. Note: For SYTP stubs, use the hole in the SYTP™ that will place the rail at the correct height. (If there are two (2) sets of holes in the SYTP™ stub for attaching the rail.)			
		2. Place a $^{5/8}$ " (16 mm) Round Washer (PN-3300G) under a $^{5/8}$ " (16 mm) HGR Nut (PN- 3340G) on the inserted bolt.			
	Option C For HBA™ Post	 Do NOT bolt the rail panel to the HBA™ post at location 2. 			
		WARNING: Do NOT bolt the rail to the HBA™ post at location 2 . Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.			

INST	ALLING THE CABLE ANCHOR ASSEMBLY			
insertin slots in pulling hooks/l	ble Anchor Bracket (PN-704A) is secured to the rail panel, by g the square protruding hooks/lugs on the bracket into the square the rail panel. The Cable Anchor Bracket is locked into place, by the bracket towards the impact end of the unit, making sure the ugs are well seated into the square holes. tet the following steps to install the cable anchor assembly:			
Step	Actions			
1.	Slide one end of the cable (PN-3000G) into the Cable Anchor Bracket and the other end through Post 1 .			
2.	Place a 1" (25 mm) Washer (PN-3900G) and 1" (25 mm) Hex Nut (PN-3910G) on the end of the cable that extends through the Cable Anchor Bracket. Turn the nut, until at least 2 threads are completely through the nut.			
3.	Place the Bearing Plate (PN-782G) on the impact side of Post 1 where the cable extends through the post. The cable bearing plate MUST BE oriented with the "long" dimension turned up. The hole in the bearing plate is off center (in the vertical direction), 5" (125 mm) from one edge and 3" (75 mm) from the opposite edge.			
4.	If applying the Bearing Plate (PN-782G) to a wood post at Post 1, drive two nails along the top edge of the Bearing Plate and bend over to prevent the Bearing Plate from rotating.			
	WARNING: Any grout, backfill, or other materials (such as concrete, asphalt, or soil) must be low enough so as not to obstruct, constrain, or otherwise engage the bearing plate. Failure to eliminate the interaction of soil or materials with the bearing plate will hinder the performance of the ET-PLUS™ systems and could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.			
5.	Place a 1" (25 mm) washer under a nut on the end of the cable extending through Post 1 .			
6.	Restrain the cable with locking pliers at the end being tightened, to avoid twisting the cable.			
7.	Tighten the Hex Nuts on the cable ends, until the cable is taut.			
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- The cable is considered taut, when it does not deflect more than 1 inch when pressure is applied by hand in an up or down direction.
- The shank portion of the anchor cable MUST BE positioned 8. so it bears on the bottom edge of the web of the HBA post. The shank portion of the anchor cable must also be centered horizontally so that the bearing plate bears uniformly on both flanges of Post 1.

INSTALLING THE ET-PLUS™ EXTRUDER (HEAD)

Comple	ete the follo	wing ste	eps to install the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head):			
Step			Actions			
1.	Place the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head (PN-995A)) over the end of the rail panel as the final piece to attach to the assembly.					
	Note: The ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) can be used on the left or right hand shoulder.					
2.	rail panel,	Push the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) as far as it will go on the rail panel, making sure the rail is in the channel chute.				
3.	Install the ET-PLUS™ Extruder channel chute approximately parallel to the ground. The attachment brackets have 3 holes in each bracket to provide tolerance in the installation.					
4.	Select the Option A or Option B for the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) installation:					
	Option A	1. 2. 3.	ood post Place the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) against the wood post, at location 1. Choose the hole in the bracket that is closest to the center of the post. Drill a ¹/₄ (6 mm) pilot hole to avoid breaking the lag screw during installation. Screw one (1) ³/₅" (10 mm) diameter x 4" (100 mm) Lag Screw (PN-4228B) in the top and bottom bracket. The lag screw must be screwed into the post to prevent it from pulling out or cracking the post.			
	Option B	1. 2. 3.	against the HBA™ post, at location 1 . Place a ³/ ₈ " (10 mm) Round Washer (PN- 4254G) on a ³/ ₈ " (10 mm) diameter x 1¹/ ₂ " (38 mm) Hex Head Bolt (PN-4261G).			

DELINEATION OPTION FOR THE ET-PLUS™

Install high intensity reflective sheeting (PN-6206B [Right Side] or PN-6207B [Left Side]) on the front face of the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head), per the state/specifying agency's MUTCD for options or proper delineation. Alternate reflective sheeting is PN-6668B. The alternate reflective sheeting requires two pieces and must be rotated for proper delineation

Note: The reflective sheeting is an option to the ET-PLUS [™] and needs to be ordered separate from the ET-PLUS[™] package.



WARNING: Ensure that your installation, repair, and maintenance meet all appropriate Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and local standards. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

INSTALLATION CHECKLIST PROJECT: STATE: DATE: LOCATION: The Leaveout (specified area of open space in the pavement) around the posts is reserved and filled with state/specifying agency approved backfill material that will not prevent movement, for any posts installed in rigid pavement such as any thickness of concrete or asphalt The finished Guardrail height is approximately 27³/₄" above the finished grade, or as the state/specifying agency plans indicate. Any site grading needed was completed, before the start of the installation of the ET-PLUS[™] systems. The steel tubes or post plates (ears) to the HBA™ Bottom Posts do not protrude more than 4" (100 mm) above the finished grade measured by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials ("AASHTO") 5" (1.5 m) cord method. Site grading may be necessary to meet this requirement. The ³/₄" bolts connecting the tops of the HBA™ Bottom Posts to the bottoms of the HBA™ Top Posts are tightened to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly The %* bolts connecting the tops of the HBA™ Bottom Posts to the bottoms of the HBA™ Top Posts are tightened to a snug position. The designer does not recommend a torque requirement for the HBA field assembly. ☐ The bolts at the top of the steel tubes are not over tightened. The walls of the steel tubes are not collapsed. If an angle strut was utilized, the bolts connecting the angle strut are HIGH STRENGTH. The ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) is pushed as far as it will go on the rail panel. ensuring the panels fully engage with the channel chute. The two bolts holding the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) to Post 1 are snug and the Extruder channel chute is approximately parallel to the finished grade. The Cable Anchor Bracket is locked into place, by pulling the bracket towards the impact end of the unit, making sure the hooks/lugs are well seated into the square holes ☐ The shank portion of the anchor cable MUST BE positioned vertically, up flush against the bottom web of the top section of the HBA post. The shank portion of the cable MUST also be centered horizontally so that the bearing plate bears uniformly on both flanges of Post 1. Any grout, backfill, or other materials (such as concrete, asphalt, or soil) must be low enough so as not to obstruct, constrain, or otherwise engage the bearing plate. The Hex Nuts on the cable ends are tighten, until the cable is taut. The cable is considered taut, when it does not deflect more than 1 inch when pressure is applied by hand in an up or down direction. The Bearing Plate (PN-782G) is placed on the impact side of Post 1 where the cable extends through the post. The cable bearing plate MUST BE oriented with the "long" dimension turned up. The hole in the bearing plate is off center (in the vertical direction), 5" (125 mm) from one edge and 3" (75 mm) from the opposite edge. The top surfaces of any grout or other backfill placed in the mowstrip "leave out" must be low enough so that it does not engage the bearing plate or otherwise obstruct/constrain the 3/8" shear bolts or the 3/4" hinge bolts of the HBA Post Any wood offset blocks used have been toe nailed to the wood posts. If backfilled, the backfill material around the posts is properly compacted. ■ Each HBA™ post has two bolts on either side of the post with the larger bolt downstream of the smaller bolt (away from the impact head). ☐ The SYTP™ holes are at the finished grade. The CRT post has two 31/2" (90 mm) breakaway holes (checked prior to installation). They are located parallel to the roadway with the top hole located approximately at the finished grade. ☐ The tube bolts are installed with the nuts on the pavement side of the tube for ease of ☐ The rail panels are lapped correctly and not attached to the posts at locations identified for the system installed. ■ The reflective sheeting is correctly positioned on the Extruder face. Ensure that this installation conforms with the guidance provided by the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, including, but not limited to, those regarding placement on curbs

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS

* IMPORTANT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR INSTRUCTIONS *

Always keep the Manual in a location where it is easily accessed by persons who install, maintain, or repair the ET-PLUS™ systems. If you have any questions concerning the information in this Manual or about the ET-Plus™ systems, contact the state/specifying agency, then Trinity Highway Products, LLC. at 800-527-6050.



WARNING: Use only Trinity Highway Products' parts on the ET-PLUS™ systems for installation, maintenance, or repair. The installation or co-mingling of unauthorized parts is strictly prohibited. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with a system that has not been accepted by the Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA"). The ET-PLUS™ systems and its component parts have been accepted for state use by FHWA. However, a co-mingled system has not been accepted.



WARNING: Ensure that the necessary traffic control is setup and any debris that has encroached onto the traveled way or shoulder has been removed, before beginning installation or repairs. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.



WARNING: Safety measures, incorporating traffic control devices, must be used to protect all personnel while at the installation, maintenance, or repair site. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death to the workers and/or bystanders. Trinity Highway Products offers an economical and effective truck mounted attenuator, the MPS-350, for the protection of workers in work zones. For more information on the MPS-350, call 800-644-7976 or visit the Trinity Highway Products website at www.highwayguardrail.com.



WARNING: Do NOT perform installation, maintenance, or repair if the ET-PLUS™ systems site, shoulder, or traveled area are covered or encroached by road debris. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision



WARNING: Ensure that all Guardrail products and delineation used meet all federal, state/specifying agency, and local specifications. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a collision.

MAINTENANCE

Comple system	ete the following steps, periodically, to check the safety of the :		
Step	Actions		
1.	Ensure the nuts have not been removed from the cable. Replace nuts, if needed.		
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2.	Ensure the end fitting on the anchor cable MUST BE positioned vertically, up flush against the bottom web of the top section of the post. The end fitting of the cable MUST be centered horizontally so that the bearing plate bears uniformly on both flanges of Post 1.		
3.	Ensure the cable is taut. The cable is considered taut, when it does not deflect more than 1 inch when pressure is applied by hand in an up or down direction. Tighten, if needed.		
4.	Ensure the bearing plate has not rotated. Note: The cable bearing plate MUST BE oriented with the "long" dimension turned up. The hole in the bearing plate is		

- off center (in the vertical direction), 5" (125 mm) from one edge and 3" (75 mm) from the opposite edge.
- 5. Ensure wood blocks are in place and in good condition, as defined by the state/specifying agency.
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 6. Ensure the blockouts have not rotated. Correct the blockout position and reinstall the 16d hot-dipped galvanized nails, if needed.

REPAIR

Complete the following steps to repair the ET-PLUS™ systems:



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- Take inventory of the damaged systems and determine what parts are reusable, as defined by the state/specifying agency and what parts need to be replaced.
- Check the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) for damage. (It is normally reusable.)
- Check the anchor cable and Cable Anchor Bracket for damage. (The Bearing Plate, nuts, washers, and Cable Anchor Bracket are rarely damaged.)
- Obtain the Trinity Highway Products' parts that need to be replaced from Trinity Highway Products, LLC. (See TOOLS REQUIRED section for list of recommended tools for the repair of the ET-PLUS™ systems.)



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- **6.** Return to the repair site with the replacement parts and tools needed.
- Cut off the extruded rail near the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head). Do not cut the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) from the non-extruded rail.
- Secure a chain to the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head).
- Attach the chain to a truck frame while the other end of the rail is still connected to the downstream posts (away from the impact head) to provide anchorage.
- 10. Pull the ET-PLUS™ Extruder (Head) off the rail.
- 11. Remove any damaged rail
 - 12. Remove the broken posts from the steel tubes
 - 13. Remove all damaged CRT, SYTP™, or HBA™ posts.
 - Undamaged HBA[™] posts can be reset.

 14. Remove and discard any rubber bumpers or construction legs

encountered on damaged systems.

15. Reconstruct the systems following the installation instructions, after the site has been cleared of damaged debris.



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16. Install proper delineation for the repaired systems in accordance with the state/specifying agency's MUTCD.



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