



Grading Design and Modeling at Bridge Abutments

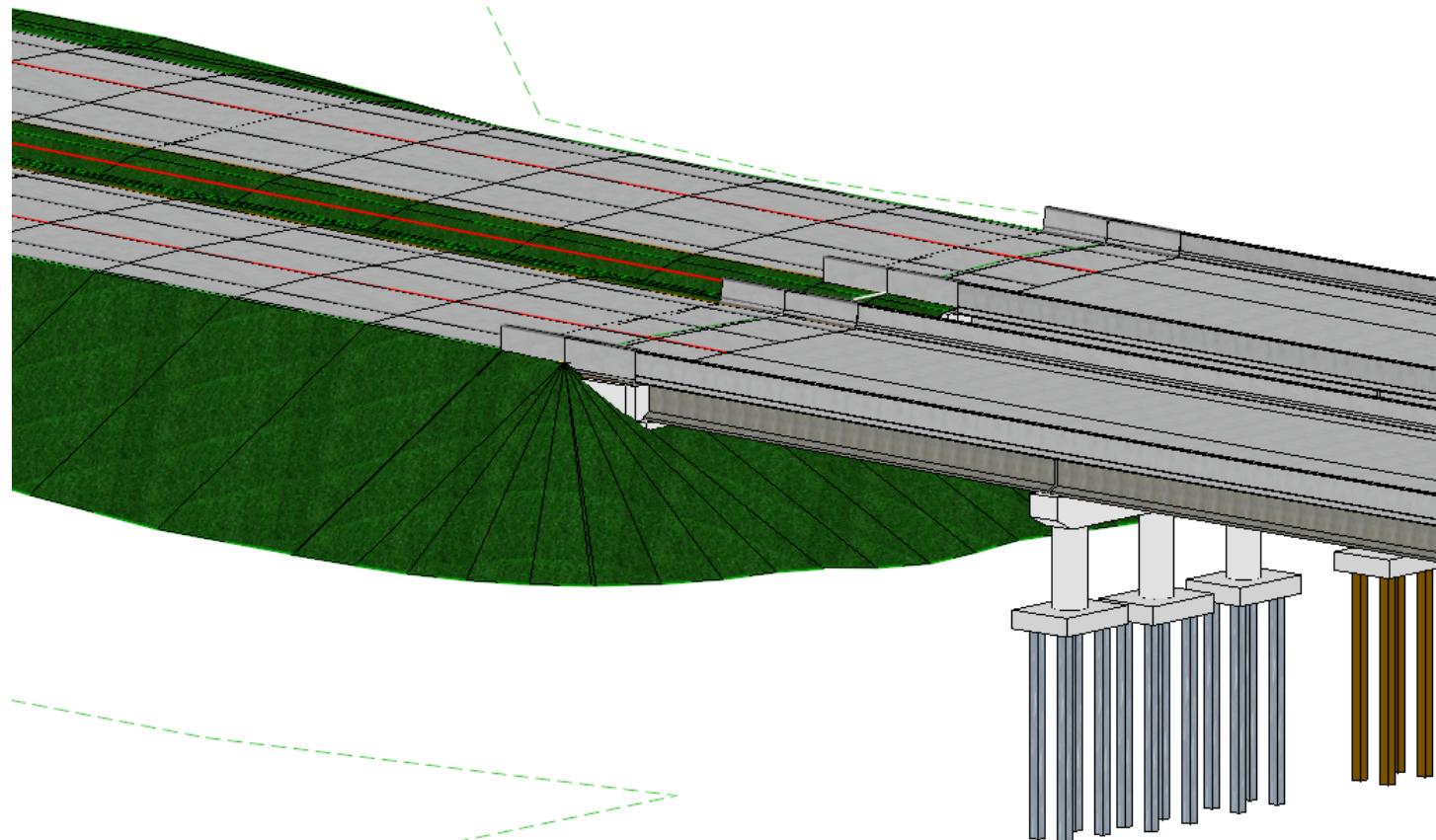
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Objective

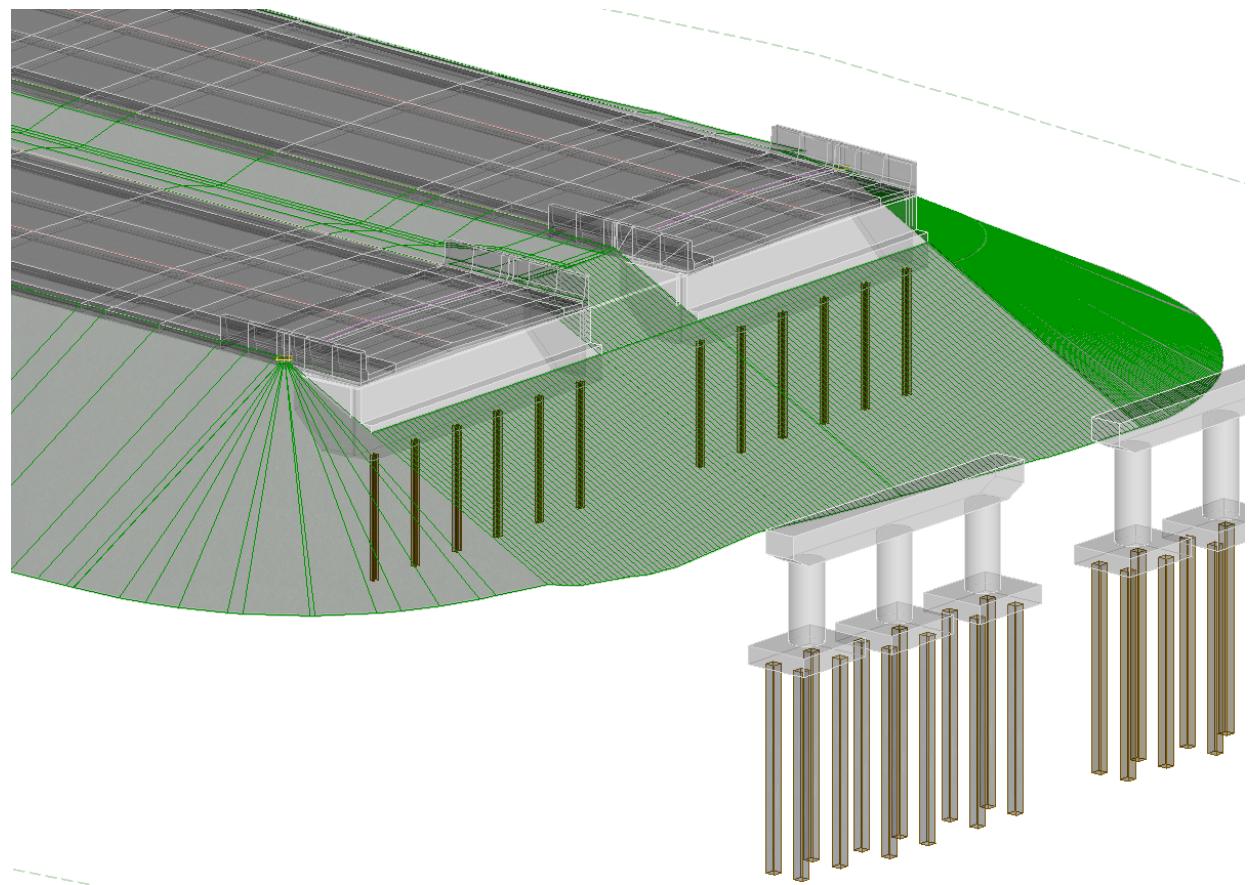
- To learn tools and techniques for modeling grading around bridge abutment areas



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Agenda

- Create 3D Terrain by Slope
 - Simple Grading
 - Top Down Method
 - Detailed Grading
 - Down-Up Method
- Linear Templates
 - Slopewall Grading
 - Retaining Walls



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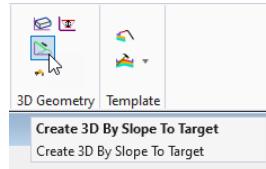
3D Terrain



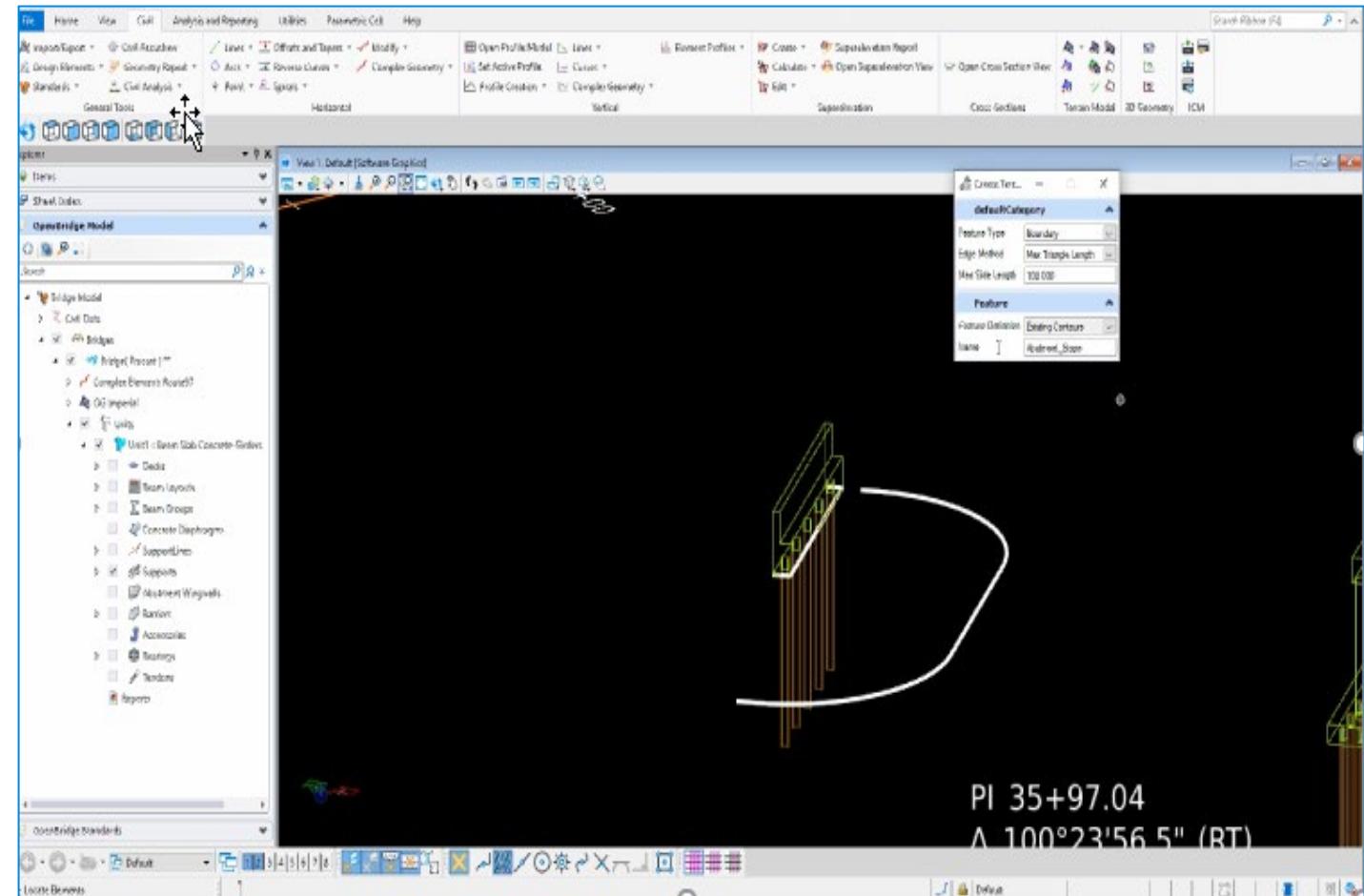
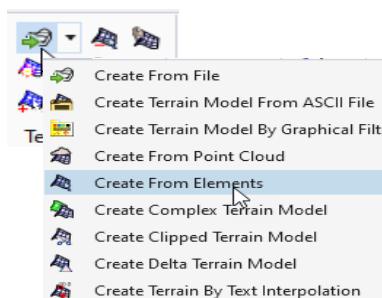
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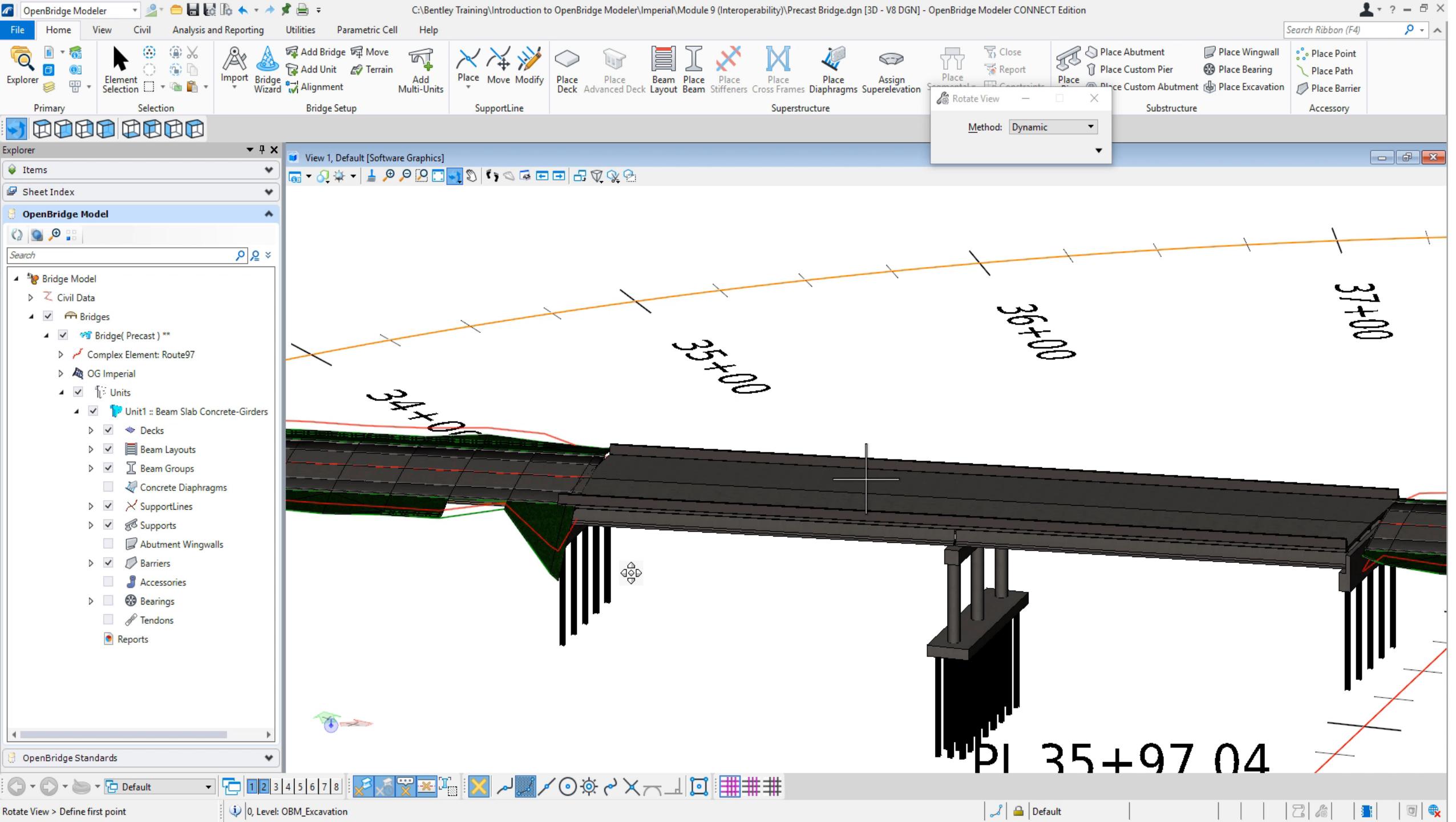
- Place Smartline around the bottom of the abutment.

- Under the Civil tab, use



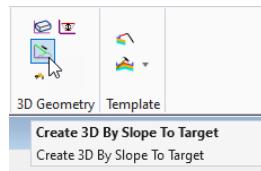
- Create a new terrain from elements, using the bottom "smartlined" abutment (breakline) and the projected slope (boundary).



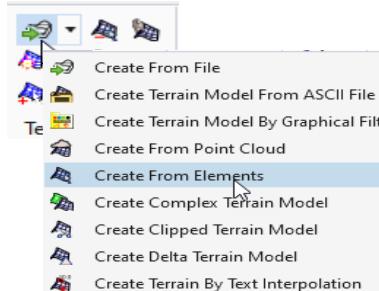


Simple Grading and Earthworks

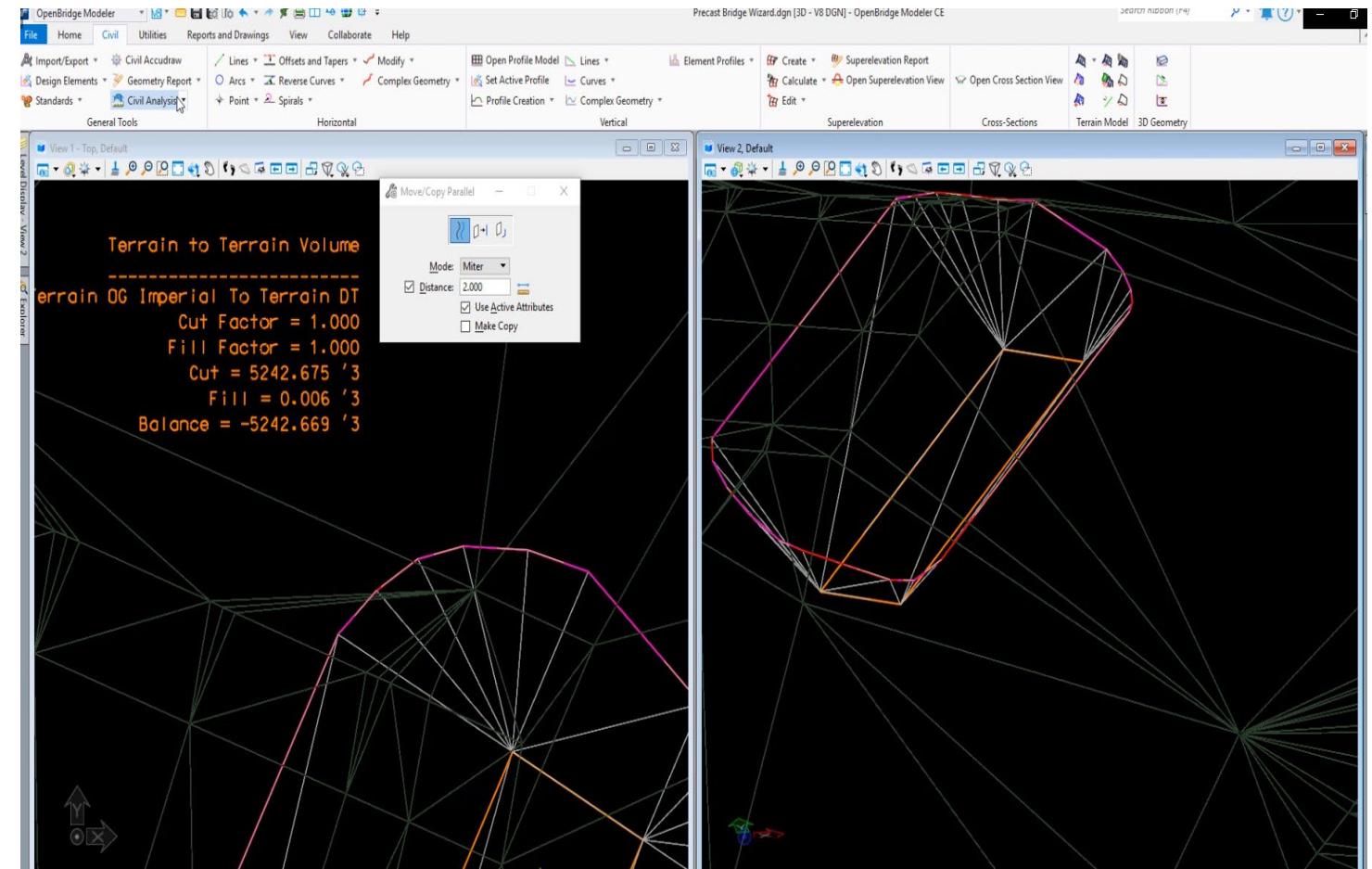
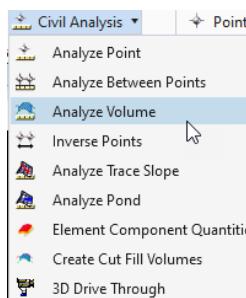
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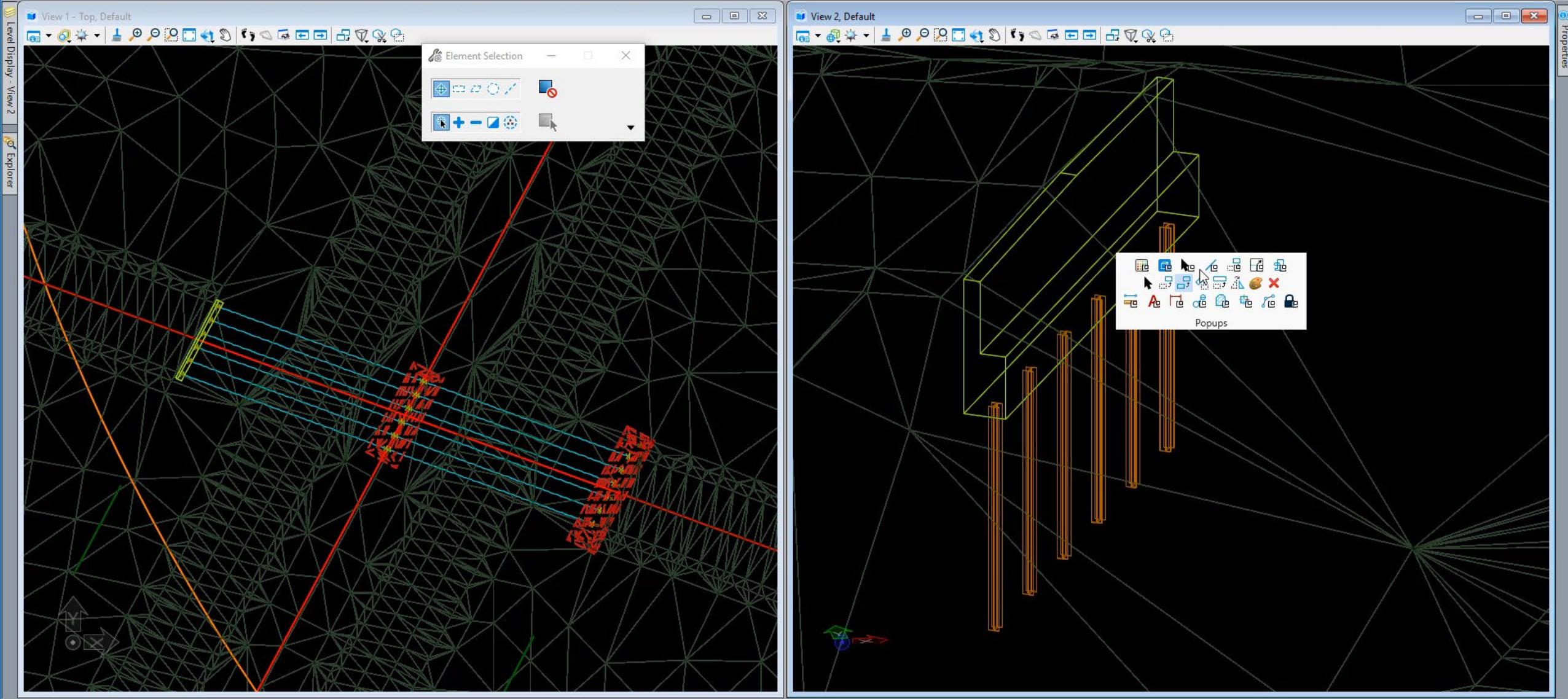


- Create a new terrain from elements, using the bottom "smartlined" abutment (breakline) and the projected slope (boundary).



- Under Civil Analysis>Analyze Volume using the ground data against the new graded terrain.





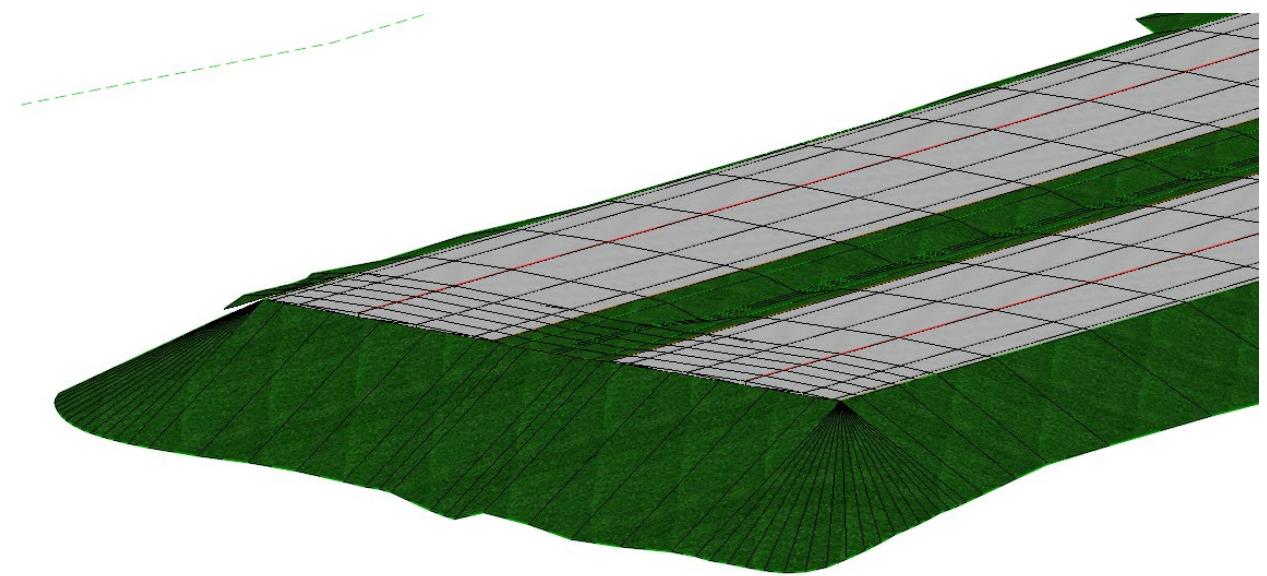
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Linear Templates

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Simple Grading – Top Down Method

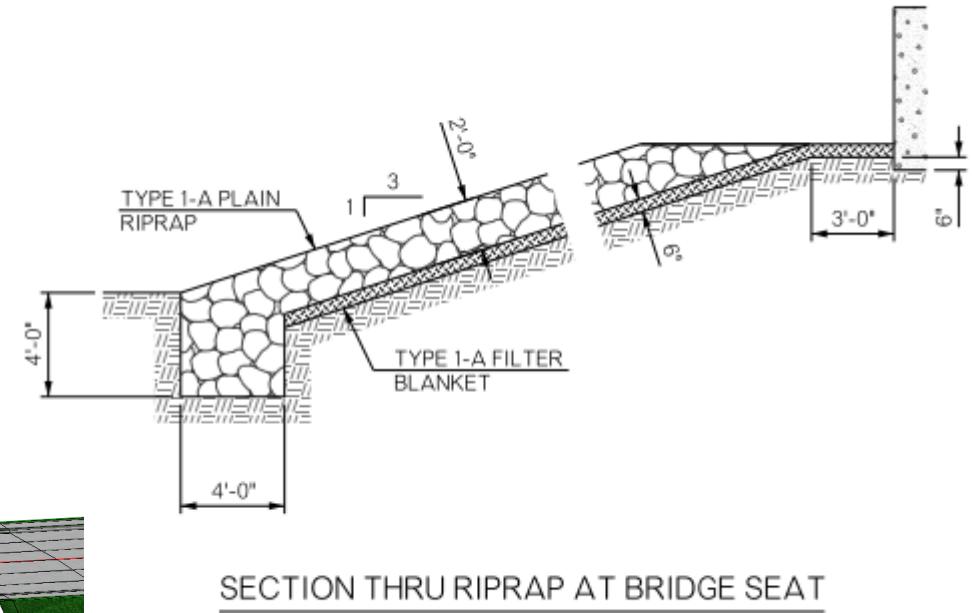
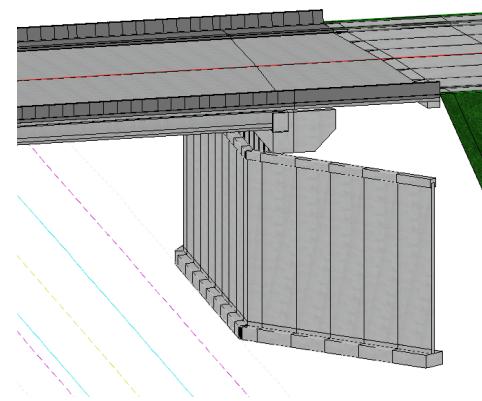
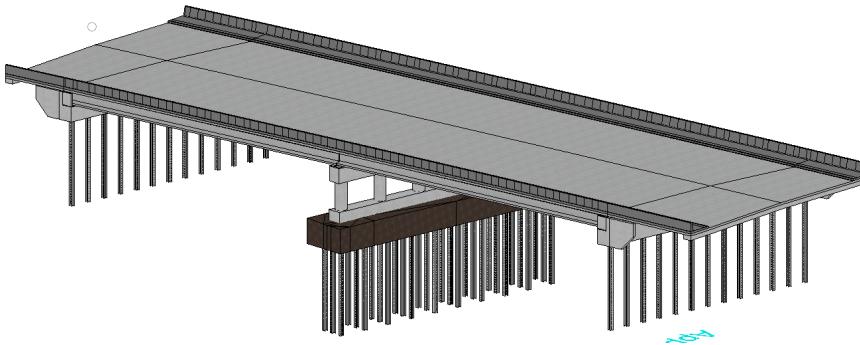
- Establish horizontal geometry at approx. location of abutment
- Establish vertical geometry along top or bottom of corridor
- Apply linear template along horizontal geometry to create 2:1 grading slopes to existing terrain
- Good for preliminary engineering



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Detailed Grading – Top Down Method

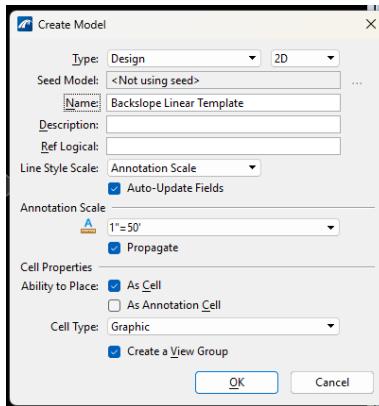
- Needs Civil geometry: alignment and profile.
- Create alignment using a 2D Design Model.
- Create a profile.
- Apply a linear template
 - Template can be as complex as need, including attaching item types for additional design data



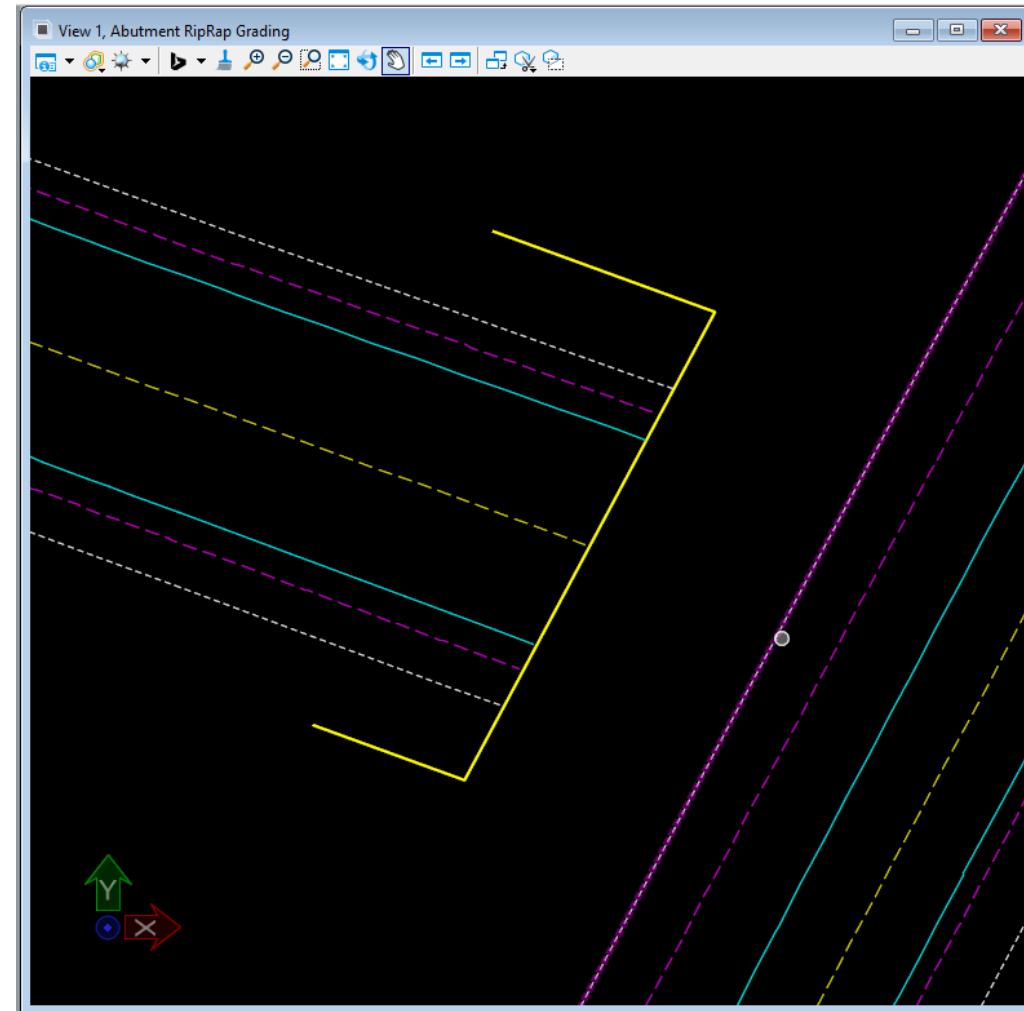
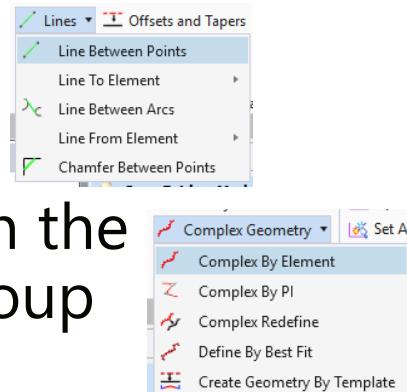
** Work selecting the 2D elements. See the results in 3D

Linear Templates – Slopewall / Rip Rap

- Starting with 2D model, we will reference our bridge and terrain files



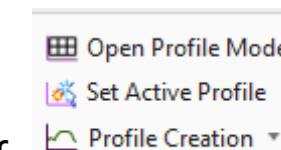
- Then we will create horizontal geometry using Civil Lines and Complex Geometry in the Horizontal Ribbon Group



Linear Templates – Slopewall / Rip Rap

- Next, we create profile using vertical civil geometry in the Vertical Ribbon Group

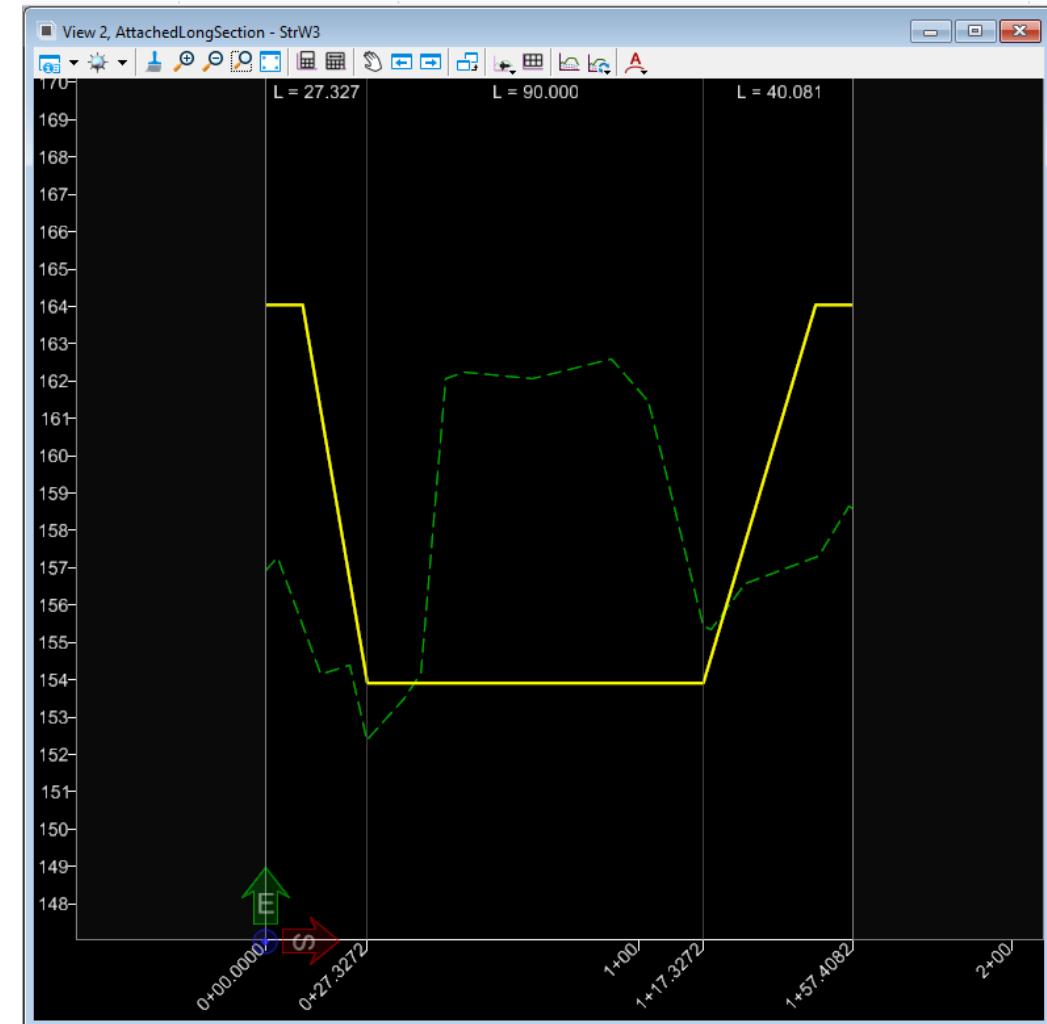
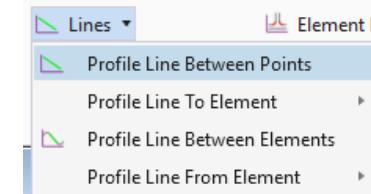
- Open a profile view with the Open Profile Model tool, and select a view represent the model.



- Assign vertical lines with elevation based off Bridge Geometry and existing or proposed terrain.

- Complex geometry when completed

- Set the Vertical Profile Active



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Bridge Reporting

Element Selection

Properties

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- Terrain_Existing.dgn.Default

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Isometric

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- Isometric Lock: False

Locks

- ACS Plane: False

Working Units

- Format: MU
- Master Unit: US Survey Feet
- Master Unit Label: "
- Sub Unit: US Survey Inches
- Sub Unit Label: "

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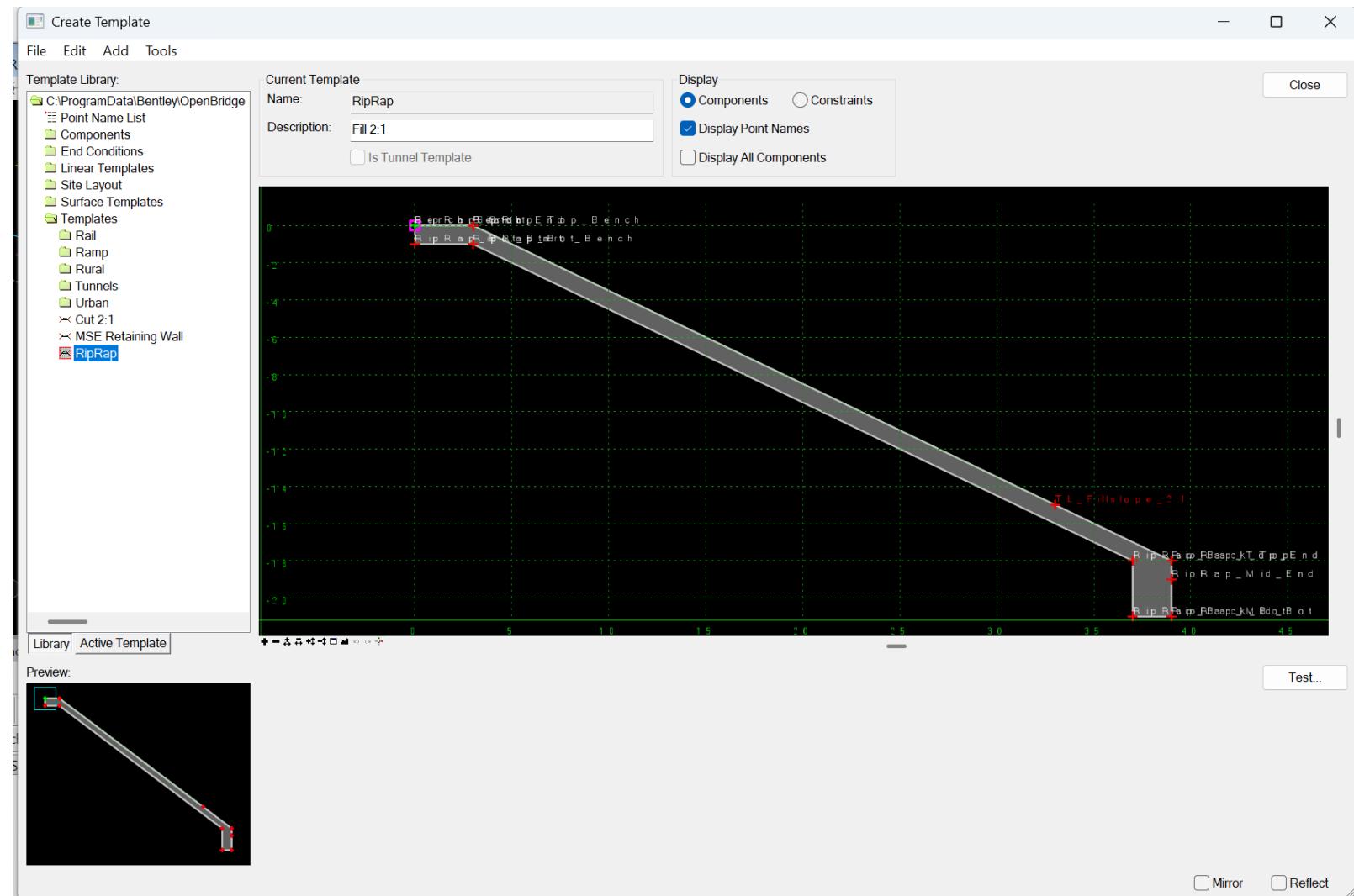
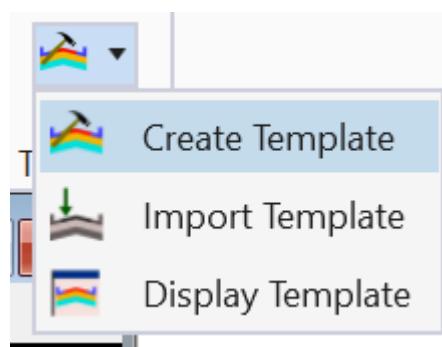
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Linear Templates – Slopewall / Rip Rap

- Select Create Linear Template to review templates available, open additional templates, or Create a new template if needed.



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Civil Accudraw Geometry Report Civil Analysis

Offset and Tapers Reverse Curves Set Active Profile Profile Creation Modify Arcs Point Spirals

Lines Curves Complex Geometry

Create Superelevation Report Calculate Open Superelevation View Open Cross Section View Set Active Add Features Edit Complex Terrain Model Add Terrain Model Boundary Plan by 3D Element

Element Profiles Modify Modify

Superelevation

Terrain Import Remove Features Edit Terrain Model Create 3D By Plan Profile Create 3D By Slope To... Create 3D By Volume Apply Linear Template

Cross-Sections

Terrain Model

Horizontal Vertical

Element Selection

File View1, Abutment RipRap Grading

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Models

2D/3D Name Description Design File

- Abutment RipRap Grading
- Abutment RipRap Grading-3D
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Tools Properties

Hierarchy

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Multi-Model Views

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Current drawing is prepared to work with ProStructures

Properties

General

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Angle Readout

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Isometric

- Isometric Plane: Top
- Isometric Lock: False

Locks

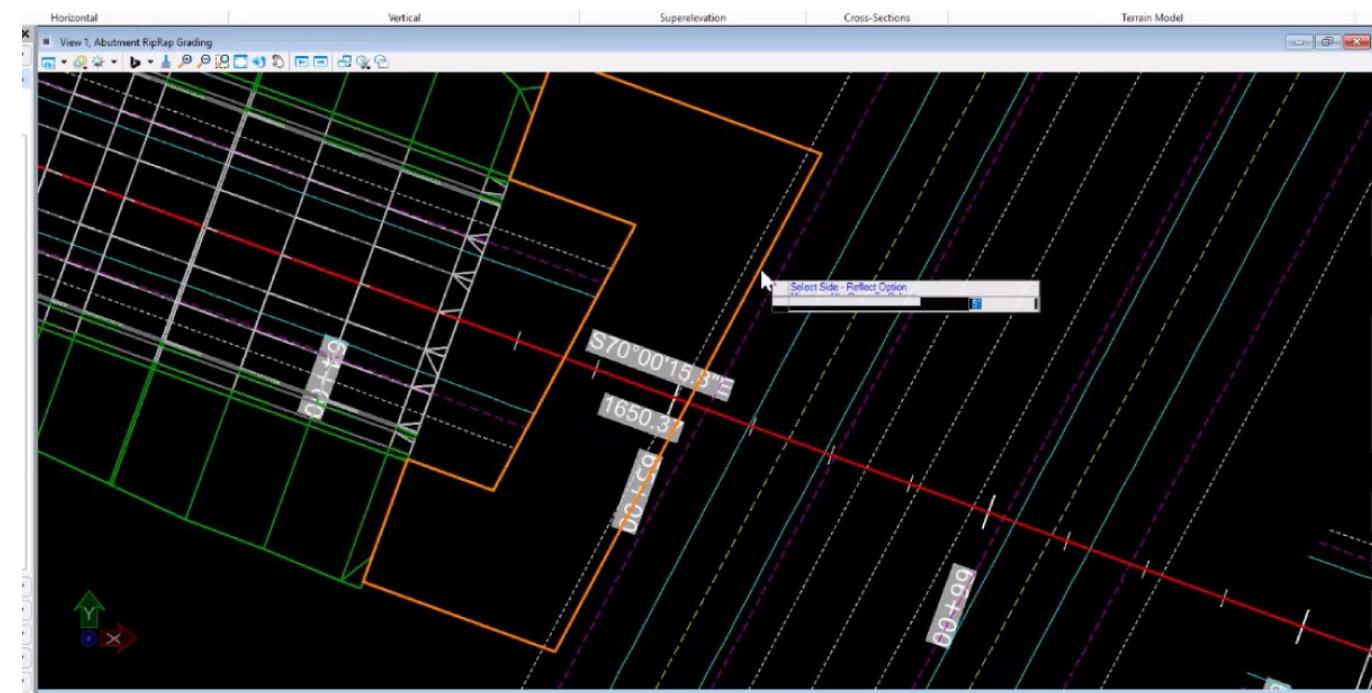
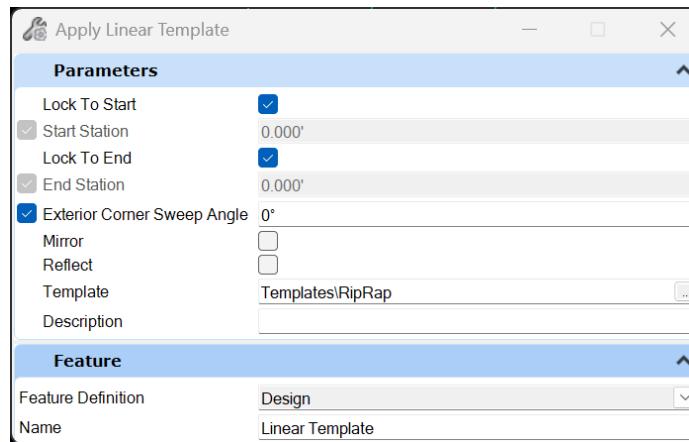
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Working Units

- Format: MU
- Master Unit: US Survey Feet
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Linear Templates – Slopewall / Rip Rap

- Select Apply Linear Template to begin the process of placement
 - Lock Start and End Stations
 - Determine which side the template drop is needed



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Horizontal Vertical Supererelevation Cross-Sections Terrain Model

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Profile Creation Complex Geometry

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Tools Properties

Highlight Mode: Boundaries

Hierarchy

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Properties

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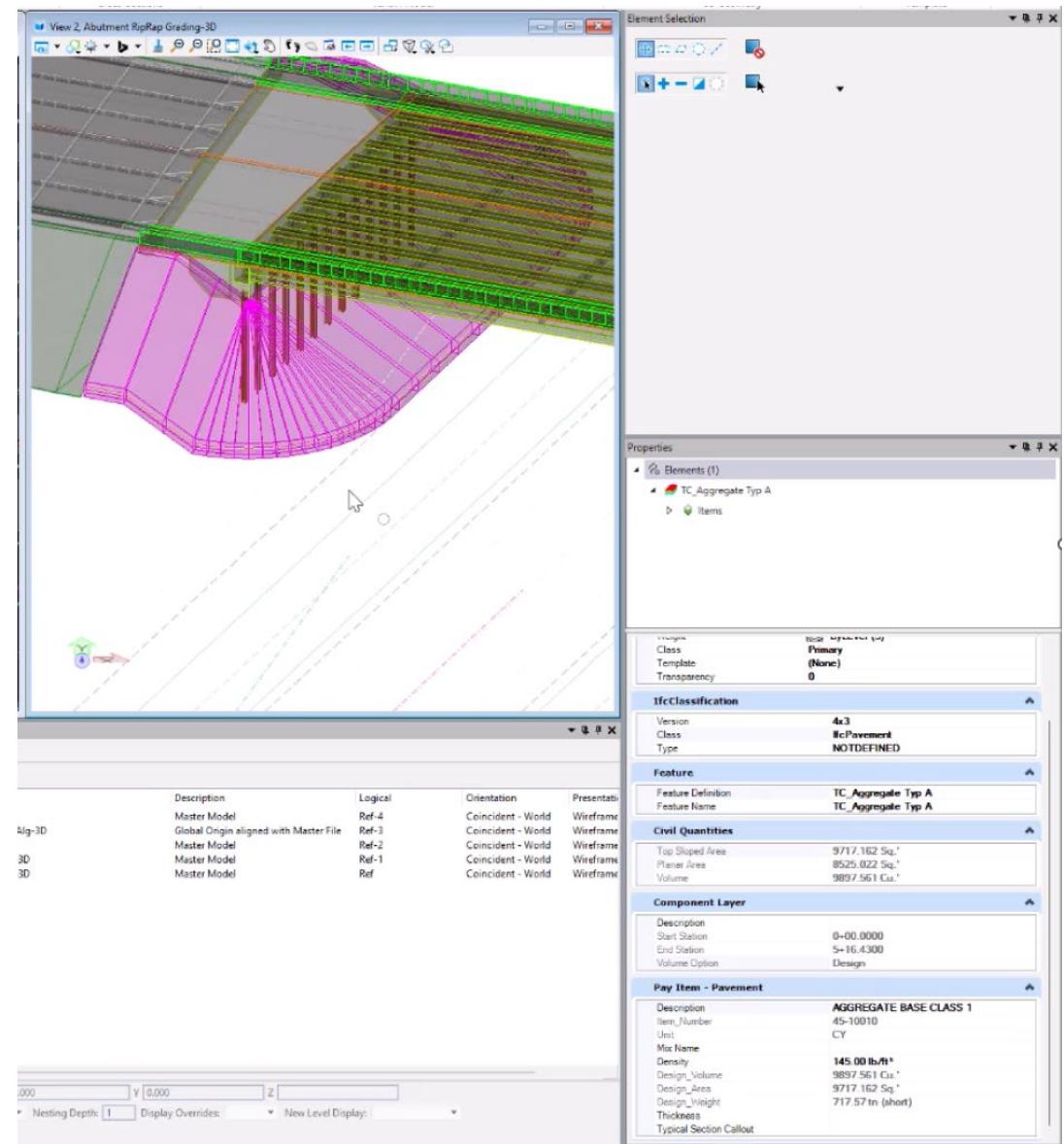
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Working Units

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Linear Templates – Slopewall / Rip Rap

- Using Item Types or Corridor analysis tools, we can assign pay items or other data to be exposed from our linear template
- If applicable to your template, we also set up end conditions to seek ground targets
 - To enable those in our model, we need to have an active terrain
- We can also seek other Feature Definitions to tie into



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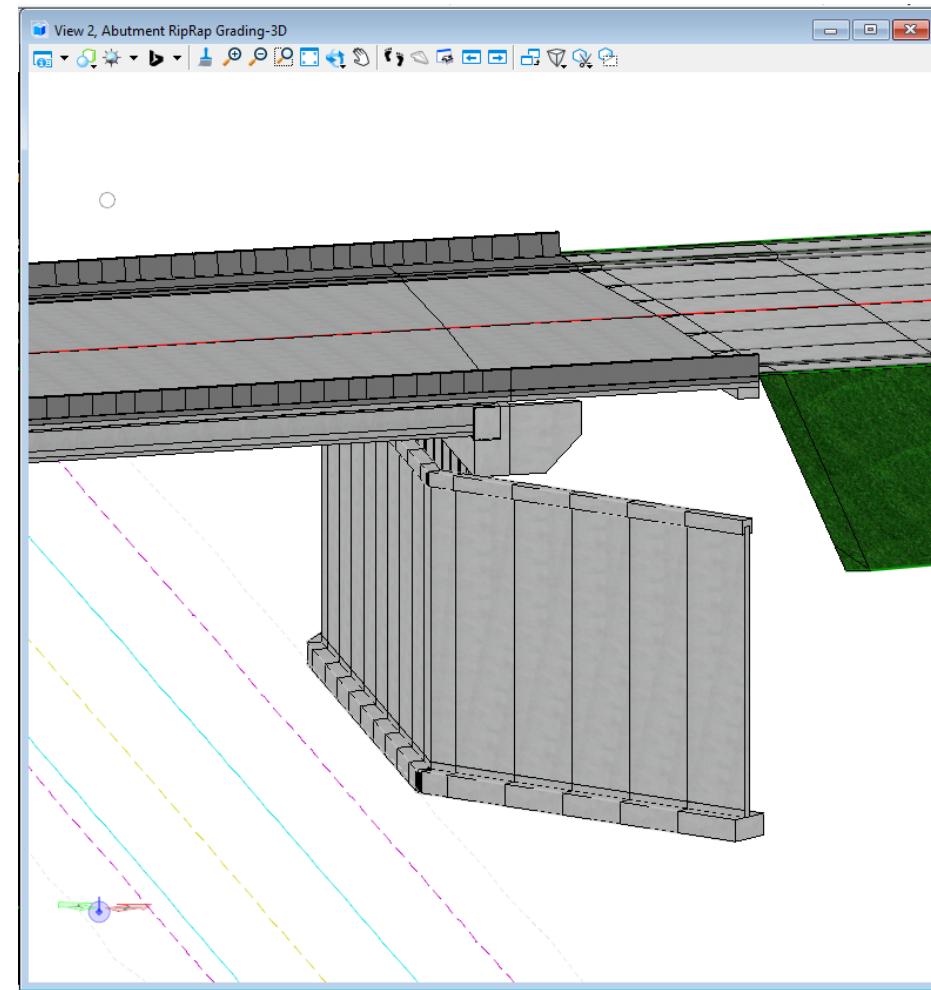
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Linear Templates – Retaining Walls

- Same Concept, Different Template
- Can still target the terrain, footing a set distance below the existing surface
- Regenerate the Linear Template with the corridor process tool if it has changed



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3D Geometry Template

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ORM_SupportLines

ORM_Sleeper_Slab

ORM_Piles_concrete

ORM_Haunch

ORM_GirderConcrete

ORM_Girder

ORM_Footings

ORM_Excavation

ORM_Diaphragm_Concrete

ORM_Deck

ORM_D_Beam_Layout

ORM_Columns

ORM_CheekWall

ORM_Caps

ORM_Bearings

ORM_Bearing_Seats

ORM_Banners

ORM_Approach_Slab

ORM_Approach_Ref_line

ORM_Abutments

ORM_Abutment_WingWall

Terrain_Void

Terrain_Triangle_Vertices

Terrain_Triangle

Terrain_SpotElevation

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Change Level

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Locks

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Questions

Thank You