

## **INTENDED USE**

SED01 is an *NCHRP Report 350* TL-2 Steel Backed Timber (SBT) Guardrail Tangent End Terminal. The overall length is 40 ft. 9 in. [12.42 m], and it consists of nine (9) wood rail segments and nine (9) wood posts. The rail segments' cross-sectional area is 6 in. x 10 in. [150 mm x 250 mm], similar to the cross-section of the steel-backed timber SBT barrier rail segments. The length of the first rail segment is 5 ft. 3 in. [1.6 m]. The last rail segment (number 9) is 5 ft. 9 in. [1.75 m] in length. The remaining rails (numbers 2-8) are 5 ft. 6 in. [1.676 m] in length. These rail segment lengths are about half the rail segment lengths of the SBT barrier and were selected such that the spacing between the posts is 4 ft. [1.22 m].

Both ends of the rail segments are cut at a 1:2 (26 degree) angle, with the exception of first rail segment, which has one end at 90 degree, and the last rail segment, which has one end cut at a 1:1 (45 degree) angle. The first rail of the SBT guardrail is also cut at a 1:1 (45 degree) angle to fit the end of the terminal.

The steel splices and wood block-outs are connected to the posts using 5/8 in. [16 mm] diameter bolts. The bolts are 15 in. [380 mm] in length. The steel splices are 6 in. x 30 in. x 3/8 in. [150 mm x 750 mm x 10 mm]. The wood block-outs are 12 in. x 9 in. x 4 in. [300 mm x 225 mm x 100 mm]. Both are of similar size to the original SBT barrier.

### APPROVALS

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