

# MATT<sup>™</sup> MEDIAN ATTENUATING TREND® TERMINAL PRODUCT MANUAL





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# **MEDIAN ATTENUATING TREND® TERMINAL**

The **Median Attenuating TREND<sup>®</sup> Terminal ("MATT™")** has been tested to the American Association of State and Highway Transportation Officials ("AASHTO") Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition-2016, 2020 Errata ("MASH") criteria, as a Test Level 3 ("TL-3") device.

# Product Description Assembly Manual



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Warning: The local highway agency, distributors, owners, and contractors are **RESPONSIBLE** for the assembly, maintenance, and repair of the MATT<sup>™</sup>. Failure to fulfill these **RESPONSIBILITIES** with respect to the assembly, maintenance, and repair of the MATT<sup>™</sup> could result in serious injury or death.



**Important:** These instructions are for standard assembly specified by the appropriate highway agency. In the event the specified system assembly, maintenance, or repair would require a deviation from standard assembly parameters, contact a Valtir, LLC ("Valtir") representative. This system has been submitted for Federal-aid reimbursement eligibility to the Federal Highway Administration ("FHWA") for use on the National Highway System ("NHS") under strict criteria utilized by that agency.

This manual must be available to the worker overseeing and/or assembling the product at all times. For additional copies, contact Valtir at (888) 356-2363 or visit <u>www.valtir.com.</u>

The instructions, illustrations, and specifications are based on the latest **MATT**<sup>™</sup> information available to Valtir at publication. We reserve the right to make changes at any time. Please visit <u>www.valtir.com</u> to confirm the latest revision.



# **MATT**<sup>TM</sup>

The MATT<sup>™</sup> is a tangent, double-sided, re-directive/gating and energy absorbing attenuator/end terminal, for use with various longitudinal highway barriers, in either unidirectional or bidirectional traffic applications, to include roadside, shoulder, median and gore installations.

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# **MATT™ ACRONYMS and ABBREVIATIONS**

AASHTO CFR CRP® FHWA Nm MASH MATT™	American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials Code of Federal Regulation Cable Release Post® Federal Highway Administration Newton-Meters Manual for Assessing Safety Hardware 2 <sup>ND</sup> Edition, published in 2016, (Errata in 2020) Median Attenuating TREND® Terminal
MGS	Midwest Guardrail System
MUTCD	Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
NCHRP	National Cooperative Highway Research Program
NHS	National Highway System
OSHA	Occupational Safety & Health Administration
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
SYTP®	Steel Yielding Terminal Post®
TL-3	Test Level-3
Valtir	Valtir, LLC

### **Customer Service Contacts**

Valtir is committed to the highest level of customer service. Feedback regarding the MATT<sup>™</sup>, its assembly procedures, supporting documentation, and performance is always welcome. Additional information can be obtained from the contact information below:

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# Limitations and Warnings

Valtir, in compliance with MASH, contracts with ISO 17025 A2LA accredited testing laboratories to perform crash tests, evaluate tests, and submit the test results to the FHWA for review.

MATT was tested to MASH-2nd Edition (2016), with 2020 Errata TL-3 criteria and may be used in Test Level 1, Test Level 2, and Test Level 3 applications – when installed at the full Test Level 3 system length of 34' 4-1/2" [10.477 m]. These tests typically evaluate product performance defined by MASH involving a range of vehicles on roadways, approximately 1,100kg [2,420 lb.] and full size pickup trucks (approximately 2,270 kg [5,000 lb.] at 100 kph [62 mph].

The MATT<sup>™</sup> is tested pursuant to the test matrix criteria of MASH as designated by AASHTO and FHWA. The FHWA/AASHTO tests are not intended to represent the performance of systems when impacted by every vehicle type or in every impact condition existing on the roadway. Every departure from the roadway is a unique event.

Valtir expressly disclaims any warranty or liability for injury or damage to persons or property resulting from any impact, collision or harmful contact with its products, other vehicles, or nearby hazards or objects by any vehicle, object or person, whether or not the products were assembled in consultation with Valtir or by third parties.

The MATT<sup>™</sup> is intended to be assembled, delineated, and maintained within the state/specifying agency and federal guidelines. It is important for the state/specifying agency to select the most appropriate product configuration for site specifications.

The state/specifying agency's careful evaluation of the site layout, vehicle population type and speed, traffic direction, and visibility are some of the elements that require evaluation in the selection of a highway product. **For example, curbs could cause an untested effect on an impacting vehicle.** 

After an impact with the system, all debris must be removed from the area immediately in compliance with the most applicable state/specifying agency policy. The specified MATT<sup>TM</sup> must be evaluated and restored to its original specified condition or replaced as the state/specifying agency determines/requires, as soon as possible. Product selection, approval, proper installation, and maintenance of <u>any</u> highway product is the sole responsibility of the state/specifying agency.

Under NO circumstances shall the rail within the MATT™ be curved/radiused, between Post 1 and Post 6.

All metric dimensions are "soft conversions" and as such should be considered as reference only.



Safety Alert Symbols appear throughout this manual and indicate Danger, Warning, Caution or Important statements. Failure to read and follow these warnings could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.

WARNING: Do not assemble, maintain, or repair the MATT<sup>™</sup> until you have read this manual thoroughly and completely understand it. Ensure that all Danger, Warning, Caution, and Important statements within the manual are completely followed. Please call Valtir at (888) 356-2363 if you have any questions about instructions in this manual.

WARNING: Safety measures incorporating appropriate traffic control devices and personal protective equipment ("PPE") specified by the state/specifying agencymust be used to protect all personnel while at the assembly, maintenance, or repair site. Work gloves, apron, eye protection, safety-toe shoes, and back protection shall be used.

WARNING: Ensure the assembly site meets all appropriate Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices ("MUTCD") and the state/specifying agency standards.

WARNING: Use only Valtir parts that are specified by Valtir for use with the MATT<sup>™</sup> for assembling, maintaining, or repairing the MATT<sup>™</sup>. Do not utilize or otherwise commingle parts from other systems even if those systems are other Valtir or Systems. Such configurations have not been tested, nor have they been approved for use. Assembly, maintenance or repairs using unspecified parts or accessories is strictly prohibited. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with such an UNACCEPTED system.

WARNING: Do NOT modify the MATT<sup>™</sup> in any way.

IMPORTANT: Valtir makes no recommendation whether use or reuse of any part of the MATT<sup>™</sup> is appropriate or acceptable after system impact. It is the responsibility of the state/specifying agency and its engineers to make that determination.

IMPORTANT: It is the responsibility of owner, state/specifying agency, or specifier to inspect the MATT<sup>™</sup> after assembly is complete to ensure the instructions provided in this manual have been strictly followed.

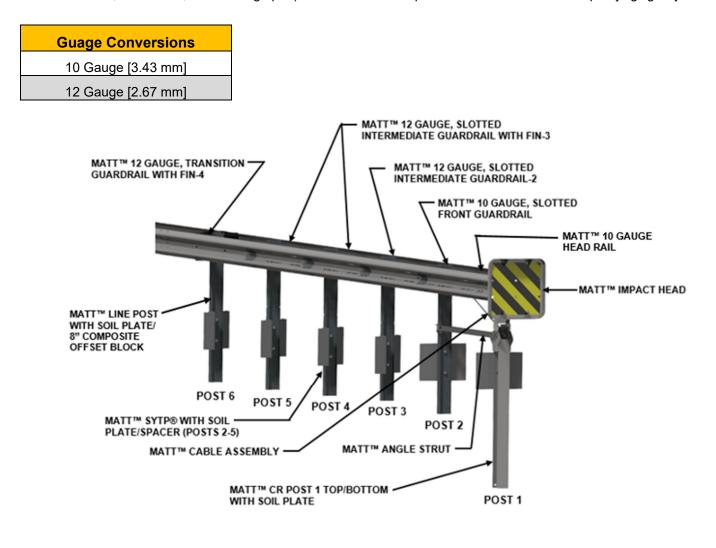
### <u>Overview</u>

The MATT<sup>™</sup> has a system length of 34'-4 1/2" [10.477 m] long and is a tangent, 31" [787 mm] (+1" -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm] high, double-sided, re-directive/gating and energy absorbing attenuator/end terminal available for use with various longitudinal highway barriers, in either unidirectional or bidirectional traffic applications.

The MATT<sup>™</sup> consists of MATT<sup>™</sup> 10 and 12 gauge slotted guardrail, MATT<sup>™</sup> 12 gauge transition guardrail with an integrated fin and MATT<sup>™</sup> 12 gauge slotted guardrail with an integrated fin, MATT<sup>™</sup> 10 gauge head rail, MATT<sup>™</sup> impact head, MATT<sup>™</sup> CR top and bottom posts, MATT<sup>™</sup> SYTP<sup>®</sup> with soil plate, MATT<sup>™</sup> system line post with soil plate, MATT<sup>™</sup> angle strut, MATT<sup>™</sup> cable assembly, MATT<sup>™</sup> spacers, composite offset blocks and various other required hardware accessories.

When connecting the MATT<sup>™</sup> to Median MGS using offset blocks other than 8" [200 mm] – such as Median MGS utilizing 12" [300 mm] offset blocks – refer to the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide (current edition) for appropriate minimum taper/flare rates for barrier design.

When connecting the MATT<sup>™</sup> to W-beam guardrail heights other than 31" [787 mm], or rigid or semi-rigid barriers, (i.e. concrete barrier, thrie beam, wall or bridge pier) a transition will be required - see FHWA and/or state/specifying agency standards.



#### **MATT TM** Reference Drawing: SS6288

# **Recommended Tools**

#### Documentation

- Manufacturer's MATT<sup>™</sup> Product Description Assembly Manual (Current Version).
- MATT<sup>™</sup> Drawing(s) SS-6288 (Current Version).

#### **Personal Protective Equipment**

- Eye Protection
- Work Gloves
- Safety-Toe Shoes
- Back Protection
- Hard Hat
- Reflective Vest
- Apron

#### Miscellaneous

- Traffic Control Equipment and Plan per state/specifying agency standards and the MUTCD.
- SAE Combination Wrench Set
- Socket Set & Socket Wrench
- Hammer
- Chalk Line
- Tape Measure
- Marking Paint and Pen
- Straight Edge
- Level
- Plumb Line
- Post Pounder (commonly used for driving posts)
- Auger
- Soil Tamper
- 5/8" Alignment Tool (Drift Pin), used to help align panels
- Locking Pliers and/or Pipe Wrench
- Calibrated Torque Wrench, capable of measuring 65 ft.-lbs. [88 Nm].

Note: The provided list of tools is a general recommendation and should not be considered an extensive list. Depending on specific site conditions and the complexity of the assembly, the required tools may vary. Decisions as to what tools are needed to perform the job are entirely the responsibility of the state/specifying agency and the selected contractor performing the assembly of the system at the state/specifying agency's site.

# Site Preparation

The MATT<sup>™</sup> has a system length of 34'-4 1/2" [10.477 m] long and is a tangent, 31" [787 mm] (+1" -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm] high, double-sided, re-directive/gating and energy absorbing attenuator/end terminal available for use with various longitudinal highway barriers, in either unidirectional or bidirectional traffic applications.

It may be specified for use by the state/specifying agency in conjunction with strong post W-beam guardrail systems on the NHS or other roadway. The decision to specify the MATT<sup>™</sup> for a particular project is the responsibility of the state/specifying agency design engineer who must ensure that the most appropriate end treatment has been selected for the specific site conditions.

The MATT<sup>™</sup> is designed to be attached directly to double sided strong post W-beam guardrail systems that have been accepted under MASH or NCHRP Report 350 crash test criteria that utilize 8" [200 mm] offset blocks.



IMPORTANT: The MATT<sup>™</sup> must not be attached directly to a weak post W-beam guardrail system without an approved weak-post-to-strong-post transition plus a minimum of 12'-6" [3.810 m] strong post W-beam guardrail with 6'-3" [1.905 m] post spacing. The 12'-6" [3.810 m] strong post W-beam guardrail must be placed between the MATT<sup>™</sup> and the weak-post- to-strong-post transition.



IMPORTANT: Under NO circumstances shall the rail within the MATT<sup>™</sup> be curved, between Post 1 and Post 6. Ensure all MATT<sup>™</sup> post spacings are 6'-3" [1.905 m] on center.



IMPORTANT: When used with rigid barriers, (i.e. concrete barrier, wall or bridge pier) a semi to rigid barrier transition will be required (see state/specifying agency standards).



IMPORTANT: Ensure the state/specifying agency standard transition is used when connecting the MATT<sup>™</sup> to a system other than double sided, 31" [787 mm] high MGS with 8" [200 mm] offset blocks.

IMPORTANT: Ensure that the MATT<sup>™</sup> application conforms to the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, current edition to include appropriate grading details.



IMPORTANT: <u>Valtir does not direct grading</u>. Proper site grading must be accomplished before assembly of the MATT<sup>™</sup> in accordance with local guidelines OR the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide (see Appendix A and B), whichever is more stringent. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.



IMPORTANT: The Beginning Length of Need ("BLON") for the MATT™ was established during MASH Test 3-35 at Post 3, which is 12'-6" [3.810 m] from Post 1.



IMPORTANT: Only 8" [200 mm] composite offset blocks can be used at Post 6 and only the supplied special MATT™ spacers/double spacers at all other post locations.



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# Post Placement

The MATT<sup>™</sup> posts are inserted into the soil using an auger or post pounding equipment for placement. If an auger is used, ensure diameter is large enough to allow for proper compaction of state/specifying agency approved fill material. All MATT<sup>™</sup> posts must be assembled within established standard construction tolerances, including being plumb. Compaction for all posts must be within the state/specifying agency guidelines.



Danger: It is the responsibility of the installer to ensure all above & below ground utilities as well as drainage structures are located, marked, and identified prior to using an auger or post pounding tool in accordance with state/ specifying agency guidelines. Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death.

#### **Rigid Pavement and Rock**

If rigid pavement (e.g. concrete or asphalt) of <u>any thickness</u> is encountered within the system, ensure a proper "leave-out" area (the specified size of open space as defined in the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide) and/or per the state/specifying agency is provided around the posts and filled with the state/ specifying agency approved backfill material.

If solid rock is encountered at post locations 3-6, refer to the state/specifying agency guidelines and/or the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide for requirements for embedment depth into the rock and size of the hole. If solid rock is encountered at post locations 1-2, auger a hole in the rock large enough for full post embedment and proper compaction of approved fill material.



#### **Drilling Holes into rock**

Caution: It is the responsibility of the installer to consult Occupational Safety & Health Administration ("OSHA") silica respiratory standard 29 Code of Federal Regulation ("CFR") 1910.134 for debris removal and ensure compliance.

# Inspect Shipment

Carefully unpack and inspect all components for damage. Check the received parts against the packing list supplied with the system. If any parts are damaged, missing, or unspecified; do not attempt to assemble the system and contact Valtir immediately (p. 4).



Warning: Use only Valtir parts that are specified by Valtir for use with the MATT™ for assembling, maintaining, or repairing the MATT™. Do not utilize or otherwise commingle parts from other systems even if those systems are other Valtir or Systems.

ID	MATT™ COMPONENTS/HARDWARE	(506288B)	PN	QUANITY
Α	MATT™ Impact Head		628342B	1
В	MATT™ 12 Gauge Transition Guardrail With Fin-4, 9'	628289A	2	
С	MATT <sup>™</sup> 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrail W		628337A	4
D	MATT <sup>™</sup> 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrail-2,		628274G	2
E	MATT™ 10 Gauge, Slotted Front Guardrail-1, 6'-3"[1.	905 m]	628347G	2
F	MATT™ 10 Gauge Head Rail, 1'- 9 3/4" [552 mm]		628339A	2
G	MATT™ Single Spacer		628281A	6
Н	MATT™ Double Spacer		628280A	2
I	MATT™ Head Tube		628275A	1
J	MATT™ Backing Plate		628338G	8
K	MATT™ CR Post 1 Top		628285A	1
L	MATT™ CR Post 1 Bottom – used with soil plate		628276A	1
М	MATT™ SYTP® 6'-0" [1.829 m] – used with soil plate		628271G	4
Ν	MATT™ System Line Post 6'-0" [1.829 m] – used with	n soil plate	628270G	1
0	MATT™ Angle Strut	•	628279G	1
Р	MATT™ Cable Assembly 3/4" x 7'-5" [19 mm x 2.260	m]	119506G	1
Q	Cable Anchor Bracket Angle	•	33909G	1
R	MATT™ Strut Adapter Plate		628348G	1
S	5/16" x 1.75" Hex Bolt	[8 mm x 44 mm]	4211G	2
Т	5/8" x 1.75" Hex Bolt Grade 5 (A325)	[16 mm x 44 mm]	3391G	6
U	5/8" x 1.25" GR Bolt	[16 mm x 31 mm]	3360G	16
V	5/8" x 2" Hex Bolt A307	[16 mm x 51 mm]	3403G	6
W*	5/8" x 2" GR Bolt Grade 5 (A325)	[16 mm x 51 mm]	118614G	62
Y	5/16" Hex Nut	[8 mm]	3245G	2
Z*	5/8" Heavy Hex Nut A563	[16 mm]	3361G	66
AA	5/8" Round Washer	[16 mm]	4372G	8
BB	5/8" GR Hex Nut	[16 mm]	3340G	36
CC	1" Flat Washer	[25 mm]	4902G	10
DD	1" Hex Nut	[25 mm]	3910G	2
EE	5/8" Flat Washer (1/4" Thick)	[16 mm] [6 mm thick]	118615G	62
FF	1/2" x 1.375" Hex Bolt	[13 mm x 38 mm]	113457G	4
GG	1/2" Flat Washer	[13 mm]	118009G	8
HH	1/2" Hex Nut	[13 mm]	115939G	4
JJ	5/16" Flat Washer		3240G	2
KK	8" Composite Offset Block (wood is not allowed)	Various	2	
MM	MATT™ Soil PL, 1/4" x 18" x 24" [6 mm x 457 mm x 6	628273G	2	
NN	MATT™ Soil Plate W-Shaped (Multi-Directional) for F		628269G	4
00	5/8" x 3.50" Hex Bolt	[16 mm x 90 mm]	113660G	10
TT	5/8" x 10" GR Bolt A307	[16 mm x 254 mm]	3500G	2

	Optional Delineation Available From Valtir		
ΥY	25" x 25" [625 mm x 625 mm] Yellow/Black Reflector (Median/Roadside)	105379B	1
ZZ	25" x 25" [625 mm x 625 mm] Yellow/Black Reflector (Gore)	105380B	1

 Fastener combinations at 62 locations of "W", 5/8" x 2" GR Bolt Grade 5 (A325) and "Z", 5/8" Heavy Hex Nut A563 DH require the Nuts to be torqued to 65 ft-lb [88 Newton- Meters "Nm"], (+/- 3 ft-lb) [+/- 4 Nm]. See Step 16 for the 62 locations.

Gauge Conversions					
10 Gauge [3.43 mm]					
12 Gauge [2.67 mm]					

### MATT™ Components/Hardware

Below is a pictorial depiction of the components/hardware for MATT<sup>™</sup>. Please see the Valtir drawings and page 10 of this manual for specific lists of components/hardware and quantities required for MATT<sup>™</sup> selected to be assembled.

Note: The following components/hardware are not shown to scale.

ID: A PN: 628342B	ID: B	PN: 628289A	ID: C	PN: 628337A
		NC10		
MATT™ Impact Head		12 Gauge, Transition,	MATT	™ 12 Gauge, Slotted
	Gu	ardrail With Fin-4, 9'-4 1/2"	Intermedia	ate Guardrail With Fin-3, 6'-3"
		9-4 I/Z		0-5

ID: D	PN: 628274G	ID: E	PN: 628347G	ID: F	PN: 628339A
	5.0		00		00
	™ 12 Gauge, Slotted nediate Guardrail-2,	MATT™ 1	0 Gauge, Slotted Front, Guardrail-1,		MATT™ 10 Gauge, Head Rail,
	6'-3"		6'-3"		1'-9 3/4"

ID: G	PN: 628281A	ID: H	PN: 628280A	ID: I	PN: 628275A
			22	• • •	
MA	TT™ Single Spacer	MATT	™ Double Spacer	MA	ATT™ Head Tube



ID: S	PN: 4211G	ID: T	PN: 3391G	ID: U	PN: 3360G
	6" x 1.75" Hex Bolt 8 mm x 44 mm]	5/8" x 1 [1	.75" Hex Bolt (A325) 6 mm x 44 mm]		3" x 1.25" GR Bolt 6 mm x 31 mm]

ID: V	PN: 3403G	ID: W	PN: 118614G	ID: Y	PN: 3245G
	x 2" Hex Bolt A307	5/8" x 2" G	R Bolt (Grade 5)		5/16" Hex Nut
[1	6 mm x 51 mm]	[16 m	m x 51 mm]		[8 mm]

ID: Z	PN: 3361G	ID: AA	PN: 4372G	ID: BB	PN: 3340G
5/8" Hea	avy Hex Nut A563 DH [16 mm]	5/8"	Round Washer [16 mm]	5/8	3" GR Hex Nut [16 mm]

ID: CC	PN: 4902G	ID:DD	PN: 3910G	ID: EE	PN: 118615G
1" Fla [25 m	it Washer m]		Hex Nut 25 mm]	5/8" Flat Wa [16 mm]	asher [1/4" Thick] [6 mm thick]

ID: FF	PN: 113457G	ID: GG	PN: 118009G	ID: HH	PN: 115939G
			0		
	x 1.375" Hex Bolt	1/2	2" Flat Washer		1/2" Hex Nut
[13	3 mm x 38 mm]		[13 mm]		[13 mm]

ID: JJ	PN: 3240G	ID: KK	PN: Various	ID: MM	PN: 628273G
					· · ·
5/*	16" Flat Washer	8" [20	00 mm] Composite	MATT™	Soil Plate Posts 1 & 2
	[8 mm]		Offset Block		

PN: 628269G	ID: 00	PN: 113660G	ID: TT	PN: 3500G
	-			
				: 10" GR Bolt A307 5 mm x 254 mm]
		Soil Plate W-Shaped 5/8" x 3.	Soil Plate W-Shaped 5/8" x 3.50" Hex Bolt Grade 5	Soil Plate W-Shaped     5/8" x 3.50" Hex Bolt Grade 5     5/8" x

ID: YY	PN: 105379B	ID: ZZ	PN: 105380B	ID:	
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25" x 25 Yellow/Bla	," [625 mm x 625 mm] ick Reflector (Right/Left)	25" x 25" Yellow/B	' [625 mm x 625 mm] lack Reflector (Gore)		

# <u>Assembly Steps</u>



To ensure an accurate assembly of the MATT™ Terminal, it is recommended that steps be completed in order. ALL STEPS MUST BE COMPLETED.



Below ground portions in some assembly steps are not shown for clarity.



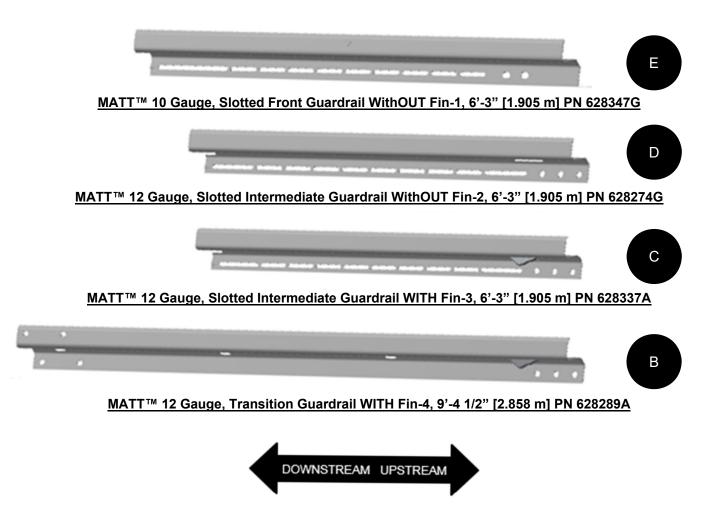
See Step 16 for bolt/nuts combinations that must be torqued to 65 ft-lb [88 Nm] (+/- 3 ft-lb) [+/- 4 Nm].



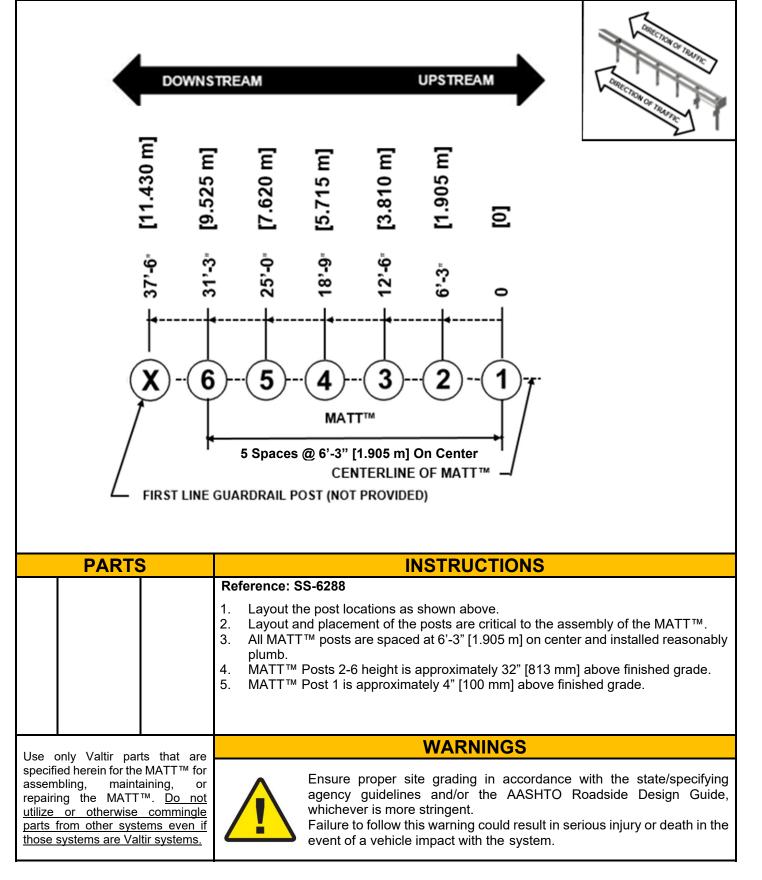
<u>After</u> the system is fully assembled, for Steps 5A and 5B, tighten the double/single spacers to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut for all hardware that was assembled loosely, ensuring bolt is seated for these steps.

# MATT<sup>™</sup> Guardrail Identification/Orientation

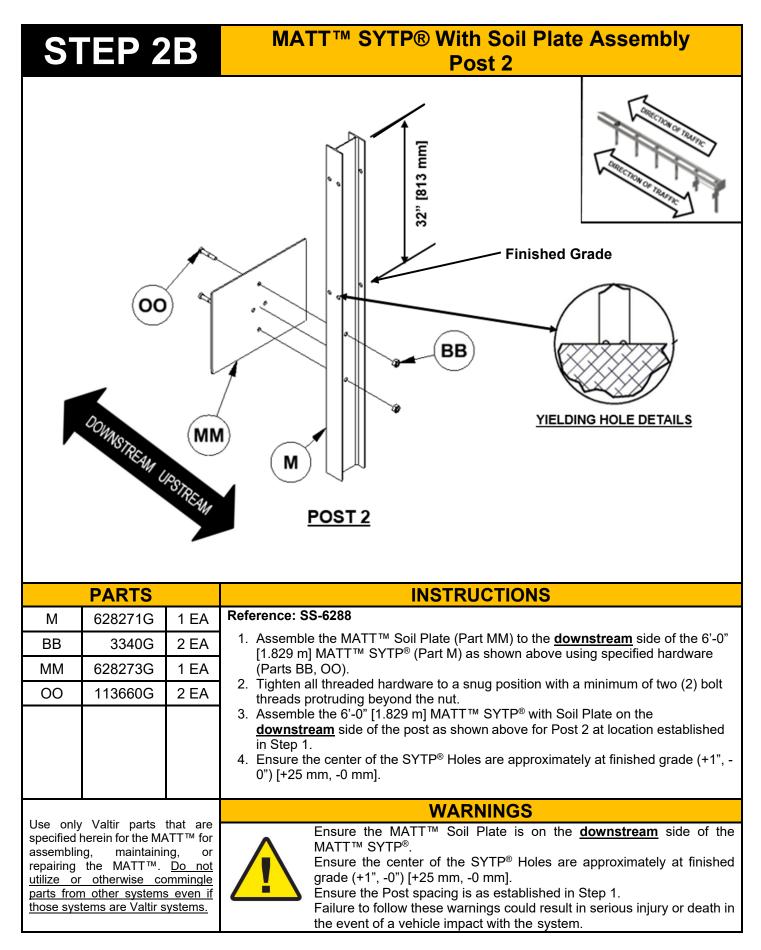
Note: The Rail Panel Splice Bolt Holes/Fin are always located Upstream



# MATT<sup>™</sup> Post Layout (Posts 1-6)



S٦	EP 2	2A	MATT™ CR Post 1 Bottom With Soil Plate Assembly			
	T.		Image: Constrained Grade       Image: Constrained Grade         Image: Constrained Grade			
	PARTS	-	INSTRUCTIONS			
L	628276A	1 EA	Reference: SS-6288			
T	3391G	2 EA	1. Assemble the MATT <sup>™</sup> Soil Plate (Part MM) to the <u>downstream</u> side of			
BB	3340G	2 EA	the 6'-0" [1.829 m] MATT™ CR Post 1 Bottom (Part L) as shown above using specified hardware (Parts T, BB).			
MM	628273G	1 EA	<ol> <li>Tighten all threaded hardware to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut</li> </ol>			
			<ol> <li>3. Assemble the 6'-0" [1.829 m] MATT™ CR Post 1 Bottom With Soil Plate as shown above at location established in Step 1.</li> <li>4. Ensure that the MATT™ Strut Hole is assembled on the <u>upstream</u> side of the post.</li> <li>5. Ensure the top of the MATT™ CR Post 1 Bottom is 4" [100 mm] (+1", -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm] above finished grade.</li> </ol>			
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Use only Valtir parts that are specified herein for the MATT <sup>™</sup> for assembling, maintaining, or repairing the MATT <sup>™</sup> . <u>Do not utilize or otherwise commingle parts from other systems even if those systems are Valtir systems.</u>			Ensure the MATT <sup>™</sup> Soil Plate is on the <u>downstream</u> side of the CR Post 1 Bottom and Strut Hole is <u>upstream</u> . Ensure threaded hardware is tightened to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut. Ensure the top of the MATT <sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 Bottom is 4" [100 mm] (+1", -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm] above finished grade. Failure to follow these warnings could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.			



#### MATT<sup>™</sup> SYTP<sup>®</sup> With Soil Plate W-Shaped STEP 2C Assembly for Posts 3 to 5 [813 mm] Finished Grade BB NN YIELDING HOLE DETAILS MNSTREAM UPSTREAM MATT<sup>™</sup> Soil Plate W-Shaped may be rotated in either direction but must be on downstream side of post. POSTS 3-5 **INSTRUCTIONS** PARTS Reference: SS-6288 628271G 3 EA Μ 1. Assemble the MATT™ Soil Plate W-Shaped (Part NN) to the downstream side 6 EA BB 3340G of the 6'-0" [1.829 m] MATT™ SYTP<sup>®</sup> (Part M) as shown above using specified NN 628269G 3 EA hardware (Parts BB, OO).

- 2. Tighten all threaded hardware to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut.
- Assemble the 6'-0" [1.829 m] MATT™ SYTP<sup>®</sup> with Soil Plate W-Shaped on the <u>downstream</u> side of the post as shown above for Post 3-5 at location established in Step 1.
- 4. Ensure the center of the SYTP<sup>®</sup> Holes are approximately at finished grade (+1", 0") [+25 mm, -0 mm].

WARNINGS

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Ensure the MATT<sup>™</sup> Soil Plate W-Shaped is on the <u>downstream</u> side of MATT<sup>™</sup> SYTP<sup>®</sup> 3-5. Ensure the center of the SYTP<sup>®</sup> Holes are approximately at finished grade (+1", -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm]. Ensure the Post spacing is as established in Step 1.

Ensure threaded hardware is tightened to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut.

Failure to follow these warnings could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.

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# STEP 2D

### MATT<sup>™</sup> Line Post w/ Soil Plate W-Shaped Assembly for Post 6

	COMNSTREAM UPSI		Finished Grade POST 6 MATT <sup>m</sup> Soil Plate W- Shaped may be rotated in either direction but must be on <u>downstream</u> side of post.
	PARTS		INSTRUCTIONS
Ν	628270G	1 EA	Reference: SS-6288
BB	3340G	2 EA	<ol> <li>Assemble the MATT<sup>™</sup> Soil Plate W-Shape (Part NN) to the <u>downstream</u> side of the 6'-0" [1.829 m] MATT<sup>™</sup> System Line Post 6 (Part N) as shown above using</li> </ol>
NN	628269G	1 EA	specified hardware (Parts BB, OO). 2. Tighten all threaded hardware to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt
00	113660G	2 EA	threads protruding beyond the nut.
			<ol> <li>Assemble the 6'-0" [1.829 m] MATT<sup>™</sup> System Line Post with Soil Plate W- Shaped on the <u>downstream</u> side of the post 32" [813 mm] (+1", -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm] from finished grade as shown above for Post 6 at location established in Step 1.</li> </ol>
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Use only Valtir parts that are specified herein for the MATT™ for assembling, maintaining, or repairing the MATT™. <u>Do not utilize or otherwise commingle parts from other systems even if those systems are Valtir systems.</u>			Ensure the MATT <sup>™</sup> Soil Plate W-Shape is on the <u>downstream</u> side of MATT <sup>™</sup> System Line Post 6. Ensure the Post spacing is as established in Step 1. Ensure threaded hardware is tightened to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut. Failure to follow these warnings could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.

# MATT<sup>™</sup> ANGLE STRUT ASSEMBLY

Place the MATT<sup>™</sup> Strut Adapter Plate (on Post 2) and MATT<sup>™</sup> Angle Strut on the side of Posts 1 & 2 OPPOSITE from the closest traffic, when assembled in a Median or Roadside application. When assembled in a Gore application, it is acceptable to place them on either side of the post. Ζ Ζ Ζ R т т  $\widehat{\mathbf{z}}$ DOWNSTREAM UPSTREAM COMNSREAM UPSREAM AA POST 1 0 POST 2 PARTS INSTRUCTIONS Reference: SS-6288 0 628279G 1 EA 1. Assemble the MATT<sup>™</sup> Strut Adapter Plate (Part R) to Post 2 as shown above R 628348G 1 EA using specified hardware (Parts T, Z). 2. Assemble the MATT<sup>™</sup> Angle Strut (Part O) with the "toe" of the vertical leg down S 4211G 4 EA and fasten to Posts 1 and the MATT™ Adapter Plate at Post 2, using shown Ζ 3361G 4 EA hardware (Parts T, Z, AA) 3. Tighten all threaded hardware to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt AA 4372G 2 EA threads protruding beyond the nut. WARNINGS Use only Valtir parts that are Ensure the flat washer is between the bolt head and the strut at Post 1 specified herein for the MATT<sup>™</sup> for and 2. maintaining, assembling, or Ensure the "toe" of the vertical leg of the MATT™ Angle Strut is repairing the MATT™. Do not positioned down. utilize or otherwise commingle

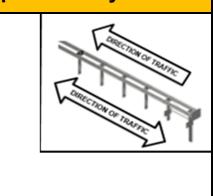
Ensure threaded hardware is tightened to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut.

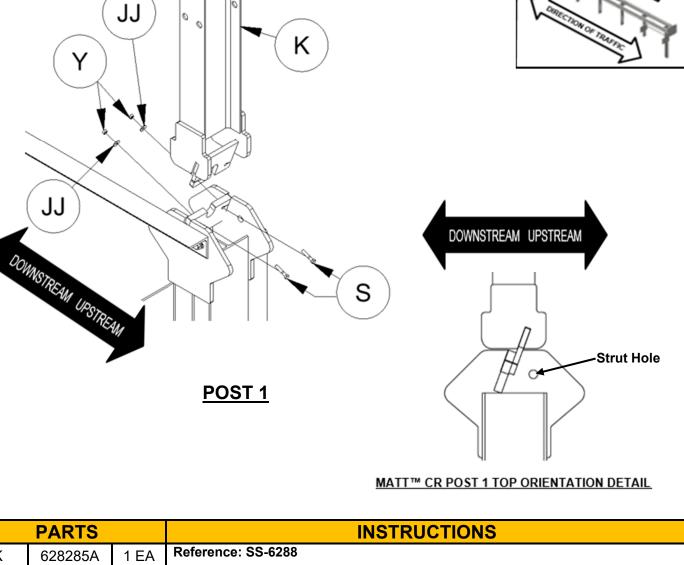
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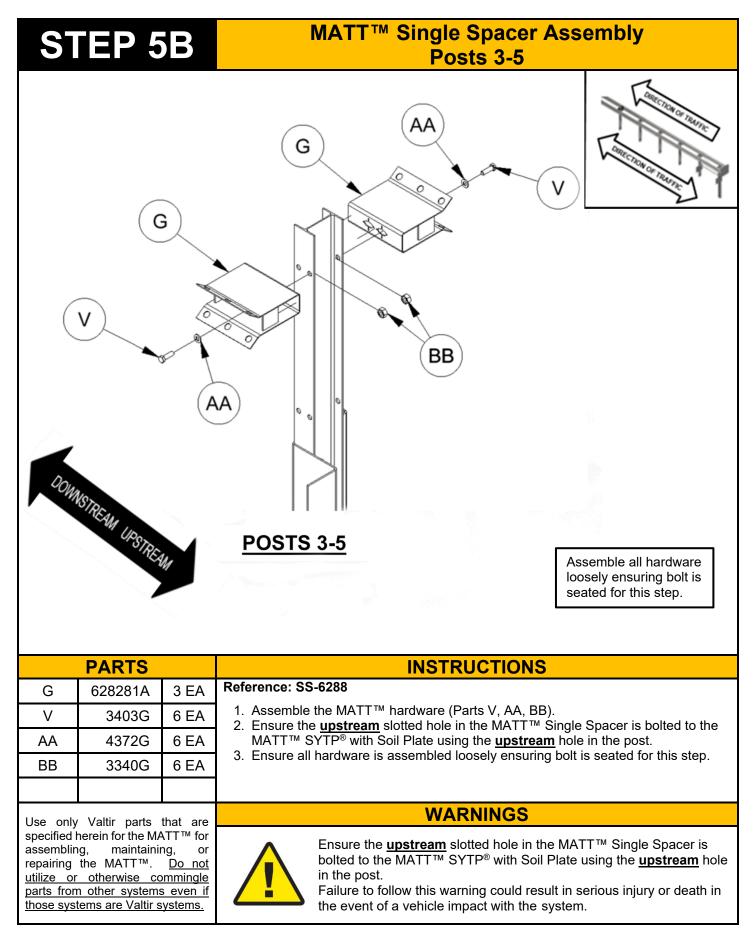
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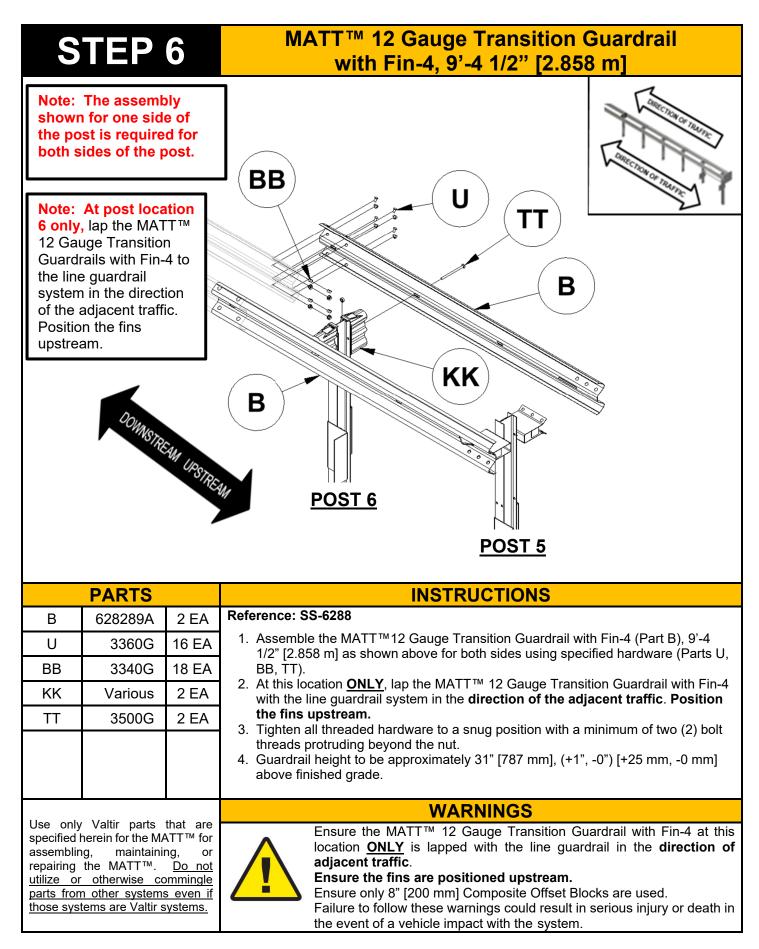


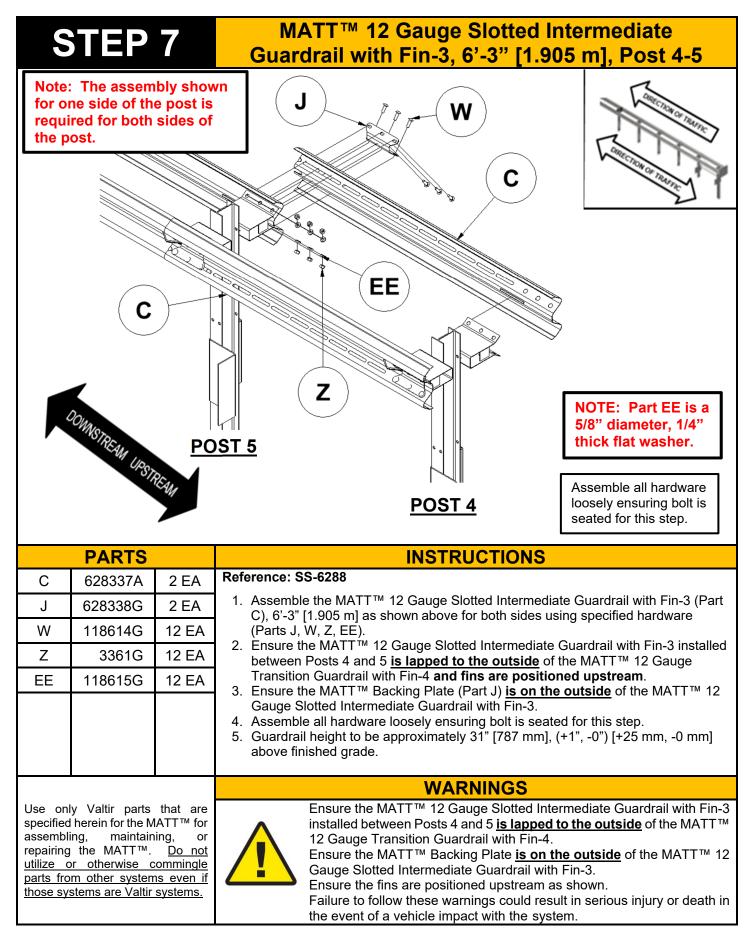


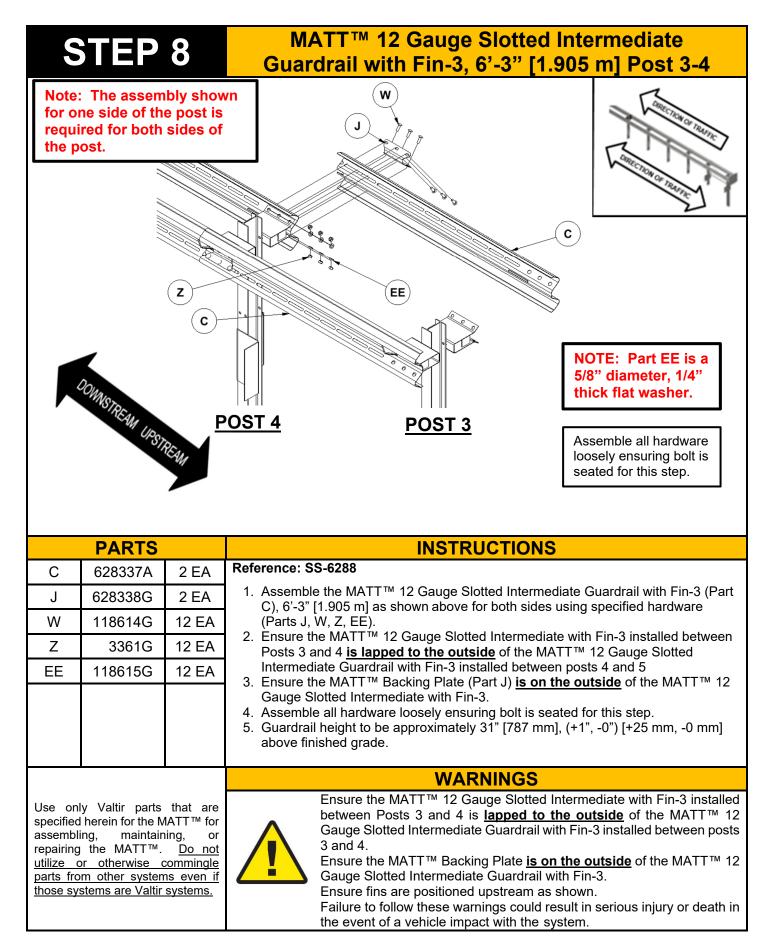
K	628285A	1 EA	Reference: SS-6288					
S	4211G	2 EA	<ol> <li>Assemble the MATT<sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 Top (Part K) to the MATT<sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 Bottom as shown in the "MATT<sup>™</sup> CR POST 1 TOP ORIENTATION DETAIL" using specified hardware (Parts S, JJ, Y).</li> </ol>					
Y	3245G	2 EA						
JJ	3240G	2 EA	2. Tighten all threaded hardware to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut.					
Use only Valtir parts that are			WARNINGS					
specified herein for the MATT <sup>™</sup> for assembling, maintaining, or repairing the MATT <sup>™</sup> . <u>Do not</u> <u>utilize or otherwise commingle</u> <u>parts from other systems even if</u> <u>those systems are Valtir systems.</u>		ATT™ for ng, or <u>Do not</u> mmingle s even if	Ensure the MATT <sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 Top is oriented according to the detail above. Ensure the Strut Hole in the MATT <sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 Bottom was installed <u>upstream.</u> See Step 2A Failure to follow this warning could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.					

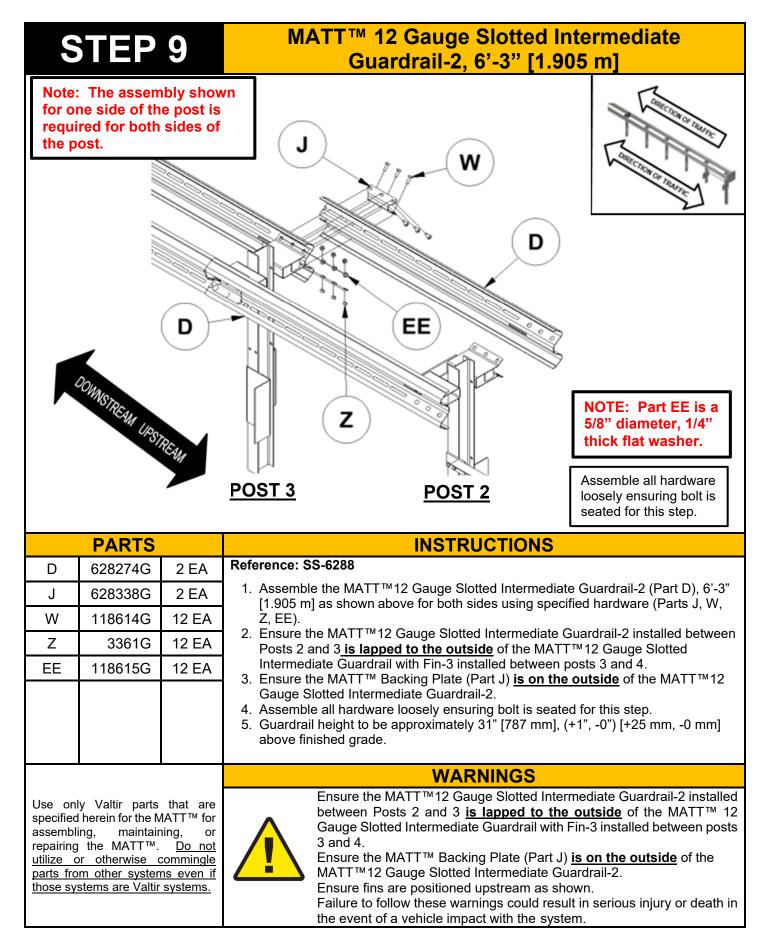
#### **MATT<sup>™</sup>** Double Spacer Assembly **STEP 5A** Post 1 and 2 Assemble all hardware loosely ensuring bolt is seated for this step. FF GG н GG HH DOWNSTREAM UPSTREAM DO NOT USE THIS HOLE GG DOWNSTREAM UPSTREAM POST 1 AND 2 -((O) 0 $\bigcirc$ **Bent Flange Pointed Downward** Orientation of the MATT<sup>™</sup> Double Spacer Detail PARTS **INSTRUCTIONS** Reference: SS-6288 628280A 2 EA Н 1. Assemble the MATT<sup>™</sup> Double Spacer (Part H) to the MATT<sup>™</sup> SYTP<sup>®</sup> (Post 2) FF 113457G 8 E A and MATT<sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 as shown above with the **Bent Flange Pointed Downward** using specified hardware (Parts FF, GG, HH). GG 118009G 4 EA 2. Ensure the **downstream** slotted hole in the MATT<sup>™</sup> Double Spacer is bolted to HH 115939G 4 EA the MATT<sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 and MATT<sup>™</sup> SYTP<sup>®</sup> with Soil Plate (Post 2) using the downstream hole in the post. 3. Assemble all hardware loosely ensuring bolt is seated for this step. WARNINGS Use only Valtir parts that are Ensure the **down<u>stream</u>** slotted hole in the MATT<sup>™</sup> Double Spacer is specified herein for the MATT™ for bolted to the MATT<sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 and MATT<sup>™</sup> SYTP<sup>®</sup> with Soil Plate assembling, maintaining, or (Post 2) using the downstream hole in the post. repairing the MATT™. Do not Ensure the MATT<sup>™</sup> Double Spacer is orientated correctly with the **Bent** utilize or otherwise commingle Flanged Pointed Downward for Posts 1 and 2. parts from other systems even if those systems are Valtir systems. Failure to follow these warnings could result in serious injury or death in the event of a vehicle impact with the system.

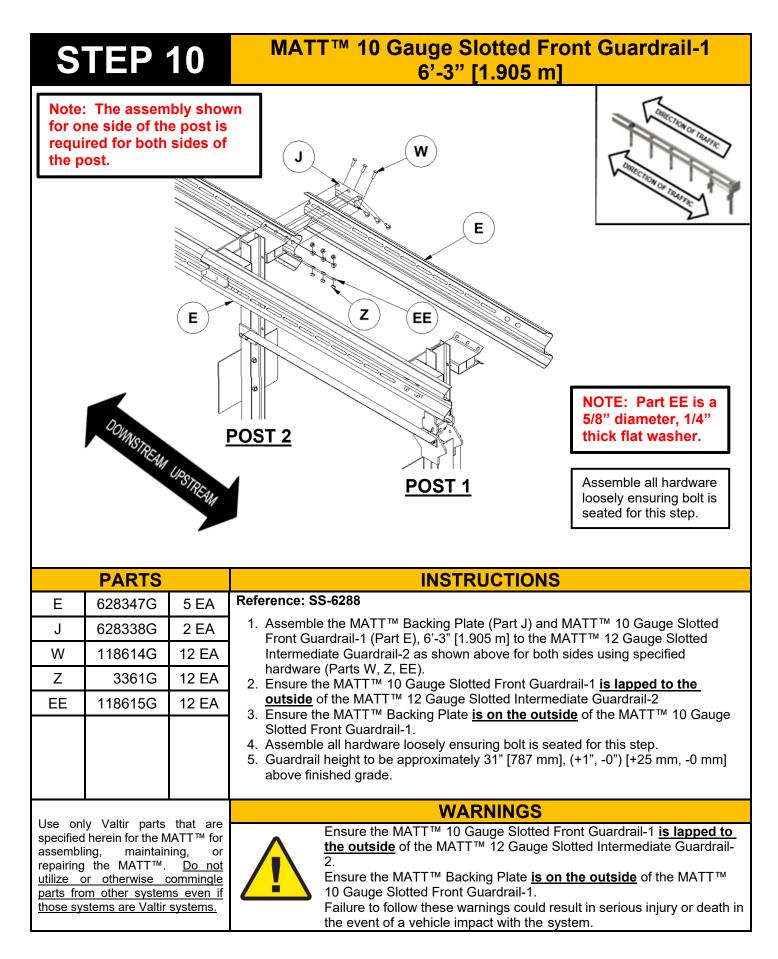






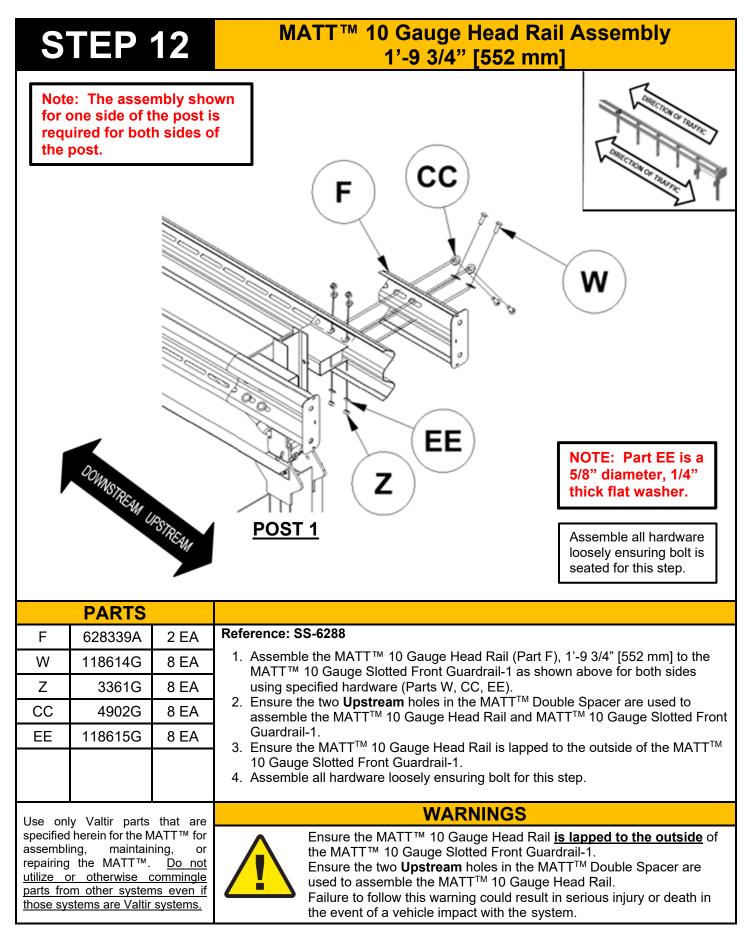






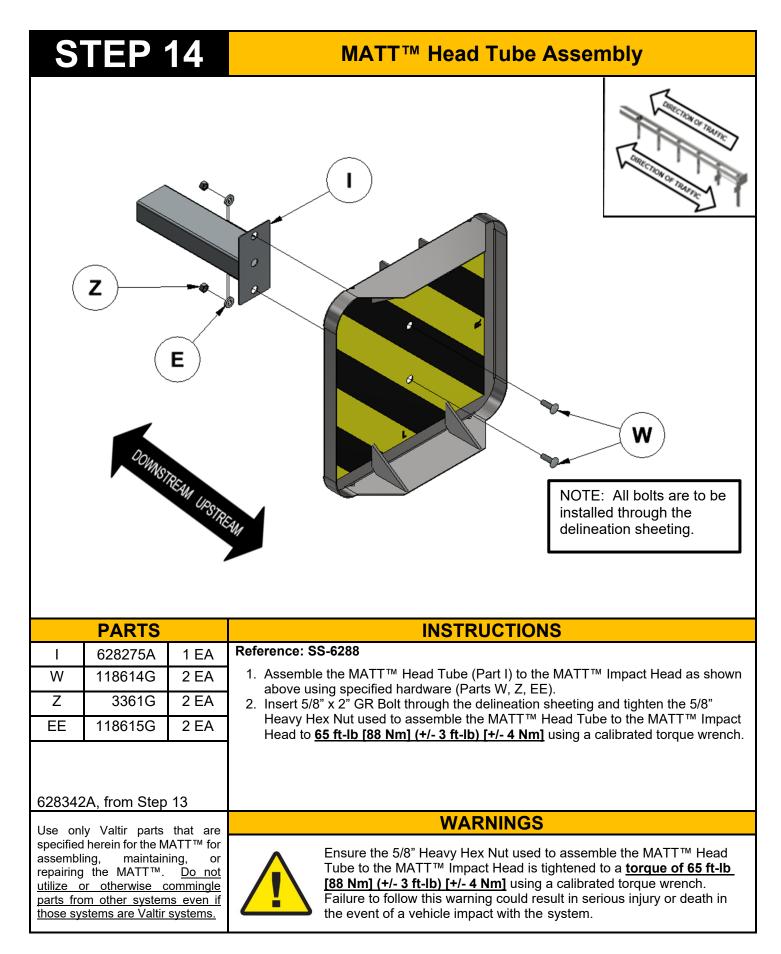
# MATT<sup>™</sup> Cable Assembly

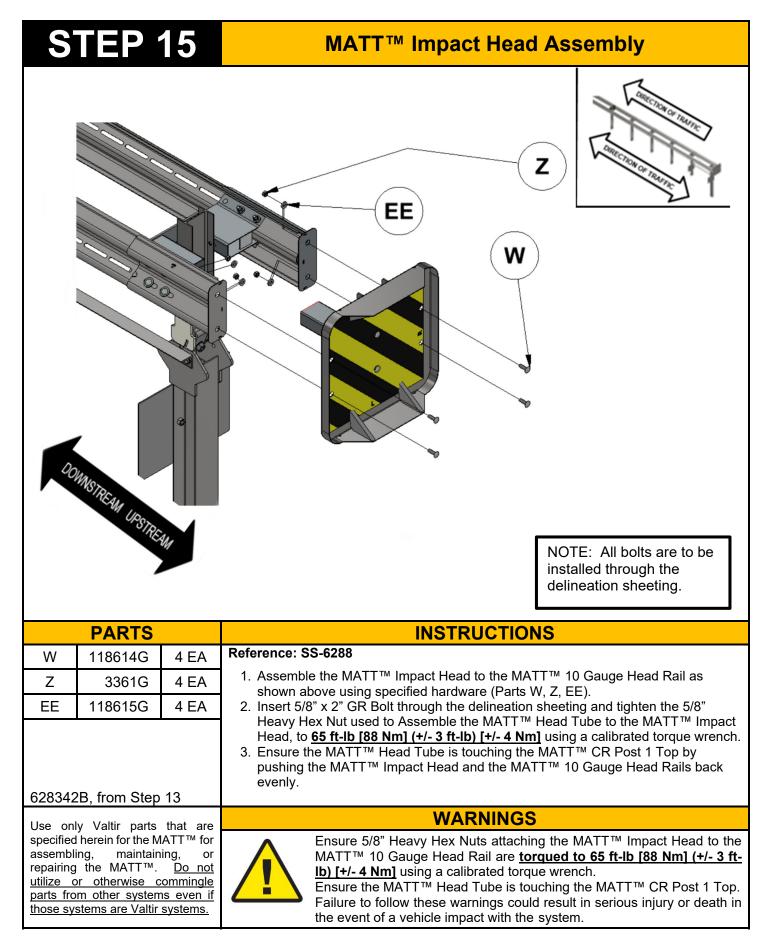
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	PARTS		INSTRUCTIONS
Р	3012G	1 EA	Reference: SS-6288
Q	33909G	1 EA	<ol> <li>Assemble the MATT<sup>™</sup> Cable Assembly [Part P] as shown above using specified hardware (Parts Q, CC, DD), remove excess slack from the cable.</li> </ol>
CC	4902G	2 EA	2. Ensure that the bent portion of the Cable Anchor Bracket Angle [Part Q] at CR
DD	9921G	2 EA	Post 1 is up and hooked over the MATT™ CR Post 1 Top.
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# MATT<sup>™</sup> Delineation Assembly

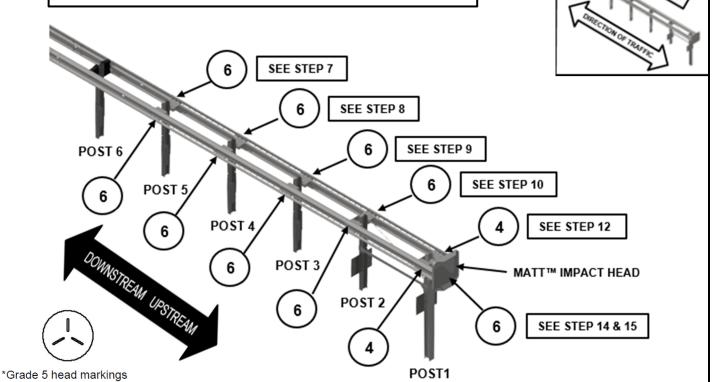
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А	628342A	1 EA	Reference: SS-6288		
ΥY	105379B	1 EA	MATT™ Impact Head (Pa	art A) as shown above.	eation Sheeting (Part YY) to the Rotate as appropriate.
	OR		<ol> <li>For gore application, atta Impact Head (Part A).</li> </ol>	ch the Delineation Sheet	ing (Part ZZ) to the MATT™
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Use only Valtir parts that are specified herein for the MATT™ for assembling, maintaining, or repairing the MATT™. <u>Do not</u> <u>utilize or otherwise commingle</u> <u>parts from other systems even if</u> <u>those systems are Valtir systems.</u>			Head meets s	tate/specifying agency's	g) used on the MATT™ Impact MUTCD for proper delineation. minimum of 3'-0" [1 m] in front





### MATT<sup>™</sup> Nuts To Be Torqued And Cable Tensioning

Number in balloon represents the number of "W", 5/8" x 2" GR Bolts, Grade 5 (A325), and "Z", 5/8" Heavy Hex Nuts, A563 DH that are torqued to 65 ft-lb [88 Nm], (+/- 3 ft-lb) [+/- 4 Nm], at each location.



PARTS	INSTRUCTIONS	
	<ol> <li>Reference: SS-6288         <ol> <li>Ensure all bolts identified above and installed loosely ensuring bolt is seated for this step in earlier Steps are torqued to 65 ft-lb [88 Nm] (+/-3 ft-lb) [+/-4 Nm] using a calibrated torque wrench.</li> <li>Ensure the 1" flat washers installed in Step 14 under the bolt head attaching the MATT™ 10 Gauge Head Rail are centered on the bolt head before tightening.</li> <li>Ensure that the bent portion of the Cable Anchor Bracket Angle (See Step 11) a CR Post 1 is up and hooked over the MATT™ CR Post 1 Top.</li> <li>Restrain the cable with locking pliers and/or a pipe wrench while tightening nut with a wrench, at the end being tightened to avoid twisting the cable.</li> <li>Tighten the cable until it is taut. The cable is considered taut when it does not deflect more than 1" [25 mm] when pressure is applied by hand in an up or dow direction.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
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# MATT<sup>™</sup> Assembly/Repair Checklist

### (File with Project/Maintenance Records)

Per	formed by:
Dat	e:
Loc	ation:
1.	Ensure proper site grading complies with state/specifying agency guidelines and/or AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, whichever is more stringent. (p 8)
2.	Ensure required traffic control is in place to conduct MATT™ assembly. (p 5)
3.	Ensure only Valtir provided MATT <sup>™</sup> parts are used for the assembly of the MATT <sup>™</sup> and that all parts are free of damage. (p 5)
4.	Under NO circumstances shall the rail within the MATT <sup>™</sup> be curved, between Post 1 and Post 6. Ensure all MATT <sup>™</sup> post spacings are 6'-3" [1.905 m] on center. (p 8)
5.	Ensure the soil around all posts is properly compacted and posts are free to rotate. When leave outs are necessary, use only state/specifying agency approved backfill material within the leave out area. (p 9)
6.	Ensure the Strut Hole of the MATT™ CR Post 1 Bottom with Soil Plate is <u>upstream</u> and the Post is 4" [100 mm] (+1", -0") [+25 mm, -0 mm] above the finished grade. (pp 17, 21-22).
7.	Ensure Soil Plates are installed on the downstream side of Posts 1-6 (pp 17-20)
8.	Ensure the center of the SYTP <sup>®</sup> yielding holes at Posts 2-5 are approximately centered at finished grade. (pp 18-20)
9.	Ensure the MATT <sup>™</sup> Strut Adapter Plate (at Post 2) and Strut are installed between Post 1 and 2 on the post side OPPOSITE the closest traffic, when assembled in a Median or Roadside application. When assembled in a Gore application, it is acceptable to place them on either side of the post(s). Ensure the toe of the Strut's vertical leg is pointed down. (p 21)
10.	Ensure the <u>downstream</u> slotted holes in the MATT <sup>™</sup> Double Spacer is bolted to the <u>downstream</u> hole of the MATT <sup>™</sup> CR Post 1 Top and the MATT <sup>™</sup> SYTP <sup>®</sup> (Post 2). (p 23)
11.	Ensure the <u>upstream</u> slotted hole in the MATT <sup>™</sup> Spacer (Posts 3-5) is bolted to the MATT <sup>™</sup> SYTP <sup>®</sup> with Soil Plate using the <u>upstream</u> hole in the post. (p 24)
12.	Ensure all MATT™ Guardrails are installed 31" [787 mm] (+1", -0") [+/- 25 mm, -0] from finished grade. (pp various)
13.	Ensure all MATT™ 12 Gauge Transition Guardrails with Fin-4, at post location 6, are <u>lapped in the direction</u> of the nearest adjacent traffic and fins are positioned upstream. (p 25)
14.	Ensure the MATT™ 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrails with Fin-3 are <u>lapped to the outside</u> of the MATT™ 12 Gauge Transition Guardrails with Fin-4. (p 26)
15.	Ensure the MATT™ 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrails with Fin-3 are <u>lapped to the outside</u> of the MATT™ 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrails with Fin-3. (p 27)
16.	Ensure the MATT™ 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrails-2 are <u>lapped to the outside</u> of the MATT™ 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrails with Fin-3. (p 28)
17.	Ensure the MATT™ 10 Gauge, Slotted Front Guardrails-1 are <u>lapped to the outside</u> of the MATT™ 12 Gauge, Slotted Intermediate Guardrails-2. (p 29)
18.	Ensure the MATT™ 10 Gauge Head Rails are <b>lapped to the outside</b> of the MATT™ 10 Gauge Slotted Front Guardrails-1. (p 31)
19.	Ensure the MATT <sup>™</sup> Backing Plate is <u>assembled on the outside</u> of the MATT <sup>™</sup> Guardrail Panels at Posts 2, 3, 4 and 5. (pp 26-29)
20.	Ensure the 5/8" heavy flat washers (1/4" thick) are placed between the nut and spacers at Posts 1-5. (pp 26-29)
21.	Ensure the MATT™ Head Tube is attached to the MATT™ Impact Head and it is up against the MATT™ CR Post 1 Top. (pp 33-34)
22.	Ensure all MATT™ fasteners identified in Step 16 are <b>torqued to 65 ft-lb [88 Nm], (+/- 3 ft-lb) [+/- 4 Nm]</b> . (p 35)
23.	Ensure all MATT <sup>™</sup> fasteners that are NOT required to be torqued are tightened to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut. (Various pp)
24.	Ensure the Cable Anchor Bracket Angle is hooked over the MATT™ CR Post 1 Top and the cable is taut. (pp 30-35)
25.	Ensure delineation is placed on the MATT™ Impact Head per MUTCD and/ or state/specifying agency. (p 32)
26.	Ensure any steel delineator posts are a minimum of 3'-0" [1 m] upstream from the MATT™ Impact Head. (p 32)

# MATT™ Routine Inspection Checklist

(File with Maintenance Records)

Performed by:		 
Date:		
Location:		

Valtir recommends the state/specifying agency develop and administer their own end terminal inspection program, based on location of unit, volume of traffic and impact history.



Important: The MATT<sup>™</sup> and all of its components shall be inspected for damage after every impact. Repair using only Valtir parts that are specified for use within this MATT<sup>™</sup> Product Description Assembly Manual.

If no end terminal inspection program exists, Valtir recommends visual drive-by inspections at least once every month and walk-up inspections every six (6) months. These inspections shall, <u>at a minimum</u>, consist of:

#### Visual Drive-By Inspections (Recommended Frequency: Monthly)

- $\hfill\square$  Check for damage caused by vehicle impacts.
- □ Check for damage caused by impacts from snowplow, mowing or roadway operations.
- □ Check for misalignment.
- □ Check for missing system components.
- □ Check for vandalism.
- □ Check for damage caused by adverse weather conditions (i.e. erosion, weight of snow, UV).
- $\hfill\square$  Check that the anchor cable appears taut.

#### Walk-Up Inspections (Recommended Frequency: Every Six (6) Months)

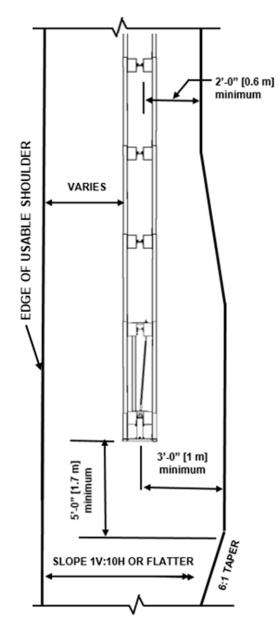
Walk-Up Inspections include ALL Visual Drive-By Inspection items (listed above) as well as the items listed below.

- □ Ensure required traffic control is in place to conduct walk-up inspection.
- □ Clear and dispose of any debris or trash found on the MATT<sup>™</sup> site, which may interfere with the performance of the MATT<sup>™</sup>.
- □ Check that fasteners are fully tightened. See Step 16 for torqued nut locations. All other locations are to be tightened to a snug position with a minimum of two (2) bolt threads protruding beyond the nut.
- $\hfill\square$  Check for erosion to the site grading around the system.
- □ Ensure that the MATT<sup>™</sup> Anchor Cable is taut and the Bearing Plate is properly positioned.
- □ Ensure the MATT<sup>™</sup> Panels are lapped correctly to allow them to telescope.

If any of the above items are identified during the inspection process, <u>swift action shall be taken</u> to correct <u>and repair the MATT™ to working condition</u> as outlined in the MATT™ Product Description Assembly Manual, latest edition.

# Appendix A

#### AASHTO Roadside Design Guide Roadside (Shoulder) Grading Detail



NOTE: Refer to AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition 2011, Section 8.3.3 Site Grading Consideration for Terminals, pp 8-4 through 8-6.

# MATT<sup>™</sup> Roadside (Shoulder) Grading Detail

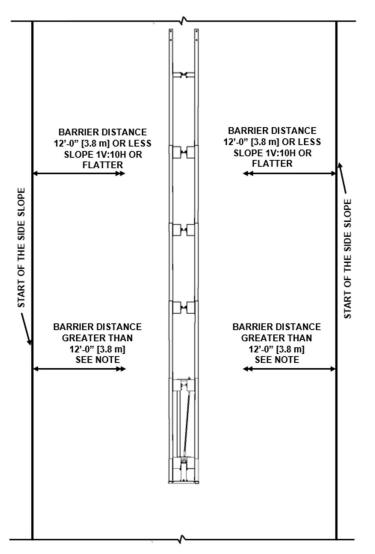
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# Appendix B

#### AASHTO Roadside Design Guide Median Grading Detail



NOTE: Refer to AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition 2011, Section 5.6.2.2 Slopes, pp 5-46 through 5-48 for slope criteria.

### MATT<sup>™</sup> Median Grading Detail

Detail derived from information contained in the AASHTO Roadside Design Guide, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition 2011



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