## Circular Curve Information: Angles Bearings \& Arcs

- BEARINGS: the direction of a line specified by a given angle between the line and an established meridian, usually the north-south axis.
- An angle less than or equal to 90 -measured from the North end or South end of a meridian to the east or west (includes quadrant identifier).
- For Example, N 24.06' $15^{\prime \prime}$ E
- We will measure and note all our tangents with a BEARING \& a Length



## What do we do for this Project with Bearings?

- All tangents from the starting point on the left side of the sheet and between curves including the ending tangent need to be labeled with bearings and length.
- You get the bearings by measuring the angle with a protractor or in ACAD from the north south meridian.
- Label the bearings in degrees and minutes read from your protractor, or degrees, minutes \& seconds in ACAD. Note, protractor measurements are is not very accurate but we must get the practice and familiarity.
- Also label the length of the tangent in feet and inches using the decimal format. Approximate the inches as best you can reading from your scale, or give them accurately in ACAD.


## Circular Curve Information:Tangents

- Tangents: All tangents on our road project need a bearing \& a length.
- Measured and Noted along the Center Line of an element ~ our road in this case
- Denotes a direction \& distance of travel, from a starting point to an ending point with a bearing and a length.


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## Calculations $\sim$ The Length of Curve (L)

- The Length of Curve (L) The length of the arc from the PC to the PT.
- Note, a whole station may occur along L and must be indicated on your plan
- Use the following formula: L
$=\frac{(2 \pi R) \times I}{360^{\circ}}$
Where $\mathbf{P i}=3.14$ \&
I= Included Angle
measured with your
protractor or in
ACAD



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- (I) Measure with a protractor, or in ACAD, convert to Degrees, Minutes, \& Seconds.
- $(\boldsymbol{R})=$ Radius You decide based on design speed. We started with 250 ft . This is a minimum.
- You radius will vary depending on your design. Measure the Radius with your scale or in ACAD.
- Clearly draft and mark you radii and radius points (0)on trace mockups so you can see them



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- (L) Length of Curve You must calculate this using the formula.
- (T) Tangents Measure with a scale and protractor or in ACAD. Convert to Bearings \& length. Label on Tangent.


For each curve provide the following data in a chart:

CURVE NO. 1
R =
L =
$7 \quad$ I =

## Want to Measure: Record Stationing

## - Where to Station:

- Beginning Point (POB) $0+00$
- Every Full Station $1+00$, $2+00,3+00$, etc. (including along Tangents and Curves).
- At the Ending Point $4+61.50$
- At the PC and PT of each curve.
- Stations are measured at the scale of the drawing.



## Notes on Grading the Road

- Avoid multiple changes in the slope of your road.
- Go for long continuous gradients with as few changes in longitudinal slope of the road as is practical
- Consider the balance of cut and fill when determining the slopes of your road
- Remember when you change the grade of your road, the cross slope contour angles of shoulders and side walk will change
- Drain run off on adjacent land areas away from the road


## Area Drain Inlet

- Used for small discreet areas of paved surfaces
- Small overall dimensions of Lid and Pipe it drains into
- Typical of the type we might have specified our our earlier residence patio


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## Drainage Structures ~ Drain Inlet (DI)

- Drain Inlets have only an outlet pipe. They have no inlet pipe.
- Drain Inlets have no Sump below the outlet pipe
- Note Smaller Diameter than CB's
- Note Invert Elevation at bottom of pipe


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## Drainage Structures ~ Catch Basin (CB)

- Note Sump: Volume of space below pipes entering \& leaving for debris \& sediment to settle \& Collect
- Catch Basins have a pipe in \& out
- For our project, the outlet pipe shall have an invert@ the CB $\mathbf{2}^{\prime \prime}$ lower than the invert of the pipe coming into the $C B$ where it enters



## Catch Basin (CB) Required Elevations

- Note the red plus marks. These represent the Invert Elevation of the Pipe.
- The Invert Elevation represents the elevation of the Bottom of the Pipe as it enters or leaves the CB.
- The CB Rim El is the elevation of the top of the grate cover flush with the road/paved surface.



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Why is headwall needed?

(a)

(b)

## Culvert Basics ~ Understanding what is Happening

1. Note longitudinal flow direction on road
2. Note water flow direction of cross slope of crowned road
3. Note DI/CB locations in red against curb
4. Note Contours at Head Wall of Culvert
5. Note Invert Elevations at outlet of culvert pipe \& drafting of headwall beyond in section elevation
6. Flow direction through pipe

(b)

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## End of Today's Presentation

