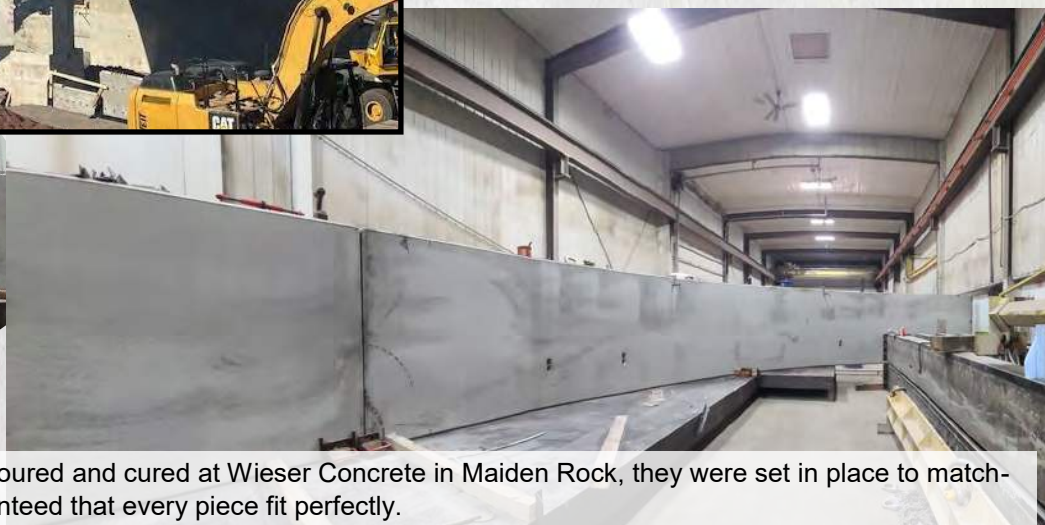


## Precast Bridge Improves Traffic Safety

Contech Engineered Solutions collaborated with Wieser Concrete to manufacture an At-Grade Crossing for railroad and highway traffic in Two Harbors, MN. The Bebo® Precast Concrete Arch System was used in the center to generate a significant amount of rise and clearance for the train to pass under. The highway traffic will flow over this bridge to create a safe and secure transition for both types of traffic.

According to Jake Vogel, Senior Bridge Consultant for Contech Engineered Solutions, “The Bebo® Precast Arch was selected for this site to support the significant amount of fill and traffic load as well as the amount of rise required for the train to pass underneath”. The headwall bridge sections cover a 54’ span and the wingwalls extend 75’ in both directions from the main bridge arch. Thanks to the mild winter in Northern Minnesota, the project is on schedule.

Wieser Concrete looks forward to the next project with Contech.



Once the arch sections were poured and cured at Wieser Concrete in Maiden Rock, they were set in place to match-cast the headwalls. This guaranteed that every piece fit perfectly.

### Hopwood History 50 years in the Making with Wieser

In 1974, Joe Wieser, Founder of Wieser Concrete and Morse “Hoppy” Hopwood made a business agreement. This resulted in Hoppy and his wife, Wanda moving their family from Plum City to Spooner, WI to set-up a distribution yard primarily for Wieser septic tanks. With one truck and huge ambition, Hoppy took to the roads and Wanda took to the phones, taking orders and coordinating delivery schedules. Since then sales have steadily increased across the Spooner community and surrounding area due to the hard work and great teamwork of Hoppy and Wanda Hopwood.

Well known across the Spooner community, Hoppy had a kind heart and always had a piece of candy for kids. Hoppy passed away in 2012, however Wanda remains in Spooner.



Danielle Larson- Grand-daughter to Wanda & Hoppy Hopwood, spoke at the Wieser seminar in Spooner. She remembers riding along with her Grandpa and Uncles, delivering Wieser tanks.

The Wieser-Hopwood tradition continues over 50 years, with both of their sons, Todd and Tim working for Wieser Concrete as well as their grandson, Shawn. Currently, the Wieser Concrete distribution yard has 5 trucks in Spooner, WI and continues to break sales records year over year. Wieser Concrete is grateful for the continued support and thankful to our Spooner customers over the past 50 years as we start our 60th year in business on April 25th, 2024.



### Successful 2024 Seminars

Wieser Concrete hosted 5 septic seminars across Wisconsin, and over 550 professionals attended from the wastewater industry. Each day was filled with speakers, vendors, county officials, and an opportunity to network with industry associates and regulatory professionals. Wieser Concrete appreciates everyone’s hard work to make the 2024 seminars successful.

