

2019 PLS-CADD Advanced Training and User Group

## Update on ASCE and NESC Codes and Standards

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# Executive Summary - ASCE

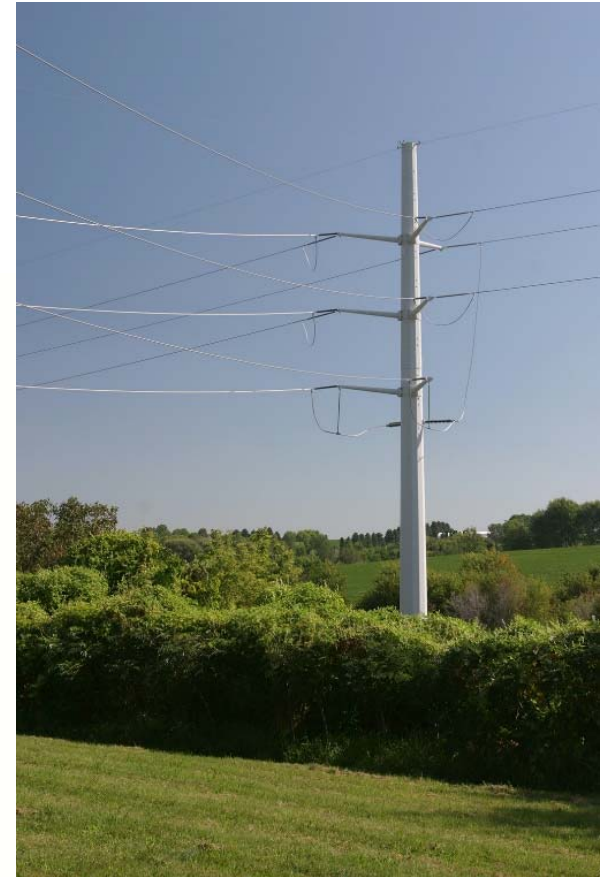


- 2 Standards Committees
  - Directly Under ASCE Structural Engineering Institute (SEI)
- 6 Task Committees
  - Under Electrical Transmission and Substation Structures (ETS) Committee
  - Chair – Ron Carrington
- Triennial ASCE/SEI ETS Conference

# ASCE 48 – Tubular Steel Structures



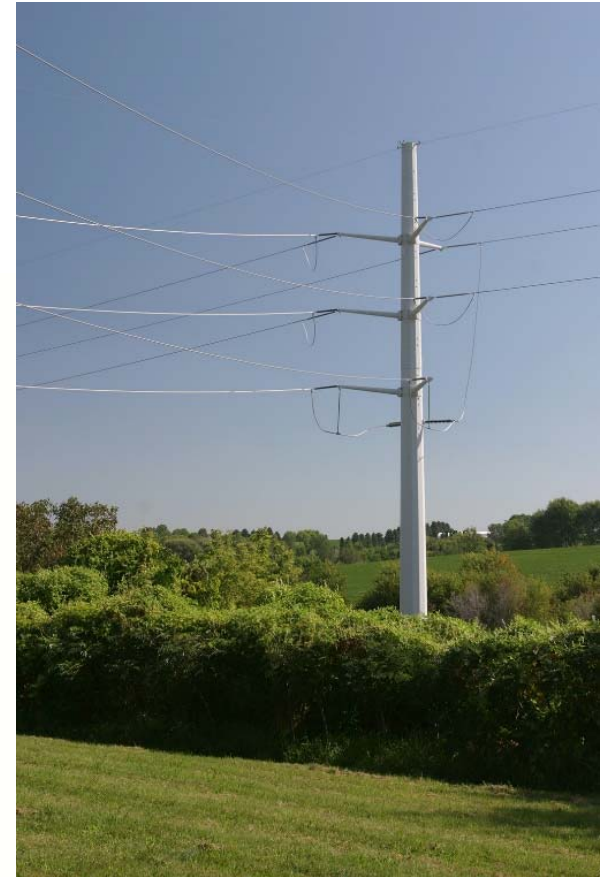
- Chair - Ken Sharpless
- 3rd Edition (ASCE 48-20)
- Committee Ballots Completed (3)
- Currently in Public Ballot
- Publication in 2020?



# ASCE 48 – Tubular Steel Structures



- What to look for:
  - Aesthetic design
  - Expanded Appendix
  - Unloaded member fatigue
  - Shaft to baseplate issues
  - Connections





# ASCE 10 – Lattice Steel Structures

- Chair – Bob Nickerson
- ASCE 10-15 PUBLISHED!!!
  - Order from ASCE Bookstore
  - <http://www.asce.org/templates/publications-book-detail.aspx?id=12069>
- What to look for:
  - Additional definitions and equations
  - Post angle member splices, welded angles
  - Commentary - Climbing and Fall Protection
  - Appendix C – Guidelines for Existing Towers
    - 12 sections
    - Historical Material Specs
    - Original Compression Curves



# ASCE 10 – Lattice Steel Structures

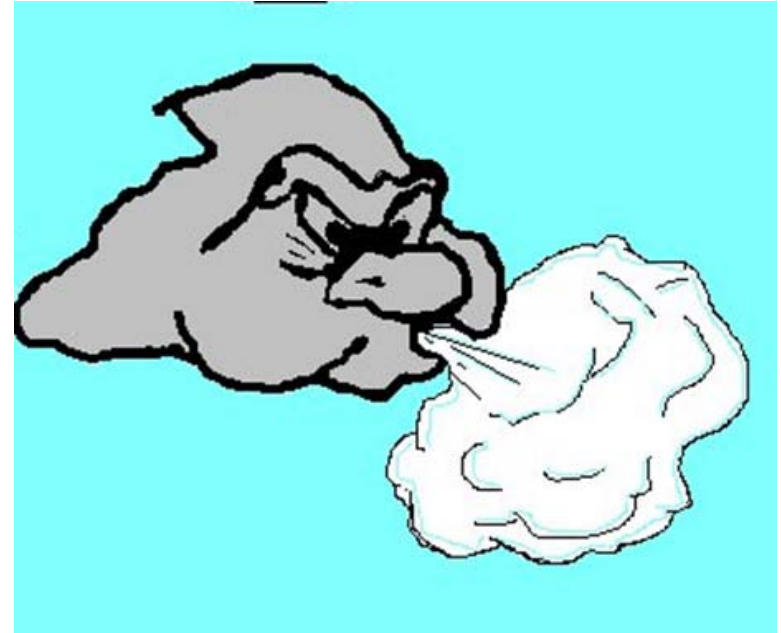


- 3rd Edition (ASCE 10-20)
  - Committee Meetings Complete
  - Currently in Editorial Review
  - Committee Ballot
  - Public Ballot
  - On Track for Publication
  - 2020?
- 5 Working Groups
- Had over 50 Change Proposals



# ASCE 74 – Guidelines for Structure Loadings

- Chair – Frank Agnew
- Blue Ribbon Panel Complete
- Publish target – 2019
- What to look for:
  - Complete rewrite of 3rd Edition
  - Updated wind and ice maps (100 Year)
  - New high-intensity wind numbers
  - New gust-response factors
  - New height adjustment factors
  - Pre-standard appendix



# ASCE 7 HAZARD TOOL

**Location**  
Madison, Wisconsin, ,

**Elevation**  
899 ft with respect to North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD 88)

**Lat:**  
43.07313

**Long:**  
-89.38644

**Standard:**  
ASCE/SEI 7-16

**Risk Category:**  
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**Soil Class:**

**Wind**  
100 Vmph

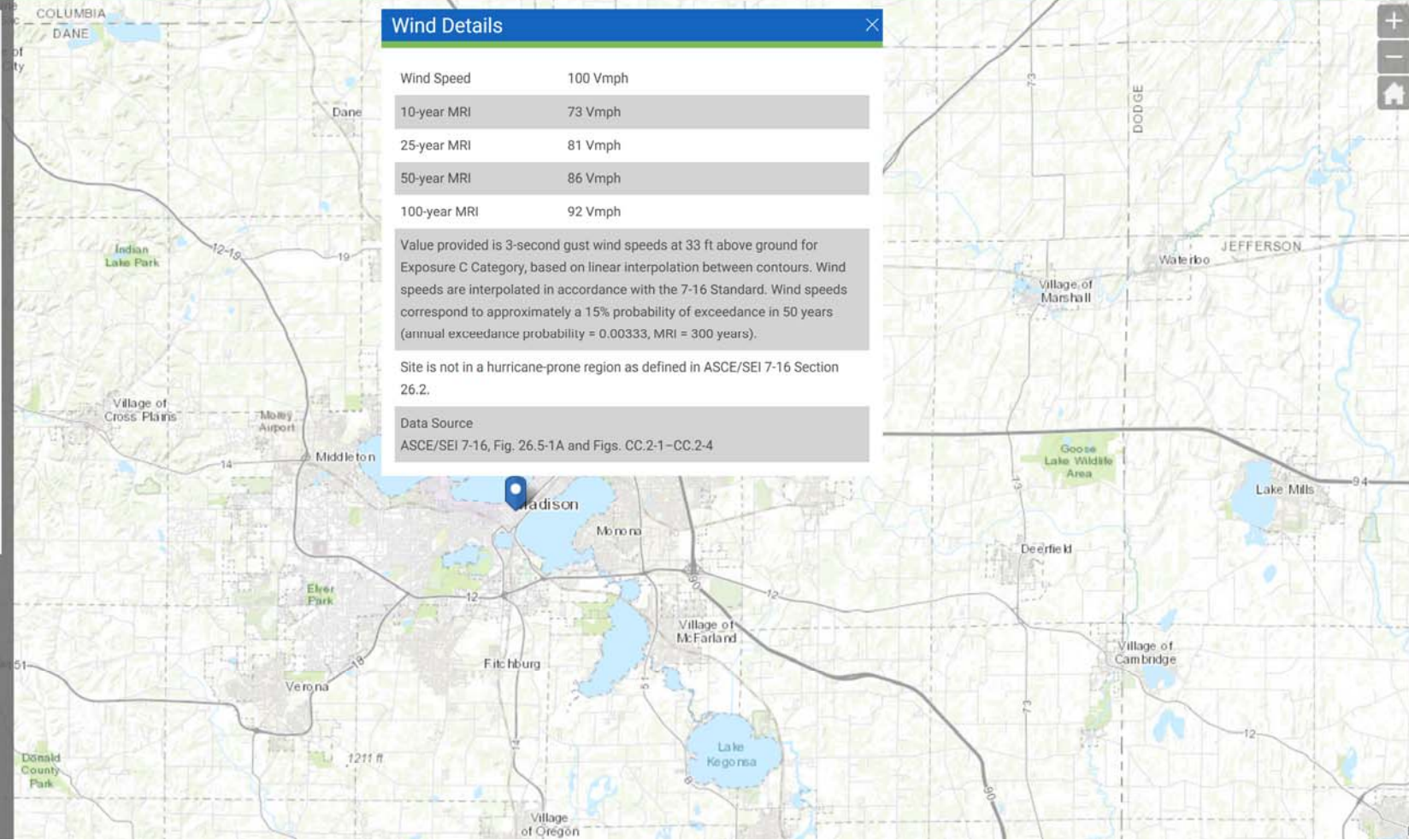
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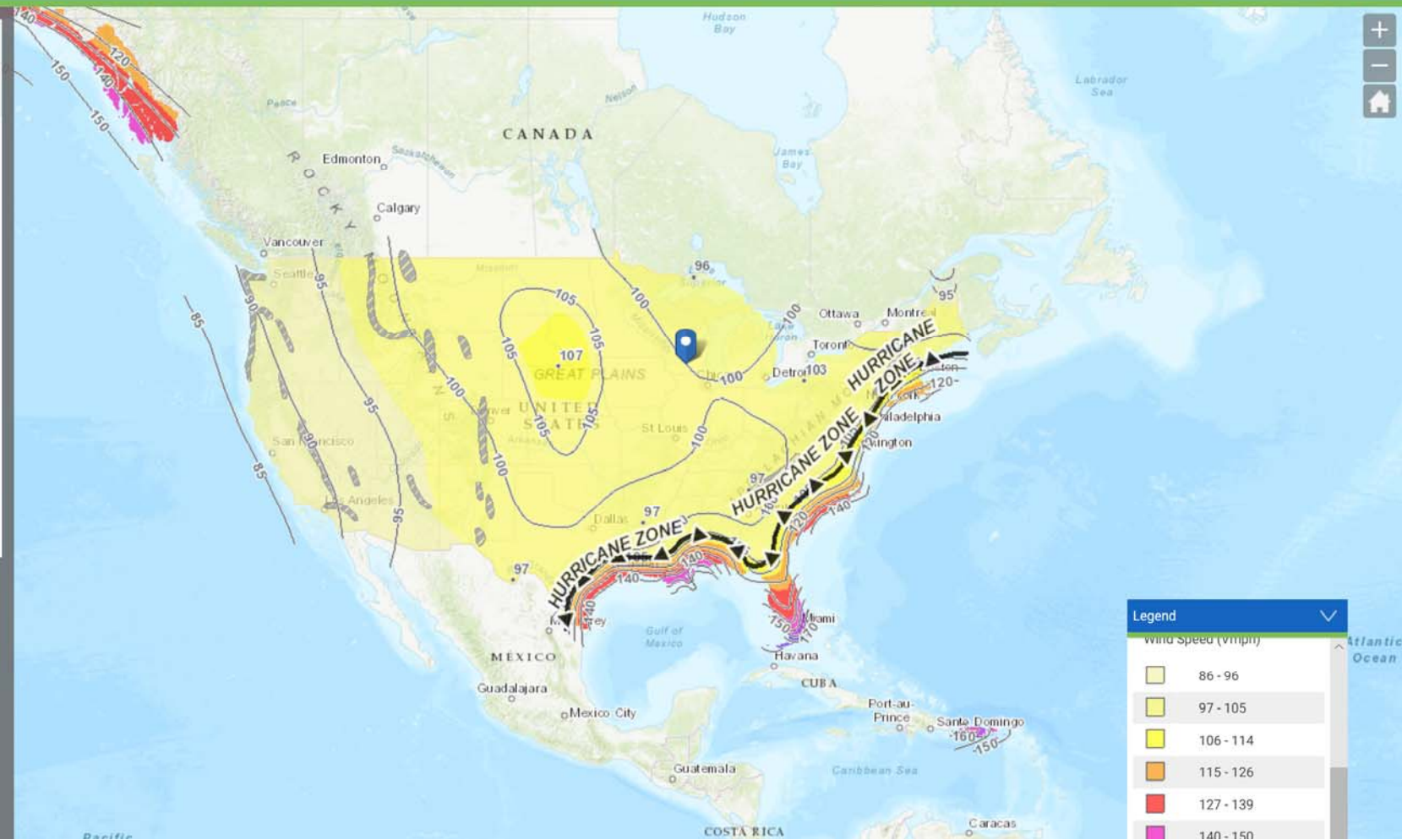
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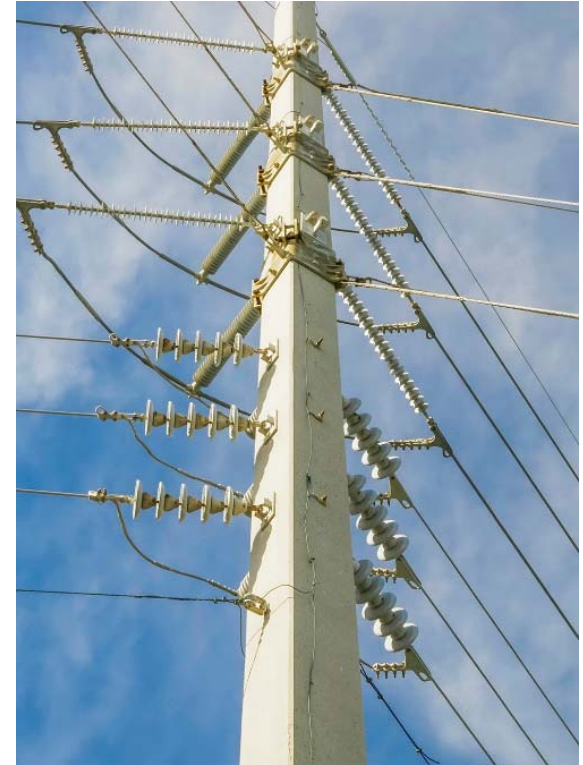
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Legend	
Wind Speed (vmph)	
86 - 96	
97 - 105	
106 - 114	
115 - 126	
127 - 139	
140 - 150	

# ASCE 123 – Concrete Poles

- Co-Chairs – Doug Sherman & Wes Oliphant
- Latest document published 2012.
  - No recent activity.
  - No modifications anticipated.



# ASCE 113 – Substation Design



- Chair – George Watson.
- 1st edition released several years ago.
- 2nd revision currently being worked on.
- 2020 Publish Date (?)
- Numerous working groups
- What to look for:
  - Resolution of wind map selection
  - ASCE 7 – 2005 or ASCE 7 – 2010? Or ASCE 7 – 2016.
  - New section on foundation design issues



# ASCE 104 FRP (Fiberglass)

- Chair – Galen Fecht
- Blue Ribbon Panel Review Complete
- Approved by ASCE Executive Committee
- In ASCE Publications
- Publication in 2019
- What to look for:
  - Updates to reflect maturing industry
  - Updated design considerations
  - Deflections
  - Foundations
  - Hardware

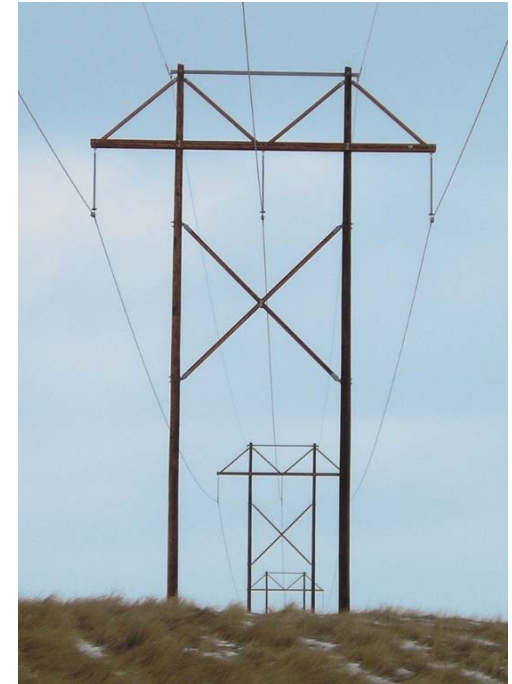




# ASCE 141 - Wood Structures



- Chair – Jim McGuire of Great River Energy
- 1<sup>st</sup> Edition
- Editorial Review Complete
- Blue Ribbon Panel COMPLETE
- APPROVED by ASCE Executive Committee (8/6/2018)
- ASCE 141
- Available Now!
- <https://ascelibrary.org/doi/book/10.1061/9780784415245>



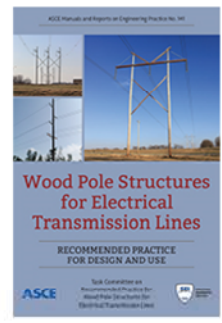
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# Wood Pole Structures for Electrical Transmission Lines: Recommended Practice for Design and Use

ASCE Task Committee on Recommended Practice for Wood Pole Structures for Electrical Transmission Lines; Edited by [James M. McGuire, P.E.](#); [Otto J. Lynch, P.E.](#); [Vicki Schneider, P.E.](#); [Jaron T. Reay, P.E., S.E.](#); [Timothy P. Wachholz, P.E., S.E.](#); [Nelson G. Bingel III](#)

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Prepared by the Task Committee on Wood Pole Structures for Electrical Transmission Lines of the Committee on Electrical Transmission Structures of the Structural Engineering Institute of ASCE

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ASCE Task Committee on Recommended Practice for Wood Pole Structures for Electrical



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*Wood Pole Structures for Electrical Transmission Lines: Recommended Practice for Design and Use*, MOP 141, provides comprehensive knowledge of the principles and methods for the design and use of wood poles for overhead utility line structures. The use of wood pole structures, properly designed utilizing consistent structural engineering principles, may provide a simple, cost effective, and more resilient option than some of the other pole materials commonly used. This manual examines

- Structural configurations and pole applications,
- Critical factors and design considerations specific to wood pole structures,
- Mechanical properties applicable standards and specifications used to manufacture wood poles,
- Wood pole foundations and anchoring,
- Construction of wood pole structures, and
- Inspection and maintenance of wood pole structures and lines.

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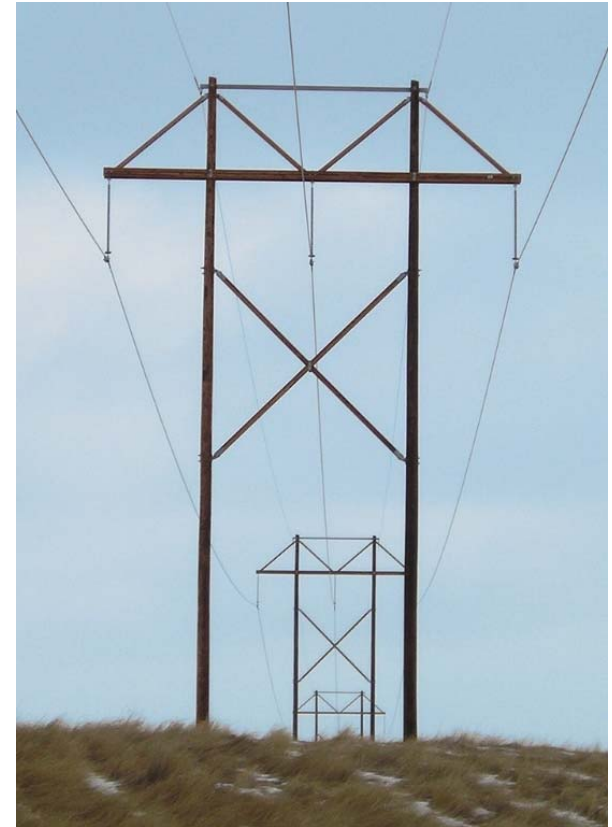
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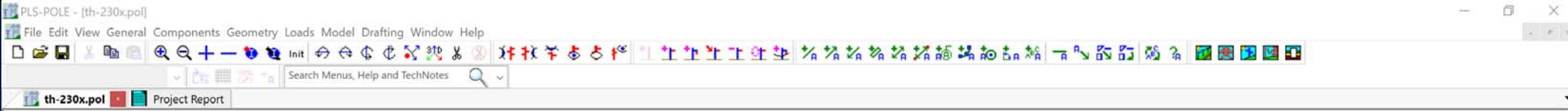
# ASCE Wood Structures



- What to look for:
  - Preface
  - Definitions
  - 1 - Structural Configurations and Pole Applications
  - 2 - Initial Considerations
  - 3 - Materials
  - 4 - Design
  - 5 - Connections
  - 6 - Foundations
  - 7 - Manufacturing and Quality Assurance
  - 8 - Assembly and Erection
  - 9 - Inspection, Maintenance and Repair
  - Appendix A – Resiliency of Wood Pole Overhead Lines
  - Appendix B – Examples – Wood Pole Design
  - Appendix C – Laminated Wood Poles
  - Appendix D – Quality and Strength Assessment Tools and Devices
  - Appendix E – Examples – Foundations
  - Glossary
  - Notation
  - Bibliography (References)







**General Data**

Project Title: TH-230X

Project Notes: Tangent H-Frame

Enable Automatic Project Revision Tracking During Each Save: ☐

Maximum Pole or Mast Segment Length (ft): 5.000

Voltage (kV): 230

Z of ground for wind height adjust and PLS-CADD centerline (ft): 0.000

Fixity Point as a % of Buried Length: 0.000

Strength Check For Wood Poles: **ASCE 141-2019**

Strength Check For Steel and FRP Poles: Entire pole  
Ground only

Calculate base plate strength usage: **ASCE 141-2019**

Load Type: **ASCE 141-2019**

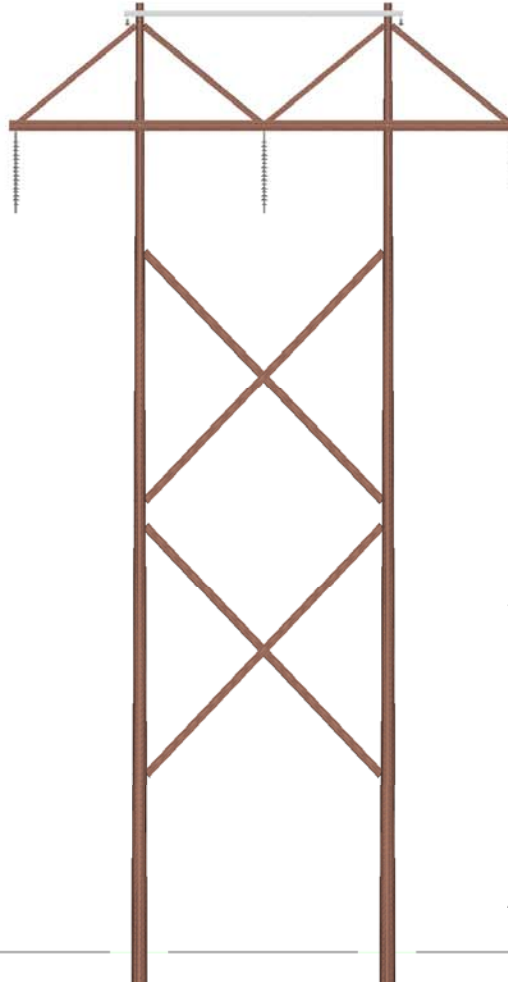
Analysis Options:

- ☒ Design Check for Single Structure
- ☐ Basic Allowable Spans
- ☐ Create a Method 1 File for PLS-CADD
- ☐ Allowable Spans Interactions Diagrams
- ☐ Create a Method 2 File for PLS-CADD

Use Pole Offsets For:

- ☒ Arms
- ☒ Braces
- ☒ Guys
- ☒ Posts
- ☒ Strains

OK Cancel



## Available Now in PLS-POLE Under General/General Data Strength Check For Wood Poles [ASCE 141](#)

NOTE:

$$MOR_{5\%} = MOR_{50\%} (1 - 1.645 \times COV)$$

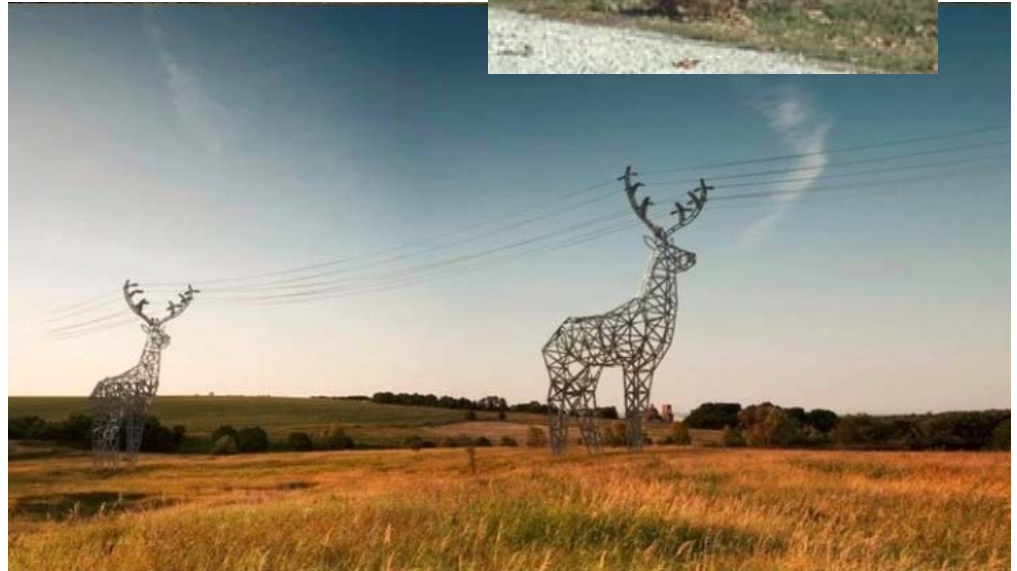
$$MOR_{5\%} = MOR_{50\%} * 0.671$$

where

MOR5% = 5% lower exclusion limit,  
MOR50% = 50% lower exclusion limit, and  
COV = Coefficient of variation as designated  
in Table 1, footnote 4 of  
ANSI O5.1.

# ASCE Aesthetic Structures

- Chair – Mike Khavari
- White Paper
  - Guidelines to Consider
- Publish in 2019

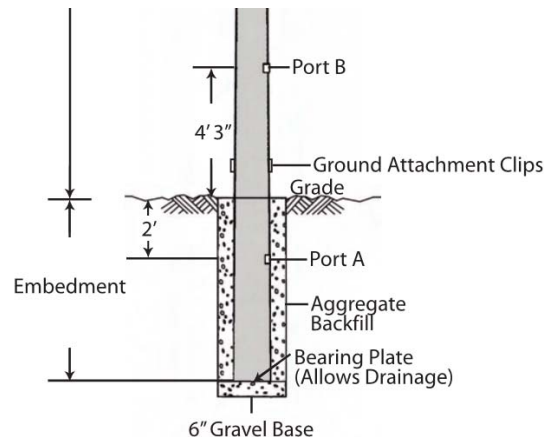


# ASCE Foundations – New Committee

- Chair – Vicki Schnieder
  - Mortenson Engineering Services, Inc.
  - direct 763.287.5758 | mobile 701.212.6736
  - vicki.schneider@mortenson.com
- Committee Forming Soon
- Send email to Vicki (or Otto) if Interested



Figure 6-2. Direct embedded pole.



# ASCE Electrical Transmission and Substations Conference



- 2018 Conference – Atlanta, GA
  - Over 1600 Attendees!
- 2021 Conference – Orlando, FL, September 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021
- Chair – Tim Cashman
- Accepting Abstracts Later This Year or Early 2020
- Booths
- Sponsorships
- [www.etsconference.org](http://www.etsconference.org)



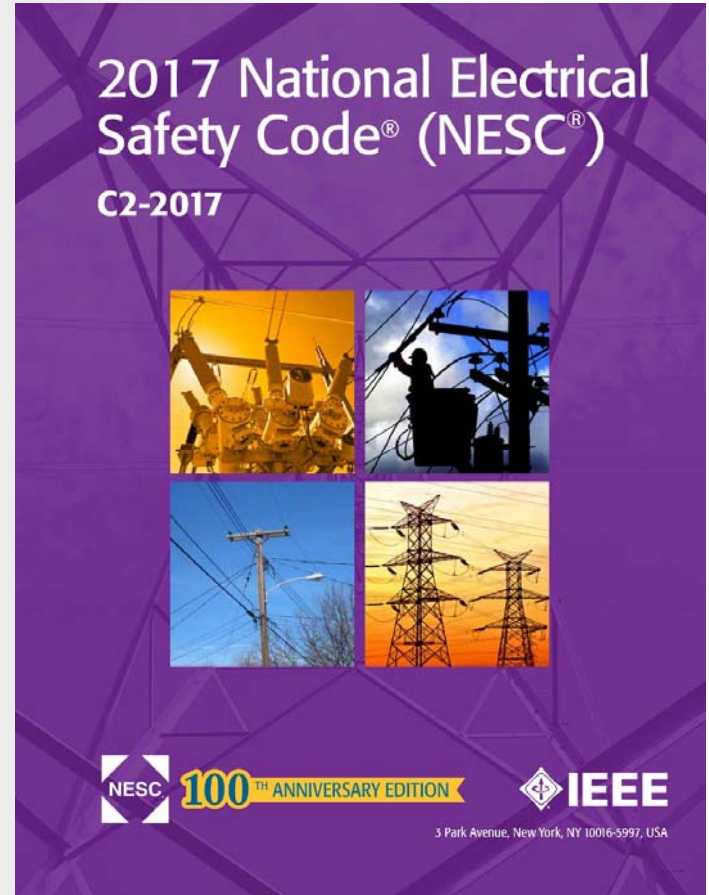
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# National Electrical Safety Code (NESC)

- 2017 Edition Published
  - No Significant Changes to Structural
  - 261H1c – Limiting Cable Tensions
  - 35% at initial tension without external loading
  - 25% at final tension without external loading
  - NOTE 1: Initial tension in this application is a conductor condition that exists immediately after installation. This condition exists before inelastic elongation, creep or stress relaxation occurs and before the conductor is subjected to external loads.
  - NOTE 2: Final tension in this application is intended to be the tension that exists after long term creep and prior to ice or wind loading.



# National Electrical Safety Code (NESC)

- 2022 Next Edition
- Preprint Available July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019
- <http://standards.ieee.org/about/nesc>

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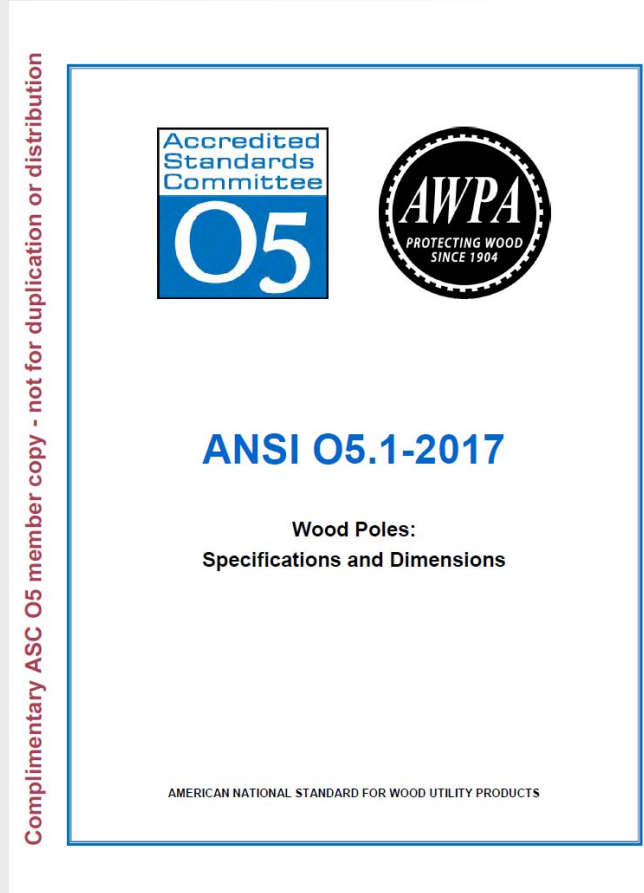
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# ANSI O5.1

- 2017 Edition Published
- Table 1 – Adds MOE
- Different from REA 1724E-200 MOE
  - Values usually larger so poles will show less deflection and therefore lower stresses when using nonlinear analysis





# ANSI O5.1

RUS 1724E-200 Values



2017 ANSI O5.1 Values

Wood Material Properties (From file "c:\users\public\documents\pls\pls\_pole\examples\rus structur

**ANSI O5.1.2008 - American National Standard for Wood Poles and Wood Products**  
Wood Poles - Specifications and Dimensions  
Code Letters used are per Section 7.5, Page 12  
Fiber Strengths used are per Table 1, Page 14, and coincide with the fiber strength of those materials listed in REA Bulletin 1728F-700, 1993, REA Specification for Wood Poles, Stubs and Anchor Logs (Table 1, Page 35). RUS does not provide properties for Scots Pine and Interior North

	Material Label	Modulus of Elasticity (ksi)	Design Stress MOR (ksi)	Weight Density (lbs/ft <sup>3</sup> )	ANSI O5.1 Status	Allowable Shear Stress (ksi)	All
1	SP-Southern Pine	1800	8	60	Included	NA	
2	DF-Douglas Fir	1920	8	60	Included	NA	
3	JP-Jack Pine	1220	6.6	60	Not Included	NA	
4	LP-Lodgepole Pine	1340	6.6	60	Not Included	NA	
5	NP-Red Pine	1800	6.6	60	Not Included	NA	
6	WP-Ponderosa Pine	1260	6	60	Not Included	NA	
7	WC-Western Red Cedar	1120	6	50	Included	NA	

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3	JP-Jack Pine	1220	6.6	60	Not Included	NA	
4	LP-Lodgepole Pine	1660	6.6	60	Not Included	NA	
5	NP-Red Pine	1470	6.6	60	Not Included	NA	
6	WP-Ponderosa Pine	1260	6	60	Not Included	NA	
7	WC-Western Red Cedar	1430	6	50	Included	NA	

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