New FC Endwall Tools and Assembly Tests

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Overview

Profile bending tool

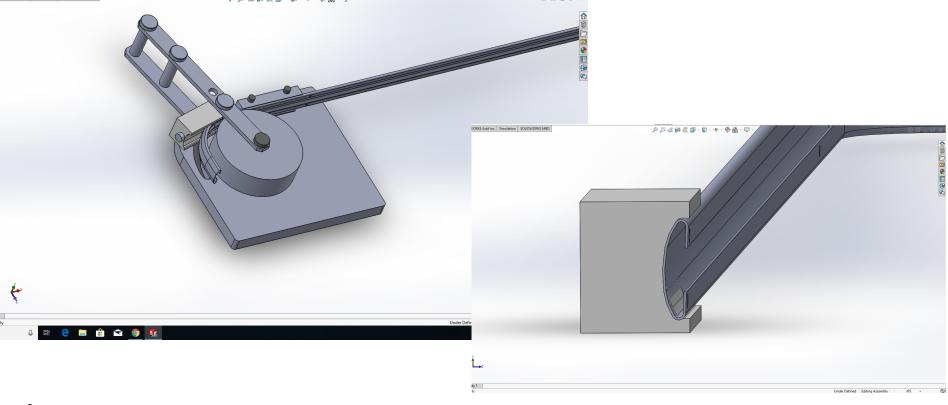
Comments/feedback on preliminary FC endwall design

Suggestions of alternate components/features

Status Profile Bending Tool

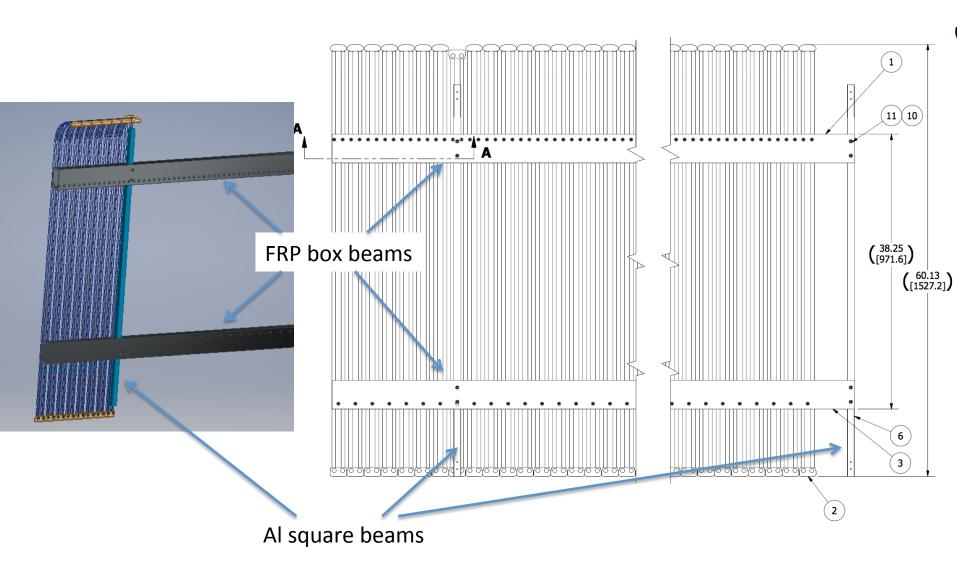
Model by Jyra Bode

July version of model (some revisions expected and features missing)

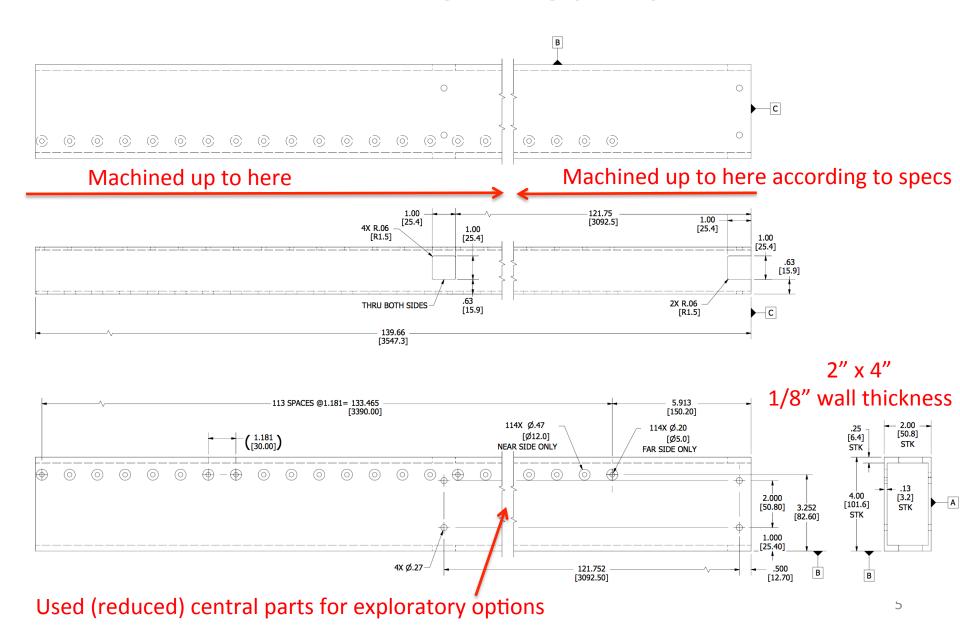


- → Revised version of model and drawings expected today
- → Finalize by end of the week
- → Nearly ready to purchase parts, construct bending tool and perform tests

New FC Endwall Design (Preliminary)

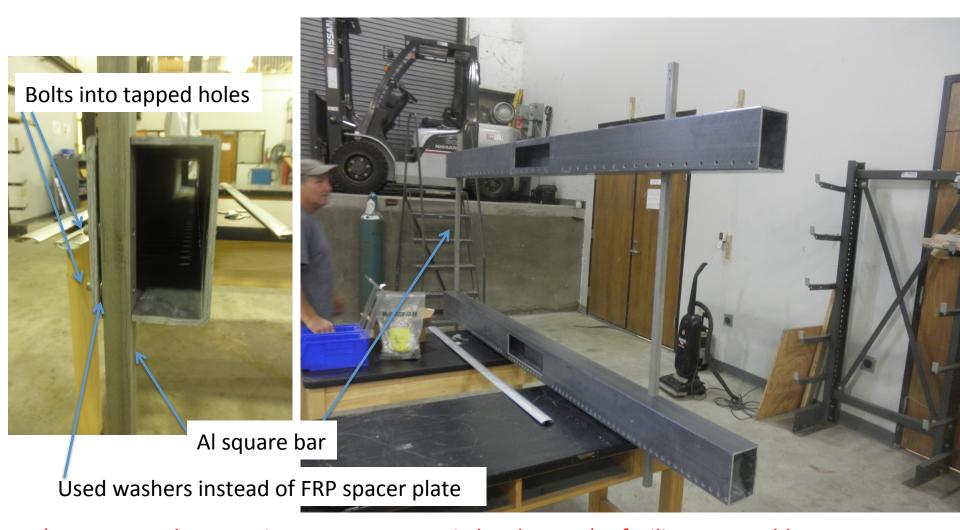


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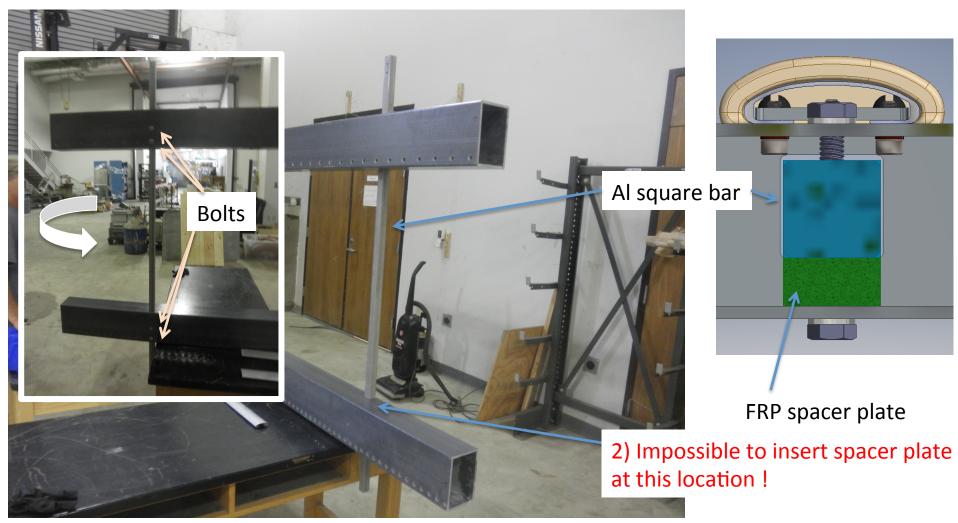
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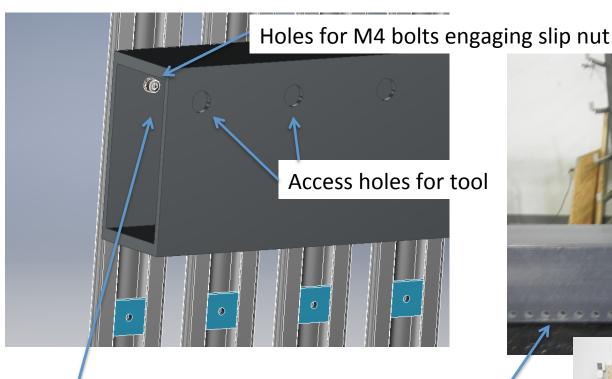
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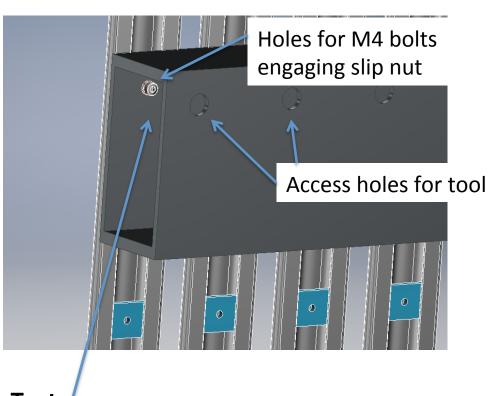
1st box beam for single hole slip nuts

2nd box beam for dual hole slip nuts

Box beam section with cut-outs for better access

→ Mounting of Al profiles with dual hole slip nut is very cumbersome (even in easy access section of box beam)

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Test:

• 1st box beam foresees single hole slip nuts



Partial Endwall Module



- Interference of holes and mounting for Al square bar and Al profile
- → Mounting of resistive divider board is unresolved for this Al profile

Summary/Comments

- Tested specific design features of new FC endwall
- → Some lessons learned (see comments on earlier slides)

- Why not use FRP plates: 6" wide, 1" (or ¾") thick?
- → Could eliminate all issues related to mounting Al profiles on double wall of box beam
 - → Significant simplification (parts manufacture, assembly)
 - → Potential for cost savings
 - → Need to check: horizontal stiffness

