

Innovative Keystone 133Elite Increases SRW Efficiency and Aesthetics

The forward-thinking design of the new Keystone 133Elite combines great looks with an increased efficiency for large wall applications.

Its 8-inch by 24-inch face dimension creates a larger-scale look, aesthetically matching the larger wall look and feel, while reducing the number of units required to complete the job. In addition to conventional textures, Keystone's StoneArt embossing technology can produce Keystone 133Elite units with specially designed natural textures in combination with the wide variety of colors available in most Keystone products.



Efficiency is the bottom line for the Keystone 133Elite. The same effort that nets 1 square foot of wall area with other wall systems produces 1.33 square feet of wall area with the Keystone 133Elite because of its 8-inch by 24-inch face dimension. A mid-range weight allows installation by one person and without special equipment, maximizing man-hours. ■ 104

First A-2000 Storm Drainage Specification for Harris County

Harris County recently adopted a special specification for CONTECH A-2000 PVC Pipe for storm sewers and drainage systems. For years, Harris County experienced performance issues with reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) related to infiltration through joints in the mainline and at field connections.

In the Keith Harrow Boulevard project, the engineering and construction departments of Harris County recognized the significant competitive and performance benefits provided by the inclusion of A-2000, a pipe originally developed for the sanitary market.

Although approved for years for use in the city of Houston, this is the first installation of A-2000 storm drainage pipe for a Harris County capital improvement project.

The Keith Harrow Boulevard project consists of 1,500 linear feet of 24-inch-diameter A-2000 pipe installed both under the roadway and within the median. ■ 105



Stephen Wolf Named President of ASCE Chapter

Stephen S. Wolf, P.E., has been named the 2007-2008 president of the American Society of Civil Engineers New Hampshire Chapter. The New Hampshire Chapter of the organization has more than 800 members. Wolf has been Northern New England manager for CONTECH's sales division since 2003. He holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from the University of Maryland and an MBA from Johns Hopkins University. He is a licensed professional engineer in New Hampshire and Maryland. ■ 106



New Keystone Compac Hewnstone's Premium Aesthetics and Structural Capabilities Offer Valuable Wall Option

The new Keystone Compac Hewnstone offers a rough-cut, natural stone look in a structural retaining wall unit that is specifically crafted for ease of installation. This combination of superior design and structural capabilities brings a new, valuable option for any wall project.

The Keystone Compac Unit features an open core design and high-strength pin connection system. Its lighter weight and shorter tail design make it easy to handle for installers and a perfect choice for projects that do not require the deep embedment length of the Keystone Standard Unit. The Keystone Compac Unit is available in sculptured (tri-planar) or straight face options along with weathered finish options, including the new Hewnstone face. ■ 107

