TrenchFormer®

TFX 6"- 24"

Enhanced Heavy Duty Trench Drain Forming Systems



Pre-Engineered Concrete Forming Systems



Accommodates Complex Designs



Varying Widths and Depths

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TrenchFormer®

TrenchFormer® is the pre-engineered concrete forming system which allows the designer or client to select the trench width, depth, shape and slope as the hydraulic capacity or application requires, and not from an extensive product range. It also creates a sound base for nurmerous trench coatings if concrete's chemical resistance is not sufficient.



Product Features



Formers - Manufactured from expanded polystyrene (EPS), the light-weight and environmentally safe disposable formers create a high precision monolithic trench. Shape may be radius, square, or trapezoidal along with other custom shapes, whichever option is best for the application. A full range of outlet options also exist.

Grate Options - A wide range of grate and cover options exist from pedestrian to airport applications. Simply select the right strength, style, and corrosion resistance for the application.

For applications with substantial longitudinal loads, pin locks are available and recommended. Toggle locks can be used when longitudinal loads are low. No grate locks are common in applications where the weight of the grates are adequate retention for the applications. ABT can assist you in making a suitable selection.

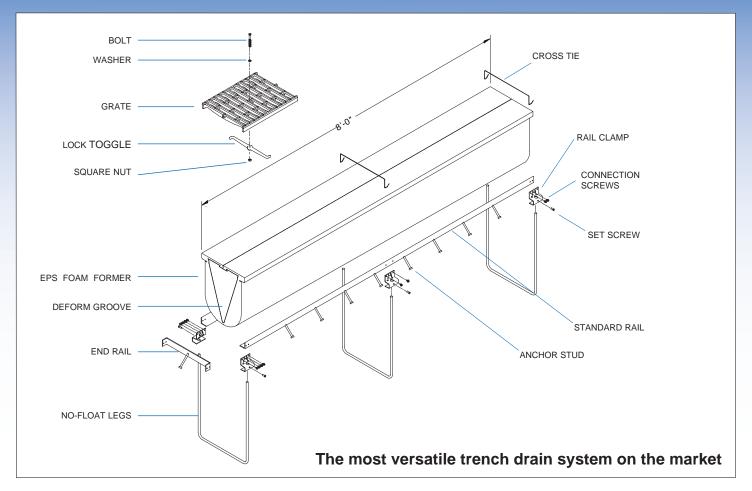
Frame Options - Stainless steel, painted steel, galvanized steel, FRP and Aluminum styles are available. Select the best rail material for your application. Rail size is determined by grate selection. All rails are independently anchored into the surrounding concrete for maximum service life.

Ease of Installation - The system is installed by the suspension method using no-float legs. Installing the system does not require heavy equipment, expensive highly-skilled labor, keyways, or water stops saving 33% or more. Installed per instructions, the system will not float. Contact ABT for alternative methods.

Eliminates Sub-Slab Barrier Penetration -

Sub-slab barrier penetrations during trench drain installation and monolithic pours are eliminated using no-float legs and anchor slab.

TrenchFormer® System Design



TrenchFormer is a trench forming system that utilizes standard metal components and customizable forming sections. Its components are made in the most commonly constructed sizes.

They have integral deforming grooves for easy removal.

The steel angle rails include anchoring studs welded on predetermined centers to the outside corners. U-shaped no-float legs (#4 rebar) attach to rail clamps on each rail. Each rail end is designed to accept a rail clamp which connects adjacent rail segments.

Prefabricated L-rail and T-rail assemblies allow for field installation of 90° turns anywhere in the pre-sloped layout.

Outlet piping is butted to an annular groove made in the EPS form prior to concreting. For trench junctions or for large outlet sizes, four catch basins are available. A wide selection of retainable grates and solid covers are available for various loadings.

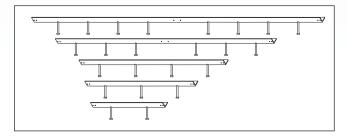




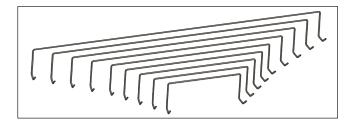
TrenchFormer® Components



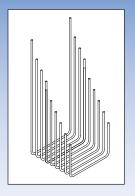
EPS Forms - Our EPS forms include unique deforming grooves which keep the foam segments together during the concrete pour. Each form can be pre-sloped or neutral with a radius, square, trapazoidal, or custom shapped bottom. Non-sloping lengths are 4 ft. and 8 ft. Part identifiers are marked on the deep (downstream) end of each section.



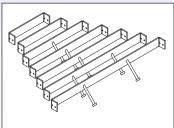
Rails - Structural steel rails are manufactured in five lengths: 8,6,4,3, and 2 ft. The ends of all the rails are punched to receive the rail clamps on which the no-float legs and cross ties are attached. Anchor studs are welded on predetermined centers. Standard rail components are a powder coated black epoxy paint and are also available in the hot dip galvanized if required. Finishes: Black Epoxy, Galvanized, Stainless Steel, and FRP, and Aluminum.



Cross-Ties - Cross-ties help hold rails tight to the foam former for consistent spacing of grates and aesthetically pleasing trenches.



No-Float Legs - This patented feature is at the heart of the TrenchFormer no-float guarantee. Legs are secured to rails by set screws for stability and strength.

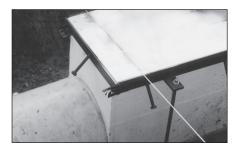


End Frames - End frames close off the end of the trench run preventing concrete from entering the end of a trench. Rail Clamps will attach end frames to rails.



Grate Locking
Devices - Lock toggles
tie down grates by turning
against the trench wall and
securing to the underside
of the steel rail.

Outlet /



Connects Prior to concrete
placement, butt
outlet pipe to
former or connect
former to catch
basin. As with any

typical cast-in-place system, standard fittings may be used to connect to sanitary sewer or storm water piping.



Rail Clamp - Rail clamps are used to connect all rail segments, end frames, and catch basin frames to prevent uneven joints. No-float legs and cross-ties are positioned into opposing

rail clamps. The rail clamps provide longitudinal alignment, stiffness, and vertical adjustment.

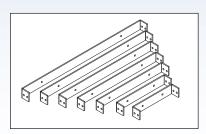


Former release is a non-petroleum based product which is to be applied to all

Former Release -

EPS forming surfaces. It provides good concrete release properties without

attacking EPS foam and is available in one and five gallon cans. Form Release is best applied with a brush.

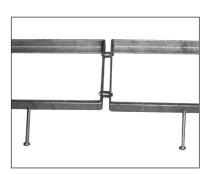


Auxiliary Rail
Assembly - This
assembly can be used
to create non-load
bearing "T' and "L"
assemblies in addition
to the expansion joints,

construction joints and radius assemblies.

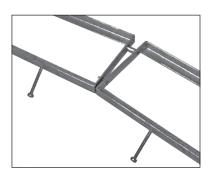


T-Rail Assembly - Trench intersections are easily formed using rails with pre-mounted load bars.



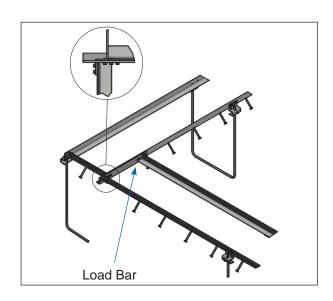
Auxiliary Rail Assembly / Expansion Joint

- Two Auxiliary rail assemblies can be joined to create an expansion joint.



Auxiliary Rail Assembly / Radius

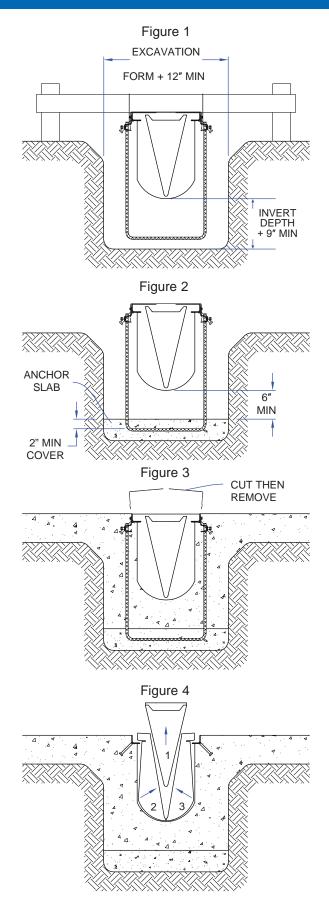
- Two auxiliary rail assemblies can be used to create a custom radius.



L-Rail Assembly - L-Rail assemblies with pre-mounted load bars are right and left turns anywhere in trench layout.

Load Bar - exclusive to ABT[®], Inc. Reinforcement for unsupported rail.

TrenchFormer® Installation



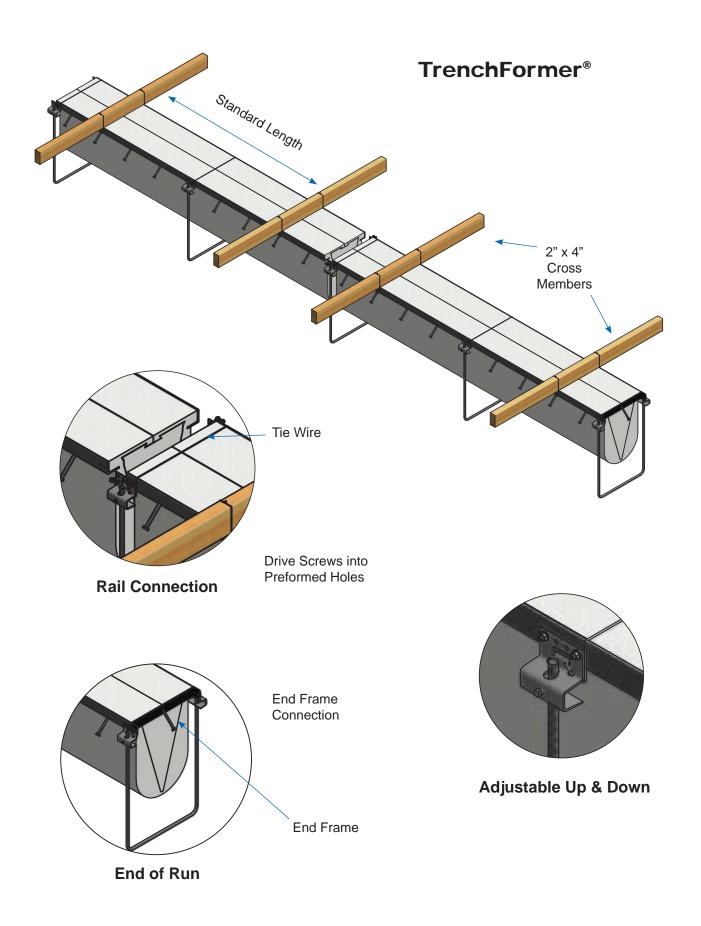
Excavation - must provide for 6 inches (minimum) on both sides of the former and 9 inches (minimum) below the trenchform on the bottom. Structural slabs may require additional excavation. Consult your structural engineer. Bottom allowance includes 3 inches of clearance for the no-float U-legs and anchoring slab.

Assembly - Mix form release and brush onto the bottom and sides of all the formers. Allow form release to dry completely. DO NOT USE PETROLEUM BASED FORM RELEASE - it will severely attack the EPS foam. Lay out the former and rail sections along the excavation in the proper sequence. Assemble all rails, legs, and formers. Connect rail clamps to the rails, one on an end and one in the middle. With the former upside-down, push each rail into the groove of the former. Attach the U-legs to the rails by inserting each U-leg into the holes of opposing rail clamps. Use set screws to hold the U-leg in position. Turn the former upright and install a Cross Tie tightly across rails to ensure a snug fit and precise grate seat dimension.

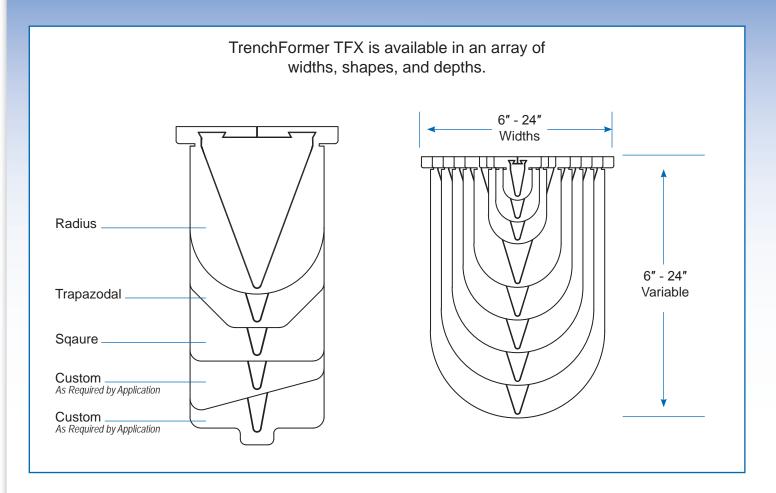
Component Placement - Begin installation at the outlet, deep end, of the trench. Attach a length of supporting lumber near each joint (at anchor studs). Hold the top of rail to finished grade and attach lumber to grade stakes. See Figure 1. Butt the next section against the one in position, attach to rail clamps, and then set to elevation.

Concrete Placement - Place a concrete anchoring slab wall-to-wall and end-to-end in the bottom of the excavation. Cover the U-legs with 2 inches (minimum) of concrete. Allow this slab to set hard. See Figure 2. Monopour trench bottom and walls, vibrating at the rails for good consolidation. While finishing concrete, remove Cross Ties by trimming below angle. See Figure 3.

Deforming - After 24 hours, you can deform the trench. Drive a pry bar between former and trench floor, exerting upward force. The center V-shaped section will break free and can be easily removed. Pull remaining pieces from the wall and remove. See Figure 4.



TrenchFormer Variations



Flat Site Flow Capacity for 6"-24" trench width TFX Systems

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	6"		8"		10"		12"		15"		18"		24"	
	Max. Depth	= 20 ln.	Max. Depth	= 36 ln.	Max. Depth	= 36 In.	Max. Depth	= 36 ln.	Max. Depth	= 42 ln.	Max. Depth	= 42 ln.	Max. Depth	= 48 ln.
Invert Slope	Run Lgth	Flow Rate	Run Lgth	Flow Rate	Run Lgth	Flow Rate	Run Lgth	Flow Rate						
	Ft	CFS	Ft	CFS	Ft	CFS	Ft	CFS	Ft	CFS	Ft	CFS	Ft	CFS
0.5%	250	2.25	490	7.09	479	9.96	465	12.73	435	18.37	510	29.06	545	51.97
1.0%	123	3.22	245	10.03	239	14.10	235	17.91	219	25.89	255	41.09	275	73.02
1.5%	82	3.94	163	12.30	159	17.29	155	22.06	145	31.82	170	50.33	184	89.27
2.0%	61	4.57	123	14.16	119	19.98	116	25.50	109	36.70	128	58.07	138	103.08
2.5%	49	5.10	98	15.87	96	22.25	93	28.48	87	41.08	102	64.98	110	115.45
3.0%	41	5.57	82	17.35	80	24.37	78	31.10	73	44.85	85	71.18	92	126.24
3.5%	35	6.03	70	18.78	68	26.43	66	33.81	62	48.67	73	76.81	79	136.24
4.0%	30	6.52	61	20.11	59	28.34	58	36.06	54	52.15	64	82.03	69	145.78

Flat Site Flow Canacity for 152mm-610mm trench width TFX Systems

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152mm		203mm		254	mm	305	mm	381mm		457	mm	610n	nm	
	Max. Depth = 508mm		Max. Depth = 914mm		Max. Depth = 914mm		Max. Depth = 914mm		Max. Depth = 1066mm		Max. Depth = 1066mm		Max. Depth = 1219mm	
Invert	Down Louble	Flow	Down Louth	Flow	Dum Louth	Flow	Down Louth	Flow	Down Louth	Flow	Dum Lauth	Flow	Dum Lasth	Flow
Slope	Run Lgth	Rate	Run Lgth	Rate	Run Lgth	Rate	Run Lgth	Rate	Run Lgth	Rate	Run Lgth	Rate	Run Lgth	Rate
	М	CMS	М	CMS	M	CMS	М	CMS	M	CMS	М	CMS	M	CMS
0.5%	75	0.06	150	0.20	146	0.28	142	0.36	132	0.52	155	0.82	167	1.46
1.0%	37	0.09	74	0.28	73	0.40	70	0.51	66	0.73	77	1.16	83	2.07
1.5%	25	0.11	50	0.35	48	0.49	47	0.62	44	0.90	52	1.42	56	2.52
2.0%	18	0.13	37	0.40	36	0.56	34	0.73	33	1.03	39	1.64	42	2.91
2.5%	15	0.14	30	0.45	29	0.63	28	0.81	26	1.16	31	1.83	33	3.29
3.0%	12	0.16	25	0.49	24	0.69	23	0.89	22	1.27	26	2.00	28	3.57
3.5%	11	0.17	21	0.53	21	0.74	20	0.95	19	1.37	22	2.18	24	3.86
4.0%	9	0.18	19	0.57	18	0.80	18	1.01	16	1.47	20	2.29	21	4.12

*** Note:

 $As \ Trench \ Former \ is \ produced \ per \ requirement \ it \ can \ accommodate \ most \ any \ system \ slope \ including \ variable \ slopes.$

See our website for interactive Hydraulic Calculator for each system size.

Other trench widths available. Contact ABT, Inc. to accommodate depth requirements exceeding listed maximum depths.

Grate Options



#208 **Banded Bar Grating**



High Intake Slotted



#504 8" Slotted ADA



#504



#506 Herringbone



#603 Standard Slotted



Slotted Heel Proof



#501/601





12" Slotted ADA



Solid Cover

Banded Bar Grating — 208 Series

Part	Trench	Load	Locking	Grate	Angle	Weight (lbs)	Open Area
No.	Width	Class	Mech.	Length	Size		(ft² per lin ft)
12.208C.FG	12"	С	Т	24"	1.75"	19	0.9

High Intake Slotted — 502 Series

Part No.	Trench Width	Load Class	Locking Mech.	Grate Length	Angle Size	Weight (lbs)	Open Area (ft² per lin ft)
08.502F.GB	8"	F	Т	19.64"	2"	18	0.47
12.502D.FB	12"	D	Т	18"	1.75"	26.1	0.76
12.502E.GB	12"	Е	Т	19.64"	2"	35	0.81

Slotted ADA — 504 Series

Part No.	Trench Width	Load Class	Locking Mech.	Grate Length	Angle Size	Weight (lbs)	Open Area (ft² per lin ft)
08.504F.FE	8"	F	Т	16"	1.75"	21	0.27
12.504G.FB	12"	G	Т	18"	1.75"	51	0.25

Slotted ADA — 506 Series

Part No.	Trench Width		Locking Mech.	Grate Length		Weight (lbs)	Open Area (ft² per lin ft)
08.506F.GB	8"	F	Т	19.64"	2"	24	0.3

Standard Slotted — 603 Series

Part No.	Trench Width	Load Class	Locking Mech.	Grate Length	Angle Size	Weight (lbs)	Open Area (ft² per lin ft)
06.603D.FB	6"	D	N	24"	1.75"	37	0.2
08.603D.FB	8″	D	N	24"	1.75"	41	0.3
10.603D.FB	10"	D	N	24"	1.75"	53	0.4
15.603D.FB	15"	D	N	24"	1.75"	76	0.5
18.603D.FB	18"	D	N	24"	1.75"	103	0.7
24.603D.FB	24"	D	N	24"	1.75"	143	0.9

Slotted Heel Proof — ADA - 606 Series

Part No.	Trench Width	Load Class	Locking Mech.	Grate Length	Angle Size	Weight (lbs)	Open Area (ft² per lin ft)
06.606D.FB	6"	D	N	24"	1.75"	47	0.1
08.606D.FB	8"	D	N	24"	1.75"	61	0.1
10.606D.FB	10"	D	N	24"	1.75"	69	0.1
12.606D.FB	12"	D	N	24"	1.75"	89	0.2
15.606D.FB	15"	D	N	24"	1.75"	69	0.2
18.606D.FB	18"	D	N	24"	1.75"	106	0.5

Solid Cover — 501/601 Series

Part No.	Trench Width	Load Class	Locking Mech.	Grate Length	Angle Size	Weight (lbs)	Open Area (ft² per lin ft)
08.601D.FB	8"	D	N	24"	1.75"	50	-
10.601D.FB	10"	D	N	24"	1.75"	80	-
12.501G.FB	12"	G	Т	17.88"	1.75"	55	-
15.601D.FB	15"	D	N	24"	1.75"	95	NA
18.601D.FB	18"	D	N	24"	1.75"	129	-
24.601D.FB	24"	D	N	24"	2"	181	-

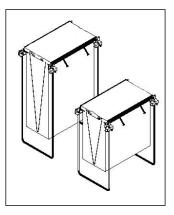
**Contact ABT, Inc. at 800-438-6057 fro other grate material, pattern, and size options.

Static Load Classifications (based on AASHTO M-306 for Trench Drains)													
		Load Class											
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Application	Light Duty Pedestrian Traffic	Medium Duty Sidewalks & Residential Parking	Heavy Duty Commercial	Extra Heavy Duty Roads & Highways	Extreme Heavy Duty Hard Tire Forklift, Heavy Vehicles	Airport Rated Municipal & Regional Airports	Airport Rated International Airports or Intermodal - Port Facilities						
Application Proof Load (psi)	75psi	150psi	310psi	494psi	620psi	1235psi	2469psi						
Typical Standard	Pedestrian Ind. Std.	Non- Commerical Pneumatic	A-A60005 Federal	AASHTO M306 H-20	AASHTO M306 HS-25	Airport 100,000 lbs FAA AC-150	Airport / Po 200,000 lb Ind. Std.						

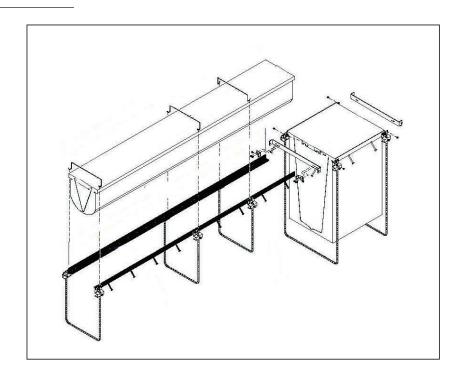
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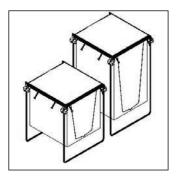
TrenchFormer® Catch Basins

TrenchFormer catch basins are available in both the 1600 and 1900 series. The catch basins can be used at any point throughout a trench run as well as termination point or a stand alone area drain. Both series utilize deforming grooves and a no-float leg system. The components are color coded for easy installation.



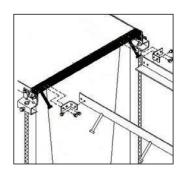
1900 series - Catch basins are the same trench width and are 24 inches long flat bottom units, manufactured in variable depths as required. They utilize 24 inch long rail, standard TrenchFormer grates, locking devices, and end rails.





The 1600 series - Catch basins are 21 inches wide by 24 inches long and are available in variable depths as required. This series uses two 24 inches long frame rails, two end frames, and C.I. grate.





Special End Rail - If a 1600 series catch basin is used at the end of a trench run, brackets connect to rails end frames. This aligns and retains the end of the trench rails for a secure and precise fit.







1600 Series Grate The catch basin grate is
23 inches by 24 inches
by 1.5 inches cast iron
and meets AASHTO
H-20 Load Rating.



TrenchFormer® vs. Hand forming

TrenchFormer[®] has revolutionized trench drain installation and performance. Compare the differences between TrenchFormer and hand forming.

TrenchFormer[®]

- Creates monolithic trench walls and floor.
- Rail accuracy assured by precision cut foam shapes.
- Hundreds of feet installed per day with a 2 laborer crew.
- Simple wood supports used for holding sections to grade.
- Standard radius bottom improves flow and reduces deposits.
- Forms can be left in for job site safety.
- Fast, low cost deforming.
- All necessary trench components available from one source in off-the-shelf design.

Hand Forming

- Requires installation of keyway and waterstop at cold joint.
- Complex carpentry skills required to create coplanar rails.
- 2 skilled carpenters average 50 feet per day.
- Requires sturdy and complex wooden form work.
- Square bottom creates turbulence and deposits.
- Open pits are hazardous and collect job site debris.
- Forms must be re-used to be economical
- Three separate sources for materials create risk of dimensional inaccuracies.





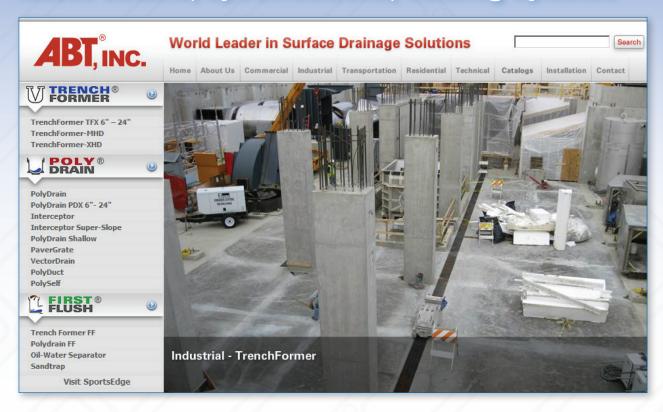




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