

A new possibility for crossing: The Submerged Floating Tube Bridge



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What is a Submerged Floating Tube Bridge?





Geometry and Vertical stabilizing system: pontoons or tethers



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Pontoons: pros and cons



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Study for a weak link for the Bjørnafjord crossing – Statens vegvesen

Dr. Techn. Olav Olsen – ship impact



Submarine collisions





FEM model for submarine collision and for submarine- Statens vegvesen



Fires and explosions

Fire:

NPRA handbook design load: 300 MW for 2 hours

Explosion:

Gas deflagration most likely Design load: 300 kPa



Peak pressures from TNT detonation



Plan view SFTB safety exits – Statens vegvesen



Robustness: ability of the structure to withstand unexpected situations

- A ship impact towards one pontoon. The pontoon is not removed during this event. The ship impact is modelled as a time domain transient dynamic analysis with correct mass, stiffness and damping relations
- Instantaneous loss of one pontoon. No time for traffic redirecting or limitations are assumed, i.e. full traffic load in an accidental state. After this event the traffic load is reduced and the structure is controlled in a regular ultimate limit state
- Sinking ship hitting the tubes. An approximation of maximum vessel weight is found
- Explosion in the tubes in combination with other loads
- Flooding in one of the ballast chambers
- Loss of one tether

ROBUSTNESS How much you can take before you go down



Wade Austin Ellis - grayscale photo of boxing sparring



Natural reduction of main sea loads



Wave load with water depth (normalized) for the Bjørnafjord study- Statens vegvesen



Landscape and acoustic impact





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Feasibility studies:

Høgsfjord 1996

Sognefjord 2011



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Digernessundet

Sulafjord



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The development in the offshore structures







Heidrun Tether Tow & Installation -Holwech et al., FPS 1997 & Engebretsen et al., OTC 2002



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Dissemination:

Development of a submerged floating tube bridge for crossing of the Bjørnafjord; Multi-Span Large Bridges; Porto 2015

Vertical stiffness for tube bridges: Comparing pontoons and tethers; IABSE; Geneve 2015

E39 - nuove tipologie strutturali per l'attraversamento dei fiordi norvegesi; Trasporti e cultura; Italia 2015

The use of wind tunnel facilities to estimate hydrodynamic data; Experimental Fluid Mechanics; Prague 2015

Mega bridges for the fjord crossing in Norway; Bridge design & Engineering; 2015

The Submerged Floating Tube Bridge: The invisible bridge crossing the Bjørnafjord; IABSE; Stockholm 2016

The Submerged Floating Tube Bridge: Design Philosophy and Concept Development; IABSE; Stockholm 2016

Hydrodynamic loads on a submerged floating tunnel bridge induced by a passing ship or two ships in maneuver in calm water; OMAE; Busan 2016

Basic design for a Submerged Floating Tube Bridge across the Digernessund; IABSE; Vancouver 2017

A submerged floating tube bridge concept for the Bjørnafjord crossing – marine operations; OMAE; Trondheim 2017

Simplified hydrodynamic design procedure of a submerged floating tube bridge across the Digernessund of Norway; OMAE; Trondheim 2017

Global Analysis of Submerged Floating Tube Bridge (SFTB): The Design Case of Crossing the Bjørnefjord in Norway; World Tunnel Congress; Bergen 2017

Submerged floating tunnels subjected to internal blast loading; Transport Research Arena; Vienna 2018

The Submerged Floating Tube Bridge as an alternative for a crossing: pros and cons; IABSE; Nantes 2018



19th IABSE Congress Stockholm, 21-23 September 2016Challenges in Design and Construction of an Innovative and Sustainable Built Environment

The Submerged Floating Tube Bridge: The invisible bridge crossing the Bjørnafjord

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State department, Norwegian Public Road Administration, Norway

Owners guide for SFT – ITA AITES (International Tunneling and Underground Space Association)

WG 1.2 Concrete structures in marine environment – FIB (International federation for structural concrete)



Interest for SFTB around the world





Could Norwegian Engineers Really Build A Floating Tunnel In A Fjord?





Nadège El Ghomari Le HuffPost

ACTUALITÉS 26/07/2016 17:20 CEST | Actualisé 05/10/2016 16:44 CEST

Entre le tunnel sous-marin et le pont, la Norvège pourrait expérimenter les tunnels flottants

iNews



BBC

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Map 1: articles

Map 2: feasibility studies



A huge possibility



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Towing phase for offshore structure

SFTB: assembly phase- Statens vegvesen





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