Secondary Belt Feeders



Feeding -14" Shot Rock at 800 TPH.

Our Secondary Belt Feeders eliminate spillage, boost efficiency and reduce maintenance.



These feeders were fitted with an internal Loading Shoe and a Roller Table.



Internal Loading Shoe is fitted with ceramic liners on the Feeder Walls. Strike-off bar is overhead.



Looking toward the tail of the Loading Shoe. Top left is the engineered ceramic Deadbed Bar that protects the tapered floor of the Shoe.



Special geometry is used effectively to relieve the side pressures on the liner package. The liners on the right hand side are inside the Shoe.

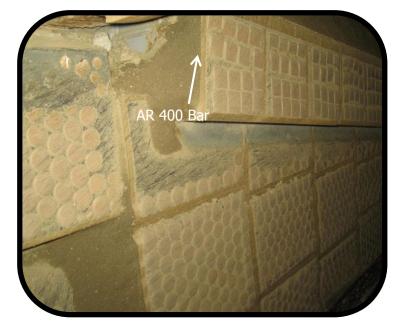
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OurGuarantee

Feeder performance with "hard, sharp & angular" fed material • Reduced HP and Torque rise on the drive system due to loading shoe efficiencies • Operation without spillage and dust from the skirting interface to the belt • Uniform full support under the belt with the roller table • No scoring or scuffing under the skirt liners • Reduced tension on the belt from the drive pulley



Our engineering team and support staff is larger and more capable than ever and you now have a direct association with the manufacturer of the components within the solution. Combining the solid manufacturing capabilities of Valley Rubber with the proven Rockland Engineered brand provides you with a start-to-finish partner for projects that include field reconnaissance, engineering and manufacturing. Never a Project to Fail!



Areas of Relief

The four areas of relief are: Tail to discharge, Belt to Deadbed, Deadbed to Shoe walls and walls to Discharge Canoe Zone. Ceramic cubes are used in the Deadbed liners, and cylinders in the wall sections. Notice the higher wear rate of steel perimeter bar (AR400) versus the ceramic.



Discharge Zone

The discharge zone liners are in excellent condition. These now have an operating lifecycle of 3-5 years. Previously, 2" Hardox 600 liners had a 90 day lifecycle.

The ceramic/rubber liners in this area are held inplace with two 1" mounting bolts, attached from the outside of the feeder. This provides a smooth face for uninterrupted material flow out the feeder. Liner weights are held to manageable limits for removing by hand.

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Application Overview

Ceramic Wall Liners

Overhead Spile Bars

Top view of the Loading Shoe; oversize rocks are wedged in the tail section. Proper Deadbed of material.

In this example the outside walls were kept in place and a new Roller Table was fitted under the belt. These frames can be withdrawn by two men, for roller servicing.



Belt life is drastically improved from 90 days to now over three years ...and still going. (This belt was not replaced during the installation of the new upgrade.) Notice the polished smooth top cover that tracks under the new ceramic liners in the Loading Shoe. After three years, it is still unknown how long these belts may ultimately last.

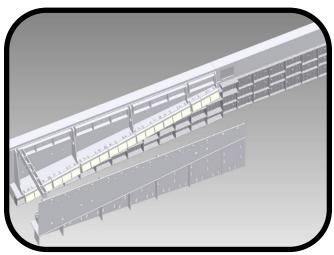
Feeder Features



800 TPH of primary crushed ore.



Approximately 1,600 TPH of SAG mill feed. The rocks are sharp, hard and angular.



Engineering 3D Model.



(Left- 3D Model)

Top floor Deadbed shelf and Ceramic Wear Bars Internal double-tapered Loading Shoe Top row Spile Box Shield Liners Loading Shoe Ceramic Deadbed bars Loading Shoe Ceramic Wall Liners Strikeoff bar transition Ceramic Liners Feeder discharge wall liners

All of these combined features allow for reduced shear forces, and longer lifecycle component performance.

(Left Gallery of three feeders under the primary surge pile.)

All three feeders were upgraded with the "insert" kit as depicted above in the Autodesk Inventor 3D model. The liner package had to be constructed to navigate around all of the existing steel skirting bulkhead bracing, gussets and connection flanges. We standardized the liner sizes to minimize inventory requirements and make liner changes easier. The upgrade packages were installed on three separate feeder-down events.



Completion of Installation

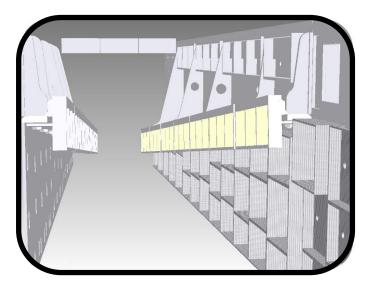
(Right) All of the components are modeled in 3D eliminating interference fit issues during installation. Loading Shoe Platform is fabricated 1" plate.



Converted Feeder viewed from the back

Feeder Customization

(Left) The liners on the back wall were left as steel on this retrofit. Notice the rubber skin is covering the ceramic embedded liners in both the Deadbed Bars and the Loading Shoe Wall Liners. These liners are custom designed for this feeder application with specific internal steel gusseting, attachment hardware points and retaining steel for the ceramic. Overhead, 2" diameter spile bars.



Autodesk Inventor 3D Model

(Left) The top of the photo is the plate floor, installed to shorten the excessive length of the feeders. Back door was slightly modified. New Loading Shoe walls can be seen inside the bottom of the trimmed feeder walls. The new Roller Table now evenly and fully supports the belt, eliminating the pinching of material under the liners.