

# **Underground Trenches**

# **Objective:**

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

• Route underground trenches using "Zero-Specs" cableways

# Overview:

In this exercise you will be routing underground trenches by using the **Route Cableway** command in Unit **U07**. Use the offset reference to define the top elevation of the trenches. The trenches configuration will resemble as shown in Figure 1.

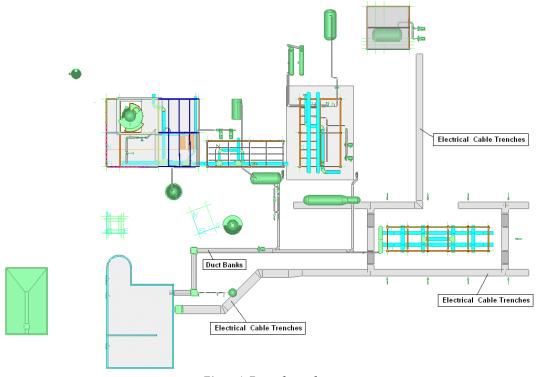


Figure 1: Routed trenches

# **Creating underground trenches:**

Create trenches by routing the cableways using Zero Specs. Use the **Set Offset Reference** option to set the Top of Trench (TOT) while routing a cableway.

Before you start routing the trenches define your workspace to show Unit U07.



- 1. If you are not in the **Electrical** task, select the **Tasks** > **Electrical** command.
- 2. Make sure the Active Permission Group is set to **Electrical**.
- Activate the PinPoint ribbon and set the active coordinate system to U07 CS on the PinPoint ribbon.
- 4. Click the **Set Target to Origin** option on the **PinPoint** ribbon, to move the target to the origin of the current coordinate system.
- 5. Click the **Place Equipment** button on the vertical toolbar.
- 6. In the Select Equipment dialog box, expand the folder \Equipment\Electrical\Electrical Transformer\Electrical Transformer until you see the part ElectricalTransformer01. Select the part and click OK.
- 7. The Equipment Properties dialog box appears as soon as you select **ElectricalTransformer01**.
- 8. Key-in **TR-01** in the Name field.
- 9. Click the System field and select the **More**.. option to specify the system to which the equipment belongs.
- 10. Select CT System under A2->U07->Electrical->Low Voltage. Then, click OK.
- 11. To define the position of the object, select the **Position and Orientation** category in the Category drop-down list.
- 12. Key in the followings properties:

East: -124 ft North: -35 ft Elevation: 0 ft

- 13. Switch to the **Equipment Dimension** category in the Category drop-down list.
- 14. Change the dimensions as shown below:

Electrical Equipment Height: 5 ft Electrical Equipment Width: 4 ft Electrical Equipment Length: 5 ft

15. Click **OK** on the Equipment Properties dialog box to place the TR-01 in the model.





Figure 2: Equipment - TR-01

- 16. Select the **View -> Fit** command.
- 17. Click the **Route Cableway** button on the vertical toolbar.
- 18. Key in the following coordinates on the **PinPoint** ribbon and click in the graphic view to accept the starting point:

E: -122 ft 6 in N: -35 ft El: -3 ft 11 in

- 19. The **New Cableway** dialog box appears. Select the **More** ... option in the **System** dropdown list of the dialog box to specify the system where you want to place the cableway.
- 20. In the **Select System** dialog box, select **A2** > **U07** > **Electrical** > **Low Voltage** > CT and click **OK**.
- 21. In the **New Cableway** dialog box, verify the following cableway specifications:

System: CT

Name Rule: DefaultNameRule

Specification: cws-0

22. Select the **Cable Fill** option in the **Category** drop-down list and verify the following specifications:

Fill Efficiency: 60% Signal Type 1: Power

23. Set the offset reference by **Cardinal Point** and set to Top of Trench (**TOT**) in the **Offset** drop-down list in **the Set Offset Reference** dialog box.



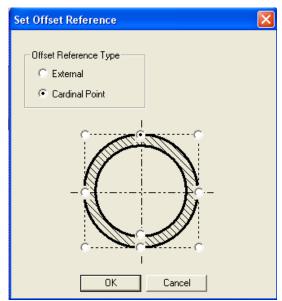


Figure 3: Set Offset Reference Dialog

24. Select the **Rectangle** shape in the **Shapes** drop-down list and key in the following specifications on the **Route Cableway** ribbon to specify the width and depth of the cross section:

Width: 5 ft Depth: 1 ft

- 25. Change the view of the model to "Looking Plan" by using the Common Views dialog.
- 26. Select the Plan Plane option in the Plane drop-down list on the Route Cableway ribbon.
- 27. On the **Route Cableway** ribbon, key in **25 ft** in the **Length** box.
- 28. Position the cursor in the east E direction and click to define the end point to place **25** ft cableway, as shown in Figure 4.



Figure 4: Plan View

29. Continue to route the trenches with the following configuration. This is the plan view of the model to give better perspective of the extent of the trenches.



# Note

• When a segment size change is required, a transition piece connects the two segments. Use the Insert transition command to place the transition from 5 ft width to 4 ft width.

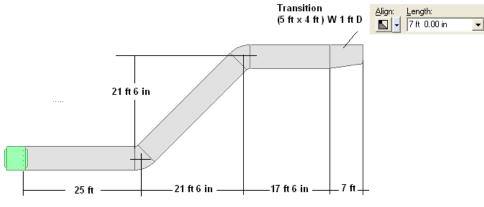


Figure 5: Plan View

30. Select the End of the transition and continue routing the trenches in the east E direction as shown in Figure 6.

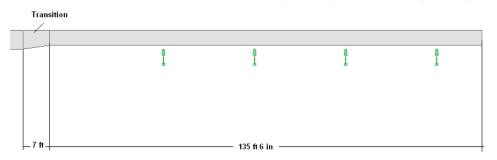


Figure 6: Plan View

31. Continue to route the trenches with the following configuration.



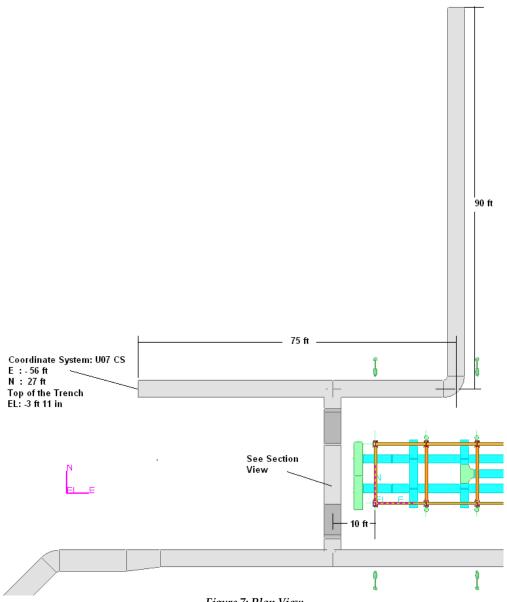


Figure 7: Plan View

32. Below is the section view of the elevation change between the trenches segments.

# Note

When routing the drop, use any angle to meet the exact drop to Elevation - 7 ft 6 inches (Top of Trench). Also, do not worry about the actual length of the segments for now, just route it almost symmetrically.



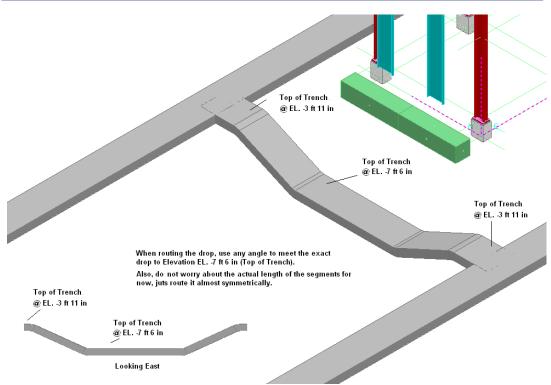
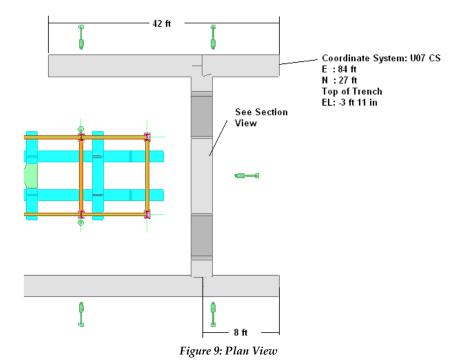


Figure 8: Plan View

33. Continue to route the trenches with the following configuration.



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# **Notes**

- Disable the Top of the trench (TOT) offset will help branching into the header trench
- When routing the drop, use any angle to meet the exact drop to Elevation EL. 7 ft 6 inches (Top of Trench). Also, do not worry about the actual length of the segments for now, just route it almost symmetrically.
- 34. Below is the section view of the elevation change between the trenches segments.

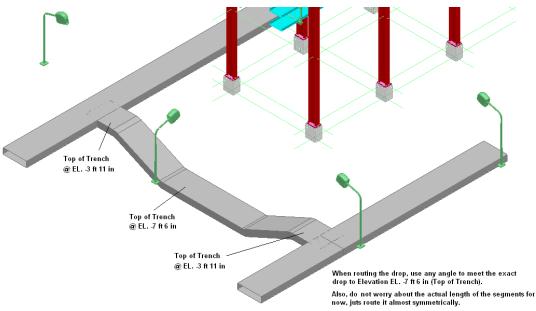


Figure 10: Plan View

35. Change all bends to Miter with one cut using the edit ribbon as shown below.

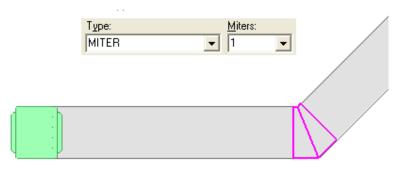


Figure 11: Miter Turn