

# Approximate RBS beam stiffness

- 10% reduction in beam stiffness very conservative for most cases
  - High span-to-depth ratios
    - $\geq 7$  required for SMF
  - Typical flange/web thickness ratios
    - Rolled WF beams
- Sabelli approximate equation:

$$\frac{I_{ef}}{I} = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{12L_h b}{(L_h + 2s_h)^2} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \left( \frac{2}{3} \frac{ct_f}{I} \right) \left( \frac{d}{2} - \frac{t_f}{2} \right)^2} - 1 \right]} = 0.93$$



2 W24x62 beams  
 2 W14x132 columns

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