



# AGENDA

## Blackduck City Council - Work Session Meeting

6:00 PM - Monday, May 18, 2026  
City Hall, 8 Summit Drive, Blackduck MN

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a. Roll Call	
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**PCI**

*proposal*

**Pierce Concrete, Inc.**

**35246 Milkweed Drive NE**

**Blackduck, MN 56630**

**MAY 18**

BLACKDUCK LIBRARY , CONCRETE PROPOSAL

BORDER CURB (BACK PATIO)

BACK PATIO, SIDEWALK, FRONT PATIO

BORDER CURB (FRONT PATIO)

ALL PATIOS AND SIDEWALKS WILL BE 4" CONCRETE W/#4 REBAR @2'O.C.E.W.

BORDER CURBS WILL BE 8"WIDE X DEPTH NEEDED W/2#4REBAR CONTINUOUS

(NO STYROFOAM IS INCLUDED IN BID AT THIS TIME)

ALL MEASUREMENTS ARE PER MIKE @CITY OF BLACKDUCK

ALL MATERIALS AND LABOR FOR SUM OF \$13,905.00

# ESTEY®

## WELD-FRAME SHELVING



### Base Unit Instruction Sheet

**Important!**

1. Read through entire instructions before attempting to assemble the bookstacks.
2. Check bundles against packing slip to ensure proper quantities were received.
3. Check closely to see that units are leveled along range length as well as depth.

## SINGLE ENTRY—Frame Setup

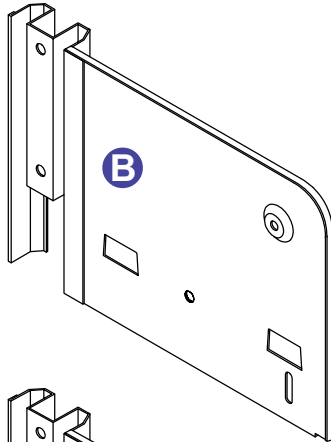
### Pieces You Will Use:

1. Weld Frame (A)
2. EITHER Fixed Base Brackets (B)  
OR Adjustable Base Brackets (C)  
OR Sloping Base Brackets (D)
3. Machine Bolts:
  - 1/4"-20 x 1" hex-head (E)
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### Fixed Base Bracket

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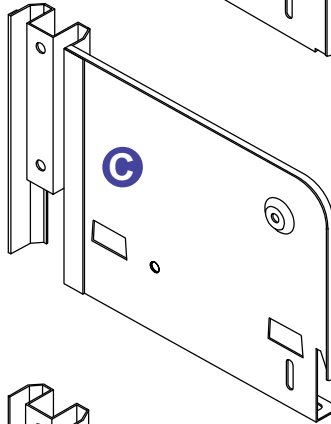
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DIVBSxxxx	Divider Fixed Base Shelf
FBSxxxx	Single Face Fixed Base Shelf
BDFxxxx	Intergal Back Divider Base Shelf



### Adjustable Base Bracket

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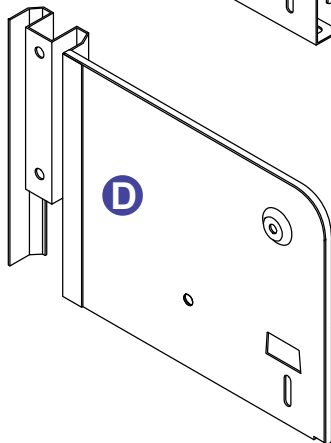
BLxxxx	Book Library Shelf
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SRAXxxx	Reinforced Shelf
SCxxxx	Slotted Compressor Shelf
BDAxxxx	Intergal Back Divider Shelf



### Sloping Base Bracket

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VCBSHxx	Video Cassette/ Paperback Book Shelf

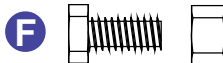


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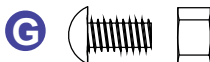
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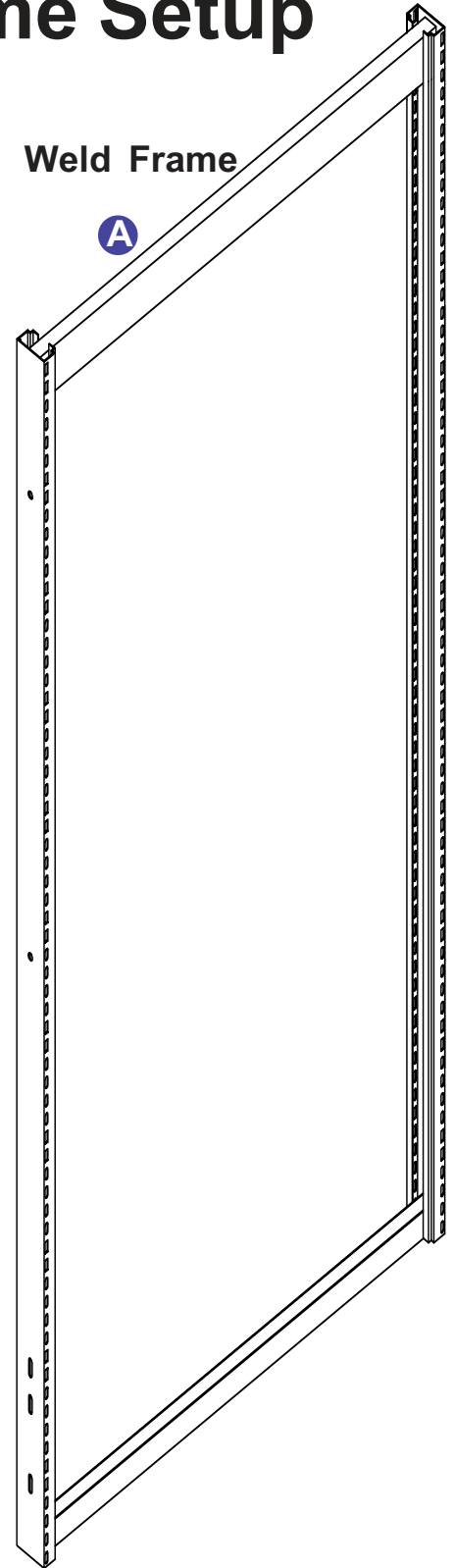


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Weld Frame

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**SINGLE ENTRY ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS BEGIN ON PAGE 4**

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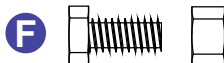
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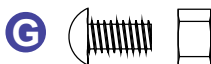
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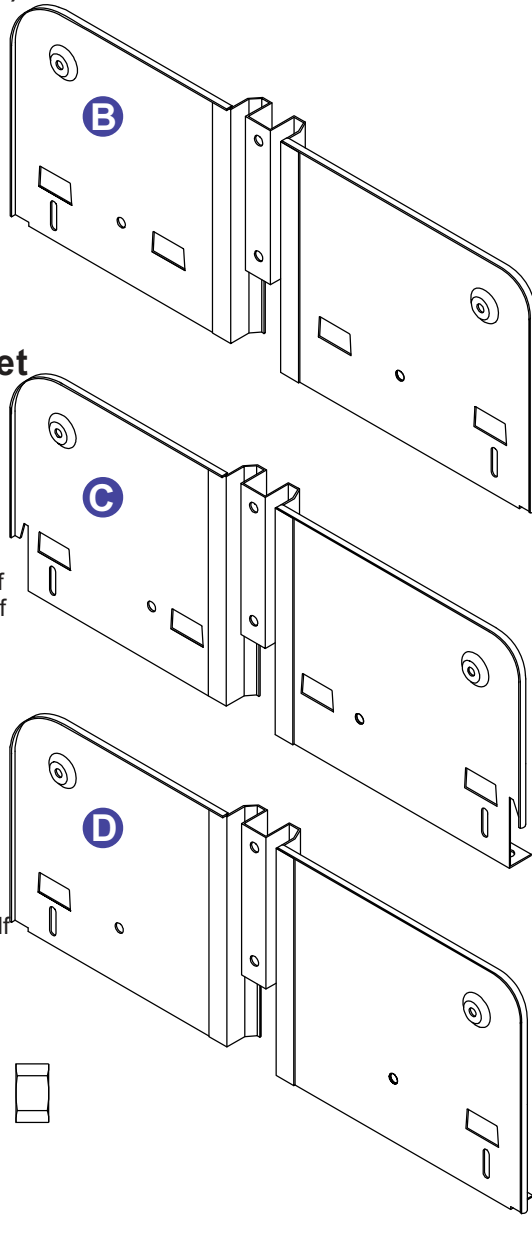


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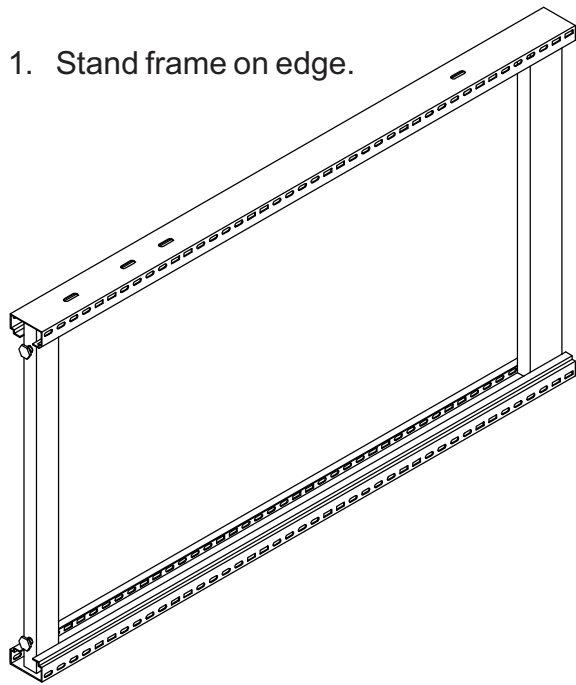
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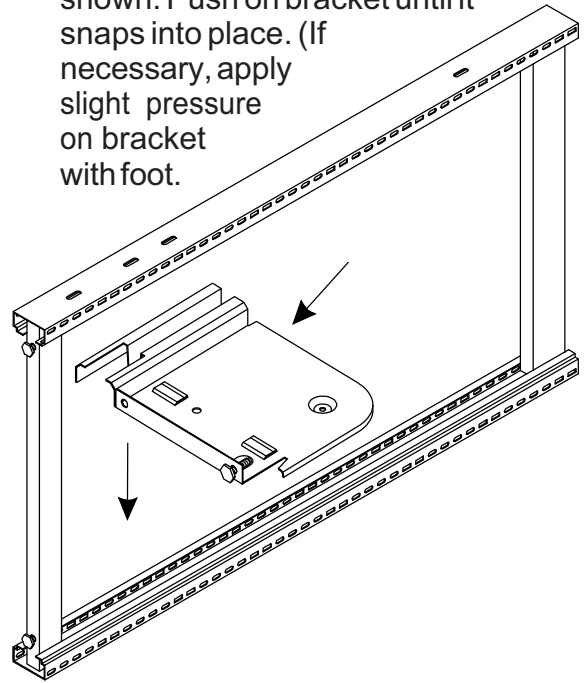


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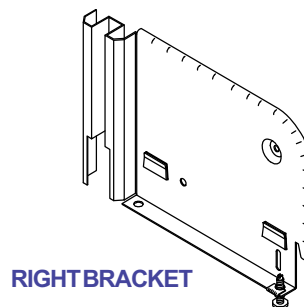
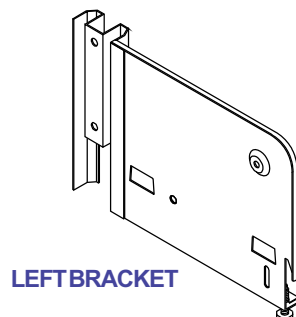
## SINGLE ENTRY—Assembly



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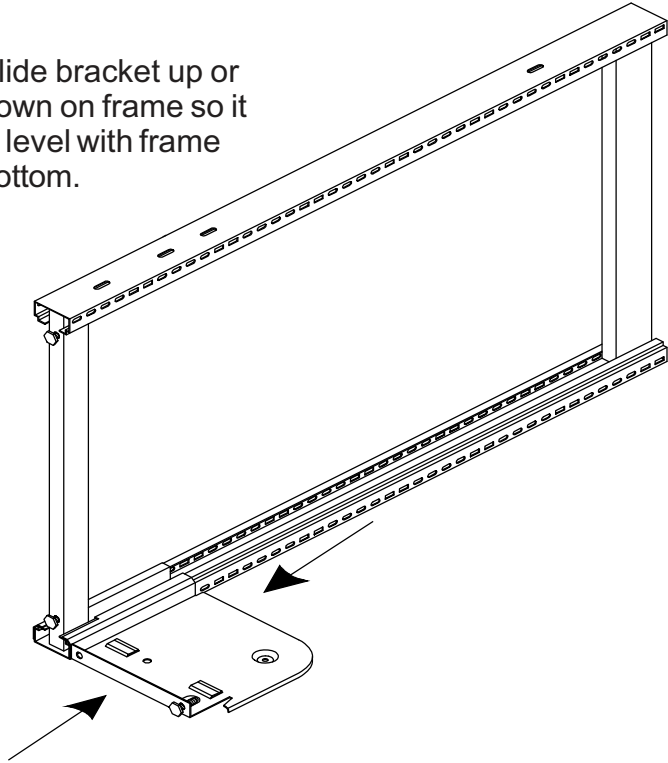


**NOTE:** On single face units, there are left and right hand brackets. Be sure brackets are attached on proper side of frame as indicated.

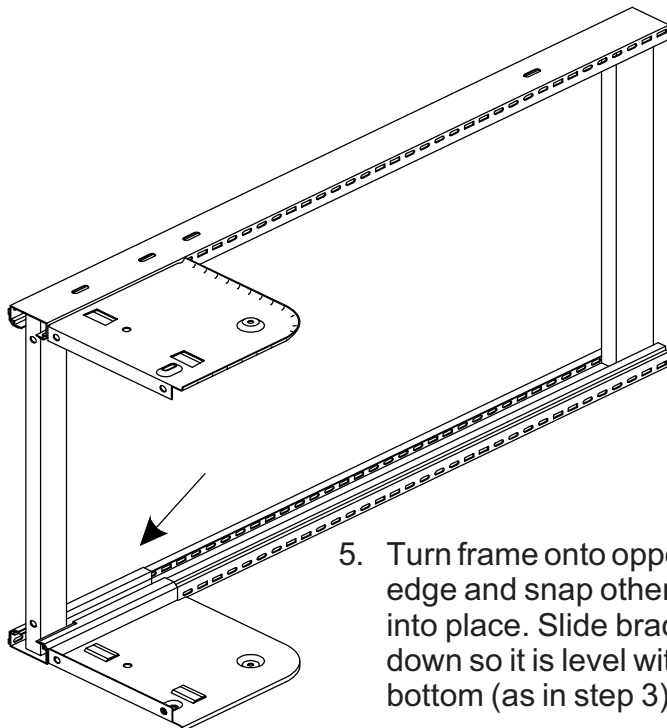
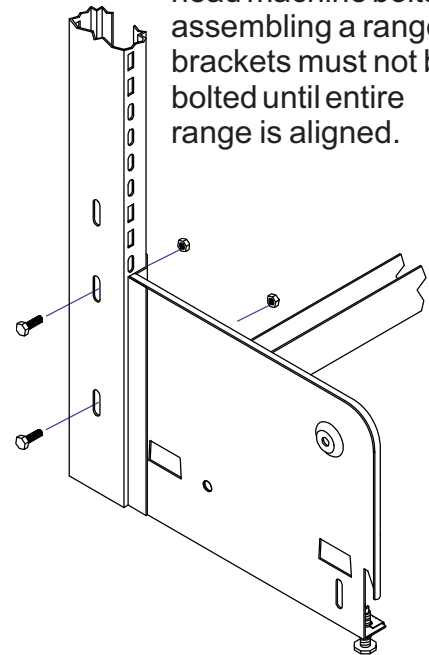


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3. Slide bracket up or down on frame so it is level with frame bottom.



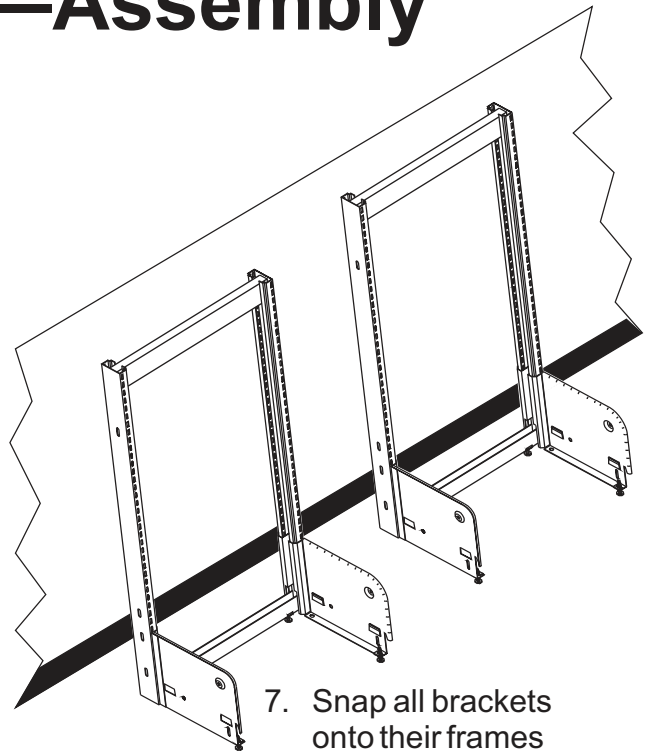
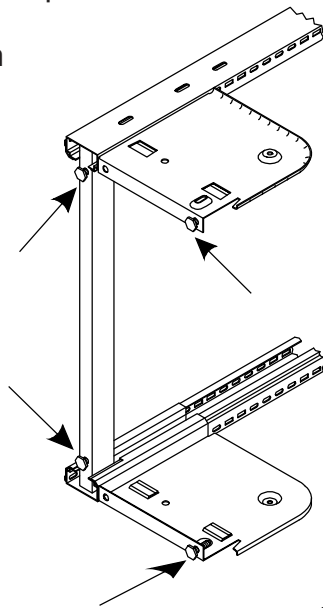
4. If assembling only a single unit, fasten bracket to frame with two 1/4"-20 x 1" hex-head machine bolts. If assembling a range, brackets must not be bolted until entire range is aligned.



5. Turn frame onto opposite edge and snap other bracket into place. Slide bracket up or down so it is level with frame bottom (as in step 3).

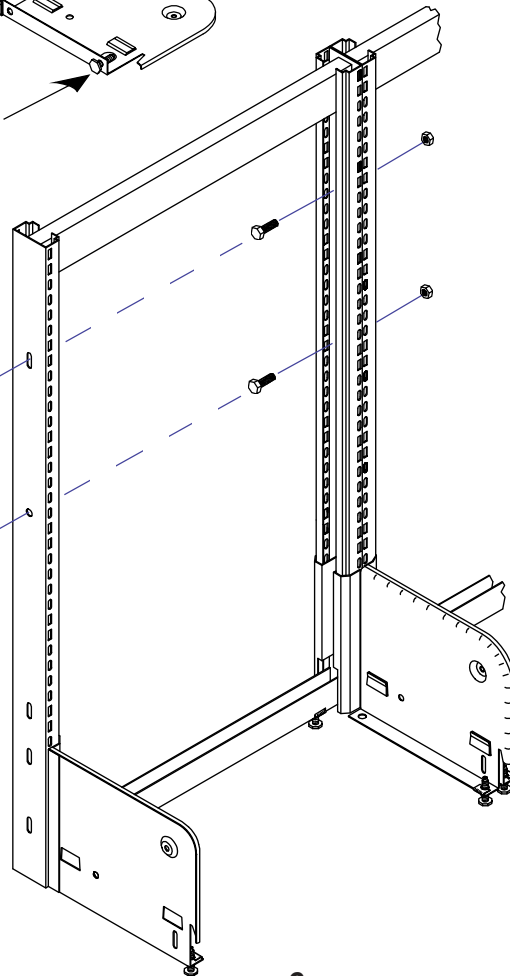
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6. If assembling a range, skip to step 7. If assembling a single unit, use the adjusting levelers (both in the frame and in the base brackets) so that they are bearing evenly on the floor surface. You are now ready to proceed to the base shelf instructions on pages 12, 14 and 18.



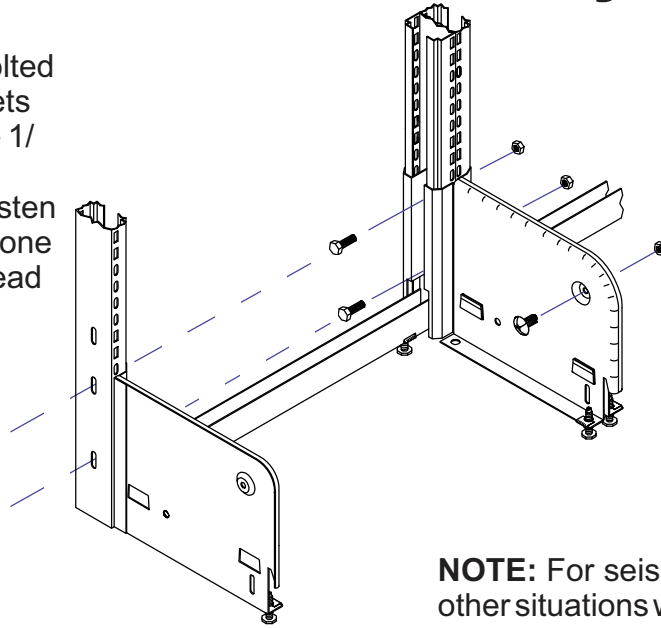
7. Snap all brackets onto their frames and lean all frames against a wall.

8. After ensuring that all base brackets are level with frame bottoms (as in step 3), bolt frames together in two locations with 1/4"-20 x 1/2" hex-head machine bolts. (Only one bolt is needed on 42" high units.)



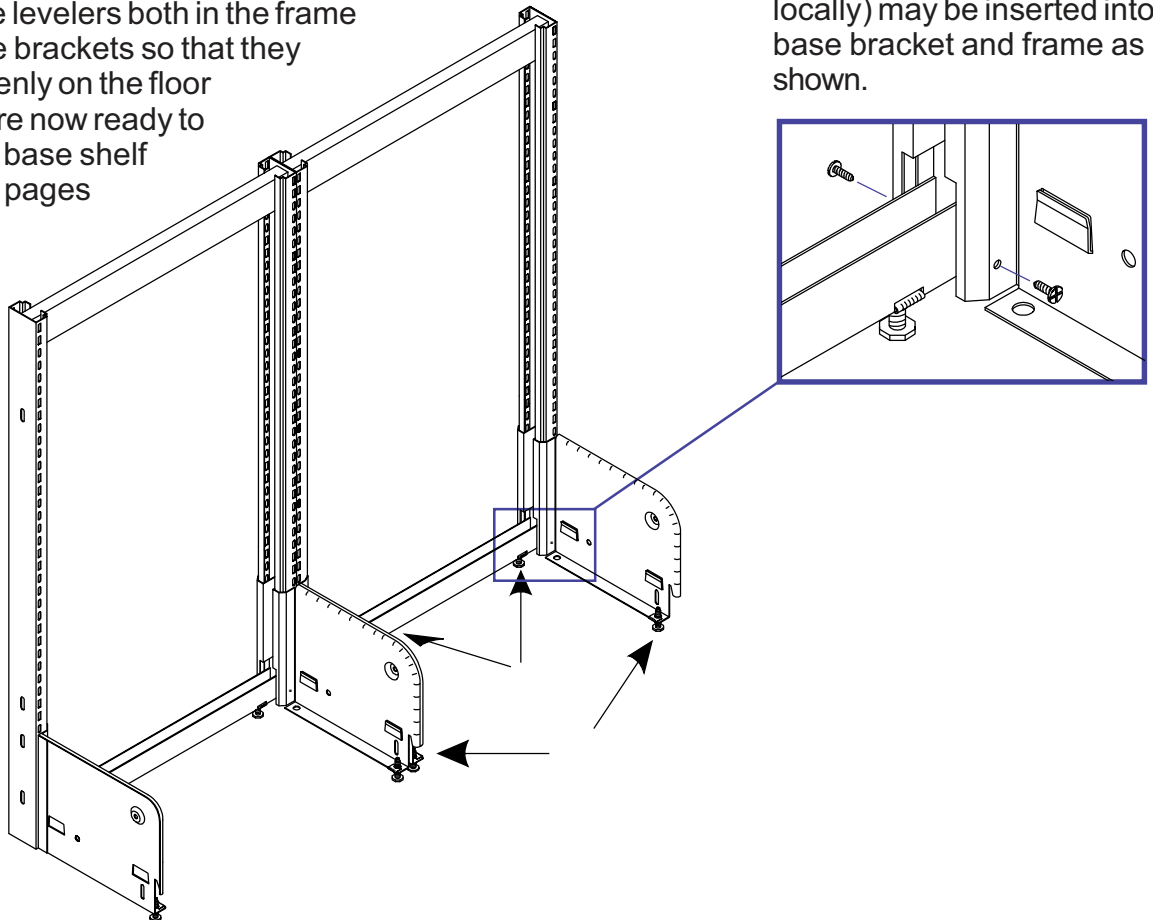
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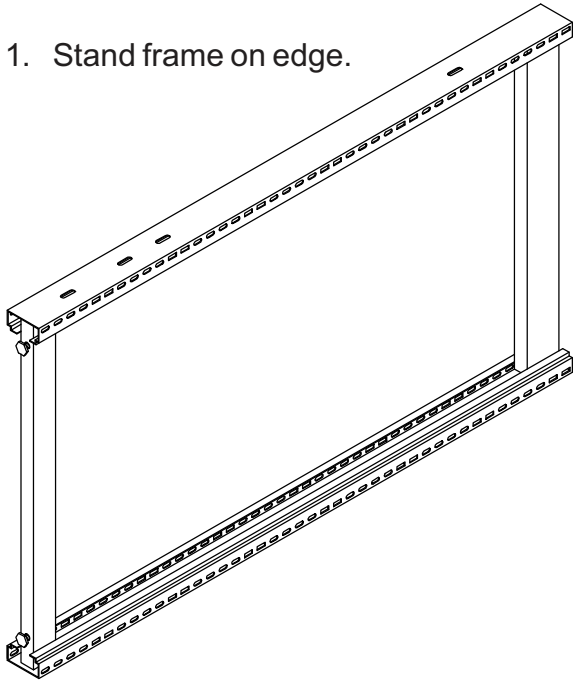
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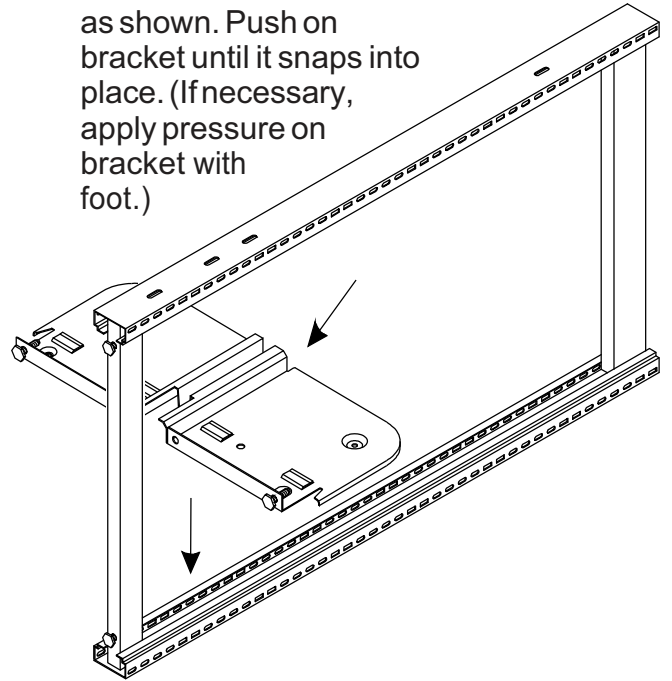


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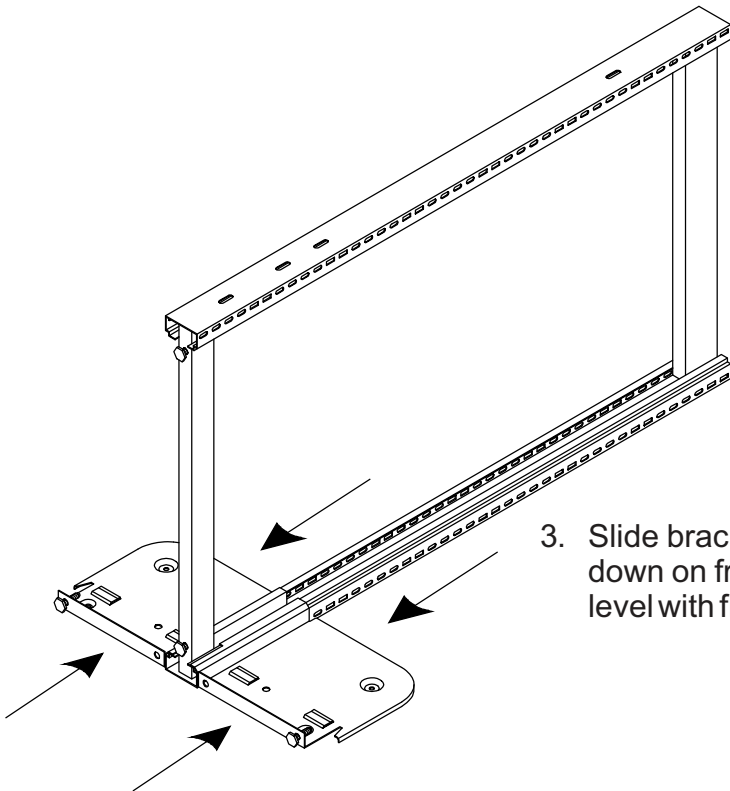
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2. Place bracket into frame as shown. Push on bracket until it snaps into place. (If necessary, apply pressure on bracket with foot.)

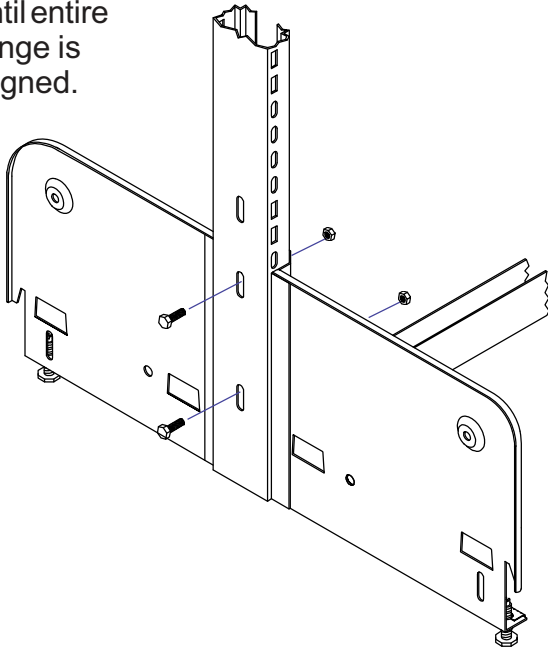


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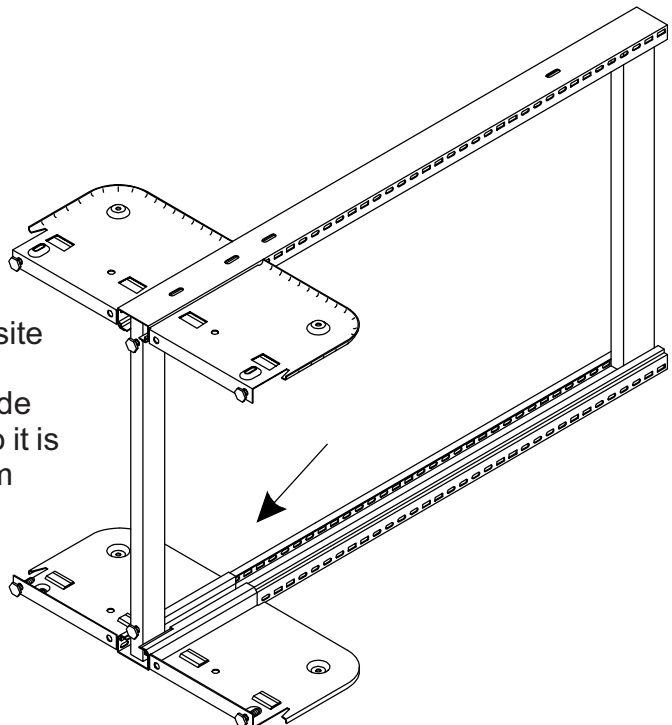


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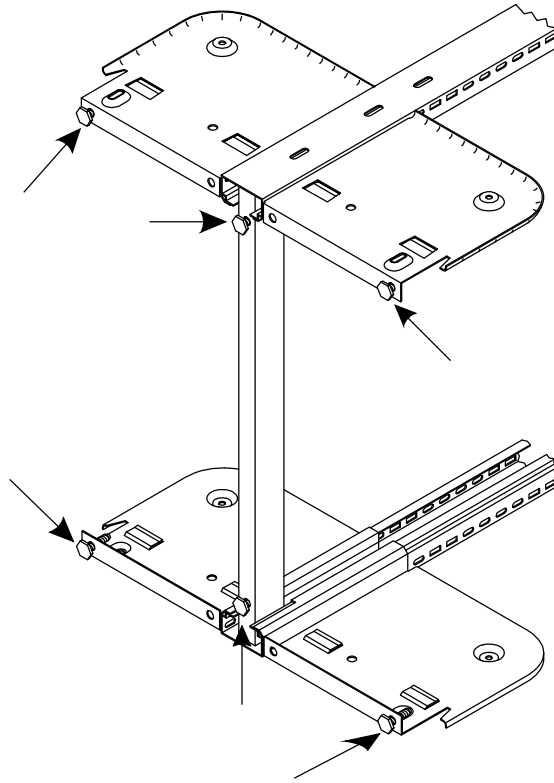
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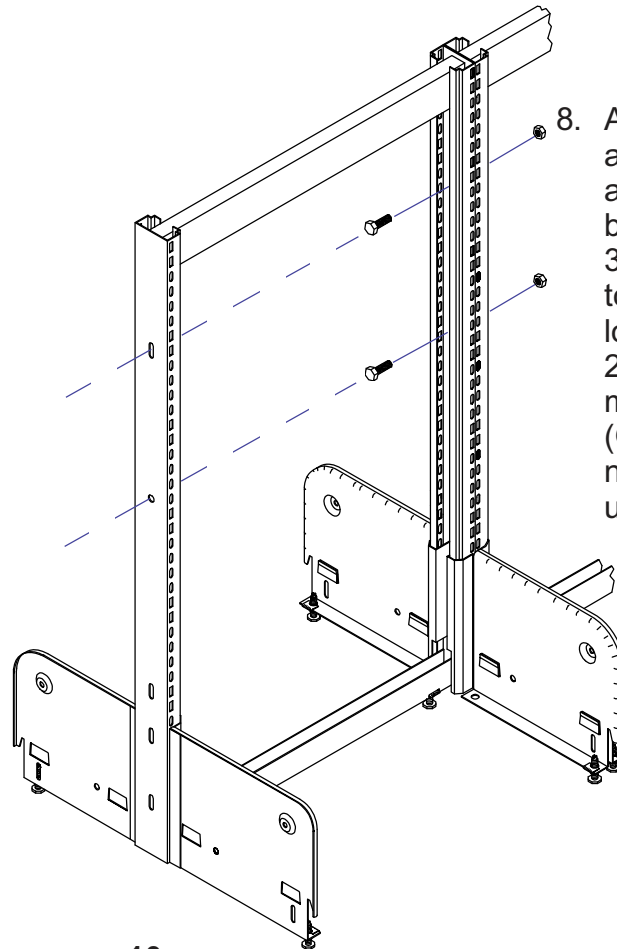
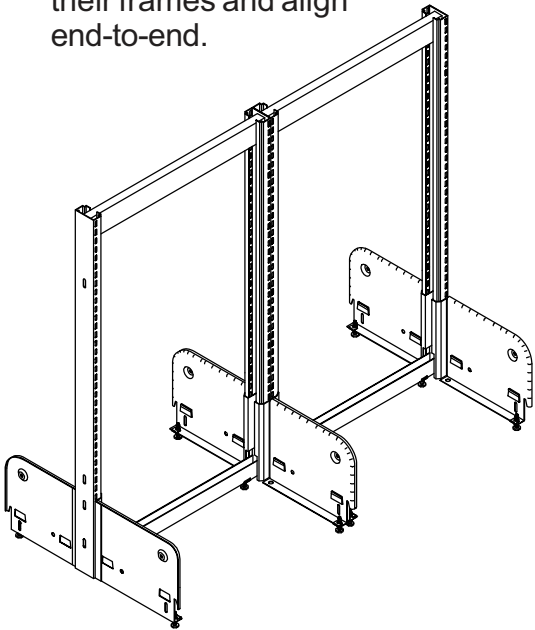


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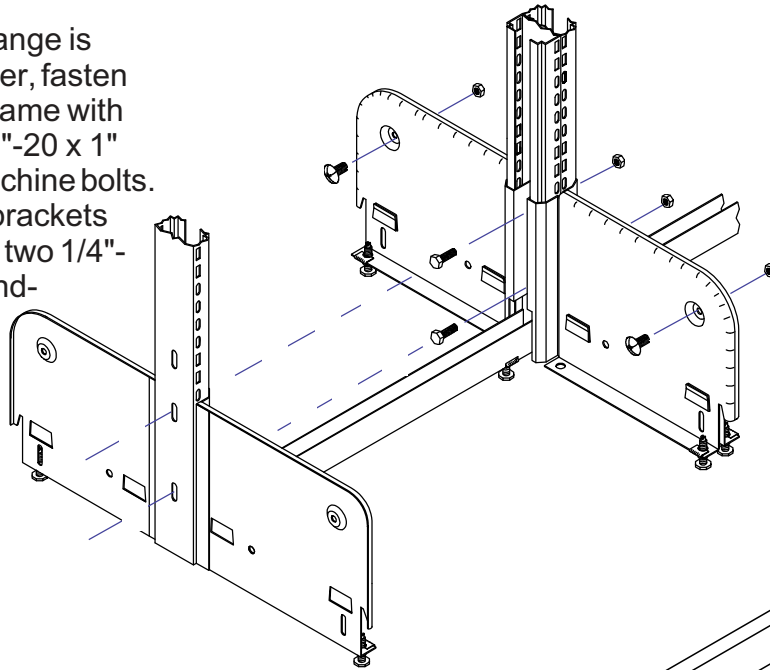
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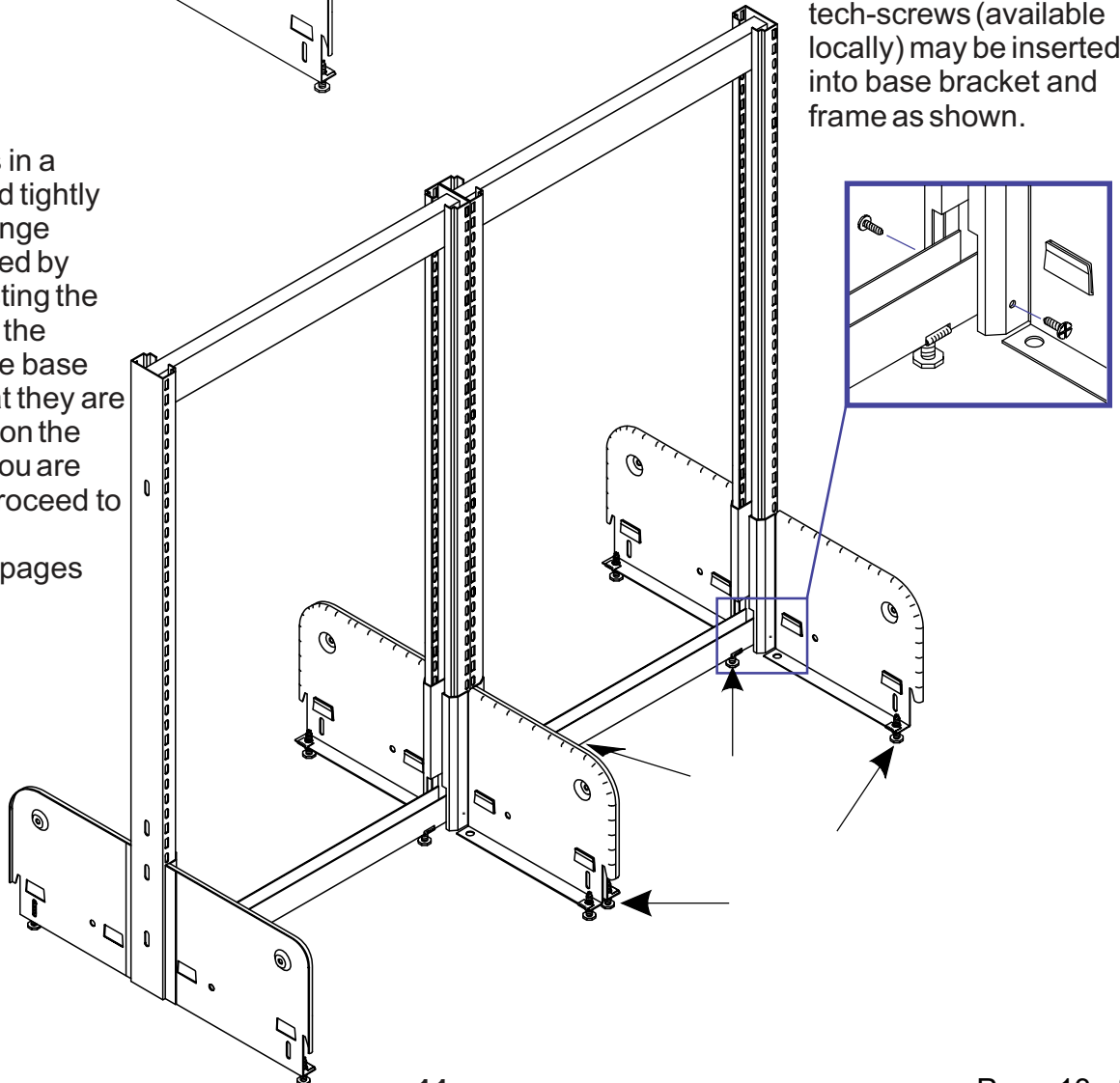
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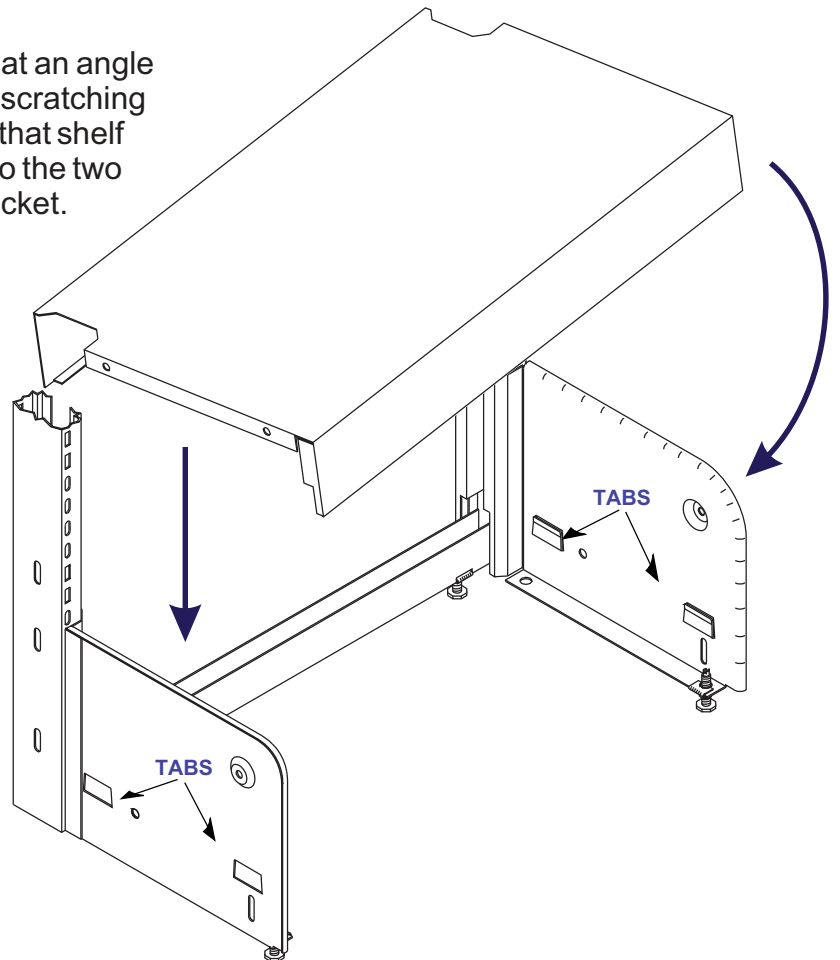
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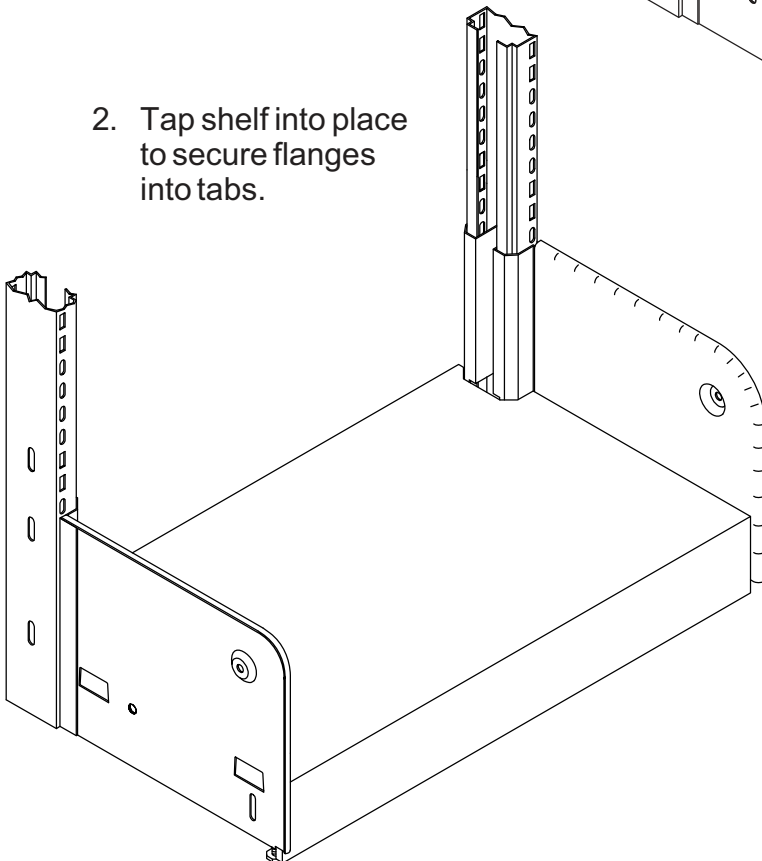


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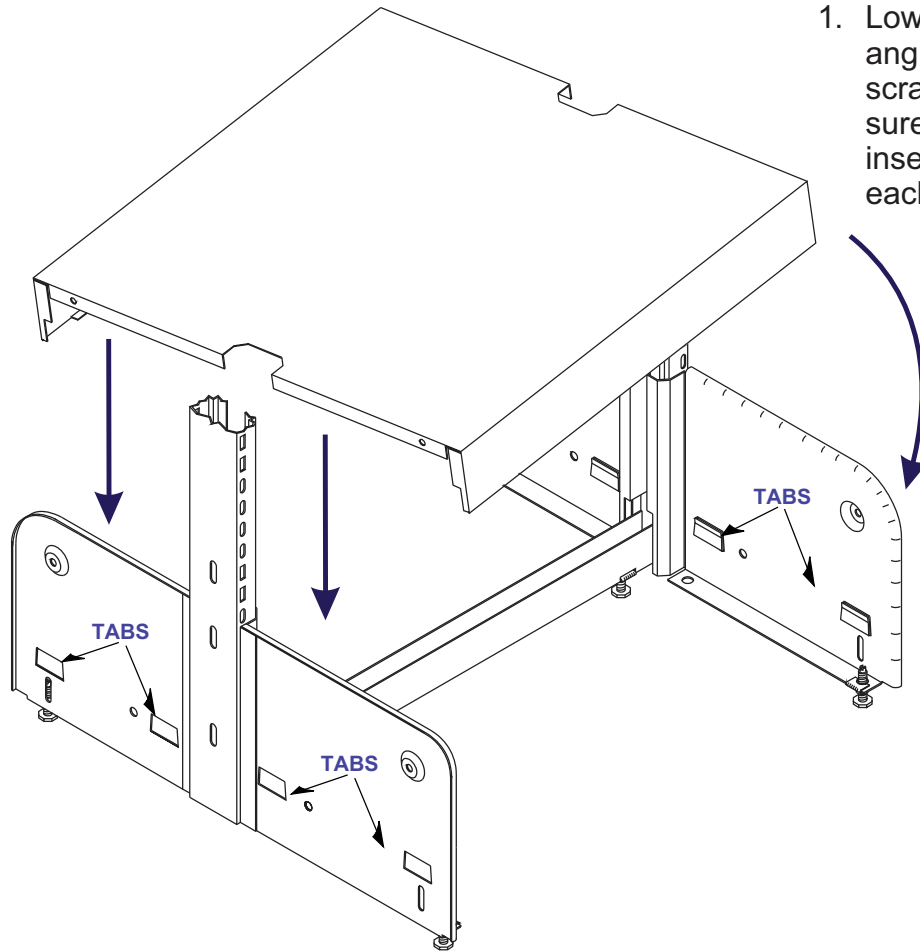
2. Tap shelf into place to secure flanges into tabs.



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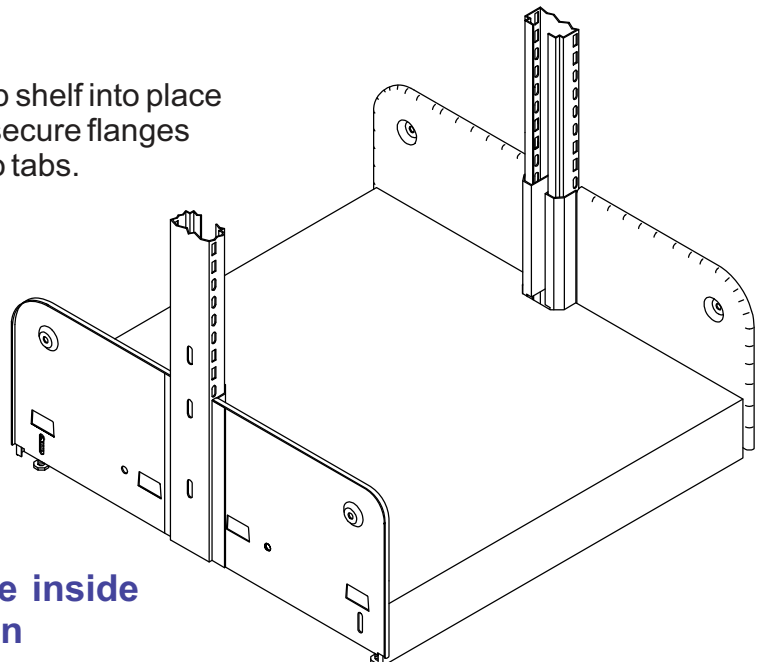
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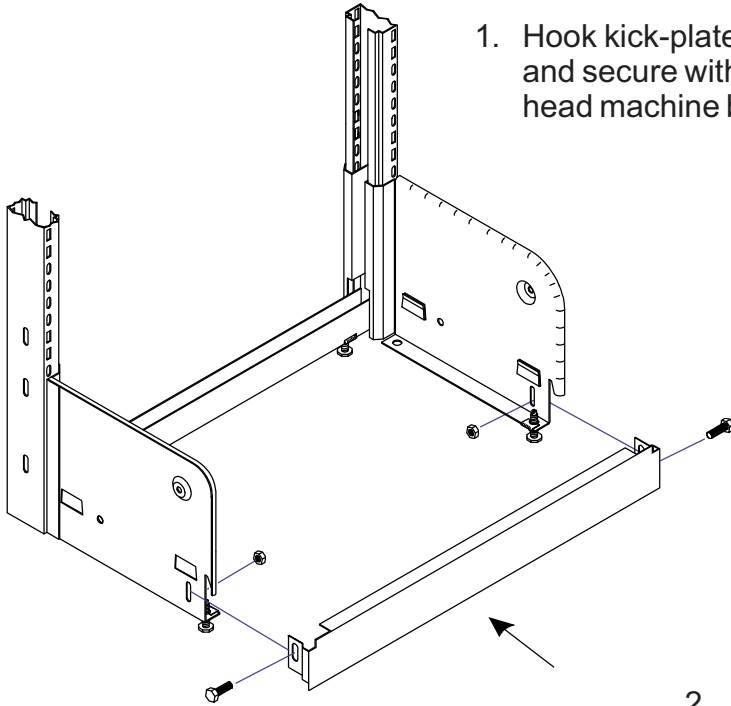
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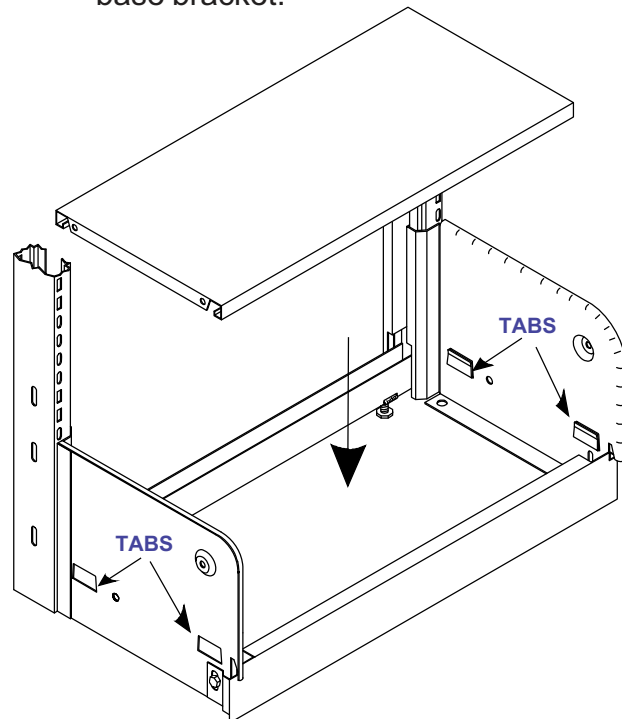
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## ADJUSTABLE BASE SHELF—Single Entry

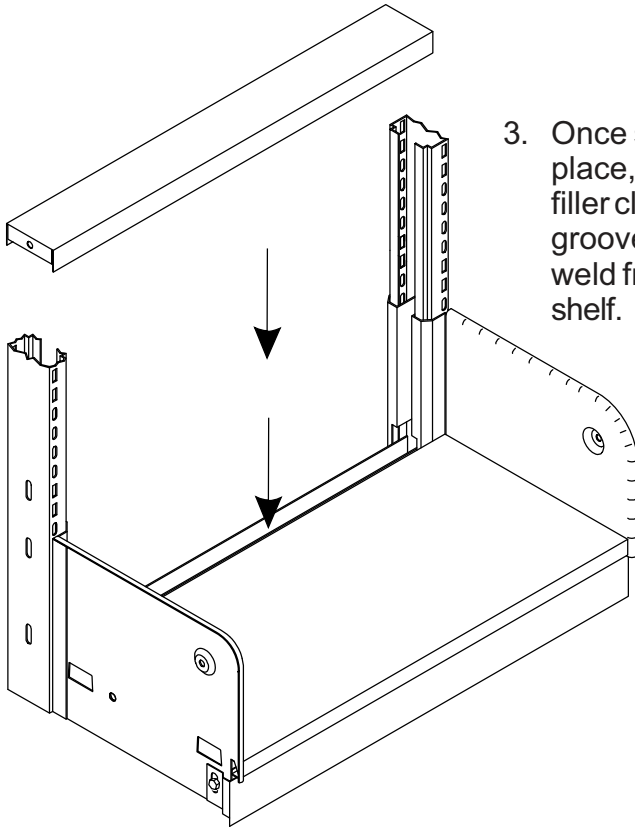
1. Hook kick-plate under lip of base bracket and secure with one 1/4"-20 X 1/2" hex-head machine bolt on each end.



2. Lower shelf into place, making certain that shelf flanges are inserted into the two tabs on each base bracket.

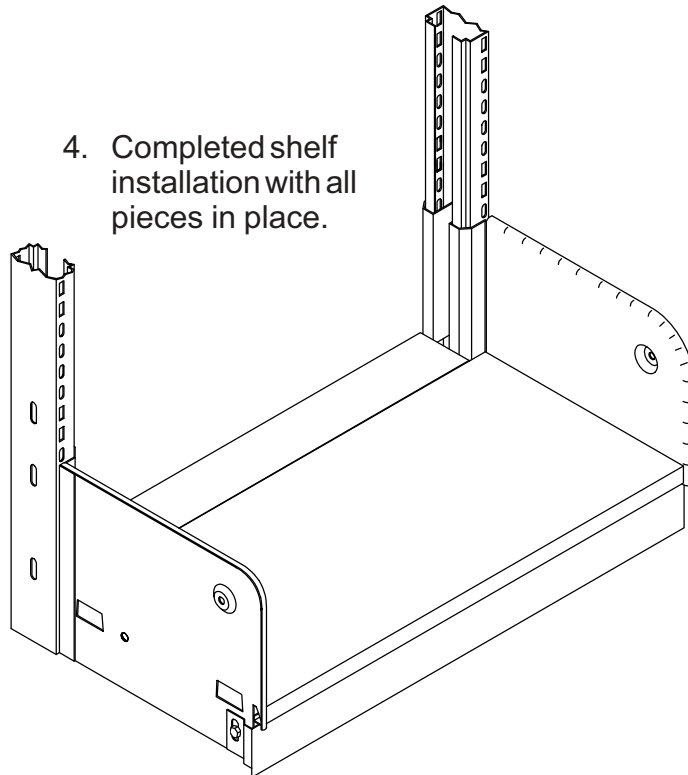


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3. Once shelf is in place, lower base filler closure into groove between weld frame and shelf.

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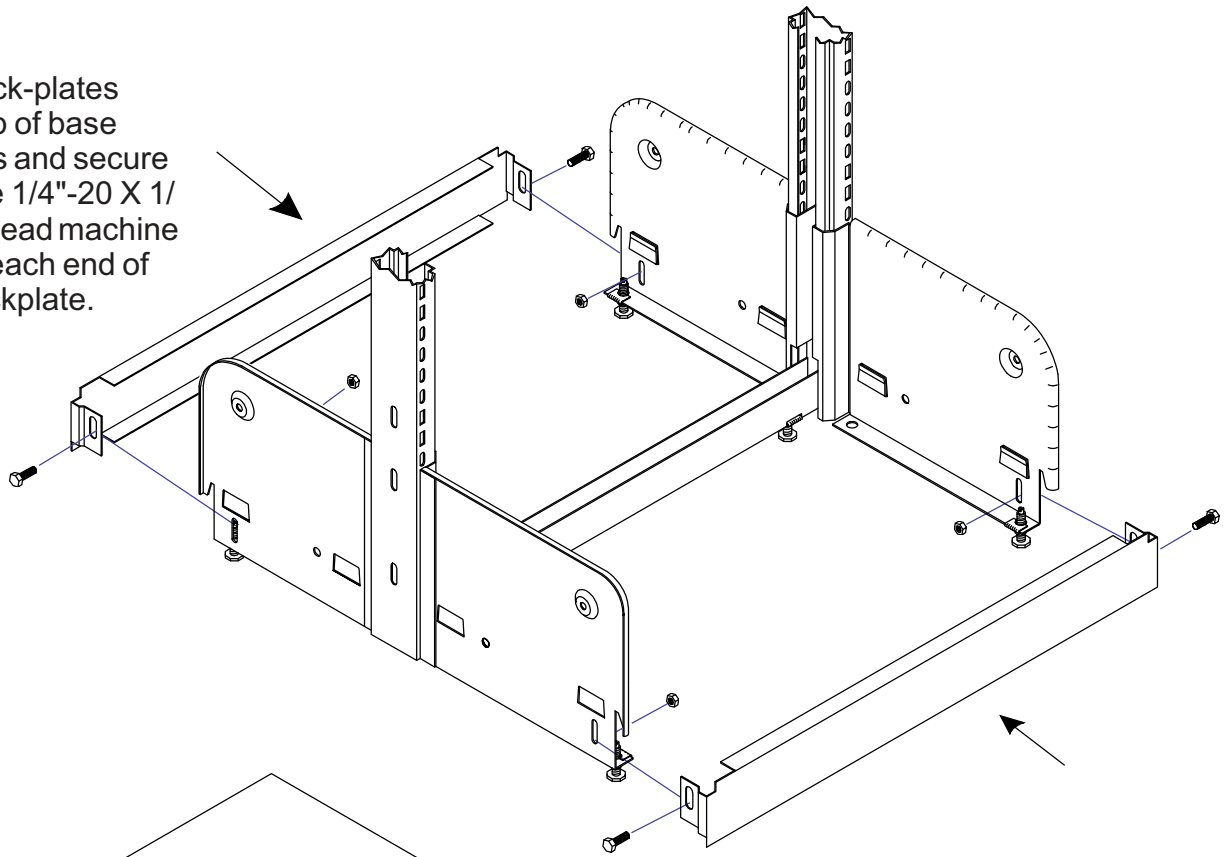


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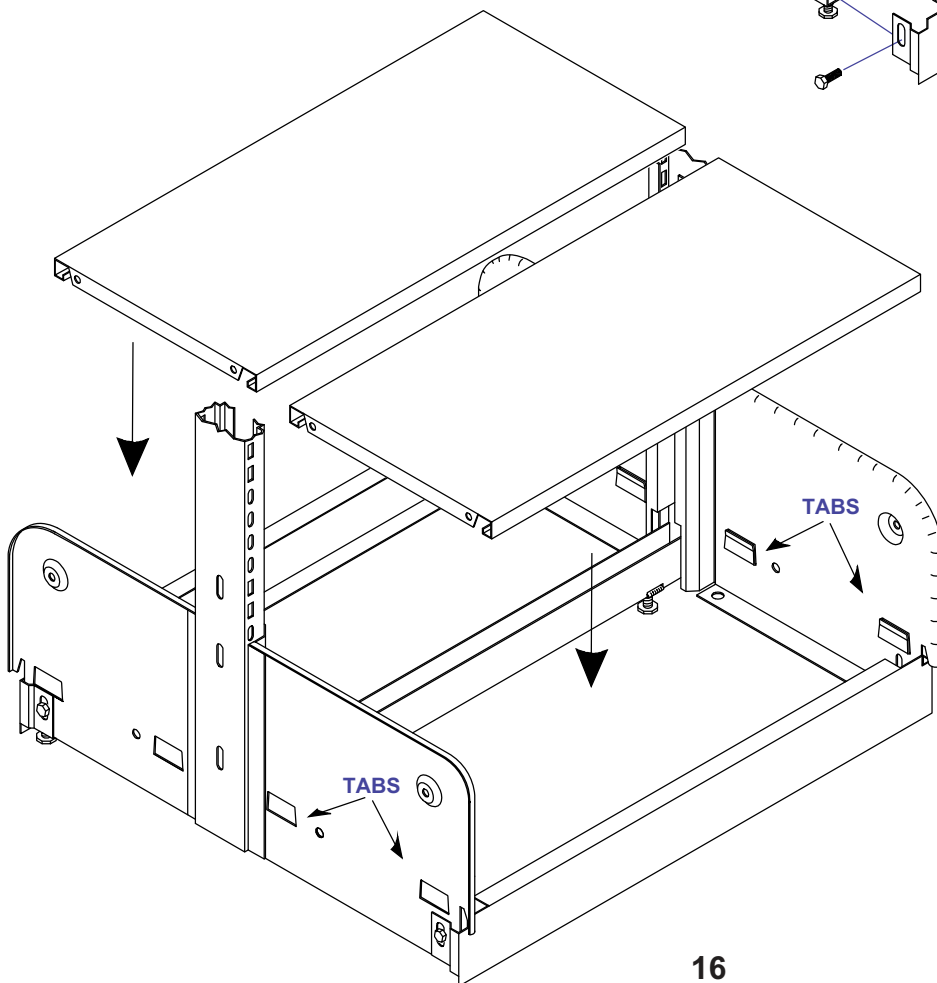
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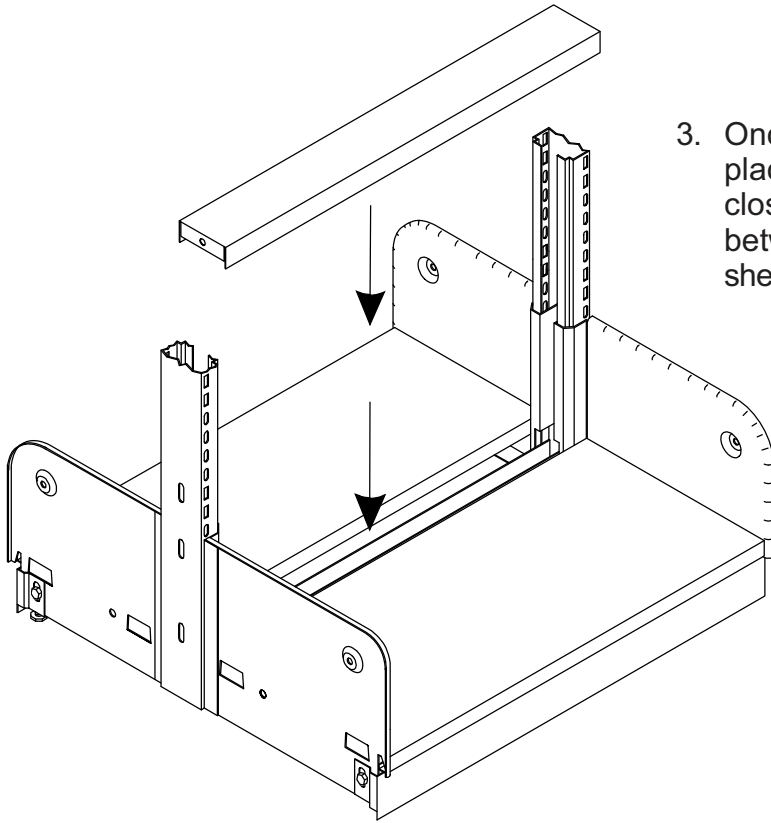
1. Hook kick-plates under lip of base brackets and secure with one 1/4"-20 X 1/2" hex-head machine bolt on each end of each kickplate.



2. Lower shelves into place, making certain that shelf lips are inserted into the two tabs on each base bracket.

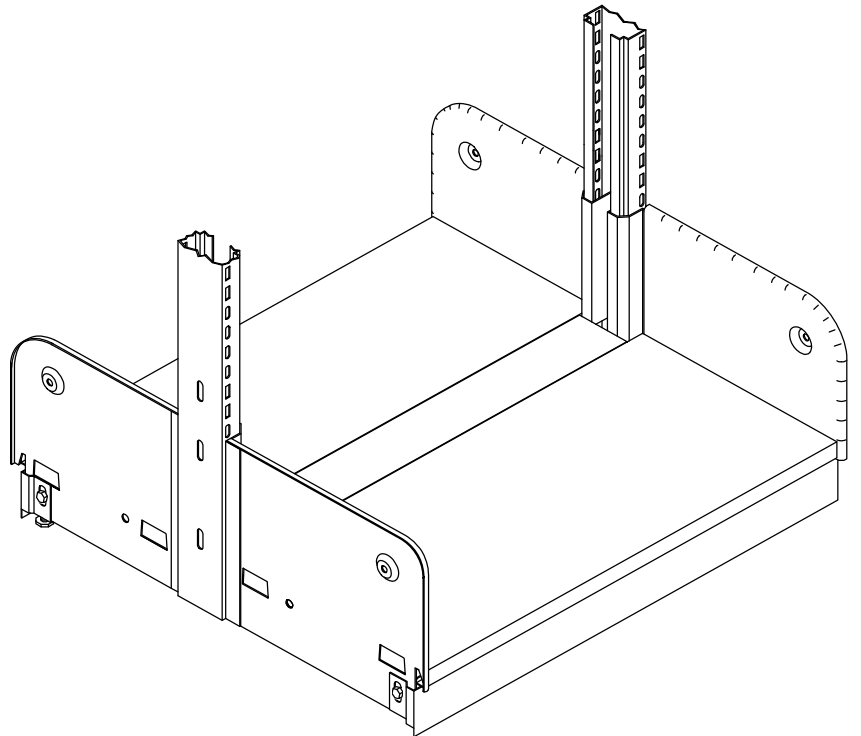


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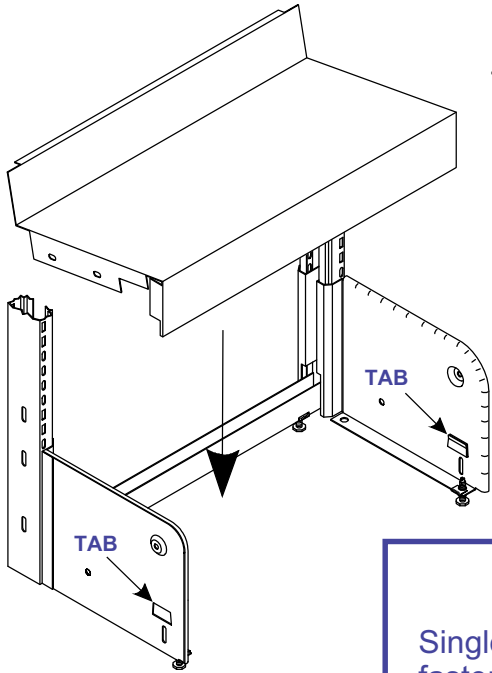
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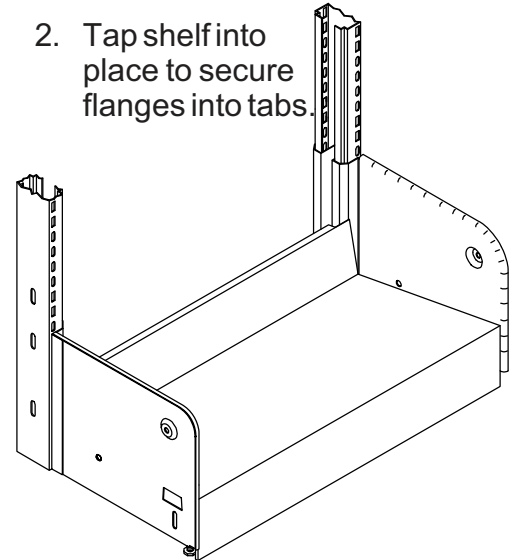
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## SLOPING BASE SHELF—Single Entry



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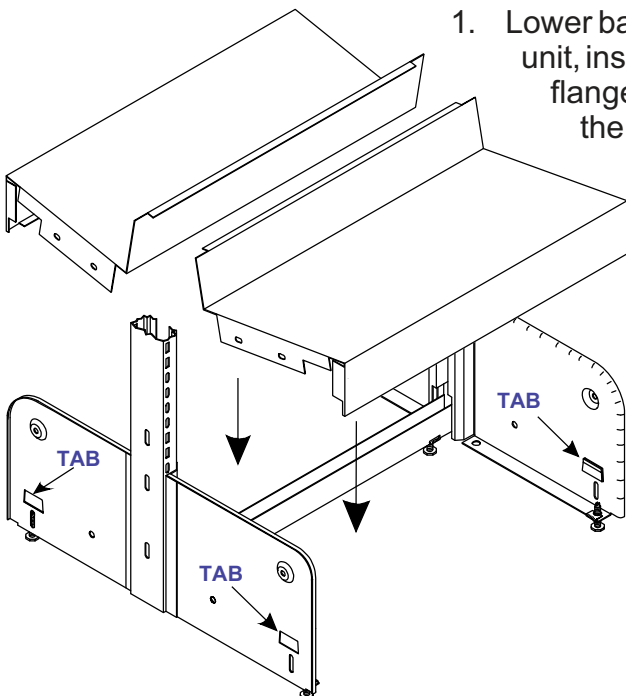
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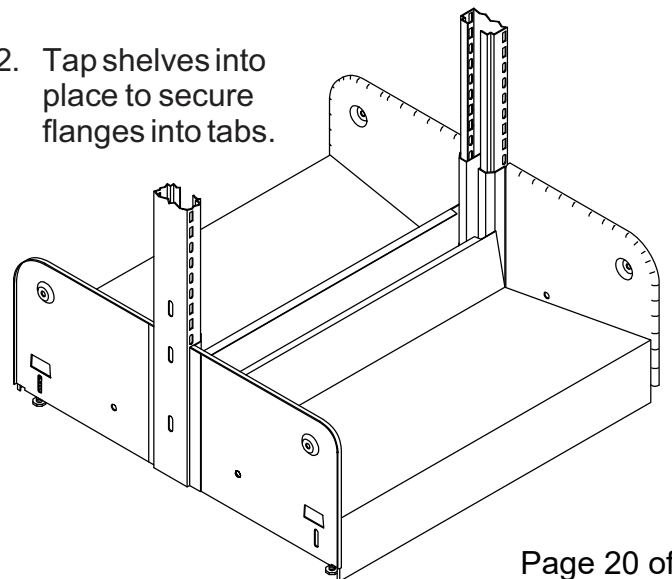
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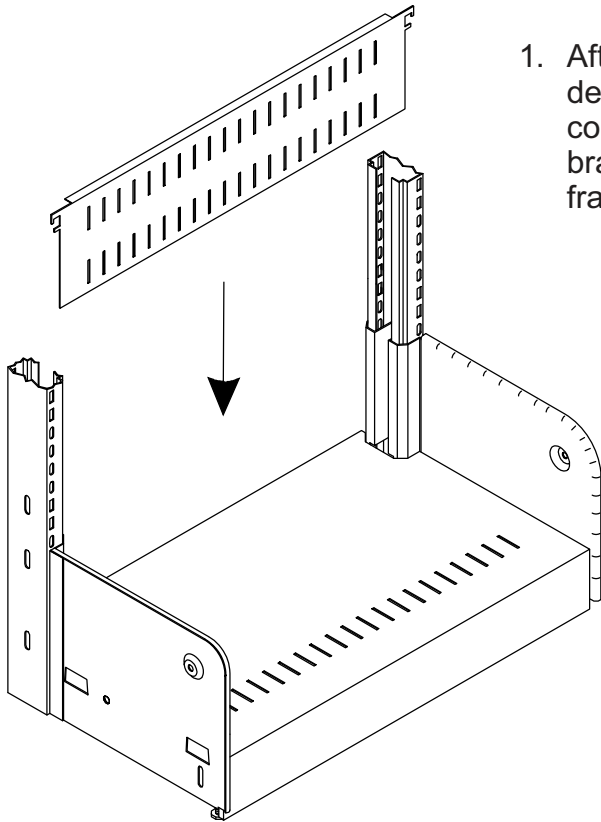


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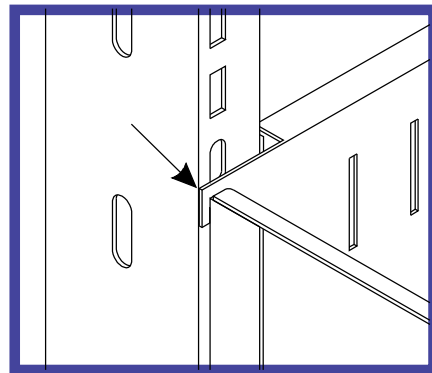
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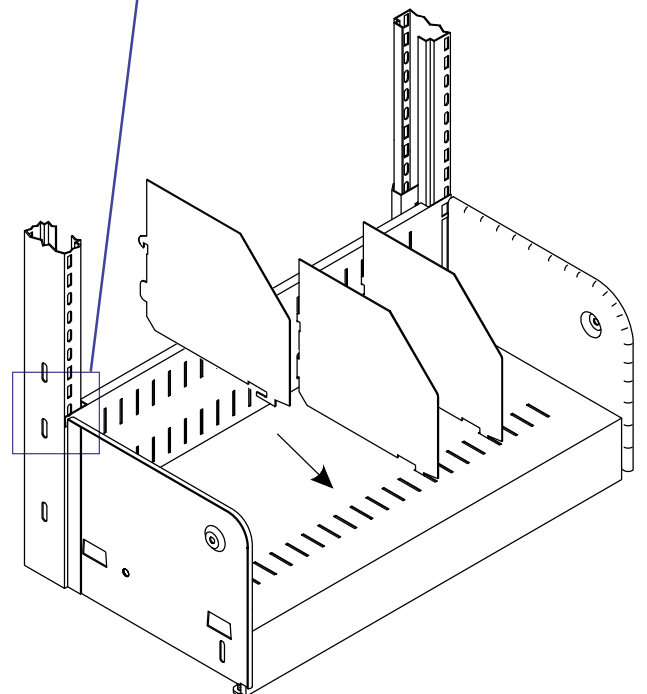
## DIVIDER BASE SHELF & BACKSTOP



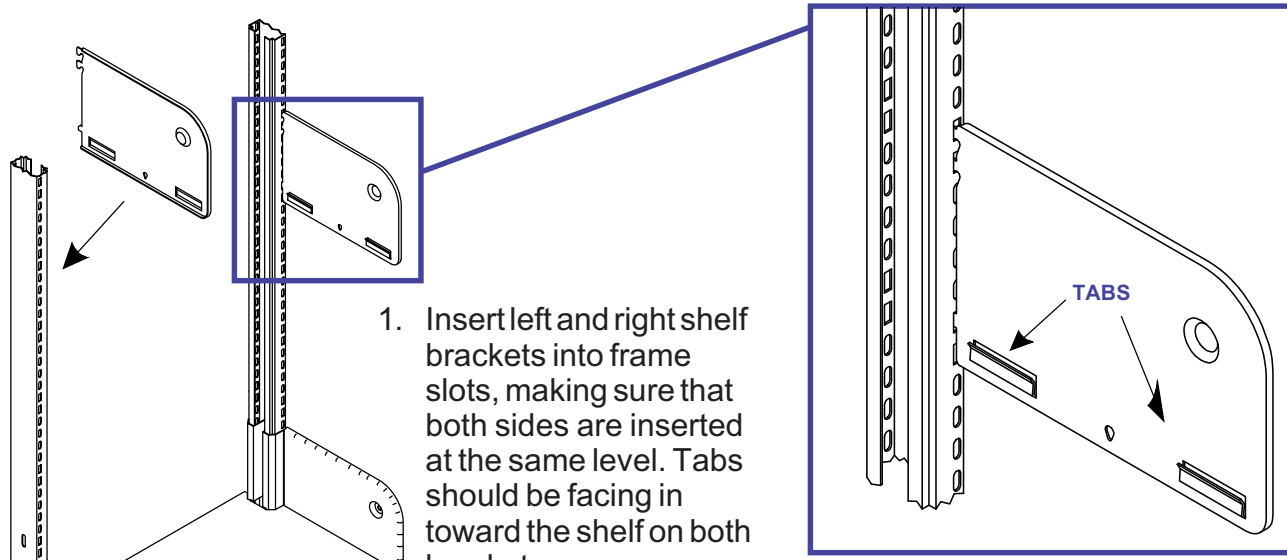
1. After inserting base shelf as previously described, lower back stop onto unit, connecting the backstop hooks onto base bracket between the base bracket and frame (as shown in inset below).



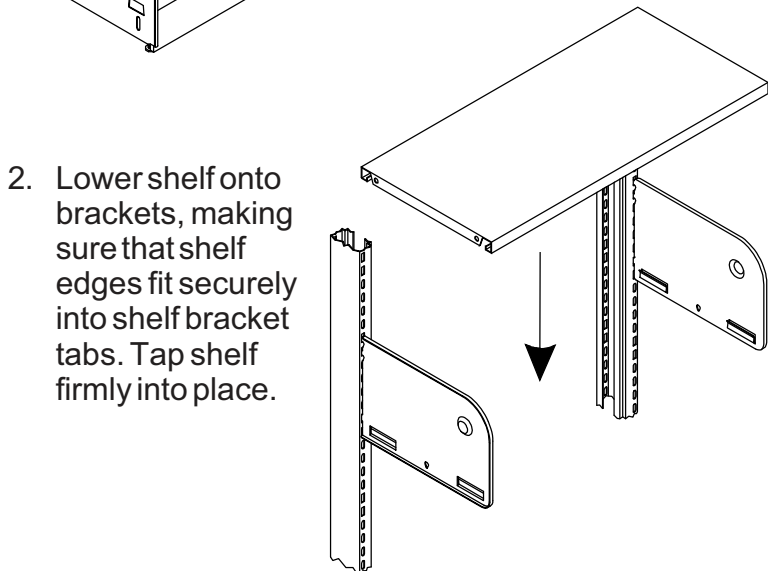
2. Place dividers as needed by inserting in to shelf and then hooking onto backstop (pulling backstop toward you if necessary).



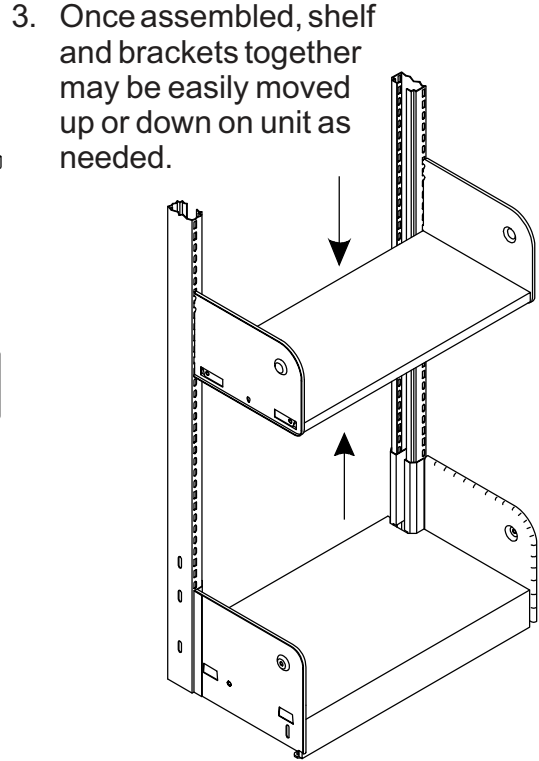
## INSTALLING BRACKETS AND SHELVES



1. Insert left and right shelf brackets into frame slots, making sure that both sides are inserted at the same level. Tabs should be facing in toward the shelf on both brackets.



2. Lower shelf onto brackets, making sure that shelf edges fit securely into shelf bracket tabs. Tap shelf firmly into place.



3. Once assembled, shelf and brackets together may be easily moved up or down on unit as needed.

### WARRANTY

Estey warrants goods purchased hereunder to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from date of shipment, hereunder. This warranty shall not apply in the event goods are damaged as a result of misuse, abuse, neglect, accident, improper application, modification or repair by persons not authorized by Seller, where goods are damaged during shipment, or where the date stamp on the goods has been defaced, modified or removed. UNLESS CONSIDERED UNENFORCEABLE OR UNLAWFUL UNDER APPLICABLE LAW.



# PROJECT ESTIMATION

WILSON AND SON FIELD SERVICES, LLC  
3694 DIVISION STREET WEST  
BEMIDJI, MN 56601  
CELL: 701-269-1665



COMPANY NAME: COMPANY ADDRESS:

CITY OF BLACKDUCK 8 SUMMIT AVE NE  
BLACKDUCK, MN 56630

PROJECT NAME:

WELL #8 PROTECTION FENCE 6'

COMPANY PHONE:

218-835-4803

COMPANY CONTACT:

CHRISTINA

DATE:

05/07/26

SCOPE OF WORK:

INSTALL APPROX 320' OF 6' GALV SECURITY FENCING WITH THREE STRANDS OF BARBWIRE AND A 20' DD GATE  
SET CORNER AND GATE POSTS INTO CONCRETE FOOTINGS 14" X 4"  
DRIVE LINE POSTS 3'  
TWIST TIE MESH TO FRAMING

MATERIALS:

- 6' 9GA 2" KT MESH FITTINGS
- 4" GATE POSTS HARWARE
- 3" CORNER POSTS CONCRETE
- 2-1/2" LINE POSTS 20' DD GATE
- 1-5/8" TOP RAIL TWIST TIES
- 7GA TENSION WIRE BARBWIRE

LABOR:

MAN HOURS: 3 MEN RATE:MN PW TOTAL:

FIELD:REMOVAL	0	\$95.00	\$0.00
FIELD:INSTALL	72	\$138.00	\$9,936.00
MISC: BOBCAT	2	\$150.00	\$300.00
RENTAL:			\$0.00
RENTAL:			\$0.00
TOTAL:			\$10,236.00

**NOTES:** THIS BID DOES NOT INCLUDE OPENERS OR RELATED PRODUCTS. IT DOES NOT COVER PRIVATE UTILITES LOCATING FOR SURVEY. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROPERTY OWNER TO ENSURE PRIVATE UTILITES AND SURVEY MARKS ARE CORRECT. ANY CHANGE ORDERS MAY CAUSE ADDITIONAL FEES AND CAUSE A REBID. PRICES ARE GUARANTEED FOR FIVE (5) DAYS FROM BID DATE.

COSTS:

\$7,802.29

TOTAL MATERIALS:

\$7,802.29

TOTAL LABOR:

\$10,236.00

SUB TOTAL:

\$18,038.29

SHIPPING:

\$250.00

TAX: N/A

PERMIT:

IF NEEDED WOULD ADD \$50.00

JOB TOTAL:

\$18,288.29

BID ACCEPTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

BID ACCEPTED BY WWFWS: \_\_\_\_\_



# PROJECT ESTIMATION

WILSON AND SON FIELD SERVICES, LLC  
3694 DIVISION STREET WEST  
BEMIDJI, MN 56601  
CELL: 701-269-1665



COMPANY NAME: COMPANY ADDRESS:

CITY OF BLACKDUCK 8 SUMMIT AVE NE  
BLACKDUCK, MN 56630

PROJECT NAME:

WELL #8 PROTECTION FENCE 8'

COMPANY PHONE:

218-835-4803

COMPANY CONTACT:

CHRISTINA

DATE:

05/07/26

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**LABOR:**

MAN HOURS: 3 MEN RATE: MN PW TOTAL:

FIELD: REMOVAL	0	\$95.00	\$0.00
FIELD: INSTALL	82	\$138.00	\$11,316.00
MISC: BOBCAT	2	\$150.00	\$300.00
RENTAL:			\$0.00
RENTAL:			\$0.00
TOTAL:			\$11,616.00

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BID ACCEPTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

BID ACCEPTED BY WWFWS: \_\_\_\_\_

**COSTS:**

\$9,269.15

**TOTAL MATERIALS:**

\$9,269.15

**TOTAL LABOR:**

\$11,616.00

**SUB TOTAL:**

\$20,885.15

**SHIPPING:**

\$250.00

**TAX: N/A**

**PERMIT:**

IF NEEDED WOULD ADD \$50.00

**JOB TOTAL:**

\$21,135.15

**From:** [Anstine, Ethan \(DOT\)](#)  
**To:** [Christina Regas](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates  
**Date:** Friday, May 15, 2026 11:10:32 AM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)  
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[EXTERNAL]

Hey Christina,

You always do a great job keeping the council updated. I think letting them know about the work that is going on right now would be a good idea. Let them know that your engineer is currently looking into the potential impacts to the city utilities near Summit Ave. You could also share that MNDOT has provided survey information and preliminary design data so Widseth can develop a recommendation on how to address those possible impacts.

It would be good for the council to know that Widseth will be preparing plan sheets, special provision write-ups, and estimates as part of this process. Our goal here at MnDOT is to minimize as many impacts as possible, and we really appreciate the City's willingness to allow us to work directly with Widseth. That should save all of us time and money.

Once Widseth provides their recommendation, MNDOT will want to make sure the council is aware of the City's financial responsibilities. Since this utility work is owned by the City, MnDOT is not allowed to cost-share on those impacted items. I can work with Widseth and review their estimates to ensure we're capturing all necessary costs. I want to make sure their estimate is as accurate as possible.

Please share with them if you haven't already the good news about the lighting cost share.

Ethan Anstine  
MnDOT, District 2  
Project Manager



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**From:** Christina Regas <Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 15, 2026 9:59 AM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Good morning Ethan,

I am assembling the work session packet for May 18, will this discussion need to be brought to the council at this time or later in the summer?

Thank you,

Christina Regas

City Administrator



City of Blackduck, Minnesota

[Christina.regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.regas@blackduckmn.com)

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**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>

**Sent:** Friday, May 8, 2026 7:29 AM

**To:** Benji Hofstad <[Benji.Hofstad@widseth.com](mailto:Benji.Hofstad@widseth.com)>; Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>;  
Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>

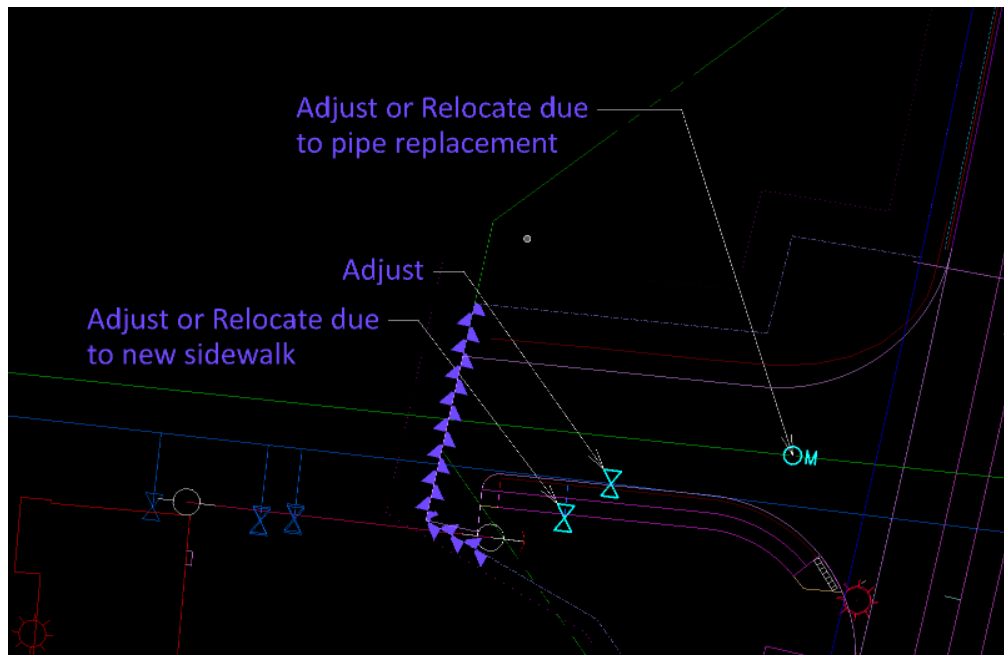
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**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Hey Benji,

That sounds great. There are some water valves in this area too. We will need to know what kind of work should be done to these also. If you need our linework let us know. We will be installing some sidewalk on the SW quadrant of the intersection.

-Ethan



**From:** Benji Hofstad <[Benji.Hofstad@widseth.com](mailto:Benji.Hofstad@widseth.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 6, 2026 4:19 PM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>; Christina Regas <[cregas@beltramimis.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:cregas@beltramimis.onmicrosoft.com)>; Christina.Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Hi Ethan,

Sorry for the delayed response, I just got back in the office. I was able to connect with our team and review your request below. I'll be out of the office tomorrow and Friday, but will dig into it early next week and get back to you with our findings.

Thank you,  
Benji

**Benji Hofstad**  
Project Manager, Associate  
[218-308-2612](tel:218-308-2612)  
315 5th Street NW Suite 1  
Bemidji, MN 56601

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**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 6, 2026 11:14 AM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[cregas@beltramimis.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:cregas@beltramimis.onmicrosoft.com)>; Christina.Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Thanks Christina. I see we are all on this thread, so I just replied to us all.

Benji- MNDOT is currently designing a project on TH 71 from Tenstrike to Blackduck. The project limits start 625' South of CSAH 29 near Tenstrike and end 1 mile north of the TH 71/72 intersection. We are planning for construction to occur in 2028.

The City of Blackduck has watermain and sewer utilities within our construction limits. I attached a KMZ that shows where the city utilities are near the trunk highway. The watermain and sanitary crossing

located on CSAH 30 (Summit Ave) is where we need guidance from the City Engineer.

As shown in the pictures in the email thread below, MNDOT would like to confirm that our collected city utility elevation data is accurate. We would also like to know if our culvert replacement work will require any adjustments to the city utilities. I'm trying to get out in front of this so that we all can work together to minimize impacts and costs to the city. It's likely we will need some plan sheets and special provisions provided so the contractor knows what will be required from the city. We will also need your help estimating any city utility costs.

The working room is tight in this area. Do you anticipate any issues when we go to replace the culvert on the west side of the TH? The utility work is out of our expertise. Typically, MNDOT requires private utilities to be relocated but when it comes to watermain and sanitary sewer we realize that isn't easy. So, working with the City Engineer is best in this scenario. If you're in need of any of our survey data let us know and we can share it with you.

Ethan Anstine  
MnDOT, District 2  
Project Manager



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**From:** Christina Regas <[cregas@beltramimis.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:cregas@beltramimis.onmicrosoft.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 5, 2026 10:02 AM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>; Christina.Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

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Ethan,

That is fine to communicate with Benji, please include Mike Schwanke (Public Works Director) in ALL communication going forward. I have cc'd him in the reply. Please note that the infrastructure was bored under Hwy 71 in 2016-17. Widseth and the City should have record of that project.

Thank you,

*Christina Regas*  
City Administrator



City of Blackduck, Minnesota  
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**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 1, 2026 10:28 AM  
**To:** Christina.Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

Happy Friday, Christina,

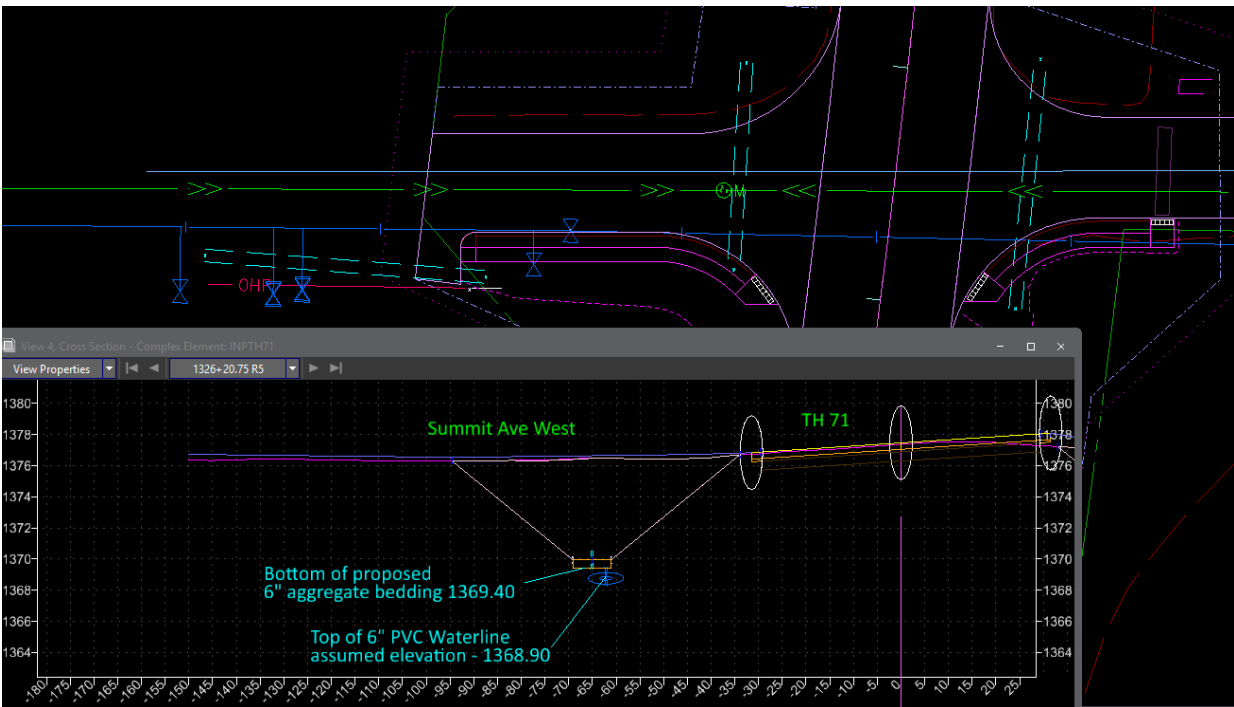
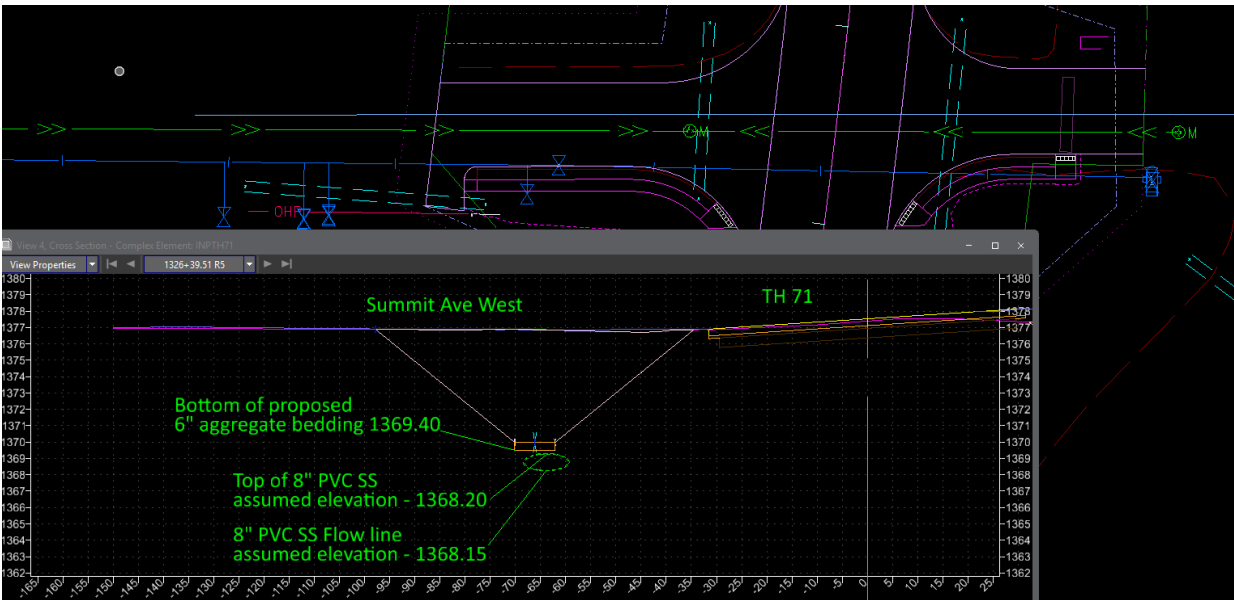
We are ready to share information from our 30% plan.

Below are a few picture snips from our designers. I'd like your permission to share them with your engineer. Can you confirm that Benji Hofstad from Widseth is still the correct contact supporting the City of Blackduck with engineering services?

MnDOT will be replacing the culverts on both the east and west side of the Summit Ave and TH 71 intersection. The images below show the bottom of the aggregate bedding (orange box) that will be placed under the proposed west culvert. You will also see the city watermain (blue image) and sanitary sewer (green image). Working room in this area appears to be very tight, and we want to ensure your engineer is aware of the proximity of these utilities and can verify the utility elevations are accurate.

Your engineer will ultimately need to provide plan sheets and special provisions outlining how the contractor should protect the City utilities. This working request is common, but rather than assume everything is acceptable, I would appreciate your acknowledgement before I reach out to them. Coordinating directly with your engineer will help us share information efficiently, improve the quality of the plans, and reduce the risk of utility impacts during construction.

Once your engineer and MNDOT verify the elevation data we will better understand if there are impacts to the City utilities.



Thank you,

Ethan Anstine  
 MnDOT, District 2  
 Project Manager



**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT)  
**Sent:** Monday, April 13, 2026 11:56 AM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Christina,

I was able to quickly update the “Intent to Participate” document, and it is attached for your review. Please take a look and share as needed. I captured the lighting change and moved the bullet points from the bottom into their own section titled “Construction Engineering.” As always, feel free to reach out with any questions.

The primary piece of information still outstanding is the city utility impacts. As we discussed on the phone, I am hopeful to provide you with our 30% plan sheets next month. Once those have been shared, I would like to coordinate with the city engineer. MnDOT can provide all the information we have gathered so far so that your engineer can verify any potential impacts.

It was great talking with you today! I will reach out when our 30% plan is ready to share.

Ethan Anstine  
MnDOT, District 2  
Project Manager



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**From:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 14, 2025 9:12 AM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Thank you Ethan, if you want me to pull them up on the screen during the meeting for reference I can do that as well.

See you Monday.

*Christina Regas*

City Administrator



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**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 14, 2025 9:08 AM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

Christina,

I was able to get the things I needed early. Please see the attached 3 items. If you could put them in the packet in order:

- 1 Project location.
- 2 Summit Ave. Intersection
- 3 Intent to Participate

Providing them to the council in color would be greatly beneficial. See you at 6pm on 7/21/25.

Ethan Anstine  
MnDOT, District 2  
Project Manager



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**From:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025 2:54 PM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Ok sounds good!

**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025 2:23 PM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

Yes. I would like to provide an update on the 0410-53 TH 71/TH 72 project. Where MNDOT sits in our schedule. I plan to have a picture of our proposed design at the Summit Ave. Intersection. This will help folks see where new sidewalk is being placed. Also, I want to share a document in DRAFT form called "Intent to Participate" this document details what the city's responsibilities are and what MNDOT's responsibilities are. Shared costs, ownership, and maintenance. The Intent to Participate will be something that the city and I will keep updated as the project progresses. It really helps me, and city have constructive conversation. Something we can reference throughout the project.

-Ethan

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**From:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025 2:14 PM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Ok will the topic be about the future reconstruction of the 71 intersection and street light changes in 2028?

**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025 2:13 PM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

Thanks Christina. My goal is to get things to you by the end of day Monday 7/14/25. If I can't then things should be there in your inbox by the time your back.

-Ethan

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**From:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025 1:52 PM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Good afternoon Ethan,

So I will be sending the draft packet to the council on July 15<sup>th</sup> because I'll be off for the remainder of next week. But you could still attend and provide me with your packet information by noon on July 21<sup>st</sup> because I always send a final packet the day of the meeting.

*Christina Regas*

City Administrator



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**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 9, 2025 1:44 PM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

Hey Christina,

I should know by next week if I can make the 7/21/25 meeting. Its looking promising. I just want to make sure I have our material ready first. What day would you need information from me so that it could be

inserted into the council members agenda packet?

-Ethan

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**From:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 17, 2025 1:02 PM  
**To:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

Sounds good. I'll add you to the agenda when I hear from you.

*Christina Regas*

City Administrator



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**Sent:** Monday, June 16, 2025 3:44 PM  
**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

I will target July 21<sup>st</sup> I will let ya know as it gets closer. Thank you.

-Ethan

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**From:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 30, 2025 9:27 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Blackduck Work Session Dates

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Yes,

June 23

July 21

August 18

## *Christina Regas*

City Administrator



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**From:** Anstine, Ethan (DOT) <[Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us](mailto:Ethan.Anstine@state.mn.us)>

**Sent:** Friday, May 30, 2025 9:22 AM

**To:** Christina Regas <[Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com](mailto:Christina.Regas@blackduckmn.com)>

**Subject:** Blackduck Work Session Dates

[EXTERNAL]

Hey Christina,

Can you send me a list of the dates that the council meets for work sessions? I would like to meet with the city sometime this summer.

Ethan Anstine

MnDOT, District 2

Project Manager

