

Tunnel Door

Installation & Operator's Instruction Manual



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General

Support Information

The Chore-Time Tunnel Door is to be used to control the airflow in a Tunnel Ventilated poultry house. Using this equipment for any other purpose or in a way not within the operating recommendations specified in this manual will void the warranty and may cause personal injury.

This manual is designed to provide comprehensive planning, installation, safety, operation, and parts listing information. The Table of Contents provides a convenient overview of the information in this manual. The Table of Contents also specifies which pages contain information for the sales personnel, installer, and consumer (end user).

Distributor and Installer Information

Please fill in the following information about your Product.
Keep this manual in a clean, dry place for future reference.

Distributor's Name _____

Distributor's Address _____

Distributor's Phone _____ **Date of Purchase** _____

Installer's Name _____

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System Specifications _____

About This Manual

The intent of this manual is to help you in two ways. One is to follow step-by-step in the order of assembly of your product. The other way is for easy reference if you have questions in a particular area.

Important ! Read ALL instructions carefully before starting construction.

Important ! Pay particular attention to all SAFETY information.

- *Metric measurements are shown in millimeters and in brackets, unless otherwise specified. “ ” equals inches and “ ’ ” equals feet in English measurements.*

Examples:

1" [25.4]

4' [1 219]

- Optional equipment contains necessary instructions for assembly or operation.
- Major changes from the last printing will be listed on the back cover.
- Very small numbers near an illustration (*i.e.*, 1257-48) are identification of the graphic, not a part number.

Safety Information

Caution, Warning and Danger Decals have been placed on the equipment to warn of potentially dangerous situations. Care should be taken to keep this information intact and easy to read at all times. Replace missing or damaged safety decals immediately.

Using the equipment for purposes other than specified in this manual may cause personal injury and/or damage to the equipment.

Installation

Framing

It is very important to make sure the Tunnel Door opening is flat. A maximum of 1/2" rise or fall throughout the length of the opening is all that is acceptable (See **Figure 1**). Failure to do so, will result in a poorly sealed Tunnel Door.

Rough Opening Height

Frame up the rough opening (**Item 1, Figure 1**) so that the height is 1" less than the Tunnel Door height.

Example: 4 ft (48") Tunnel Door = 47" Rough Opening height;
5 ft (60") Tunnel Door = 59" Rough Opening height

Rough Opening Width

The Rough Opening width is determined by the length of system. The opening width should be 2" less than the Tunnel Door Length.

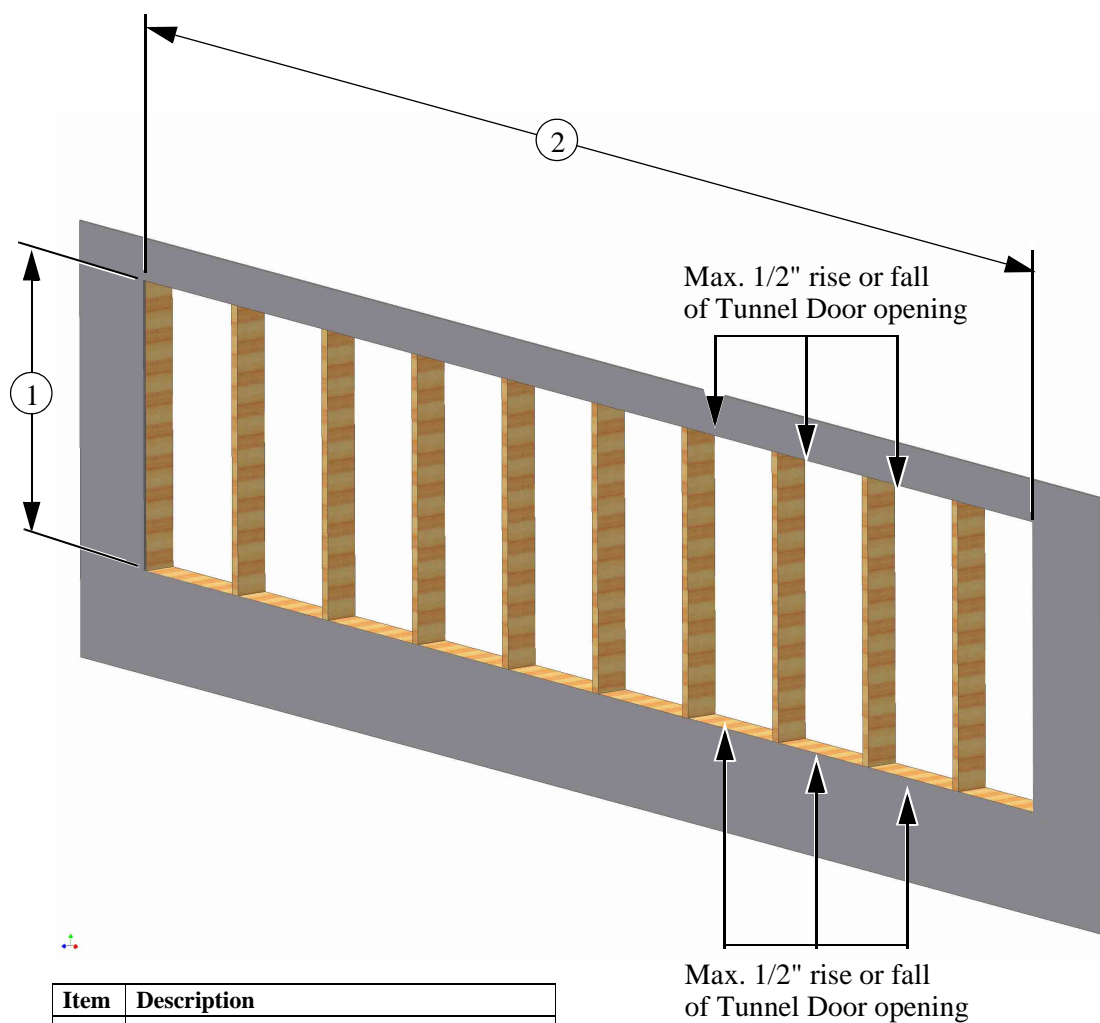


Figure 1. Framing

Door Hinge Board

Attach a treated AC2 2 X 4 (**Item 1, Figure 2**) to the bottom of the Rough Opening with the 3 1/2" Long Deck Grade Wood screws provided using a zig-zag pattern and spacing the screws approximately 6" apart as shown in **Figure 1**. This will be called the Door Hinge Board. The Door Hinge Board Must Protrude 2" Past Both Ends Of The Rough Opening to allow for proper sealing of the Tunnel Door.

Note: The Top Of The Door Hinge Board Must Be Chalk Line Straight Horizontally To Ensure A Smooth, Flat Sealing Surface.

Sealing the Rough Opening

Use Clear Silicone Caulk in the joints between the wall and the Door Hinge Board, as well as between each Door Hinge Board to ensure a proper seal from the environment (**See Figure 2**).

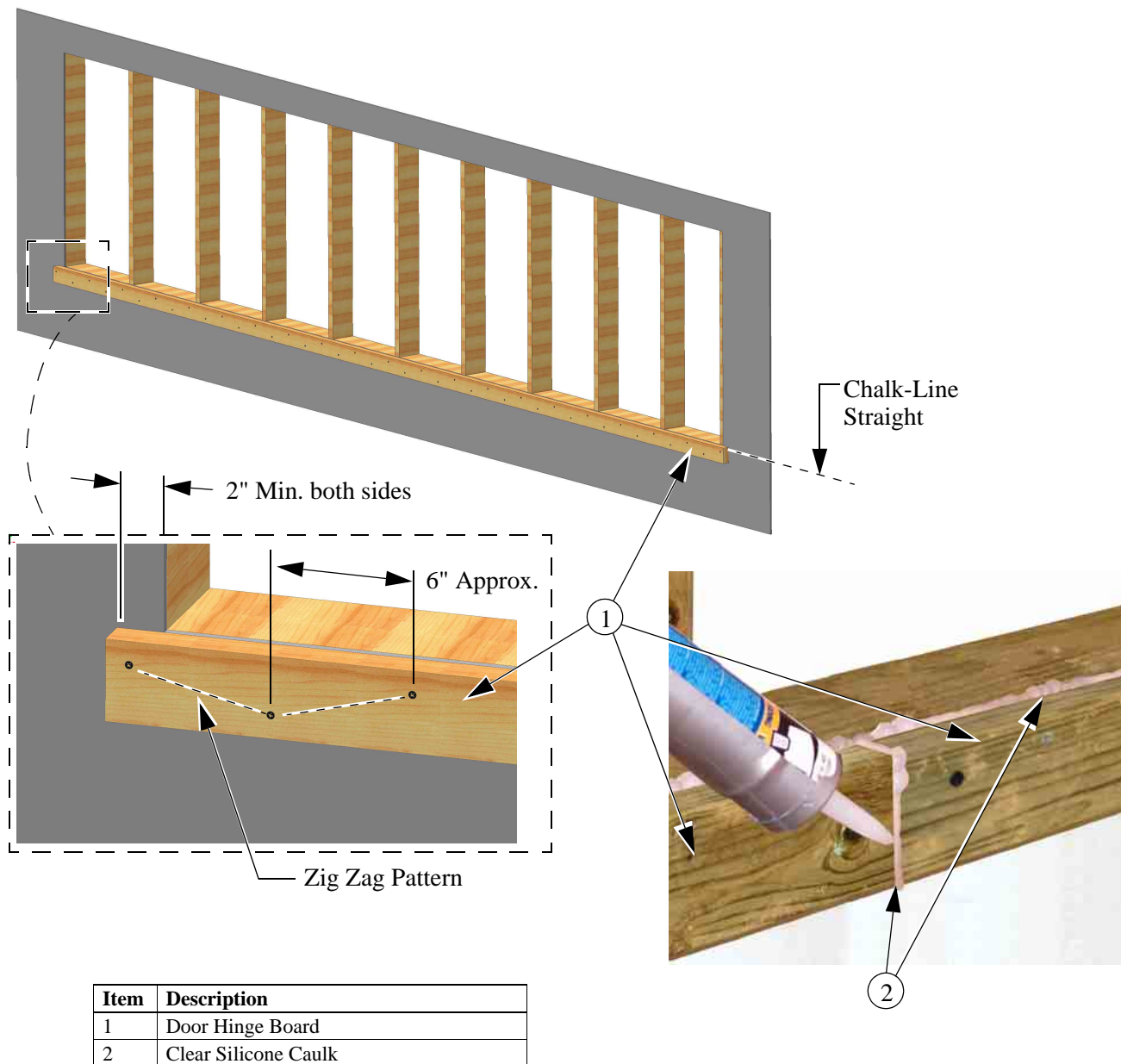


Figure 2. Door Hinge Board

Door Bottom Seal (Black P-Seal)

Start at one end of the Framed Opening and Unroll the Black P-Seal (**Item 1, Figure 3**) the full length of the Tunnel Opening. Put the Black P-Seal up onto the Door Hinge Board (**Item 2**), and slide it down so that it is flush with the end of Door Hinge Board, and the Bulb of the Black P-Seal is flush with the front side of the Door Hinge Board (**See Figure 3**). use a 1" Galvanized Roofing Nail (**Item 2**) to tack down the Black P-Seal starting approximately 1" from the end and continue tacking it down approximately every 6".

Caution: Do not pound the head of the Roofing Nail through the surface of the Door Seal.

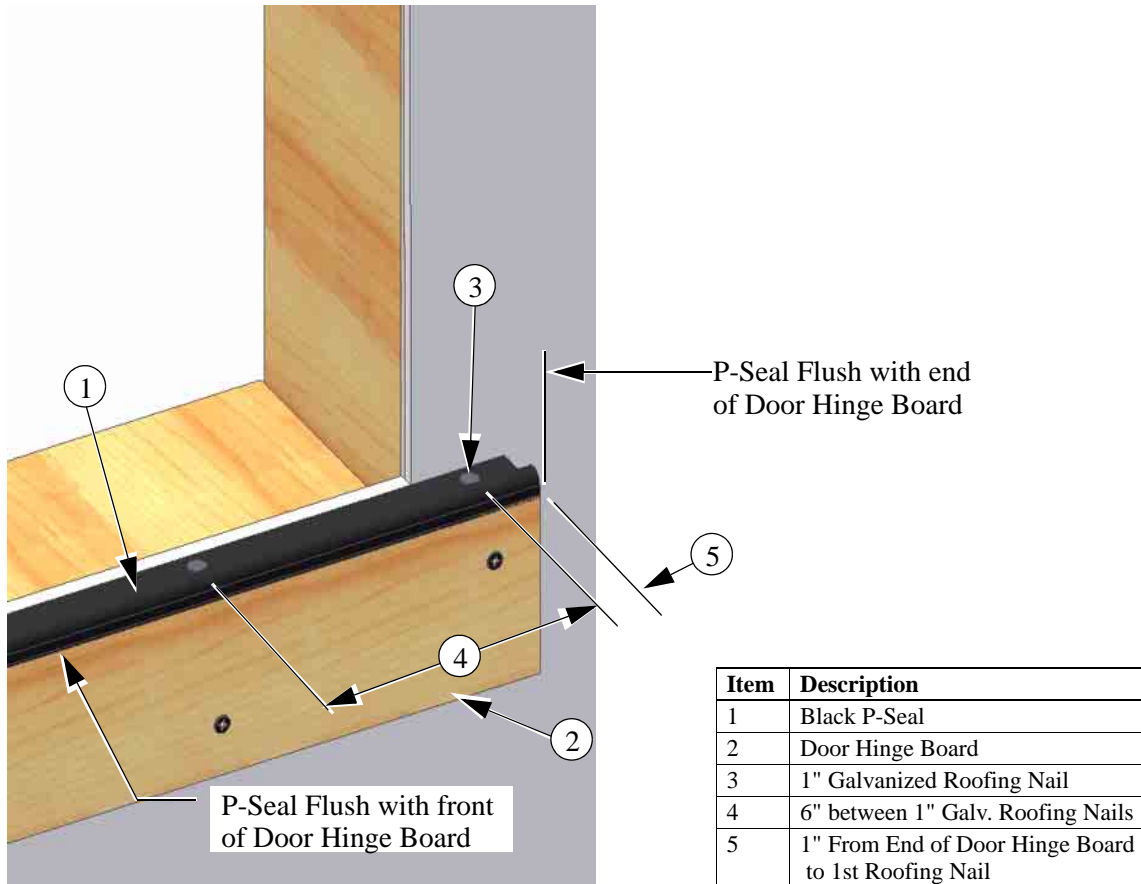
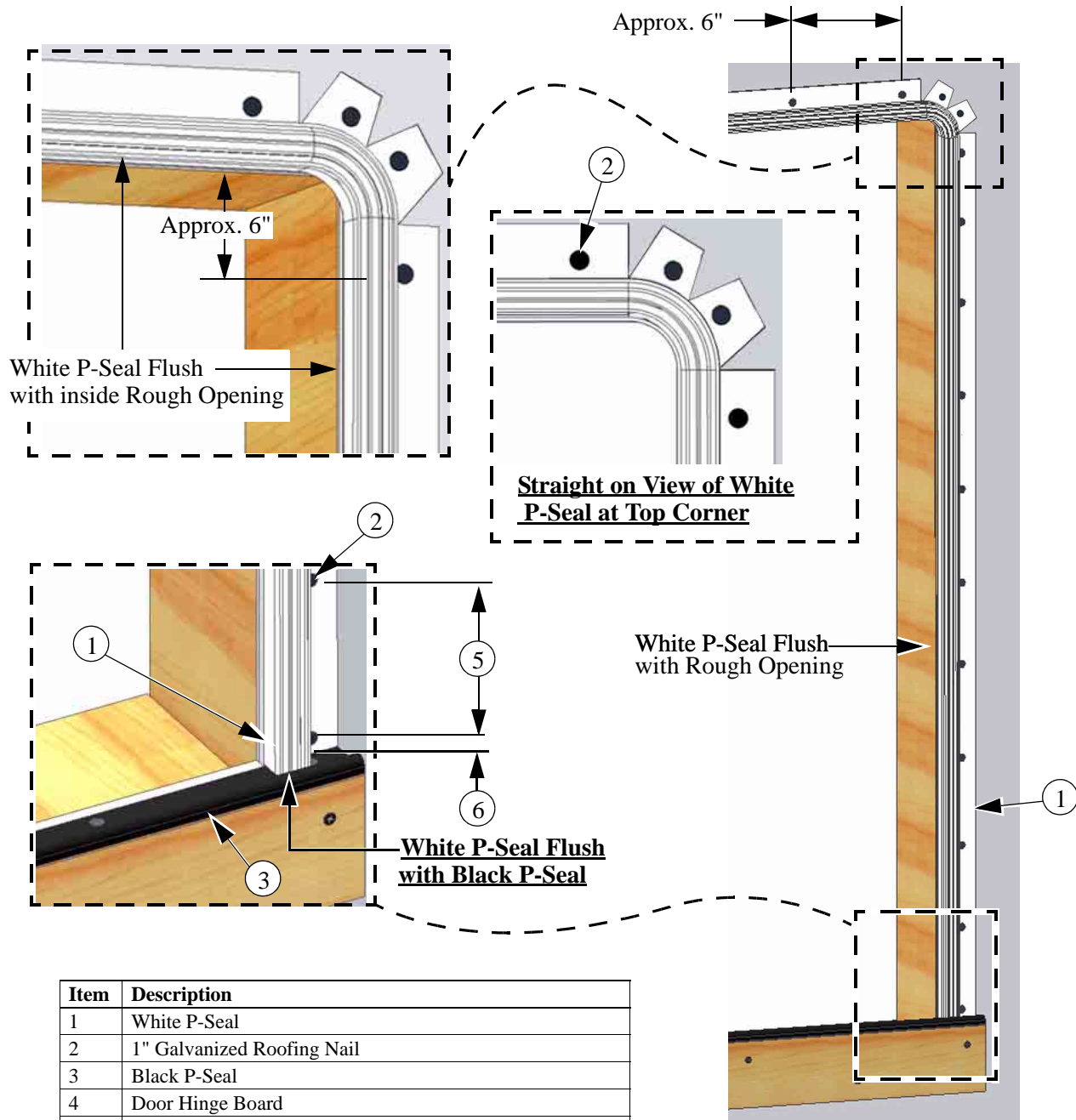


Figure 3. Attaching the Black P-Seal

Attaching Perimeter Seal (White P-Seal)

Place the White P-Seal (**Item 1, Figure 4**) on the floor at one end of the Rough Opening and roll it out 10' past the opposite end. Start with the bulb of the White P-Seal flush with the Framed Opening and the end Flush with the Black P-Seal (**Item 3**). (**Item 4**) Make sure that the White P-Seal is compressed down tightly against the Black P-Seal and attach it to the Door Hinge Board with a 1" Galvanized Roofing Nail (**Item 2**) as close to the end of the Seal as possible. While keeping the bulb of the P-Seal Flush with the Rough Opening, stretch it up straight and use a 1" Galvanized Roofing Nail to tack it approximately 6" below the top of the Rough Opening (**See Figure 4**). Finish attaching the P-Seal up the entire side flush with the Rough Opening with 1" Galvanized Roofing Nails approximately every 6". At the Corner, Cut slits in the White P-Seal to allow it to bend and attach with Galv. Roofing Nails **as shown in Figure 4**. Attach the Seal across the entire top of the Rough opening with 1" Galv. Roofing Nails every 6" making sure the P-Seal is stretched tight with no sagging. Repeat the same procedure to attach the Seal around the other corner and down the other side.



Item	Description
1	White P-Seal
2	1" Galvanized Roofing Nail
3	Black P-Seal
4	Door Hinge Board
5	6" between 1" Galv. Roofing Nails
6	1st Roofing Nail as close to end of White P-Seal as possible

Figure 4. Attaching the White P-Seal

Door Assembly/Installation

You can start building the Door Assembly at either end of the Rough Opening. In this Manual the Doors are shown being built from left to right.

Bottom C-Channel with Hinges

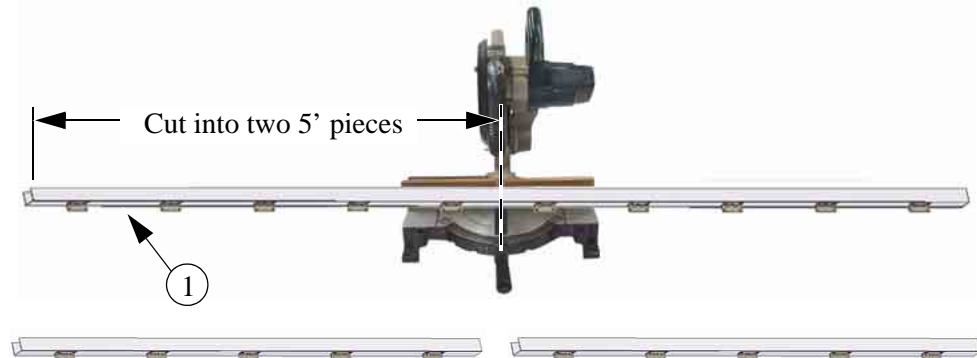
Danger: Be very careful when handling the Bottom C-Channel with Hinges. The edges of the Hinges are very sharp.

Obtain a 10' piece of C-Channel with Hinges (**Item 1, Figure 5**) and cut it in half making two 5' long pieces. Only one of the 5' pieces will be used at this time, but set the other one aside and it will be used later.

Important: Make sure that the Cut is precise and accurate. Inaccurate cutting could compromise the performance of the Tunnel Doors and cause a material shortage.

Item	Description
1	10' C-Channel with Hinges

Figure 5. Cutting 10' C-Channel w/Hinges



Obtain an FRP Panel (**Item 1, Figure 6**) and lay it on the ground. Pick up the 5' C-Channel w/hinges (**Item 2**) with the hinges towards the front (**See Figure**) and slide it onto the bottom of the FRP Panel until it is flush with the end of the panel **as shown**. Use Self-Tapping Screws (**Item 3**) to attach the C-Channel to the FRP Panel starting with the 1st screw 1/4" from the end and 1/4" from the top of the C-Channel, and then continue installing Screws every 6" **as shown**.

Important: Do Not strip out the Self-tapping Screws by over tightening. Stop the drill as soon as the head of the Screw makes contact with the C-Channel surface!

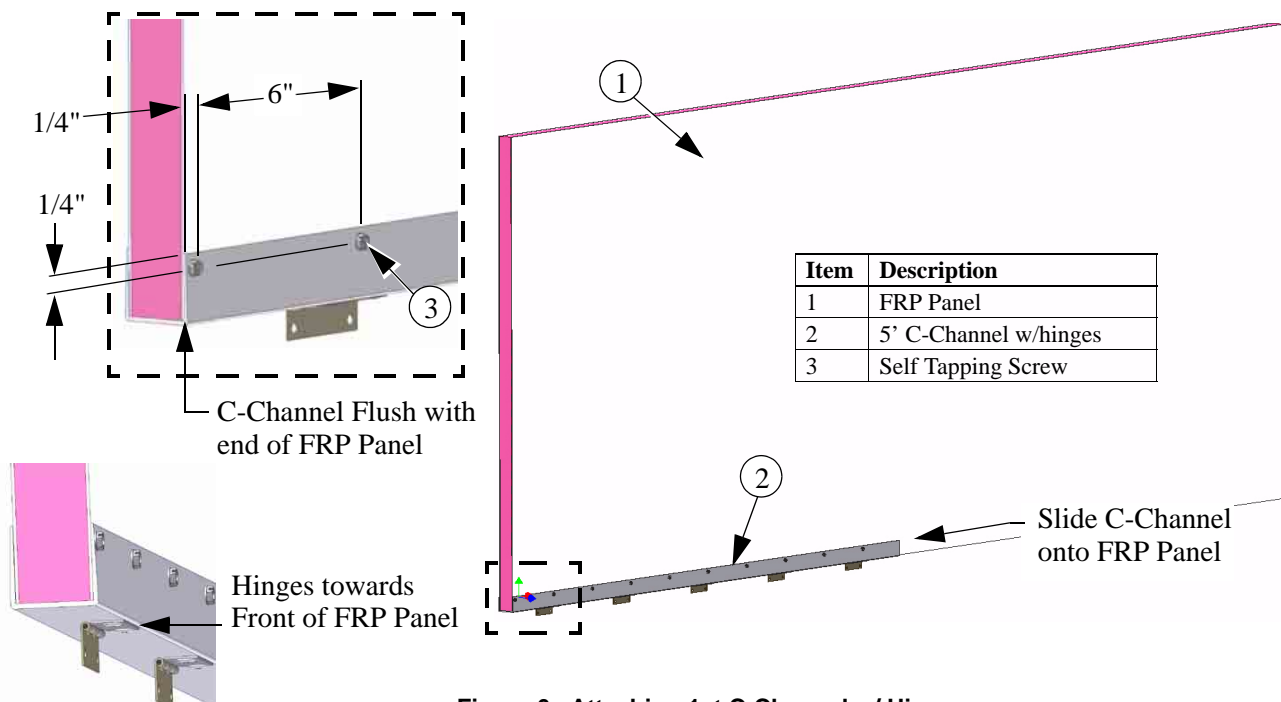


Figure 6. Attaching 1st C-Channel w/ Hinges

Slide a 10' C-Channel with Hinges (**Item 1, Figure 7**) onto the FRP Panel (**Item 2**), with the Hinges towards the front, until it meets the 5' C-Channel w/hinges (**Item 2**) already attached in the previous step. Use the Self Tapping Screws to attach the C-Channel to the FRP Panel starting with the first screw 1/4" from the end and a Screw every 6" **as shown**.

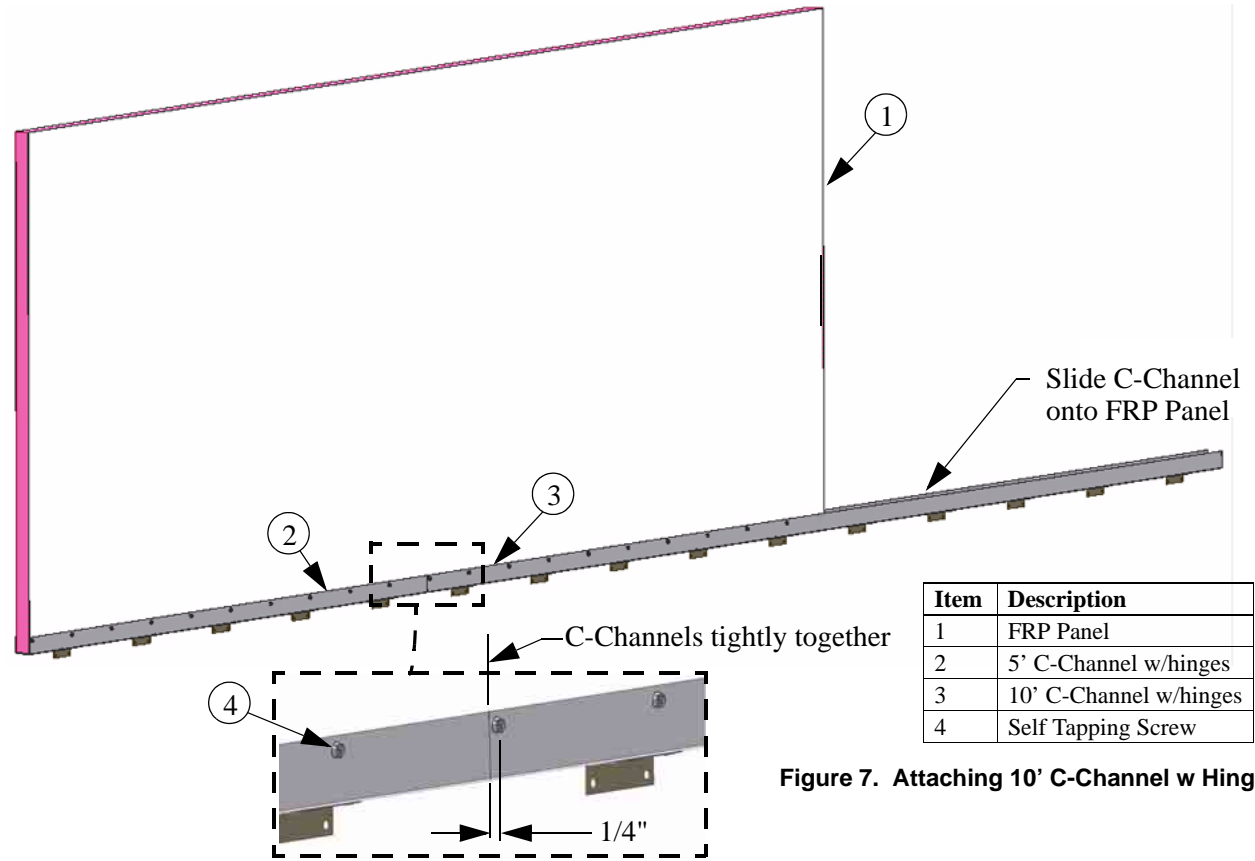


Figure 7. Attaching 10' C-Channel w Hinges

Top C-Channel

Obtain a 10' piece of Top C-Channel (**Item 1, Figure 8**) and cut it in half making two 5' long pieces. Only one of the 5' pieces will be used at this time, but set the other one aside and it will be used later.

Important: Make sure that the Cut is precise and accurate. Inaccurate cutting could compromise the performance of the Tunnel Doors and cause a material shortage.

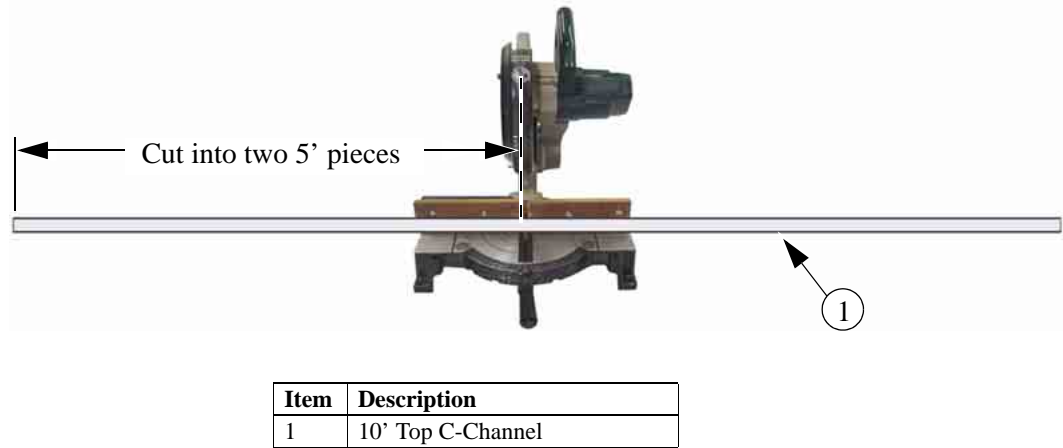


Figure 8. Cutting 10' Top C-Channel into two 5' pieces

Slide the 5' Top C-Channel (**Item 1, Figure 9**) that you just cut onto the FRP Panel (**Item 2**) until it is flush with the end. Fasten the Top C-Channel to the FRP Panel with two Self Tapping Screws (**Item 3**) 1/4" above the bottom of the Top C-Channel and 1/4" from each end **as shown**.

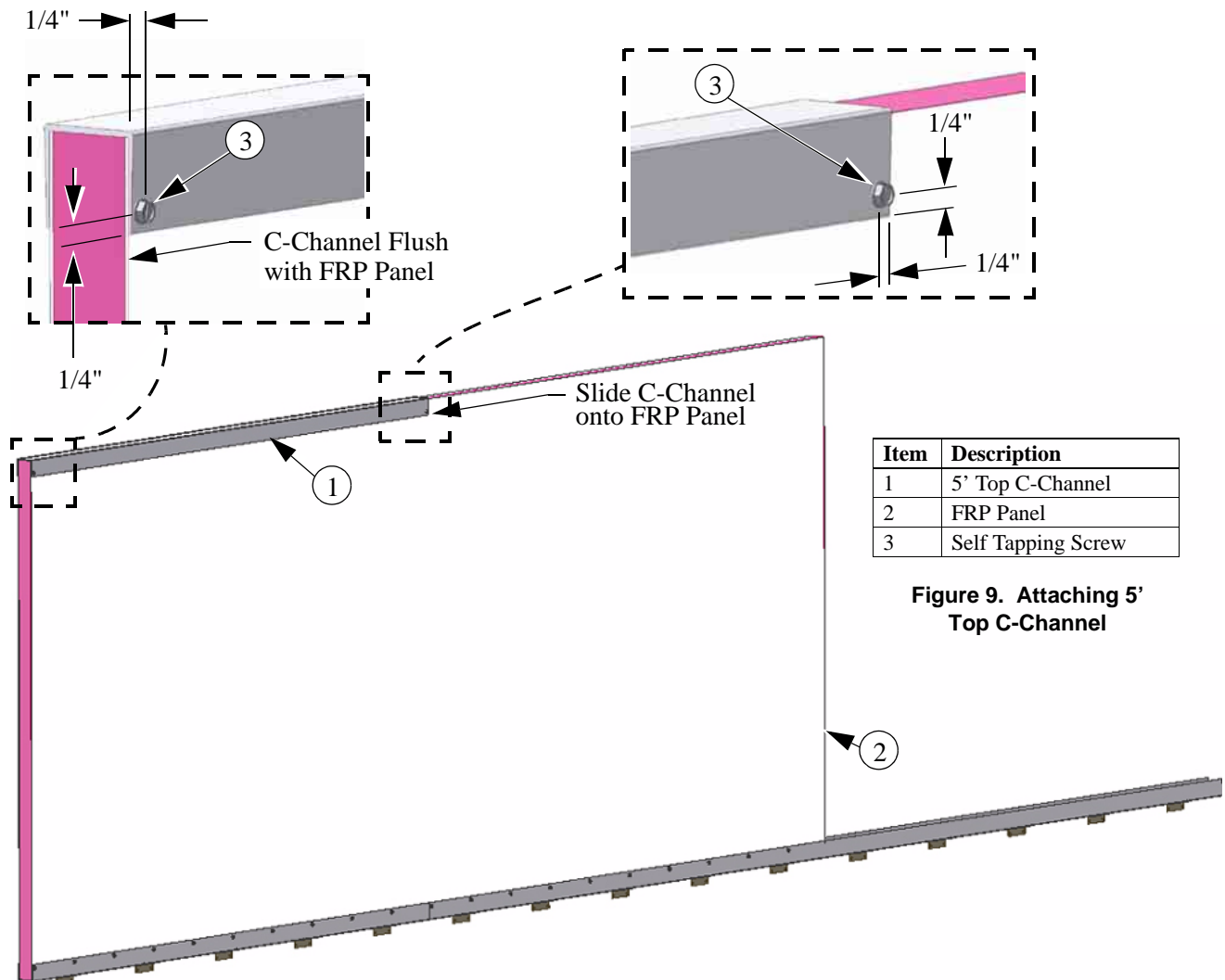
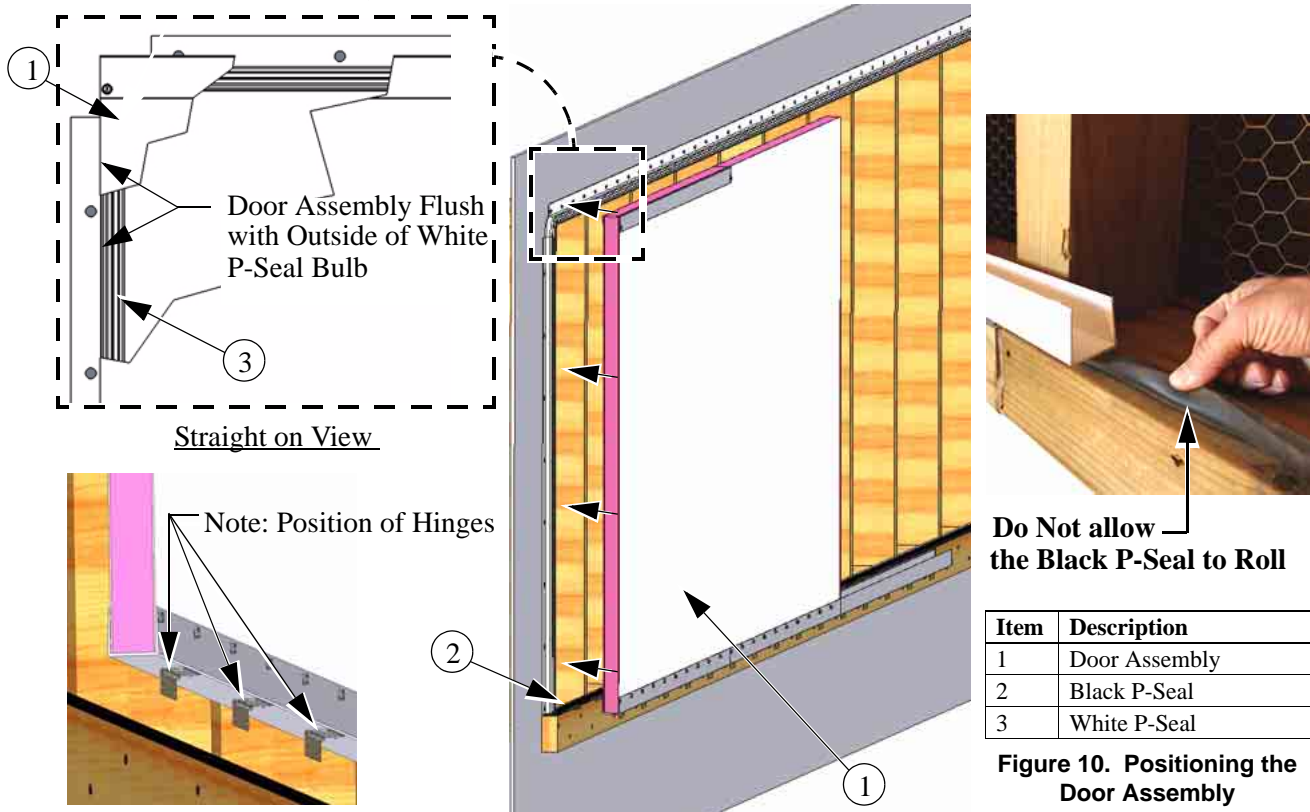


Figure 9. Attaching 5' Top C-Channel

Attaching the Door Assembly

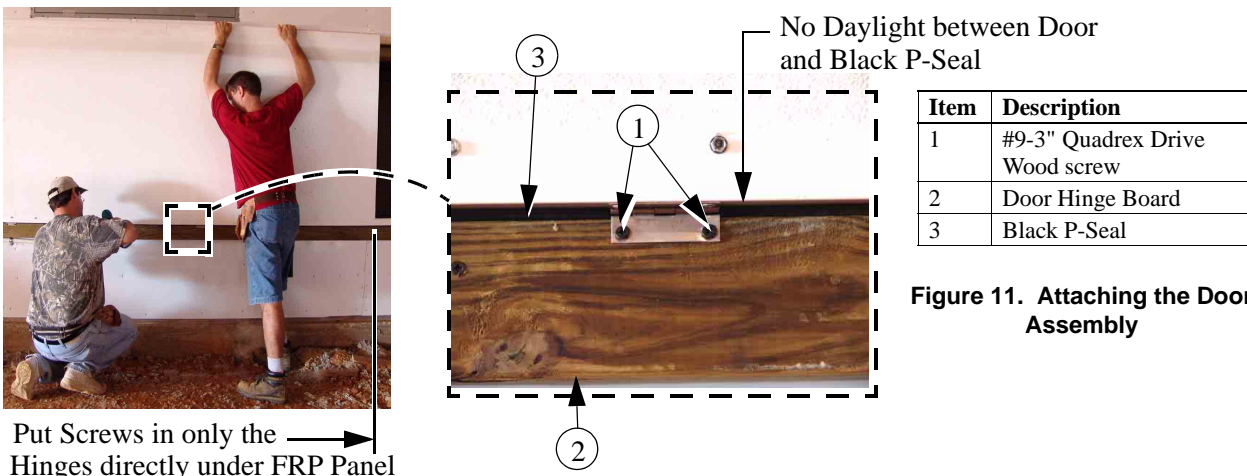
Lift the entire 1st Door assembly (**Item 1, Figure 10**) that you just assembled and rest it on the Black P-Seal (**Item 2**) that was attached to the bottom of the Rough Opening. Position the Door Assembly such that the Edge of the Door is flush with the outside of the bulb of the White P-Seal (**Item 3**). Make sure that the Black P-Seal does not roll over **as shown**. Be sure that the Hinges are flipped down as shown in **Figure 10**.

Caution: It is normal for the Black P-Seal to deform under the weight of the Door Assembly. **Do Not slide the Door Assembly on the Black P-Seal because the Black P-Seal will tear or roll compromising Tunnel Door performance.**



With the Door Assembly in position have one person pull down on the Door to compress the Black P-Seal, and a second person insert #9 x 3" Quadrex Drive Wood Screws (**Item 1, Figure 11**) into **only** the Hinges that are **directly under the FRP Panel** and attach it to the Door Hinge Board (**Item 2**). Angle the Wood screws down as you put them in to pull the Door down tight to the Black P-Seal. (**Item 3**) When all the Wood Screws are in there should be **no** daylight showing between the Black P-Seal and the Door (**See Figure**).

Caution: Do not overtighten Wood screws. Only torque until Screw head comes in contact with the Hinge.



End C-Channel

Obtain a 10' piece of C-Channel (**Item 1, Figure 12**) and cut off two 48-1/4" pieces. Notch Both ends of each 48-1/4" piece **as shown in Figure 12**. Only one of the 48-1/4' pieces will be used at this time, but set the other one aside and it will be used at the other end later.

Important: Make sure that the Cut is precise and accurate. Inaccurate cutting could compromise the performance of the Tunnel Doors and possibly cause a material shortage.

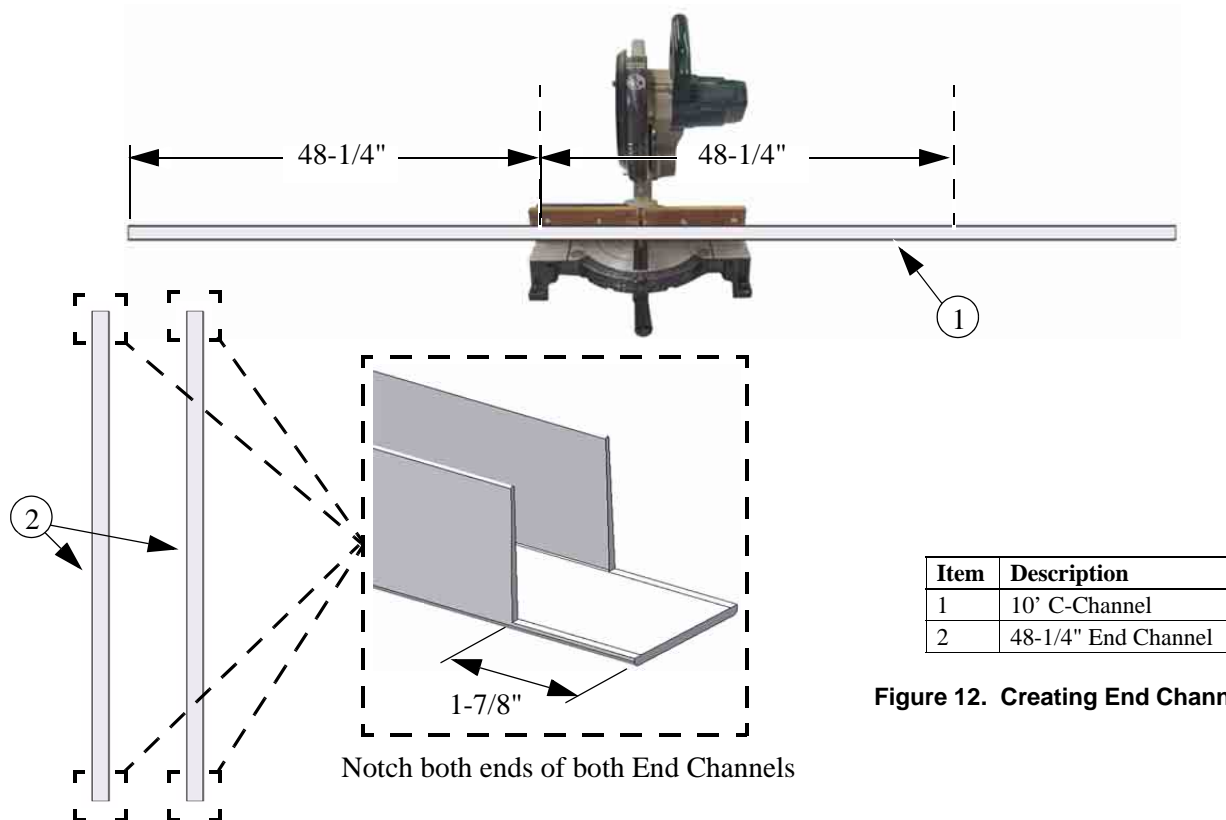


Figure 12. Creating End Channel

Attach one of the End C-Channels that you just created to the end of the FRP Panel with Sheet Metal Screws using a 6" spacing the same as you did the bottom C-Channel (**See Figure 13 below**).

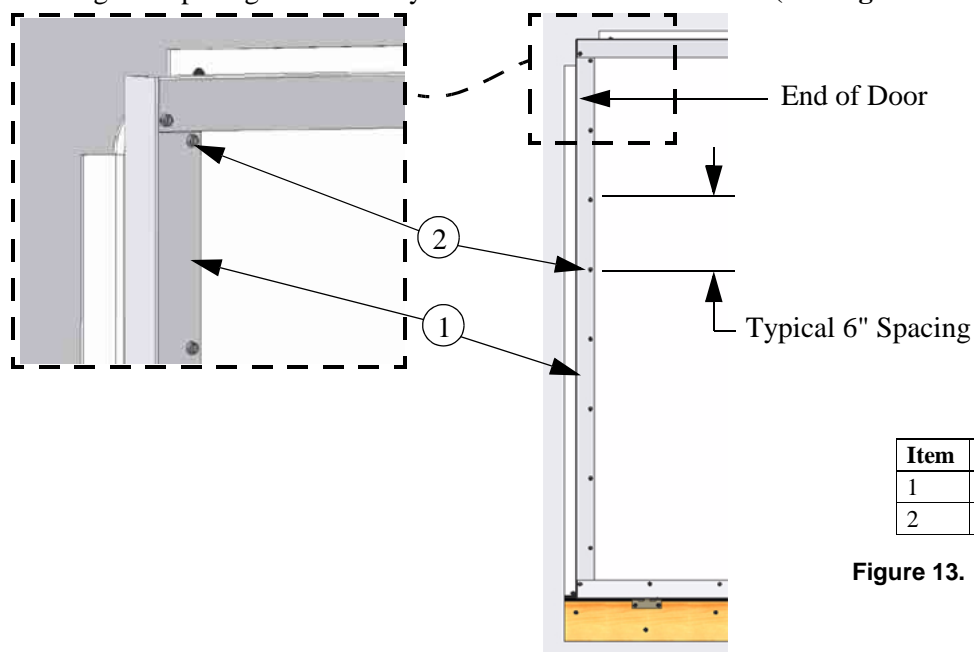
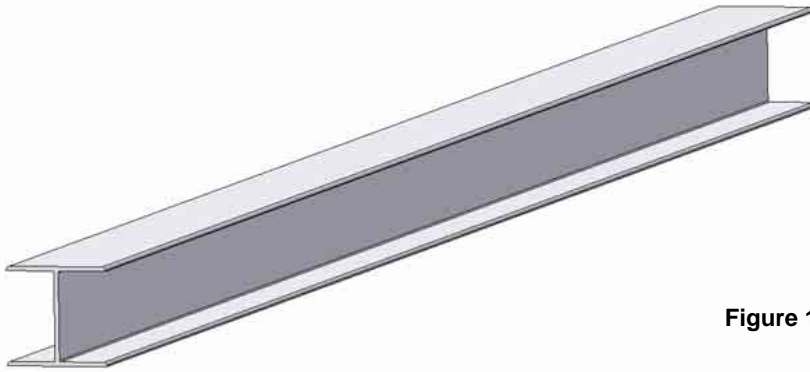


Figure 13. Attaching End C-Channel

H-Channel between FRP Panels

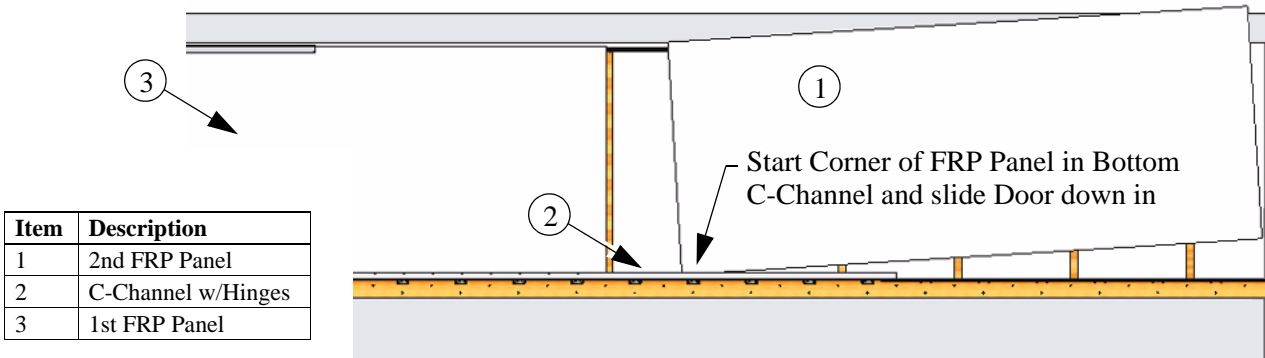
Obtain a H-Channel. (**Item 1, Figure 14**)



Item	Description
1	H-Channel

Figure 14. H-Channel between FRP Panels

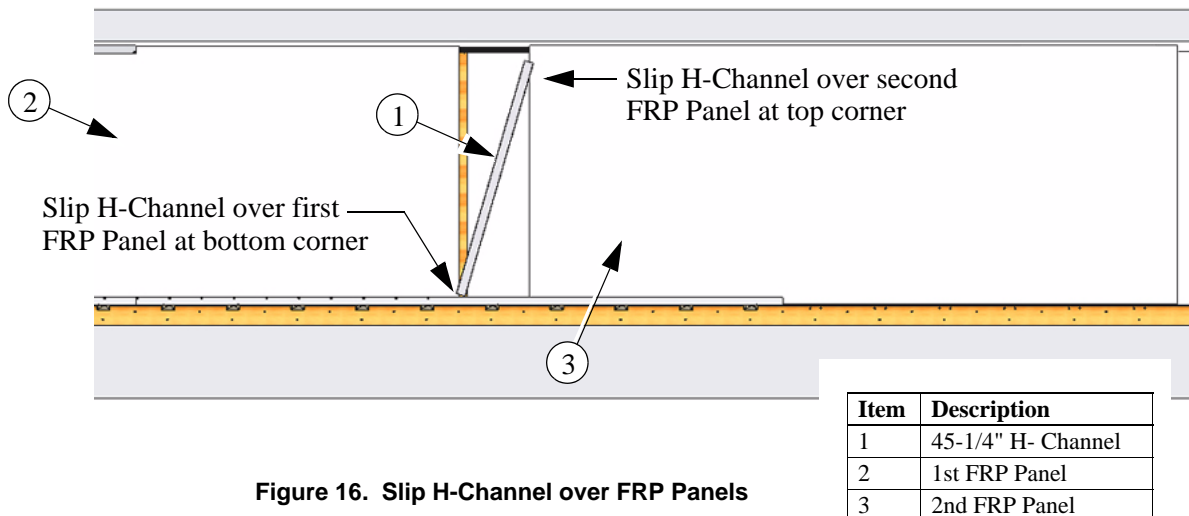
Two people, one at each end, Pick up a 2nd FRP Panel (**Item 1, Figure 15**) and angle the bottom left corner down to get it started sliding into the C-Channel with Hinges (**Item 2**) approximately 2' to 3' from the 1st FRP Panel (**Item 3**) that was installed. Slide the entire FRP Panel down into the C-Channel with Hinges.



Item	Description
1	2nd FRP Panel
2	C-Channel w/Hinges
3	1st FRP Panel

Figure 15. Sliding FRP Panel into C-Channel w/Hinges

Slip the top of one of the 45-1/4" H-Channel pieces (**Item 1, Figure 16**) over the 1st and 2nd FRP Panel (**Items 2, and 3**) as shown in **Figure 16**.

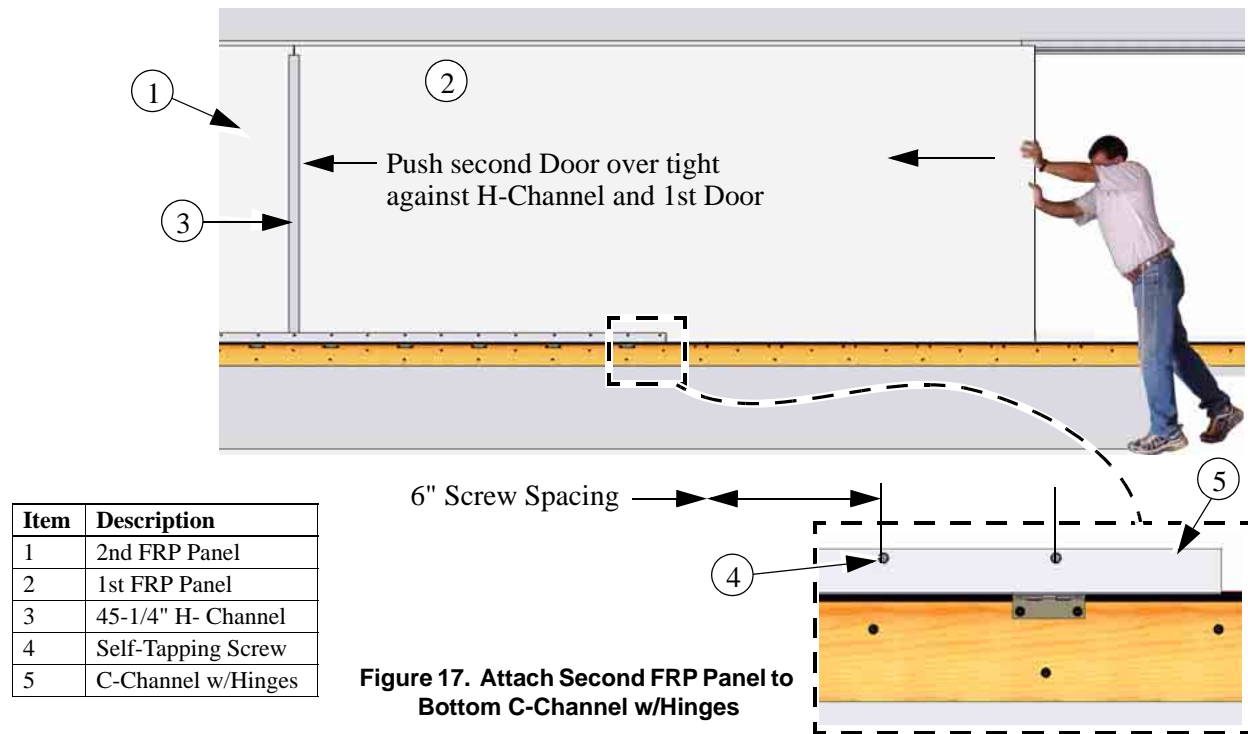


Item	Description
1	45-1/4" H- Channel
2	1st FRP Panel
3	2nd FRP Panel

Figure 16. Slip H-Channel over FRP Panels

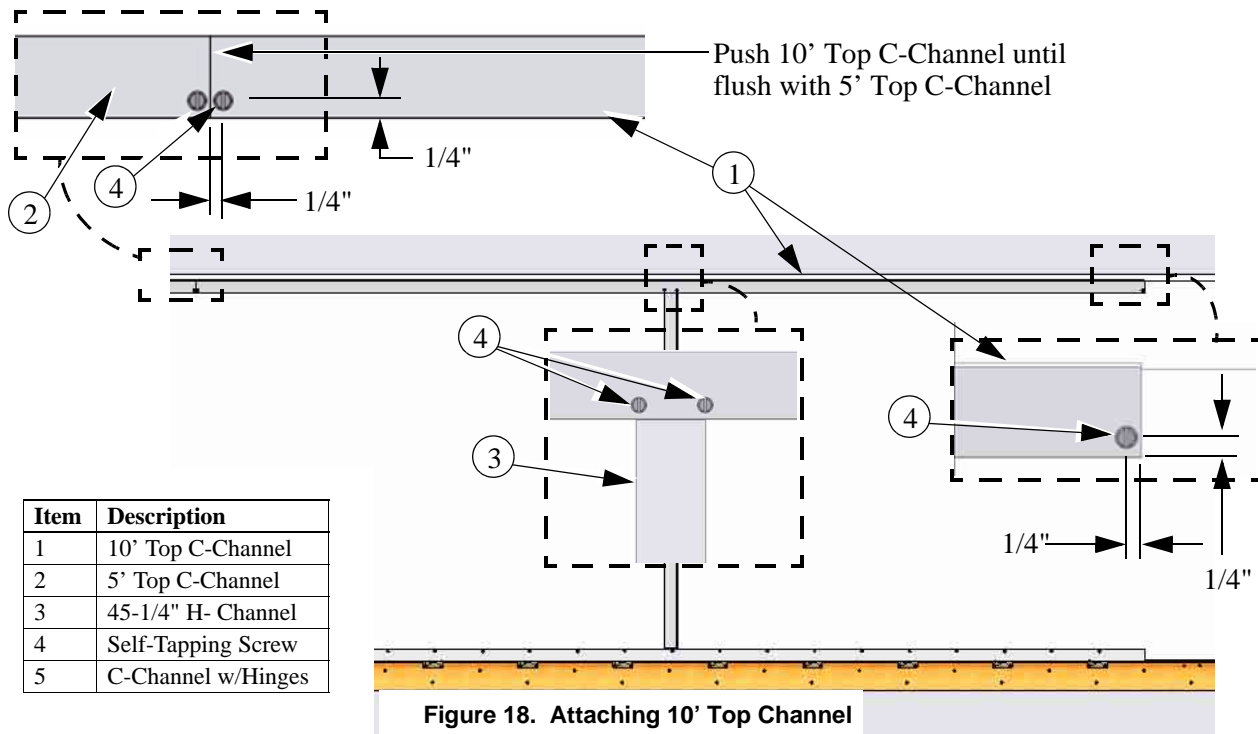
Attaching second FRP Panel

Have one person push the 2nd FRP Panel (**Item 1, Figure 17**) towards the 1st FRP Panel (**Item 2**) while the other person keeps the H-Channel slipping over the FRP Panels as they come together. With the 1st and 2nd FRP Panels, and the H-Channel (**Item 3**) pushed tightly together, use Self-Tapping Screws (**Item 4**) every 6" to fasten the Second FRP Panel to the Bottom C-Channel with Hinges (**Item 5**).



Installing a 10' Top C-Channel

Slide a 10' Top C-Channel (**Item 1, Figure 18**) onto the top of the FRP Panels and push it over until it is flush with the 5' Top C-Channel (**Item 2**). Use a Self-Tapping Screw (**Item 3**) at each end of the 10' Top C-Channel to attach it to the FRP Panels 1/4" from the end and 1/4" up as shown.



Attaching the Second C-Channel with Hinges (10' Channel)

Pull slightly out on the end of the Door Assembly and Slide a second 10' Bottom C-Channel w/hinges (**Item 1, Figure 19**) onto the bottom of the Second FRP Panel (**Item 2**). Use an object with a flat surface to tap the 10' C-Channel w/hinges over until it is flush with 1st 10' C-Channel w/hinges. A short 2x4 works very well (**See Figure 19**). *Be very careful* not to bend or ding the corners of the C-Channel w/hinges. Make sure that the Hinges are all in the down position and that the Black P-Seal (**Item 3**) does not get rolled (**See Figure 19**). Attach the Second Bottom C-Channel with Hinges to the Second FRP Panel with Self-Tapping Screws (**Item 4**) every 6" out to the end of the Second FRP Panel. Do **not** attach the Bottom C-Channel with Hinges to the Bottom Hinge Board until after the next FRP Panel is in place.

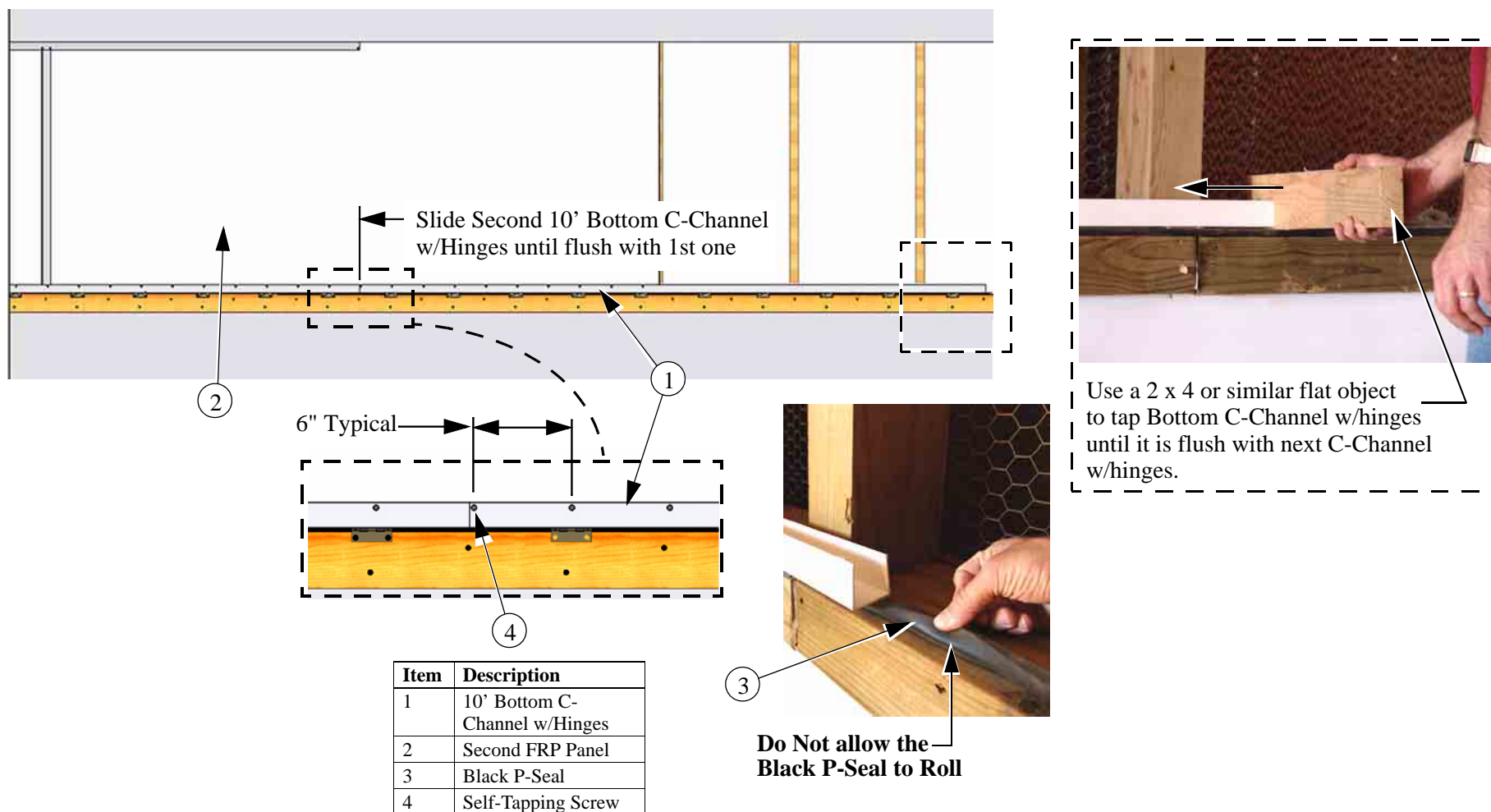


Figure 19. Attaching the Second 10' Bottom C-Channel w/Hinges

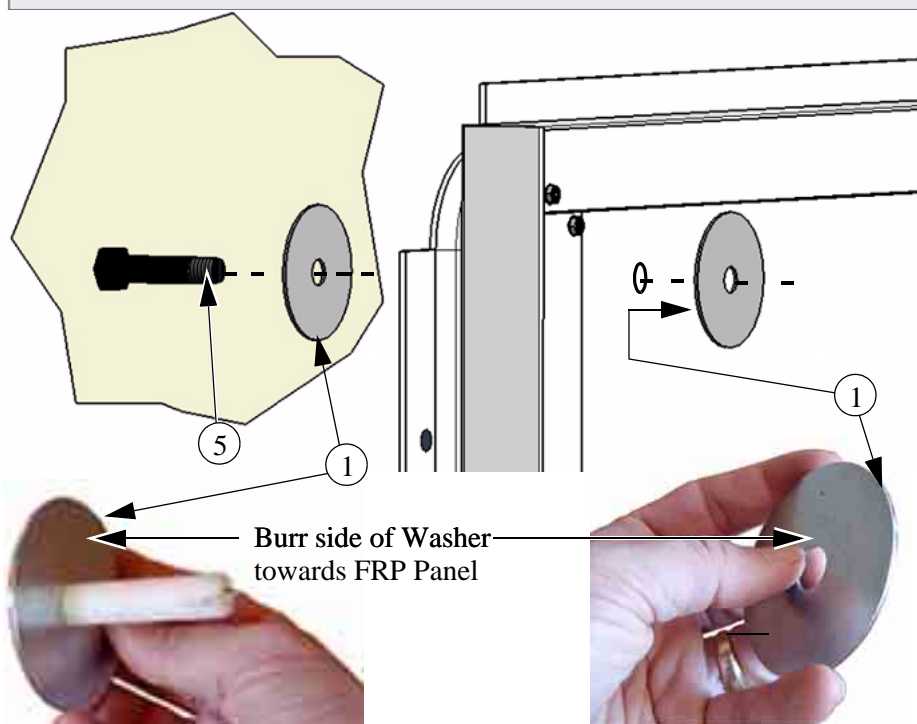
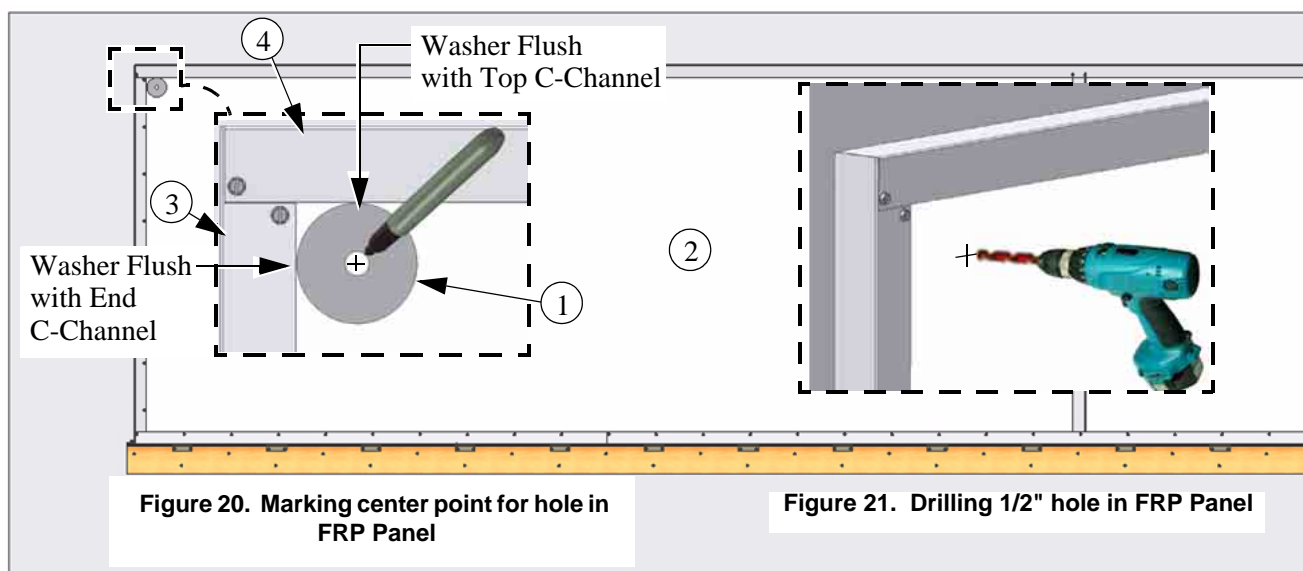
Installing Flat Washers & Nylon Split Bolt on the 1st FRP Panel

Obtain a Large Flat Washer (**Item 1, Figure 20**) and a marking utensil. Place the Large Flat Washer in the upper most corner of the end of the First FRP Panel (**Item 2**) so that it is Flush with the End Channel (**Item 3**) and the Top C-Channel (**Item 4**) and mark the center point of the washer. Drill a 1/2" Hole through the FRP Panel at the Center mark you just made (**See Figure 21**).

Install a Large Flat Washer (**Item 1, Figure 22**) onto a Slotted Nylon Split Bolt (**Item 5**), and from the back side of the FRP Panel, push it through the 1/2" hole drilled in **Figure 21**.

Important: The Large Flat Washers are sharp on one side from the manufacturing process. To determine which side is sharp, run your thumb across the inside diameter of the Washer. The sharp side (burr side) must always face towards the FRP Panel or it will cut into the Nylon Rope and Nylon Nut.

Install a second Large Flat Washer on the front side of the FRP Panel making sure that the sharp side (burr side) is towards the FRP Panel.



Item	Description
1	Large Flat Washer
2	First FRP Panel
3	End C-Channel
4	Top C-Channel
5	Nylon Split Bolt

Figure 22. Installing Large Flat Washers

Installing Nylon Rope on 1st FRP Panel to temporarily hold Doors in place

The Doors will soon become too heavy to handle and should be temporarily tied up to ease assembly and keep the Doors from coming down unexpectedly. To do this, obtain the Nylon Rope and cut off a 6' piece. Burn the ends to keep the rope from fraying. Put a Knot (See Figure 23) in the end of the Nylon Rope. Push the knotted end of the 6' Nylon Rope (Item 1) into the slot in the end of the Nylon Split Bolt (Item 2) leaving approximately 6"-12" at the end as shown. Put on a Split Bolt Cap (Item 3) and hand tighten.

Caution: Do Not use tools of any kind to tighten the Split Bolt Cap. Using tools could over torque the Split Bolt Cap and Nylon Split Bolt.

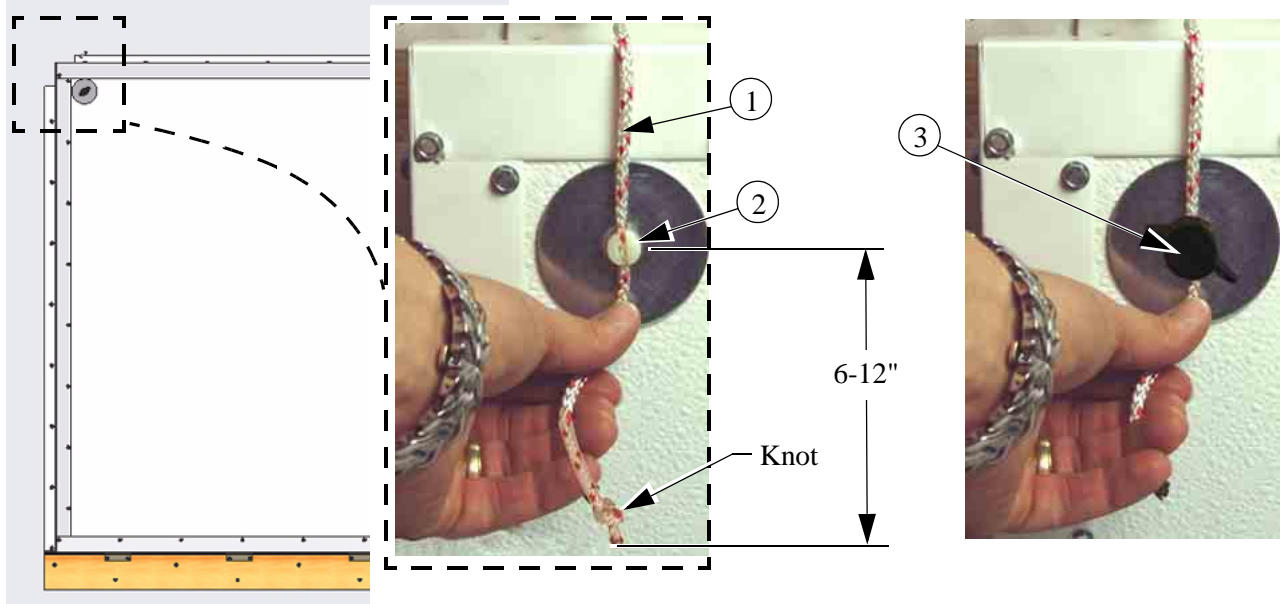


Figure 23. Installing Rope on 1st FRP Panel

Install an Eyehook (Item 1, Figure 24) 3/4" above the top edge of the Top C-Channel (Item 2) (measure with the door closed). Screw the Eyehook in until the open end is nearly touching the wall. If the Winch operating the Tunnel Doors is going to be pulling from the left, turn the hook to a 45° angle to the Door (See Figure 24). If the Winch is to located at the right end of the system, then the Eyehook should be at a 135° angle (See Figure 25).

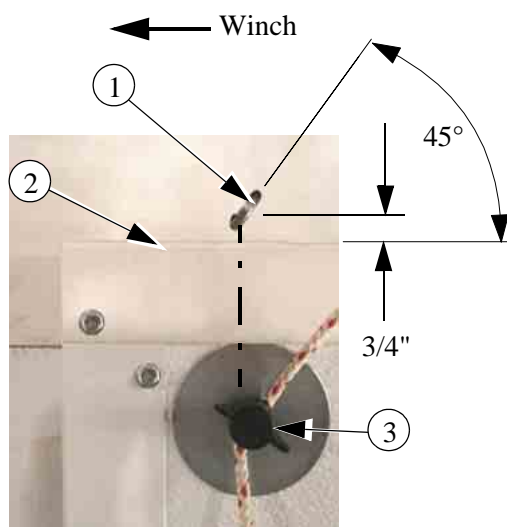


Figure 24. Eyehook for Tunnel Doors with Winch to the left

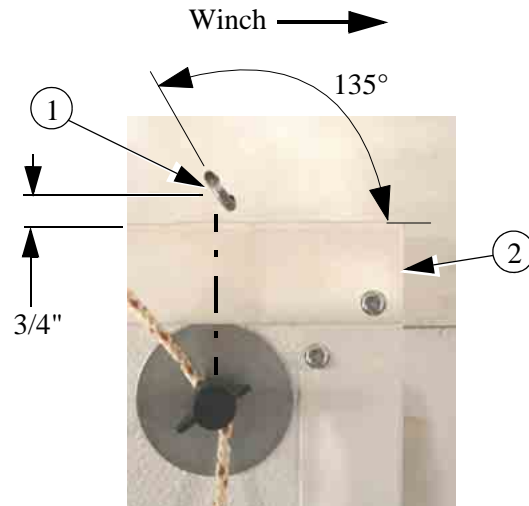


Figure 25. Eyehook for Tunnel Doors with Winch to the right

Item	Description
1	Eyehook
2	Top C-Channel

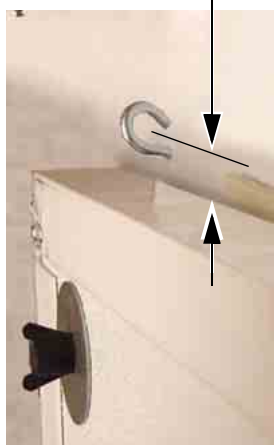
Make sure that Eyehook is in Solid Wood

Make sure that the Eyehook is in solid wood because it will be supporting a substantial amount of weight. If the Eyehook (**Item 1, Figure 26**) does not line up with a Wall Stud, angle the Eyehook down into the Door Header **as shown**, making sure that the center of the Eyehook *when it is screwed in* is 3/4" above the top of the Top C-Channel (**Item 2**). If the Winch is located at the left of the system, turn the hook to a 45° angle to the Door (**See Figure 24**). If the Winch is to located at the right end of the system, then the Eyehook should be at a 135° angle (**See Figure 25**).

It may be necessary
to angle Eyehook
down to hit solid wood



3/4" when Eyehook is screwed in



Item	Description
1	Eyehook
2	Top C-Channel

Figure 26. Make Sure Eyehook is in solid wood

Use a pair of channel locks to squeeze the Eyehook closed (**See Figure 27**). Insert the loose end of the Nylon Rope through the Eyehook and with the Doors open approximately 6", tie a temporary knot to support the Doors. (**See Figure 27**)



Squeeze Eyehook Closed

Temporary Knot



Item	Description
1	Eyehook

Figure 27. Squeeze Eyehook and tying Nylon Rope

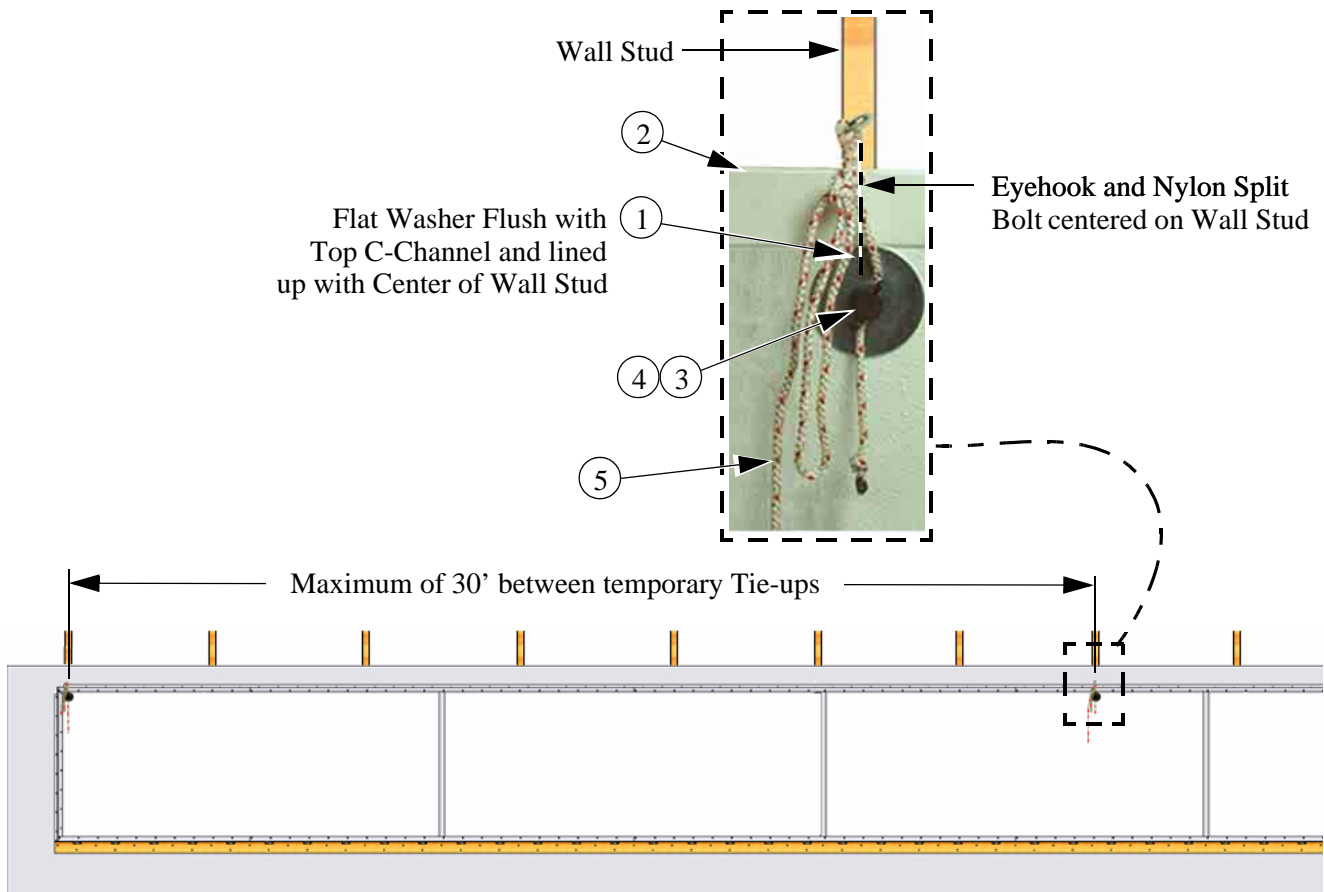
Continuing to add FRP Panels and Temporary Tie-ups

Important: As more FRP Panels are added to the Door Assembly the Doors will become heavy. Make sure that you read the following directions very carefully for tying up the Doors to avoid injury and damage to the Tunnel Doors.

Continue to add on FRP Panels, C-Channels, H-Channels, and C-Channels with Hinges as you did in **Figures 5 through 19**. As you continue, the Tunnel Doors need to be tied up at least every 30' to allow for easy assembly, and to avoid having the Doors open suddenly causing damage to the Doors or injury. If the Tunnel Doors are going to be left un-attended during assembly, do not leave more than 30ft between the last Tie-up and the end of Door Assembly.

Obtain a Flat Washer (**Item 1, Figure 28**) and while holding it flush with the Bottom of the Top C-Channel (**Item 2**), and lined up with the center of the Wall Stud, mark and drill a 1/2" hole in the FRP Panel for a Nylon Split Bolt (**Item 3**) to be installed. Install a Nylon Split Bolt, Flat Washers, a Split Bolt Cap, (**Item 4**), an Eyehook, and use a 6' Nylon Rope (**Item 5**) to tie the Doors up exactly as you did in **Figures 23-27**.

Important: The Large Flat Washers are sharp on one side from the manufacturing process. To determine which side is sharp, run your thumb across the inside diameter of the Washer. The sharp side (burr side) must always face towards the FRP Panel or it will cut into the Nylon Rope and Nylon Nut.



Item	Description
1	Large Flat Washer
2	Top C-Channel
3	Nylon Split Bolt
4	Split Bolt Cap
5	6' Nylon Rope

Figure 28. Temporary Tie-ups

Cutting off last FRP Panel

Once the end of the rough opening has been reached it may be necessary to cut off the last FRP Panel (**Item 1, Figure 29**). Cut the FRP Panel so that it is Flush with the outside of the bulb of the White P-Seal (**Item 2**).

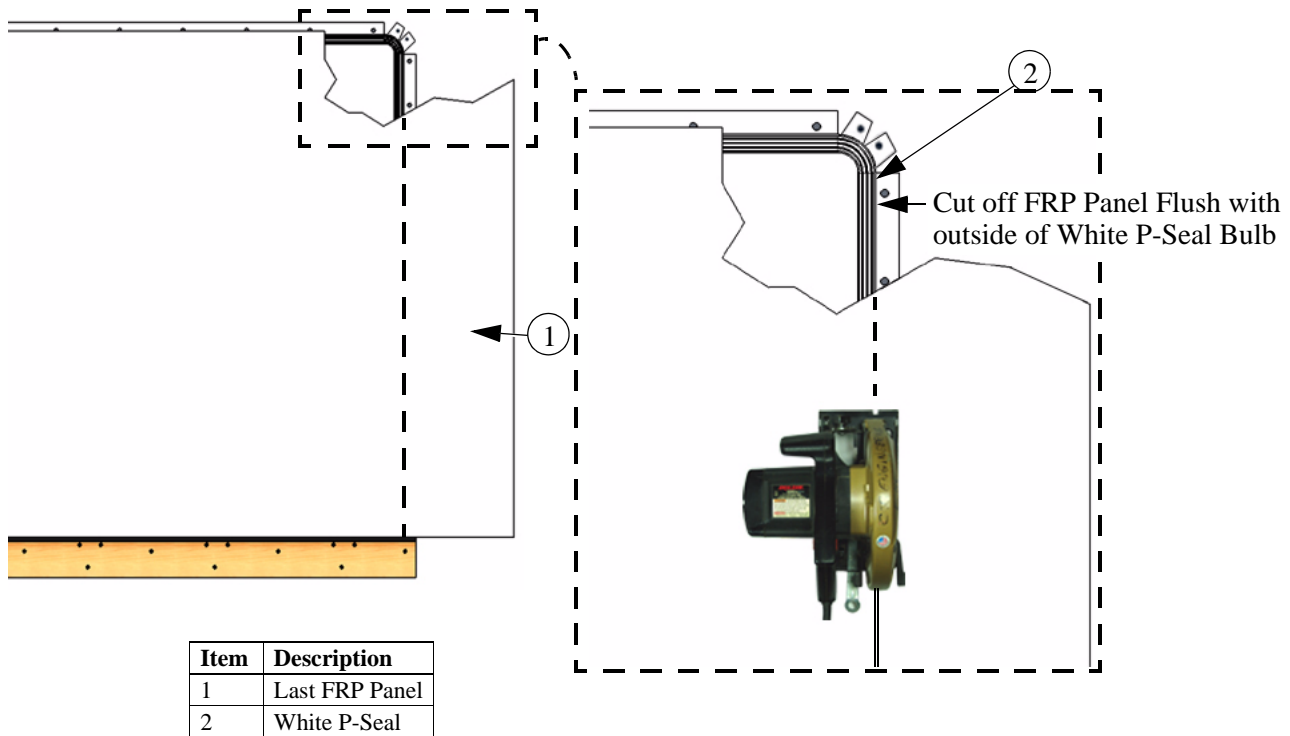


Figure 29. Cutting off last FRP Panel

Attaching the End C-Channel, Top C-Channel and Bottom C-Channel with Hinges to the Last FRP Panel

Obtain the 5' Top C-Channel (**Item 1, Figure 30**) and 5' C-Channel w/hinges that you cut earlier and attach them to the last FRP Panel with Self-Tapping Screws spaced every 6". It may be necessary to cut the C-Channels so that they are flush with the end of the Last FRP Panel. Obtain the second 48-1/4 piece of End C-Channel (**Item 3**) cut earlier in **Figure 12** and attach it with Self-Tapping Screws exactly the same as the End C-Channel at the beginning of the Tunnel Door run (See **Figure 13**).

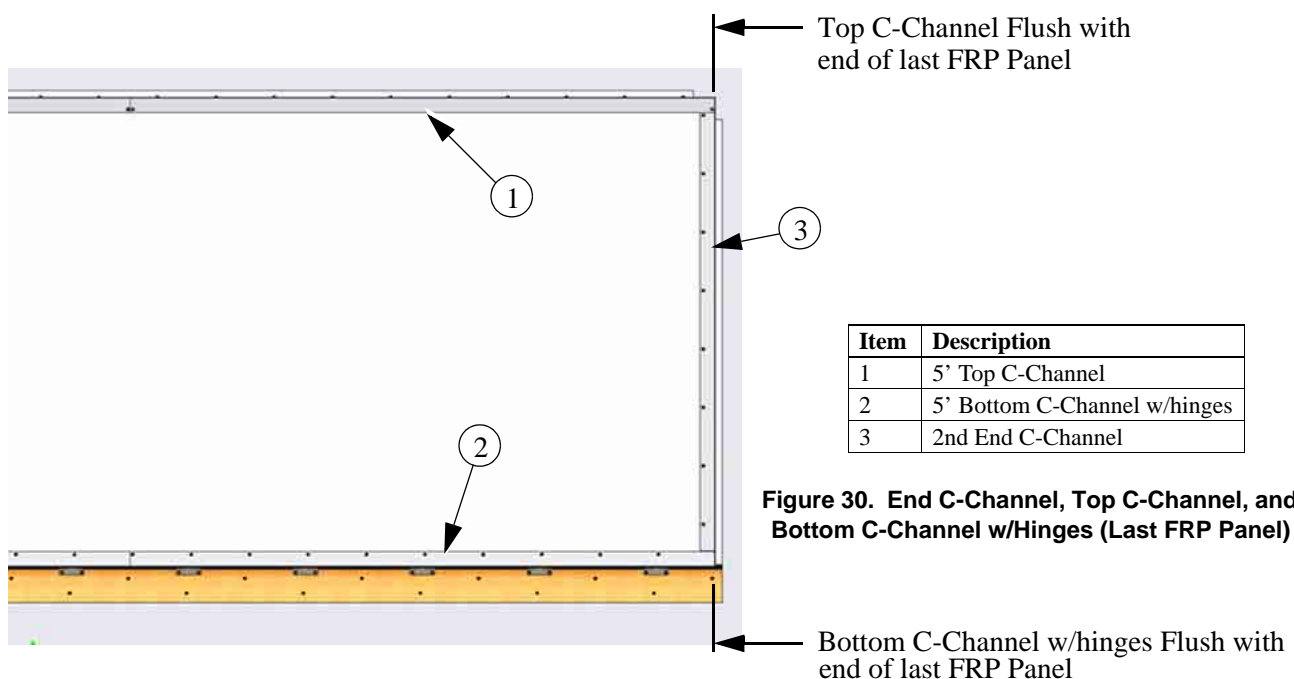


Figure 30. End C-Channel, Top C-Channel, and Bottom C-Channel w/Hinges (Last FRP Panel)

Installing Flat Washers & Nylon Split Bolt on the Last FRP Panel

Obtain a Large Flat Washer (**Item 1, Figure 31**) and a marking utensil. Place the Large Flat Washer in the upper most corner of the end of the last FRP Panel (**Item 2**) so that it is Flush with the End Channel (**Item 3**) and the Top C-Channel (**Item 4**) and mark the center point of the washer. Drill a 1/2" Hole through the FRP Panel at the Center mark you just made (**See Figure 32**). Install two Flat Washers, a Nylon Split Bolt and a Split Bolt Cap exactly the same as you did in **Figures 20-22**.

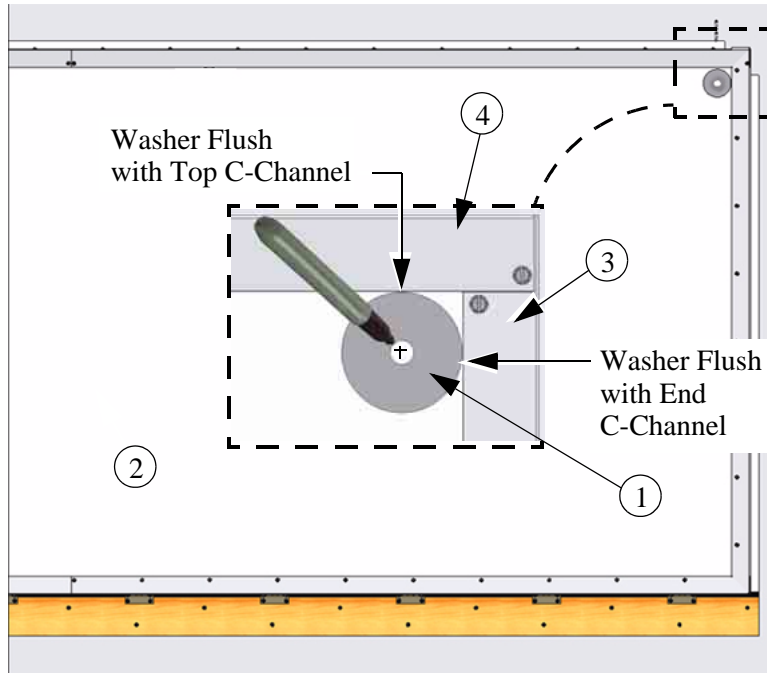


Figure 31. Marking center point for hole in Last FRP Panel

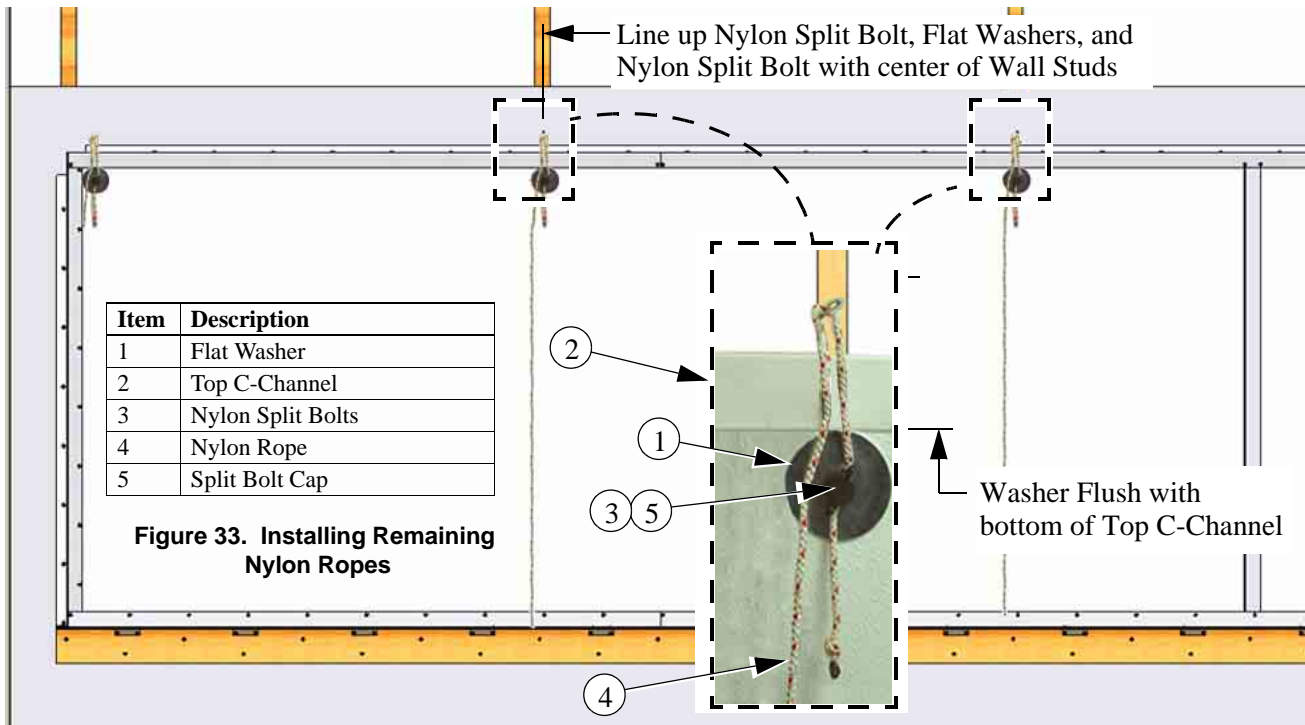


Figure 32. Drilling 1/2" hole in Last FRP Panel

Item	Description
1	Large Flat Washer
2	Last FRP Panel
3	End C-Channel
4	Top C-Channel

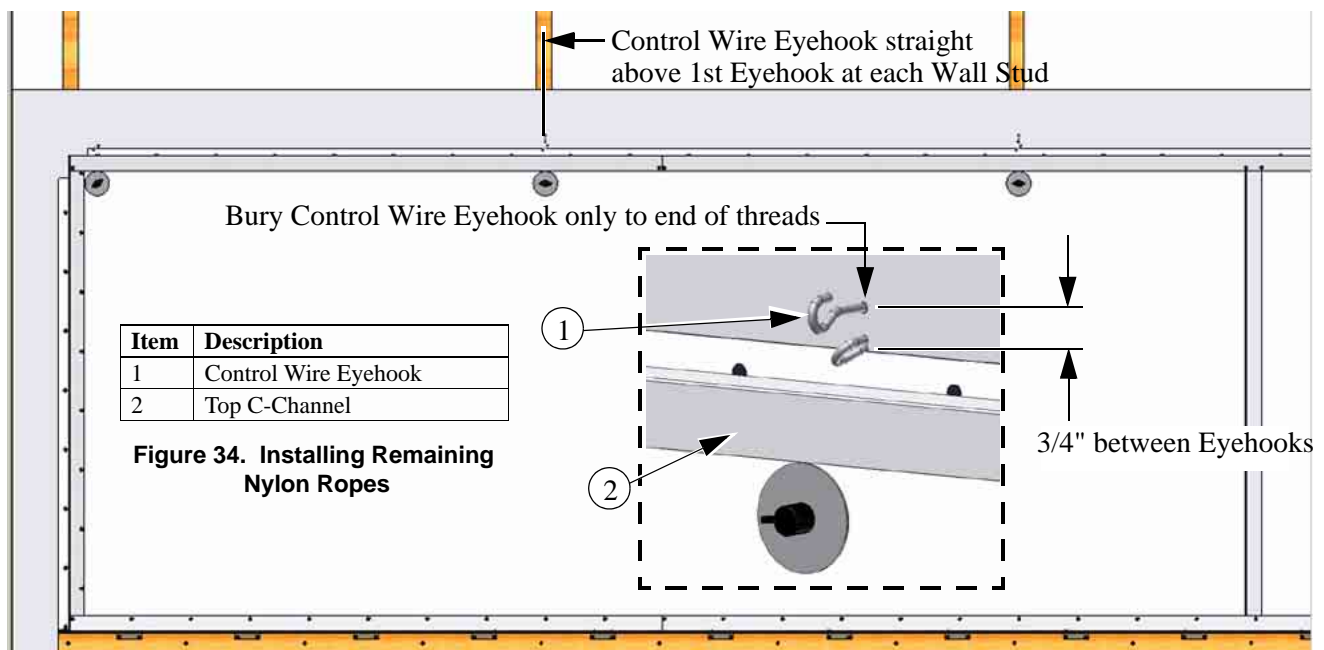
Installing remaining Nylon Ropes

Nylon ropes need to be attached to the FRP Panels at every Wall Stud throughout the entire length of Tunnel Doors (except where the Doors were previously tied up). Obtain a Flat Washer (Item 1, Figure 33) and while holding it flush with the Bottom of the Top C-Channel (Item 2), and lined up with the center of each Wall Stud, mark and drill a 1/2" holes in the FRP Panels for Nylon Split Bolts (Item 3) to be installed just like you did in Figures 20, and 21. Install Large Flat Washers, Nylon Split Bolts, 6' Nylon Ropes (Item 4) and Split Bolt Caps (Item 5) at each hole as done in Figures 22, and 23. At this time, thread the Nylon Ropes through the Eyehooks and let them hang loose.



Control Wire Eyehooks

At the center of every Wall Stud, screw in a second Eyehook (Item 1, Figure 34) 3/4" above the first, but only screw it in to the end of the threads. This Eyehook will be used to run Control Wire through horizontally, so leave it at 90° to the Top C-Channel (Item 2) with the open end of the Eyehook up as shown.



Control Wire Installation

At the Winch end of the Tunnel Doors, have someone hold and unroll the Roll of Control Wire (**Item 1, Figure 35**) while a second person feeds it through the Control Wire Eyehooks (**Item 2**). It is very important to not let the Control Wire get any bends or kinks in it. Cut off the Control Wire with a minimum of 5' extra at each end of the Tunnel Door run and put a 90° bend in the wire 1/2" from both ends (See **Figure below**)

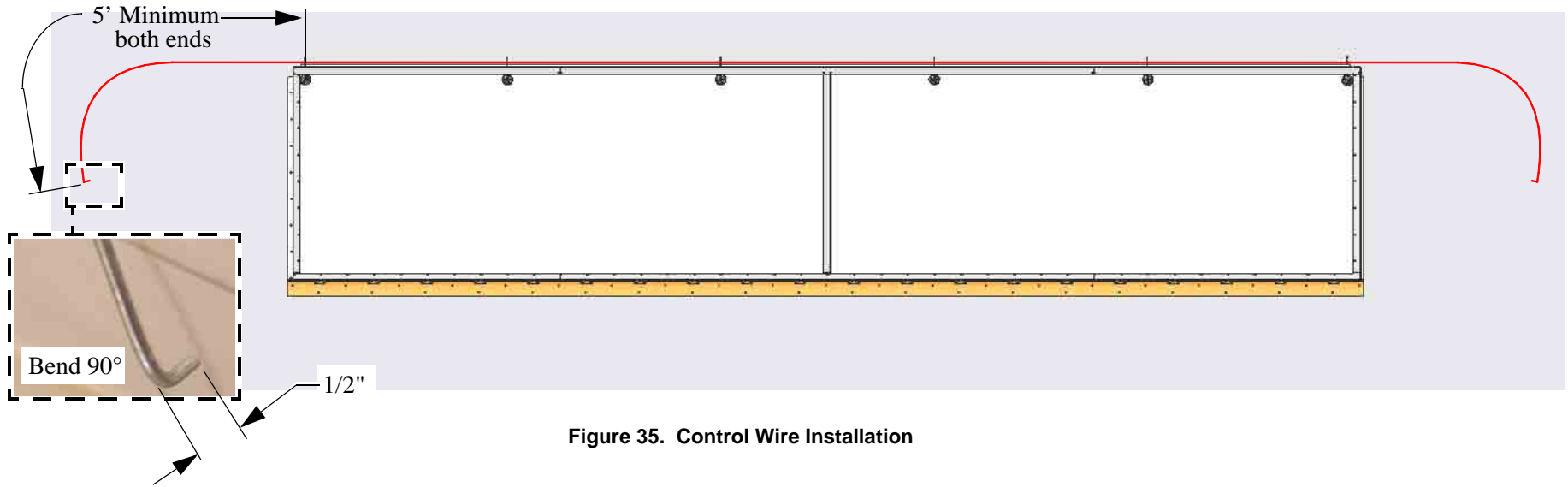
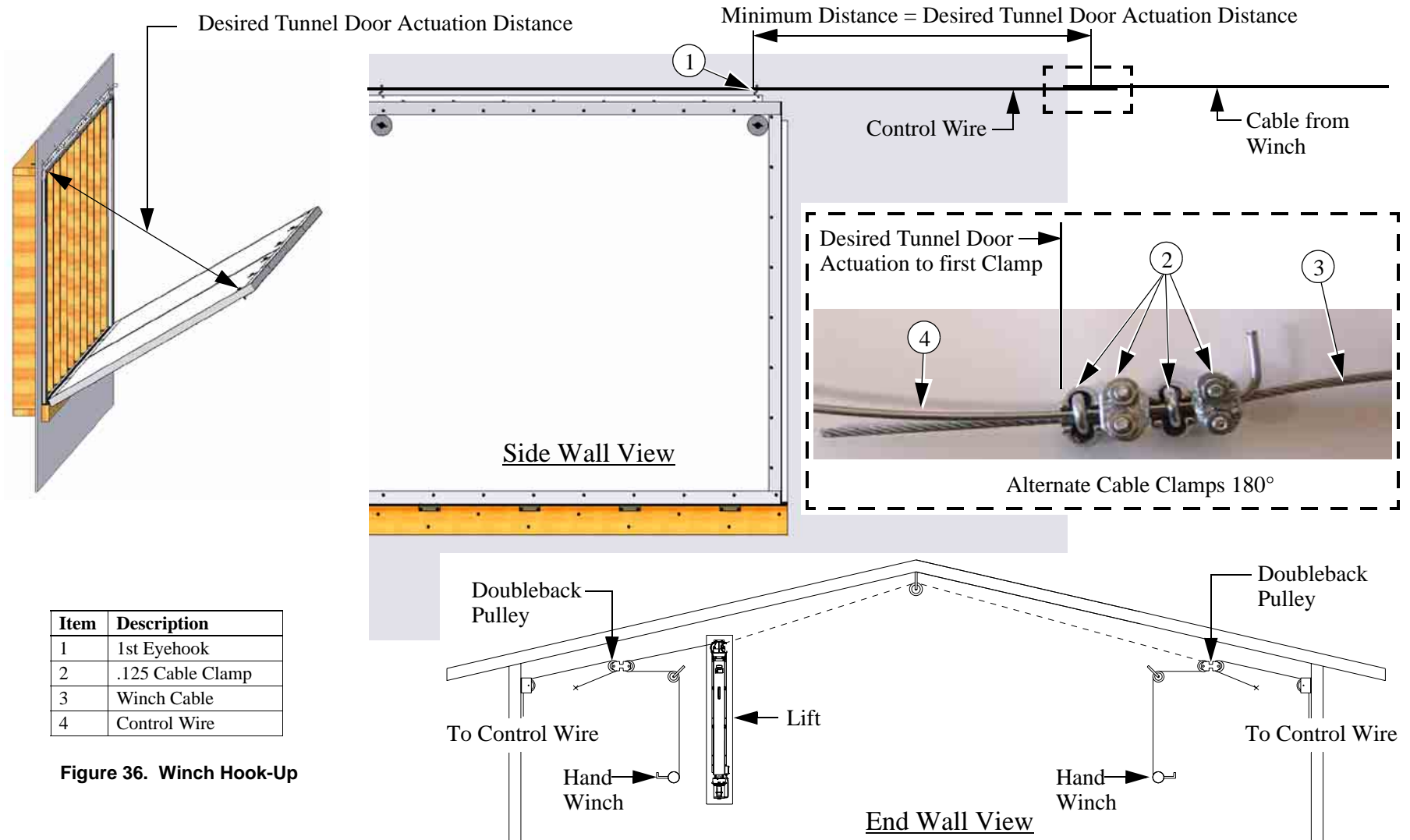


Figure 35. Control Wire Installation

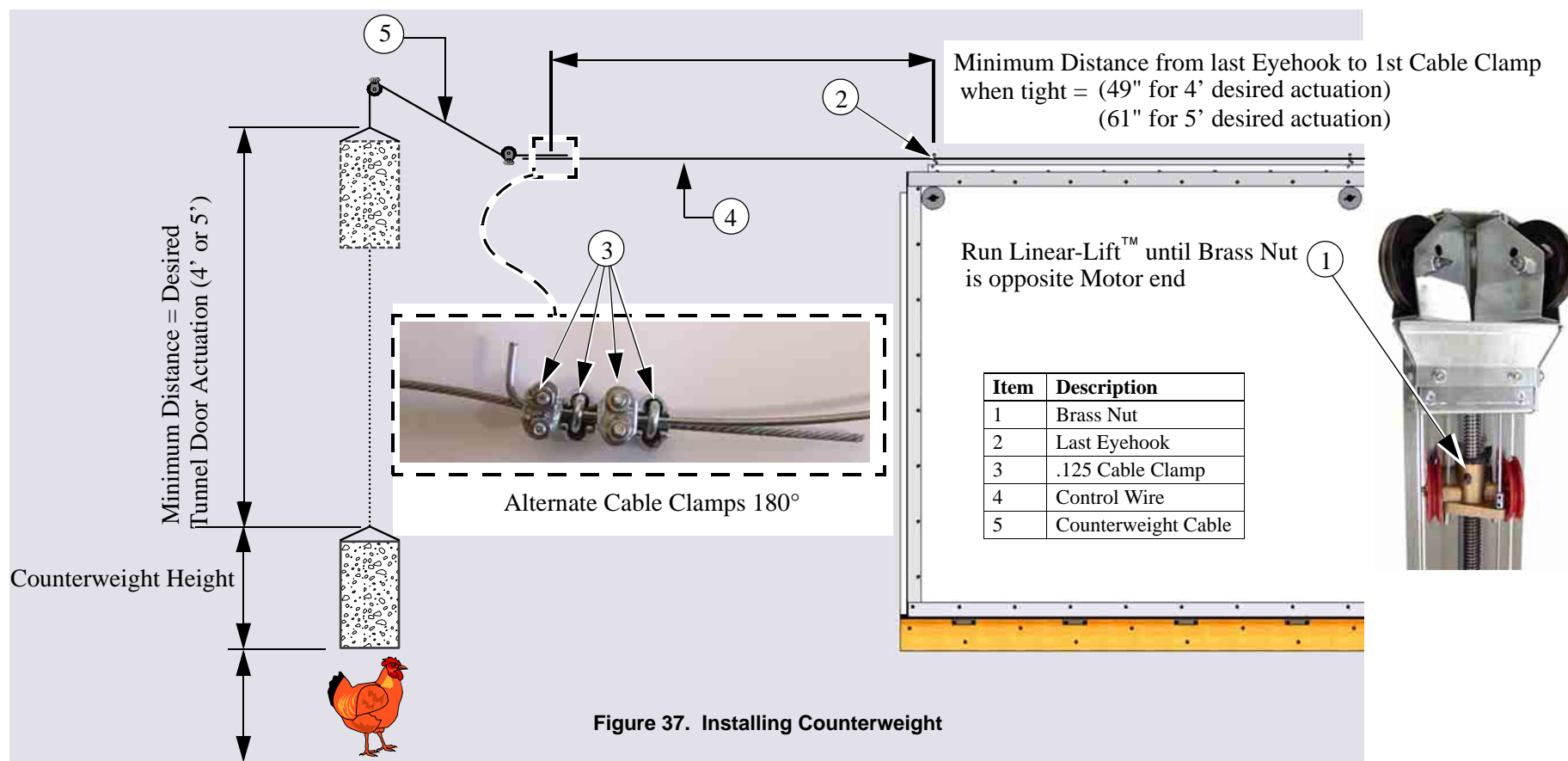
Attaching Control Wire to Cable (Winch End)

It would be impossible to show every way to cable the Tunnel Doors. Shown below is one way using a Linear Lift, Double-Back Pulleys, and a Hand Winch mounted on the end wall. The Winch is pulling from the right in the Side Wall View. There must be a distance equal to or greater than the *desired Tunnel Door actuation* between the 1st Eyehook (**Item 1**) and the 1st Cable Clamp (**Item 2**) connecting the Winch Cable (**Item 3**) to the Control Wire (**Item 3**). Use four Cable Clamps rotated 180° to each other exactly as shown in **Figure 36** below.



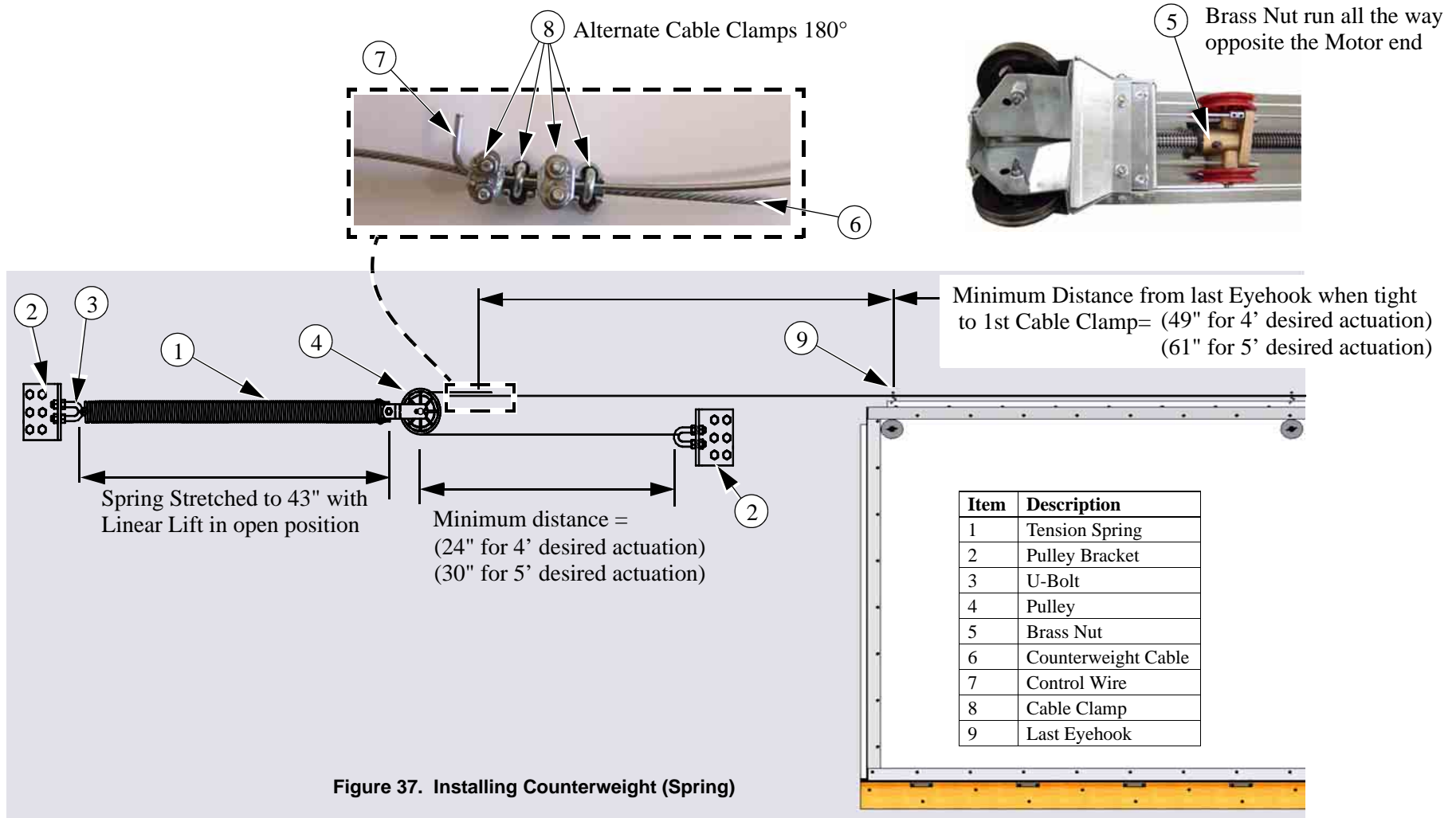
Installing Counter Weight (Concrete Block)

Now that the Control Wire is attached to the Winch Cable it is time to install a counterweight at the other end of the Tunnel Door run. Run the Linear Lift to the fully open position (Brass Nut **(Item 1)** opposite the Motor end, if using a Chore Time Linear-Lift™) (See Figure 37 below). There must be a distance atleast 1" greater than the *desired Tunnel Door actuation* between the last Eyehook **(Item 2)** and the 1st Cable Clamp **(Item 3)** connecting the Control Wire **(Item 4)** to the Counterweight Cable **(Item 5)** Mount the 1st pulley atleast 49" for 4' desired actuation and 61" for 5' desired actuation away from the last Eyehook to allow full actuation of the Control Wire. Use pulleys to get the cable elevated high enough to allow for: Desired Tunnel Door actuation, plus the height of the Counterweight (Concrete Block), plus 2' to keep the Counterweight above Chickens (See Figure 37) Set the Counterweight on something to elevate it just above Chicken height and attach a cable to it. Thread the cable up through the pulleys and use four Cable Clamps rotated 180° to each other to attach the end of the Counterweight Cable to the Control Wire as close to the 1st Pulley as possible. Use the Hand Winch to tighten up the Control Wire and then check to make sure there is still atleast the minimum distance for actuation between the last Eyehook and the 1st Cable Clamp.



Installing Counter Weight (Spring)

A Tension Spring may be used instead of a counterweight if desired. Shown below is a Tension Spring (**Item 1, Figure 38**) (CT Part No. 47958) mounted to the wall with Pulley Brackets (**Item 2**) (CT Part No. 35405), U-Bolt (**Item 3**) (CT Part No. 35602), and a Pulley (**Item 4**) (CT Part No. 2500). Run the Linear Lift to the fully open position (Brass Nut (**Item 5**) *opposite* the Motor end, if using a Chore Time Linear-Lift™) (See **Figure 38** below). Mount the Tension Spring with the minimum distance requirements shown below. Attach the Counterweight Cable (**Item 6**) (*not included*) to the Control Wire (**Item 7**) with four Cable Clamps (**Item 8**) rotated 180° from each other as shown. Use the Hand Winch to tighten the Control Wire until the Tension Spring is stretched to 43" in length. Make sure that there is still the minimum distance (49" for 4' desired actuation, or 61" for 5' desired actuation) between the Last Eyehook (**Item 9**) and the 1st Cable Clamp.



Attaching Nylon Ropes to Control Wire

Run the Winch all the way to the closed position (Brass Nut (**Item 1, Figure 39**) toward the Motor end, if using a Chore Time Linear-Lift™). Now it is time to attach Nylon Ropes to the Control Wire (**Item 2**). The Nylon Ropes support the weight of the Doors and control how far they actuate. Locate the 1st Nylon Rope (**Item 3**) on the FRP Panel that is opposite the Winch end and untie it if necessary. Thread the Rope through the Bottom Eyehook (**Item 4**) and over to the Second Control Wire Eyehook (**Item 5**). It may be necessary to loosen the Split Bolt Cap. If the measurement between these Eyehooks is not atleast equal to the desired Tunnel Door actuation (48" or 60") see **Figure 36** on the following page. Tie a knot (**Item 6**) in the end of the Nylon Rope. Use a Cable Clamp (**Item 7**) to attach the Nylon Rope to the Control Wire as close to the Control Wire Eyehook as possible. Make sure that the Nylon Rope creates a straight line and is not looped over or around the Control Wire (**See Figure**). Orient the Cable Clamp exactly as shown in **Figure 39** for proper bite into the Control Wire. It is very important to get the Cable Clamp Nuts tight as they are required to support the weight of the Tunnel Doors. Attach the rest of the Nylon Ropes throughout the entire Tunnel Door run in the same manner.

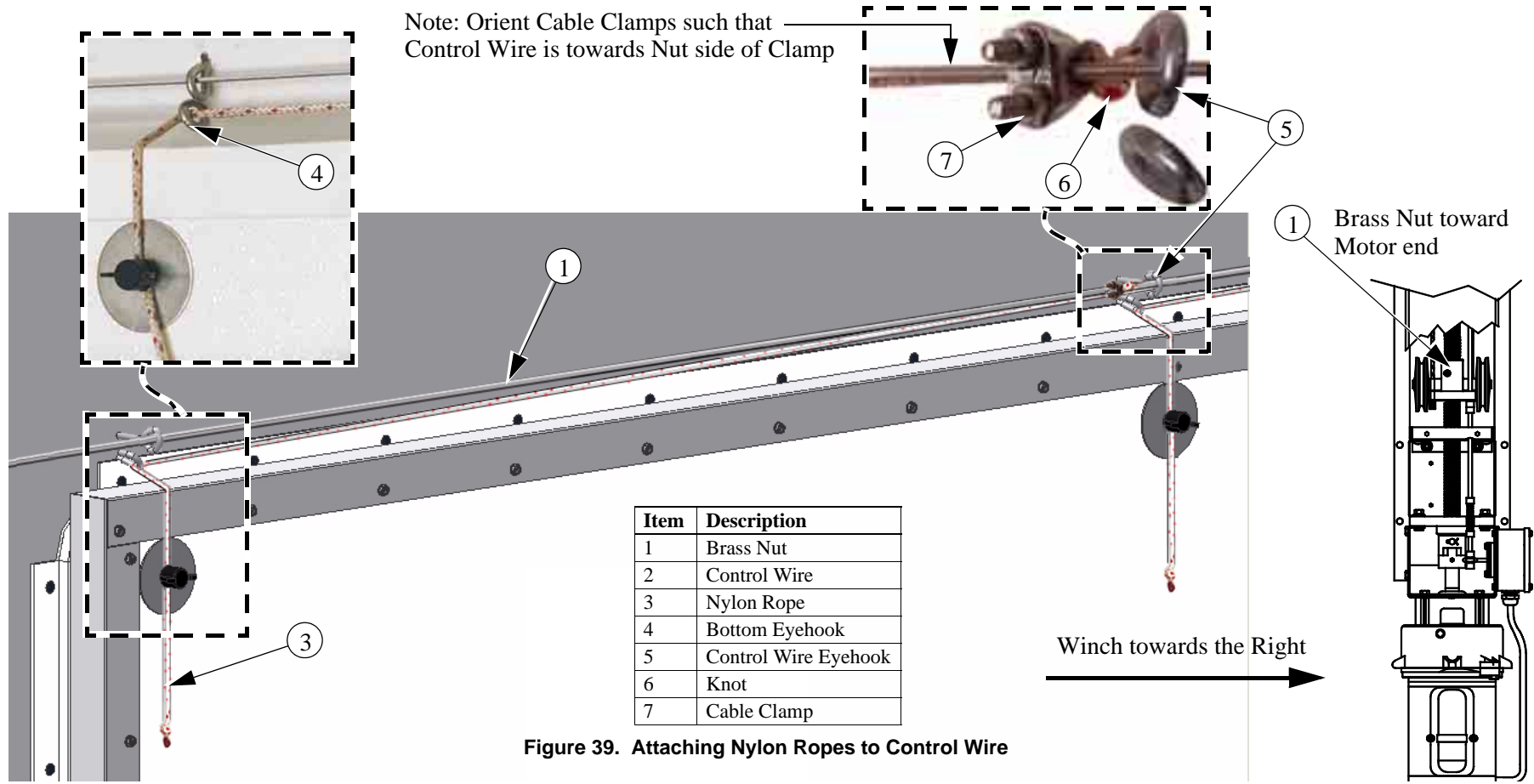
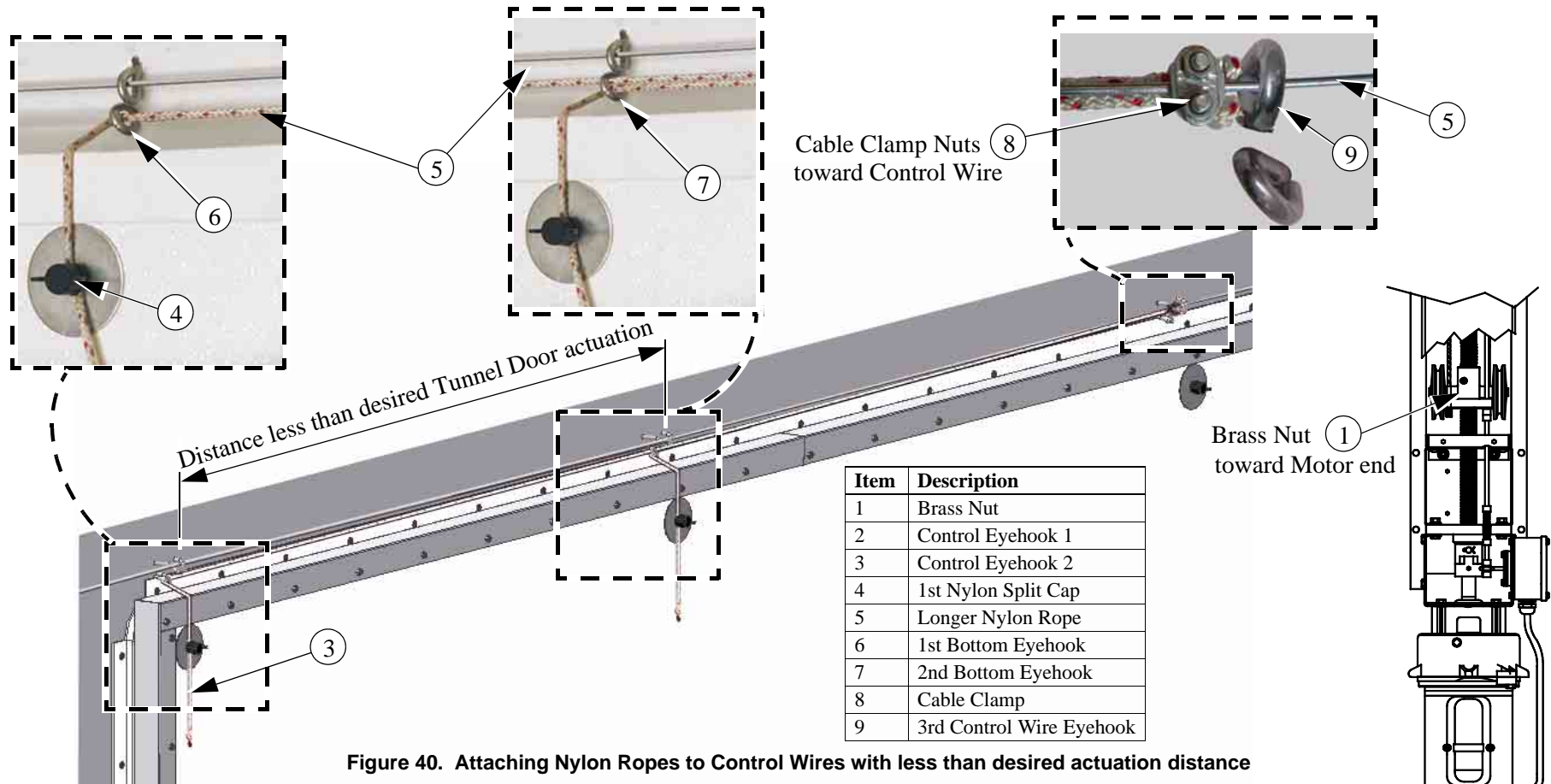


Figure 39. Attaching Nylon Ropes to Control Wire

Attaching Nylon Ropes to Control Wire (if there is less than desired actuation distance between Control Wire Eyehooks)

Run the Winch all the way to the closed position (Brass Nut **(Item 1, Figure 40)** toward the Motor end, if using a Chore Time Linear-Lift™). If the distance between Control Eyehook 1 and Control Eyehook 2 is less than the desired Tunnel Door actuation (**See Figure**), then the following instructions apply. Cut a piece of Nylon rope 2x desired actuation +2' (5' actuation = 12' rope). Tie Knots at each end of the Nylon Rope. Replace the shorter Nylon Rope attached to the 1st Nylon Split Bolt **(Item 4)** in the Corner of the 1st FRP Panel earlier. Thread the new, longer Nylon Rope **(Item 5)** through the 1st Bottom Eyehook **(Item 6)**, then through the 2nd Bottom Eyehook **(Item 7)**, and allow the rope to hang. Thread the 2nd shorter Nylon rope attached to the FRP Panel through the Bottom Eyehook above it and tie a knot at the end of it. Take both the longer Nylon Rope and the shorter Nylon Rope and attach them to the Control Wire with a Cable Clamp **(Item 8)** as close to the 3rd Control Wire Eyehook **(Item 9)** as possible. Make sure that the Nylon Ropes create straight lines and are not looped over or around the Control Wire when tight. Orient the Cable Clamp exactly as shown in **Figure 40** for proper bite into the Control Wire. It is very important to get the Cable Clamp Nuts tight because they will be supporting a substantial amount of weight. Loosen both the 1st and 2nd Split Bolt Caps and pull down on both Nylon Ropes as hard as you can to pull the Doors tight against the seal. Re-tighten the Split Bolt Caps. To attach the Nylon Ropes to the Control Wire when spacing between Control Wire Eyehooks is equal to the desired Tunnel Door actuation see **Figure 39** on the previous page.



Attaching Nylon Ropes to Control Wire (if there is less than desired actuation distance between Control Wire Eyehooks and also less than desired actuation distance to the wall)

Run the Winch all the way to the closed position (Brass Nut **(Item 1, Figure 40)** toward the Motor end, if using a Chore Time Linear-Lift™). If the distance between the last two Control Eyehooks is less than the desired Tunnel Door actuation, and there is less than the desired actuation distance between the last Bottom Eyehook and the wall (**See Figure 41**), then the following instructions apply. Attach two Pulleys **(Item 1)** (Chore-Time part no. 44577) left of the 3rd Control Eyehook from the end **(Item 2)** with a Lag Screw **(Item 3)** and Washers used for spacers **(Item 4)** as shown. Cut two pieces of Nylon rope 2x desired actuation +2' (5' actuation = 12' rope). Tie Knots at the ends of both Nylon Ropes. Replace both the 2nd to last and last Nylon Ropes attached earlier with the new Longer ones **(Item 5)**. Thread both longer ropes through the Lower Eyehooks above them, around the Pulleys and let it hang temporarily. Turn the 3rd lower Eyehook from the end **(Item 6)** 90° as shown. Thread the 3rd Nylon rope from the end **(Item 7)** through the lower Eyehook above it and use a Cable Clamp **(Item 8)** to attach it **and** the two new Longer Ropes to the Control Wire, as close to the 2nd Control Wire Eyehook from the end **(Item 9)** as possible (**See Figure**).

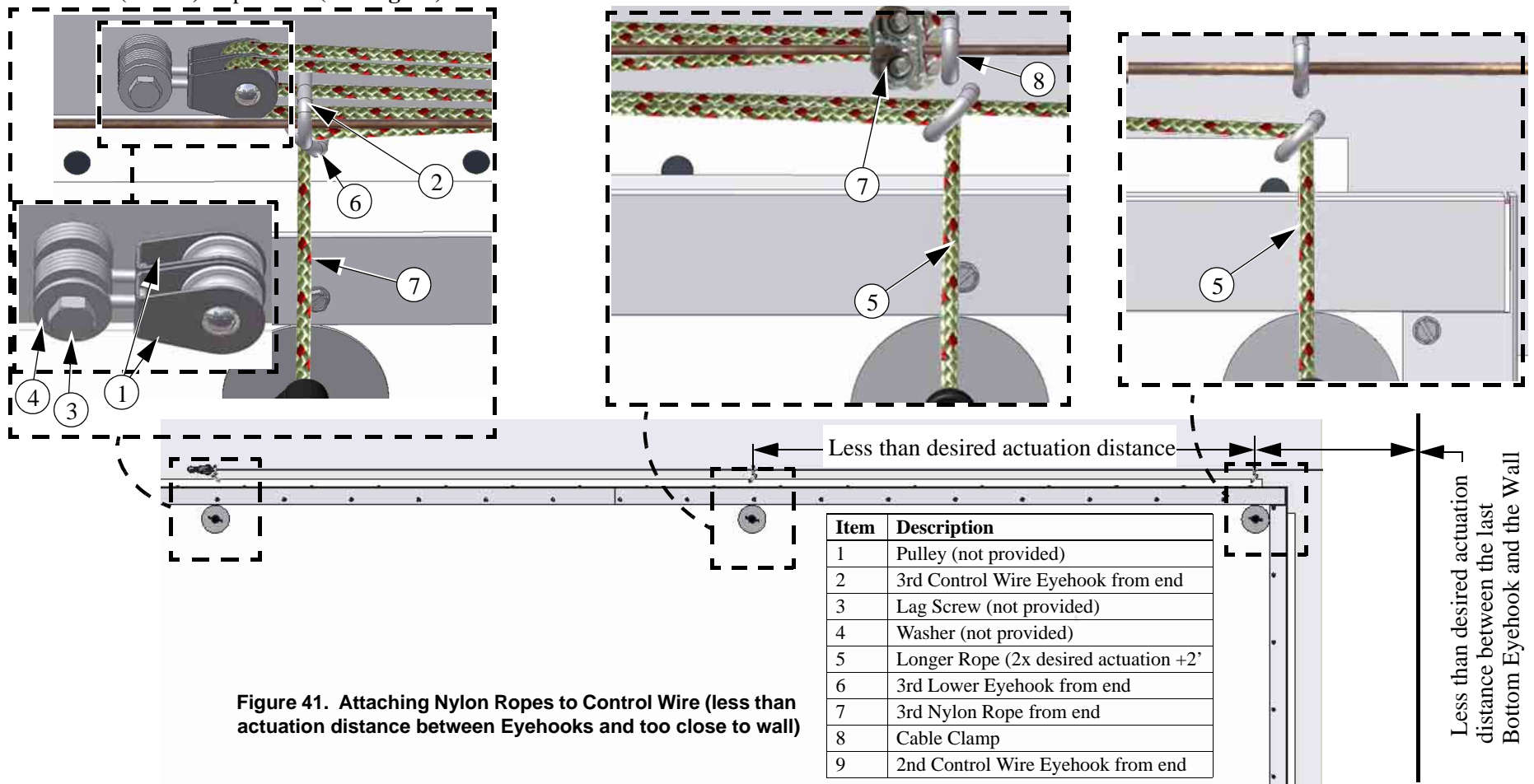
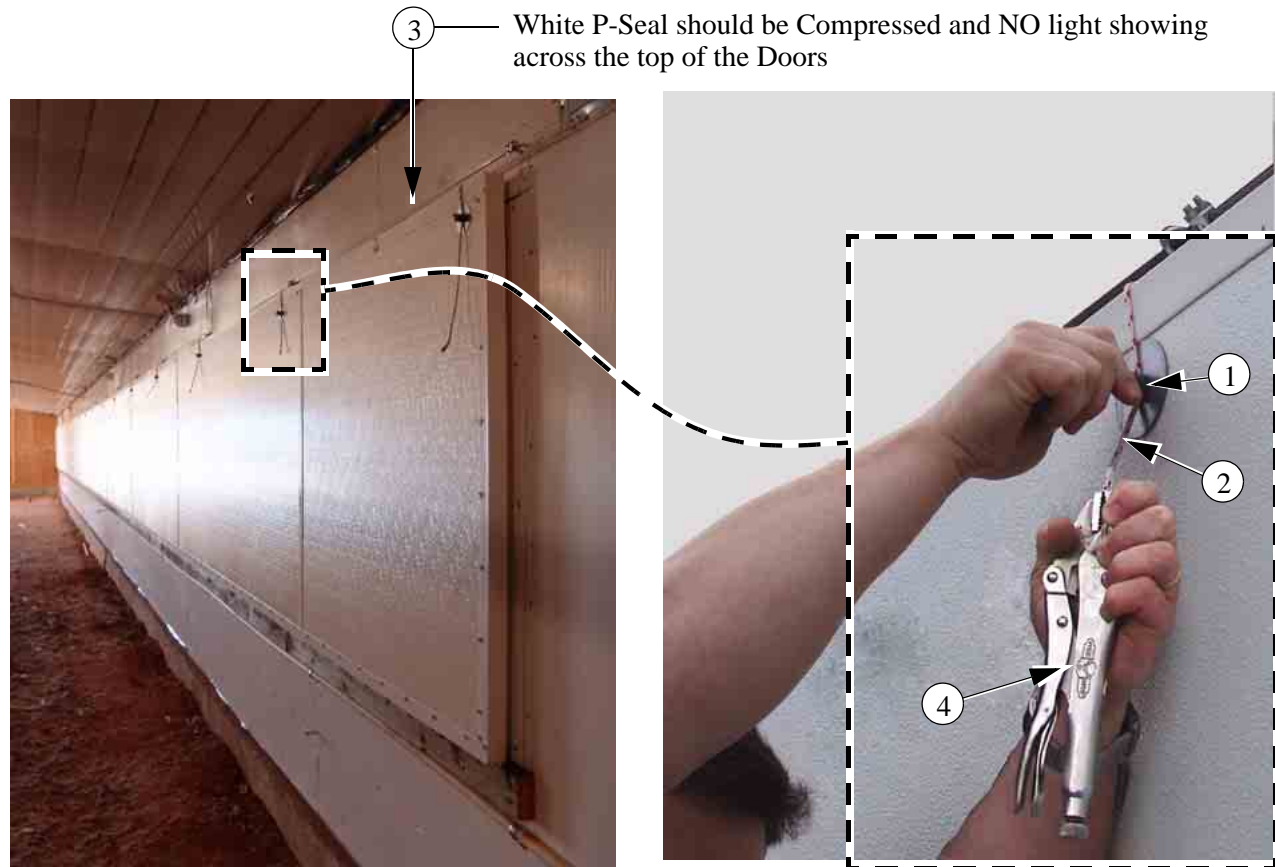


Figure 41. Attaching Nylon Ropes to Control Wire (less than actuation distance between Eyehooks and too close to wall)

Tighten down Nylon Ropes and Final Adjustments

To insure a tight sealing Tunnel Door all of the Nylon Ropes need tightened down. Loosten the Nylon Split Bolt Caps (**Item 1**) and pull down on the Nylon Ropes (**Item 2**) as hard as you can; then re-tighten the Nylon Split Bolt Caps. The White P-Seal (**Item 3**) should be compressed and there should be no daylight showing across the top of the Doors. We recommend that you use Vice Grips (**Item 4**) to get a good hold on the Nylon Ropes and this will also be easier on your hands.



Item	Description
1	Nylon Split Bolt Cap
2	Nylon Rope
3	White P-Seal
4	Vice Grips

Figure 42. Tightening down Nylon Ropes

Caulking

In order to maximize proper Airflow of your new Tunnel Doors it is necessary to Caulk some of the cracks between the Channels. Use Silicone Caulk (preferably white) to caulk the cracks between the End C-Channel (**Item 1, Figure 43**) and the Top C-Channel (**Item 2**) at both ends of the system. Caulk between the H-Channel (**Item 3**) and the Top C-Channel. Caulk between the H-Channel and the Bottom C-Channel with Hinges (**Item 4**).

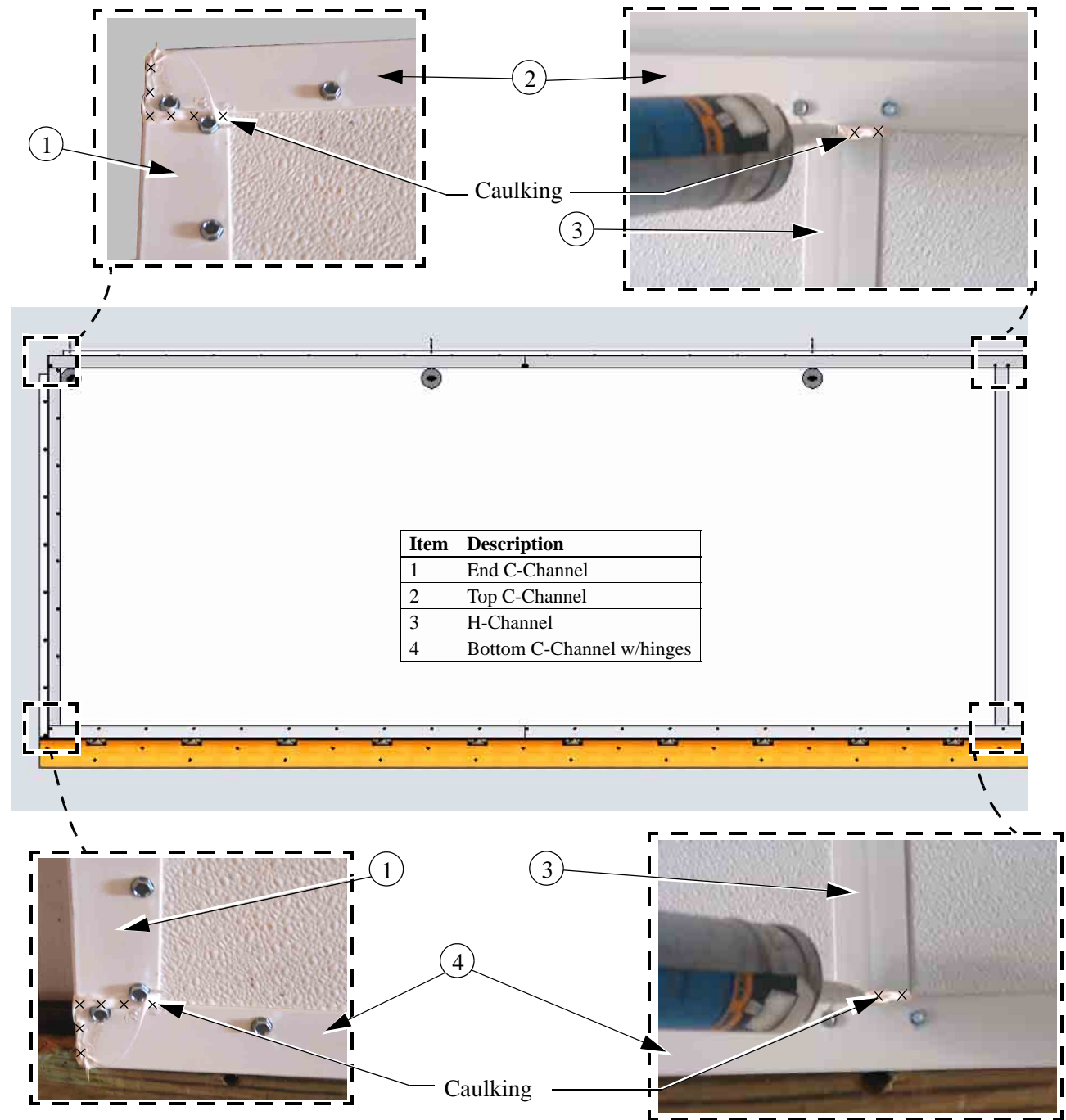


Figure 43. Caulking

Itemized Parts

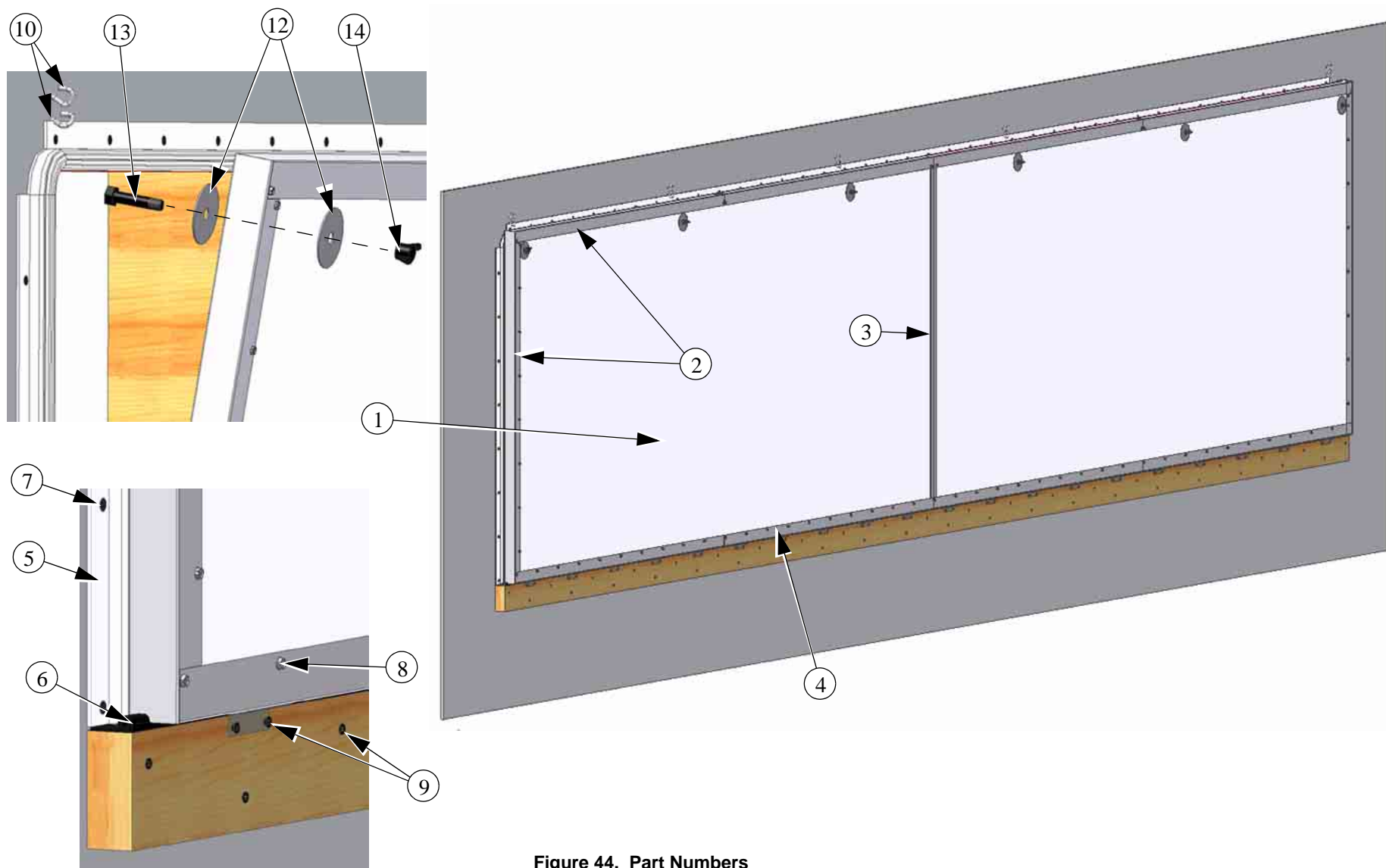
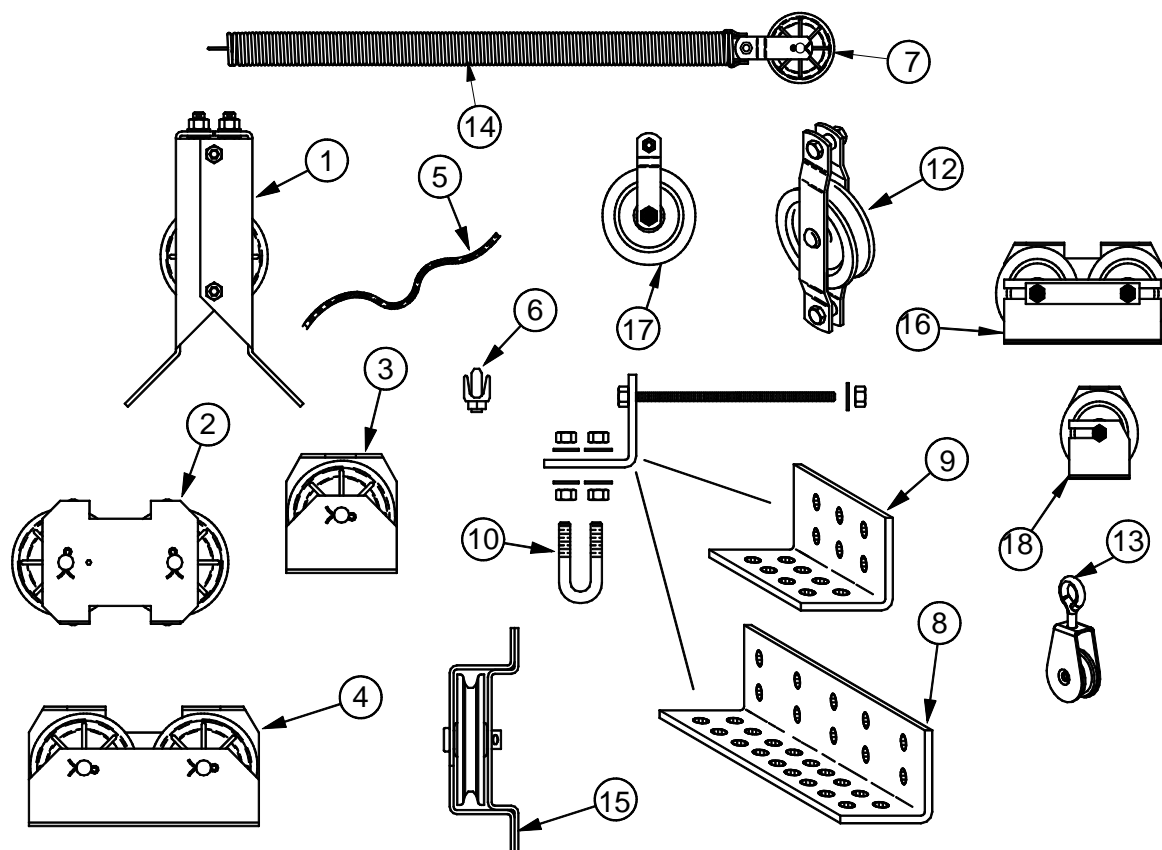


Figure 44. Part Numbers

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Item	Description	Part No.
1	4' x 10' FRP Panel	50225
2	10' PVC C-Channel	50226-2
3	PVC H-Channel	50255-2
4	10' Bottom Channel w/Hinges	50229
5	White P-Seal	50237
6	Black P-Seal	50238
7	2D x 1 Galv. Roofing Nail	50239
8	HXWH SFTP 10-16 x .63 Screw	6727
9	#9-9 x 3" Quad Drive Wood Screw	50421
10	Eyehook	1214
11	Nylon Rope (Not Shown)	5-37173
12	Large Flat Washer	50234
13	Nylon Split Bolt	50236
14	Split Bolt Cap	40788
15	Actuator Wire (500' Roll) Not Shown	48530
16	.125 Cable Clamp (Not Shown)	14898

Optional Parts Listing



Item	Description	Part No.
1	Corner Pulley Assembly	35597
2	Double Pulley Assembly	27772
3	Pulley Kit	27301
4	Center Pulley Assembly	27302
5	3/16" Cable (150')—7/19 3/32" Cable—galvanized	13976 4973
6	3/16" Cable Clamp	732
7	Pulley Assembly	2500
8	Double Pulley Mounting Brkt.	35404
9	Single Pulley Mounting Brkt.	35405
10	3/16-18x7" U Bolt with Nuts	35602
11	5/16-18x7" Bolt	4412-20
12	Double Eye Pulley	2501
13	.875 Nylon Pulley	44577
14	160# Tension Spring	47958
15	Pulley Assembly	28429
16	4.5" Steel Double Pulley Assembly	43129
17	4.5" Steel Pulley Assembly	43005
18	4.5" Steel Single Pulley Assembly	43128

Figure 45. Optional Part Numbers

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