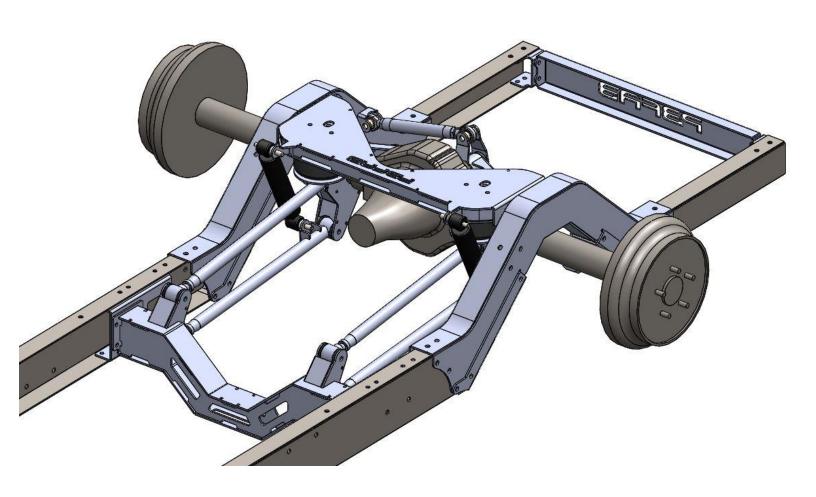
### PORTERBUILT FABRICATION

# DROPMEMBER REAR 55-59 LEVEL 3 INBOARD 4-LINK INSTALL GUIDE



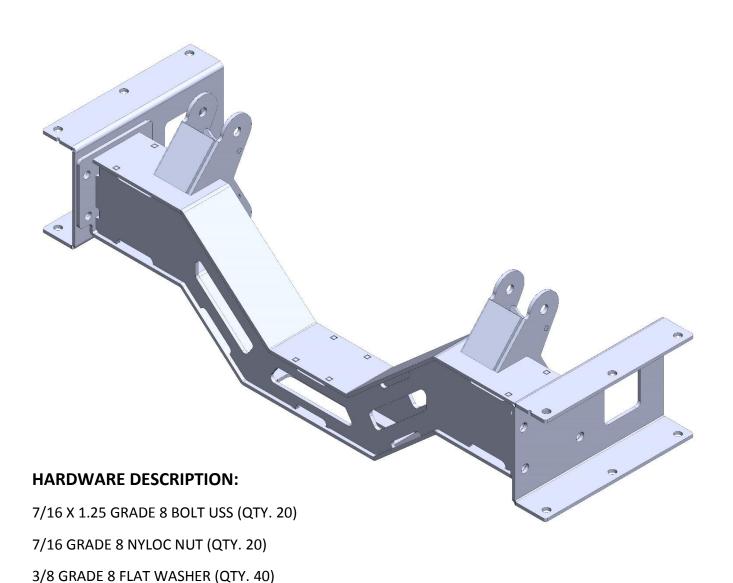
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#### **SECTION 1:** INDIVIDUAL COMPONENTS WITH HARDWARE DESCRIPTIONS.

### \*\*\* HARDWARE BAGS WILL HAVE LABEL WITH PART NUMBER THAT CORRELATE TO EACH PART\*\*\*

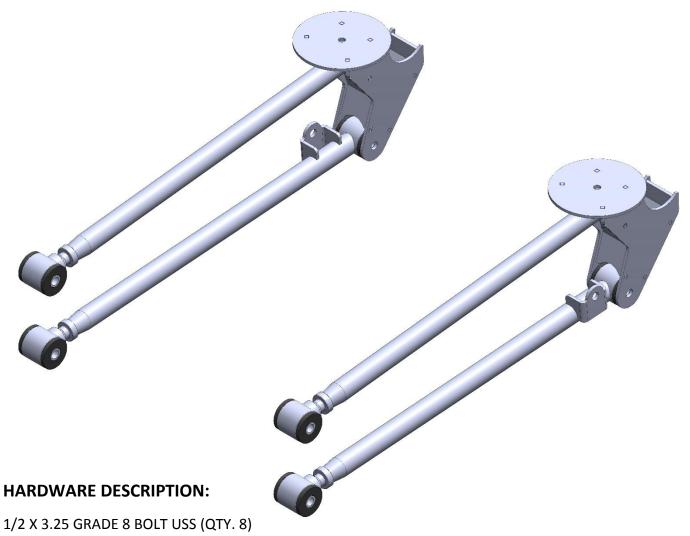
**PART#** 4LXM5559-I4L

**DESCRIPTION:** 4-LINK CROSSMEMBER 55-59 INBOARD 4-LINK



#### PART# 4L5559-3-I4L

**DESCRIPTION:** 4 LINK; 55-59 LEVEL 3, INBOARD 4-LINK



7/16 GRADE 8 WASHER USS (QTY. 16)

1/2 GRADE 8 NYLOC NUT (QTY. 8)

3/4-16 RH JAM NUT (QTY. 4)

POLY BUSHING HALF; 4-LINK SPECIFIC (QTY. 16)

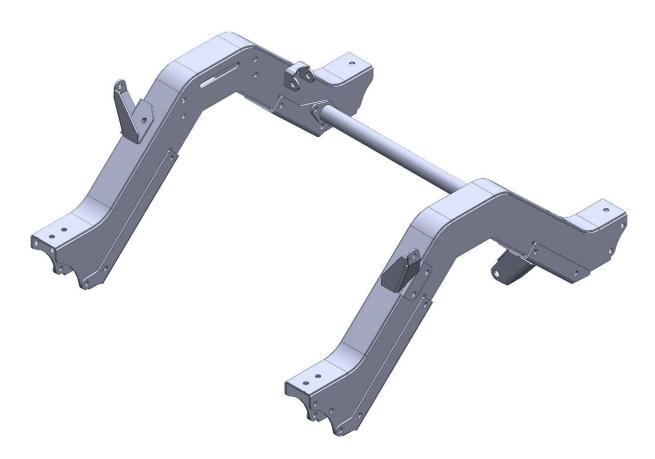
4-LINK BUSHING CRUSH TUBE (QTY. 8)

ZERK FITTINGS (QTY. 8)

#### PART# RN5559-3-B-STEPSIDE

**DESCRIPTION:** REAR NOTCH; 55-59 GM; LEVEL 3; BOLT IN; STEPSIDE SPECIFIC (SET UP FOR 28 INCH TALL TIRE)

\*\*\*NOTE: UPPER SHOCK MOUNTS SHOWN IN IMAGE ARE NOT USED IN THIS CONFIGURATION\*\*\*



#### **HARDWARE DESCRIPTION:**

7/16 X 1.25 GRADE 8 BOLT USS (QTY. 40)

7/16 X 1.5 GRADE 8 BOLT USS (QTY. 4) \*\*\*FOR REAR NOTCH CROSS MEMBER\*\*\*

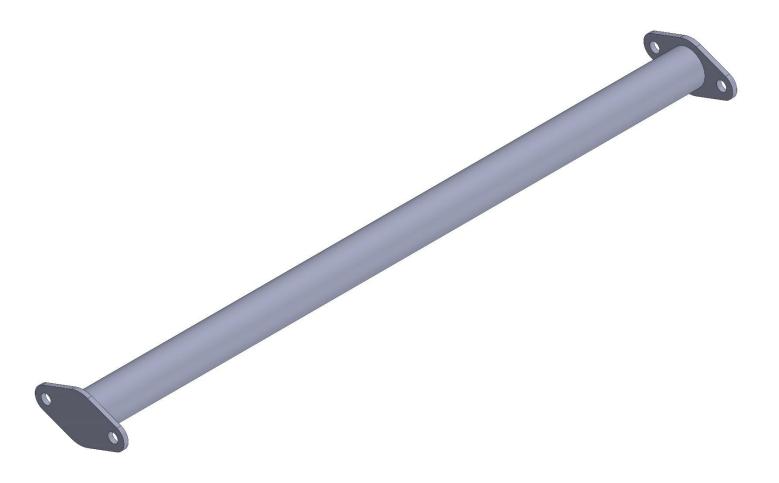
7/16 GRADE 8 NYLOC NUT USS (QTY. 30)

7/16 GRADE 8 LOCKWASHER USS (QTY. 14)

3/8 GRADE 8 FLAT WASHER USS (QTY. 84)

PART# RNXM275

**DESCRIPTION:** REAR NOTCH CROSS MEMBER 27 ½ INCHES OVERALL LENGTH

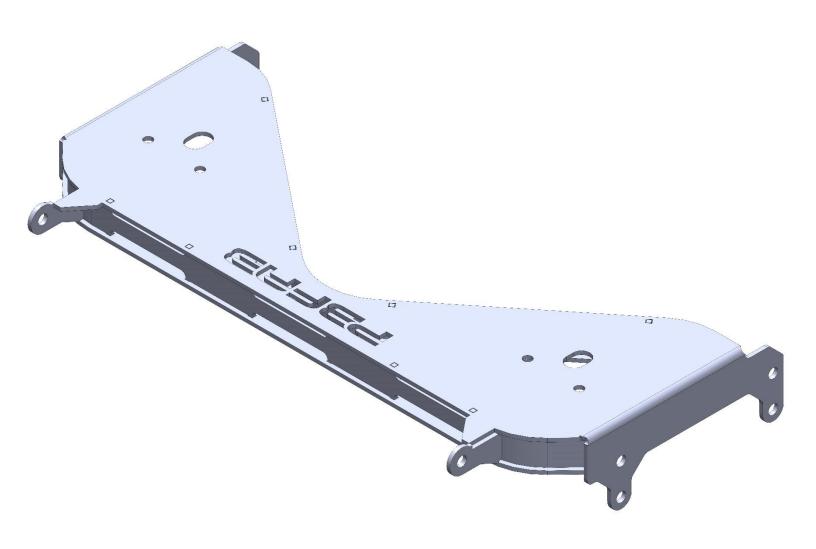


#### **HARDWARE DESCRIPTION:**

\*\*\*NO HARDWARE\*\*\*

#### **PART#** BA5559-IB-IS-I4L

**DESCRIPTION:** BRIDGE ASSEMBLY; 55-59 GM; INBOARD BAG; INBOARD SHOCK; INBOARD 4-LINK



#### **HARDWARE DESCRIPTION:**

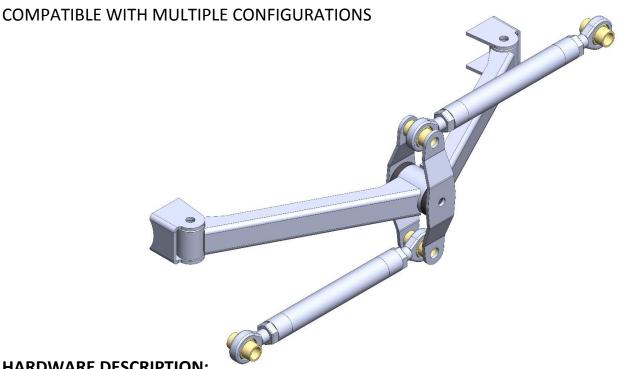
7/16 X 1.25 GRADE 8 BOLT USS (QTY. 8)

7/16 GRADE 8 LOCKWASHER USS (QTY. 8)

3/8 GRADE 8 FLAT WASHER USS (QTY. 8)

#### **PART#** WL6387

**DESCRIPTION:** WATTS LINK ASSEMBLY; 63-87;



#### **HARDWARE DESCRIPTION:**

1/2 X 3.25 GRADE 8 BOLT USS (QTY. 2)

1/2 X 4 GRADE 8 BOLT USS (QTY. 1)

1/2 GRADE 8 NYLOC NUT USS (QTY. 3)

7/16 GRADE 8 FLAT WASHER USS (QTY. 6)

5/8 X 3.25 GRADE 8 BOLT USS (QTY. 4)

5/8 GRADE 8 NYLOC NUT USS (QTY. 4)

5/8 GRADE 8 FLAT WASHER SAE (QTY. 8)

PHB CONE SPACERS (CS10) (QTY. 8)

3/4 X 5/8 RH ROD END WITH JAM NUT (QTY. 2)

3/4 X 5/8 LH ROD END WITH JAM NUT (QTY. 2)

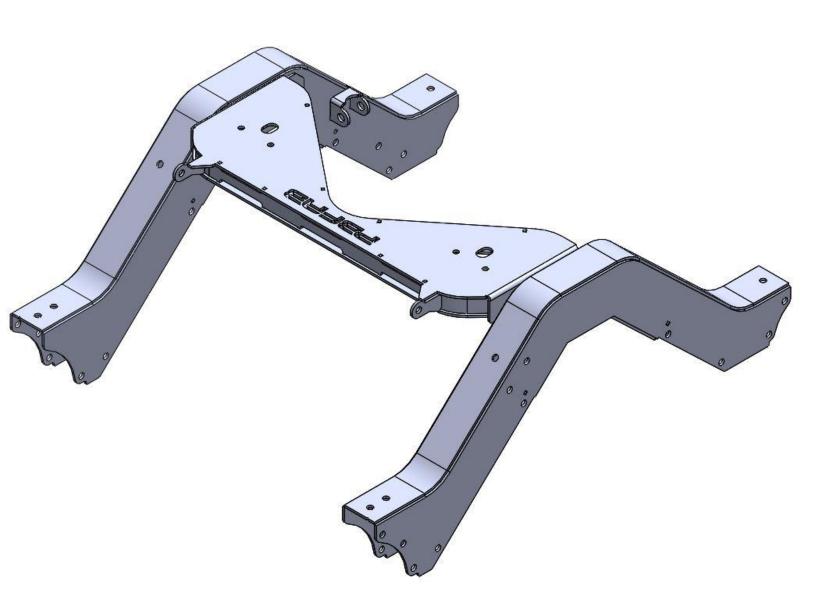
DM-V6 BUSHING HALF (QTY. 2)

DM-V6 CRUSH TUBES (QTY. 1)

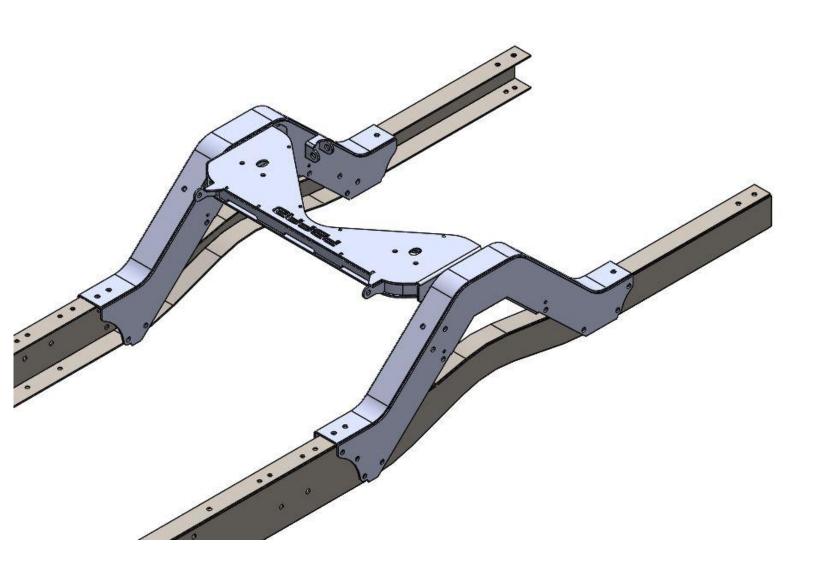
ZERK FITTING (QTY. 1)

#### **REAR NOTCH INSTALLATION**

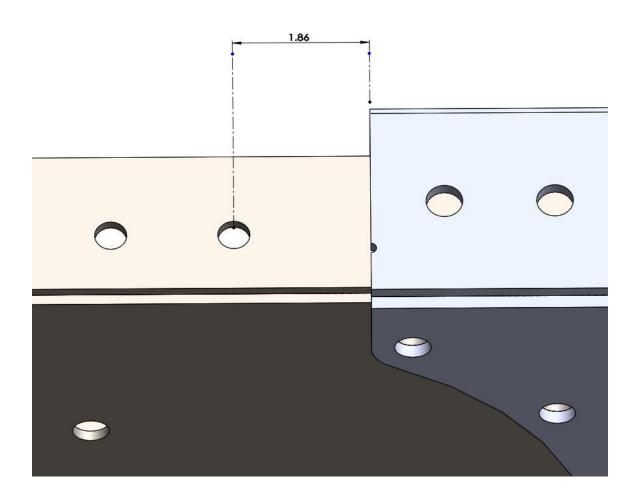
- -BOLT BRIDGE ASSEMBLY BETWEEN NOTCHES
- -INSTALL SUPPLIED GRADE 8 HARDWARE SO THAT BOLTS ARE HAND TIGHT
- -DO NOT FULLY TIGHTEN BRIDGE ASSEMBLY MOUNTING HARDWARE AT THIS TIME

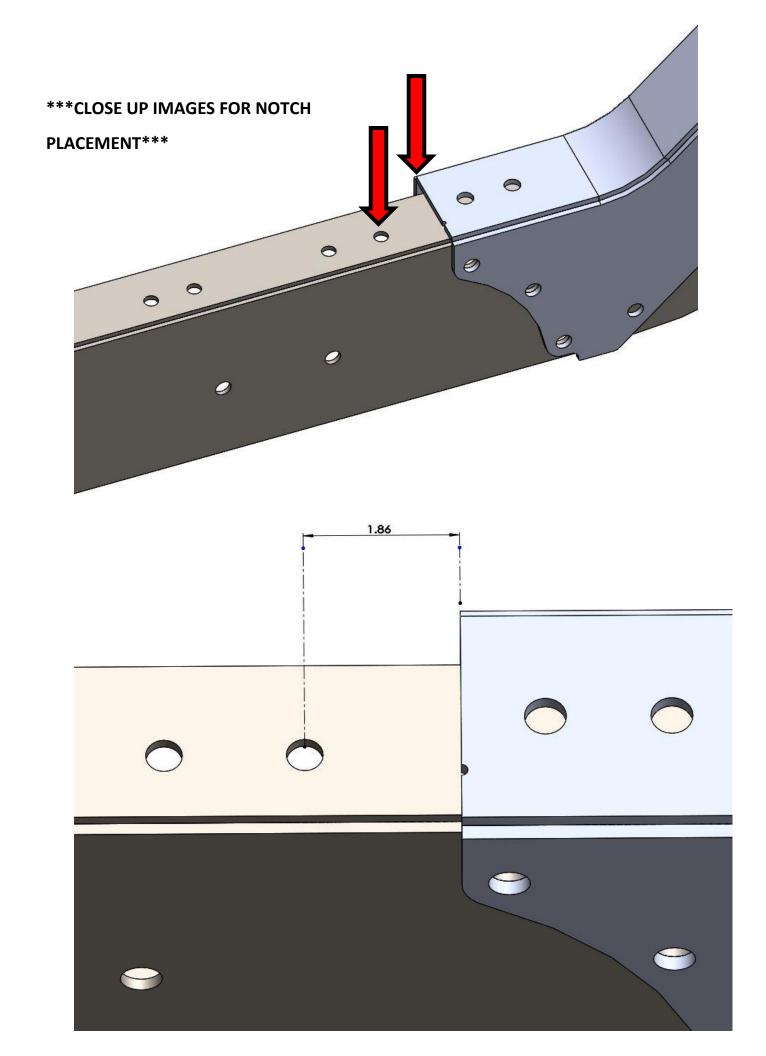


- -REOVE FACTORY FRAME CROSSMEMBERS
- -IT IS RECOMMENDED TO LEAVE THE FACTORY REAR FRAME CROSSMEMBER AT THIS TIME TO HELP KEEP THE FRAME SQUARE DURING INSTALLATION
- -SLIDE BRIDGE/NOTCH ASSEMBLY OVER FACTORY FRAME RAILS



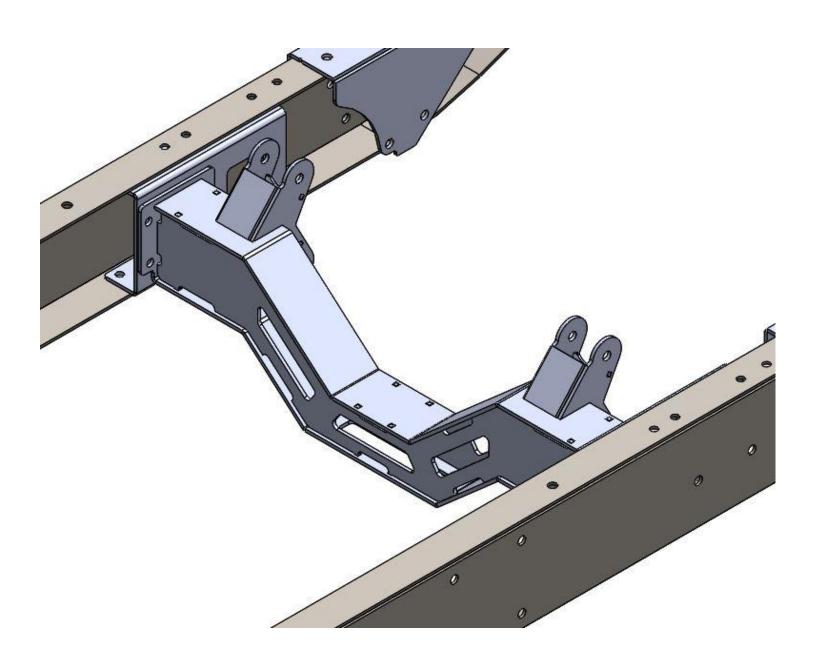
- -USE MEASUREMENT BELOW FOR PROPER FORE-AFT LOCATION
- -FRONT EDGE OF NOTCH WILL BE LOCATED 1.875 (1 7/8) INCHES REARWARD OF THE FACTORY LEAF SPRING HANGER CROSSMEMBER MOUNTING HOLE SHOWN IN IMAGE
- -CLAMP NOTCH SO THAT THE NOTCH IS FLUSH AGAINST THE TOP OF FRAME RAIL AND OUTSIDE OF FRAME RAIL (\*\*\*FAILURE TO DO SO WILL CAUSE IMPROPER FITMENT OF REMAINING COMPONENTS\*\*\*)
- -WITH NOTCH PROPERLY CLAMPED IN PLACE, USE NOTCH AS TEMPLATE TO DRILL MOUNTING HOLES IN FRAME (\*\*\*USE A 7/16 DRILL BIT\*\*\*)
- -INSTALL 7/16 GRADE 8 HARDWARE TO SECURE NOTCH TO FACTORY FRAME (TORQUE TO 65 FT.-LBS)



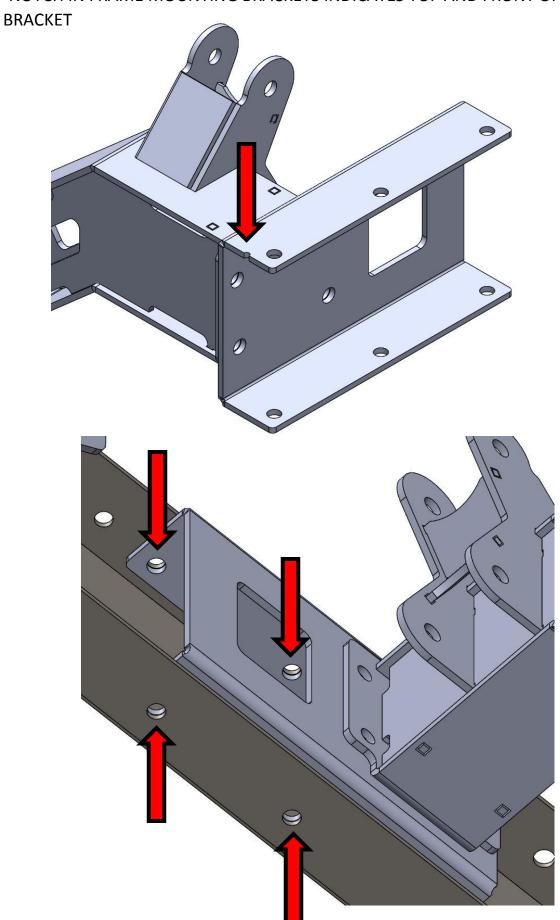


#### **4-LINK CROSSMEMBER INSTALLATION**

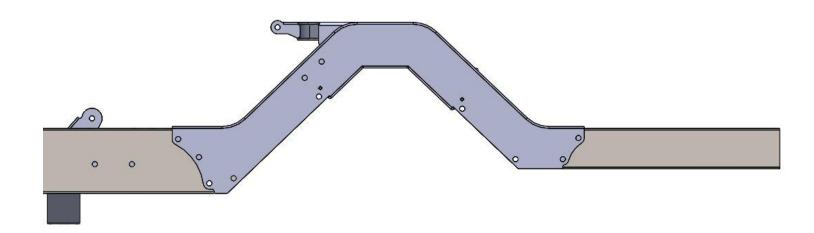
- -4-LINK CROSSMEMBER TO FRAME MOUNTING BRACKETS WILL ALIGN WITH TWO FACTORY LEAF SPRING CROSSMEMBER MOUNTING HOLES ON TOP SIDE OF FRAME AND TWO FACTORY HOLES ON BOTTOM SIDE OF FRAME (SEE IMAGES BELOW FOR REFERENCE)
- -ADDITIONAL MOUTNING HOLES IN TOP SIDE OF BRACKET WILL NEED TO BE MARKED AND DRILLED IN FACTORY FRAME
- -INSTALL USING SUPPLIED GRADE 8 HARDWARE (TORQUE TO 65 FT LBS)



-NOTCH IN FRAME MOUNTING BRACKETS INDICATES TOP AND FRONT OF

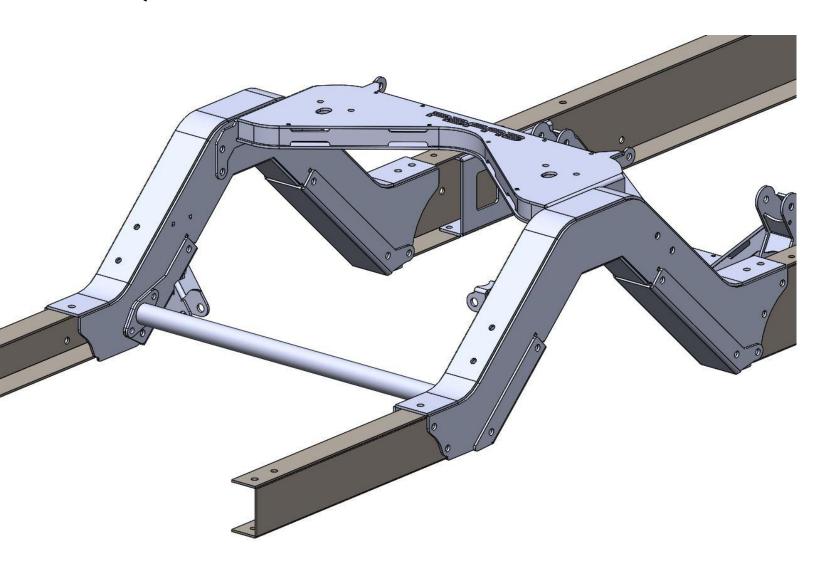


-WITH NOTCH SECURELY BOLTED INTO FRAME, USE A SAWZALL OR CUT-OFF WHEEL TO REMOVE FACTORY FRAME SECTION (\*\*\*TAKE CARE TO NOT CUT INTO OR DAMAGE NOTCH\*\*\*)



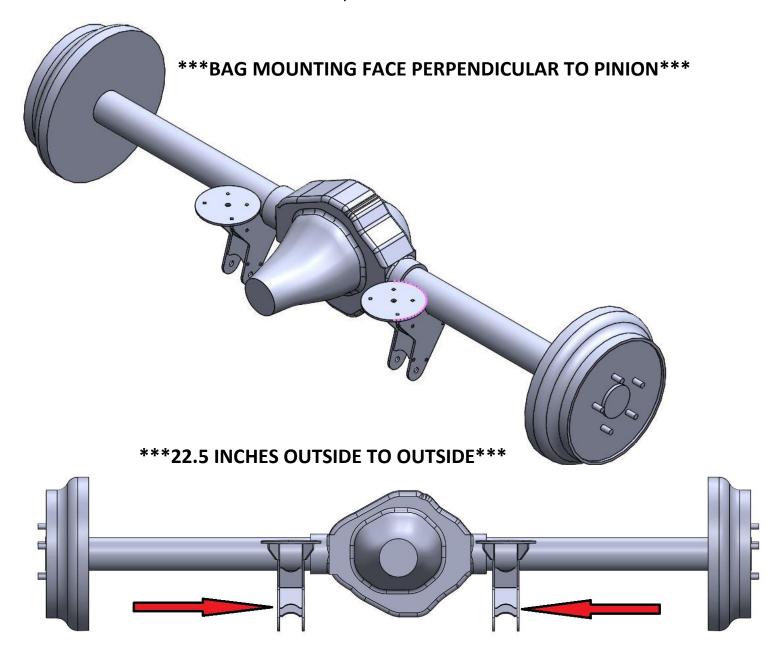
#### NOTCH CAP AND REAR NOTCH CROSSMEMBER INSTALLATION

- -INSTALL FRONT AND REAR NOTCH CAPS AND REAR NOTCH CROSSMEMBER USING SUPPLIED GRADE 8 HARDWARE
- -AFTER INSTALLING NOTCH CAPS AND REAR NOTCH CROSSMEBER TORQUE ALL HARWDARE TO 65 FT-LBS



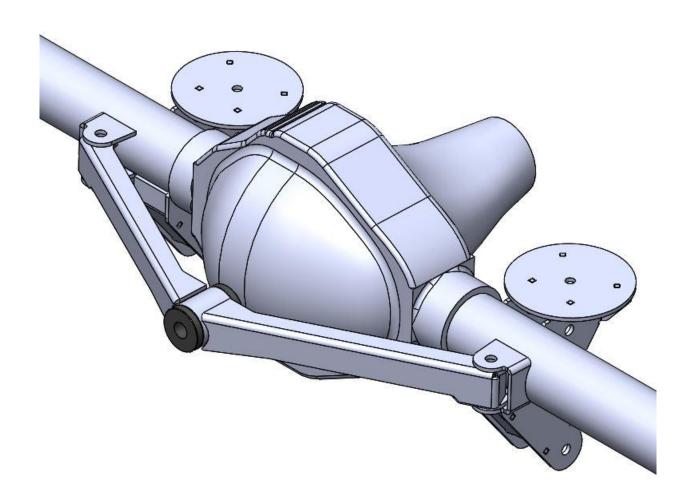
#### 4-LINK AXLE BRACKET INSTALLATION

- -SET DISTANCE FROM OUTSIDE EDGE TO OUTSIDE EDGE OF 4-LINK AXLE BRACKETS TO 22.5 INCHES
- -SET BAG MOUNTING SURFACE OF 4-LINK AXLE BRACKETS PERPENDICULAR TO PINION
- -TACK 4-LINK/BAG MOUNTING BRACKETS TO AXLE HOUSING AT THIS TIME (\*\*\*DO NOT YET FULLY WELD BRACKETS UNTIL AFTER DRIVE-TRAIN AND DRIVE-SHAFT ARE INSTALLED AND PROPER DRIVE-LINE ANGLES ARE CONFIRMED\*\*\*)



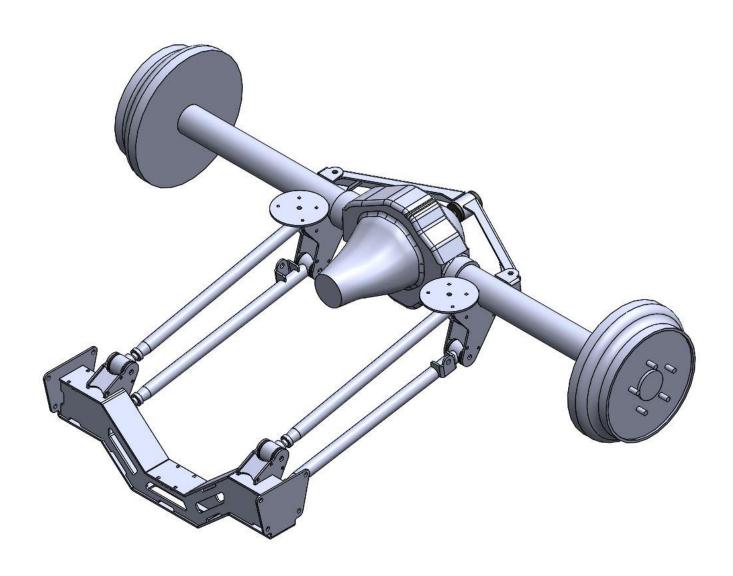
#### WATTS LINK MOUNTING BRACKET INSTALLATION

- -ASSEMBLE WATTS LINK MAIN PIVOT BRACKET WITH AXLE MOUNTING TABS TO SET BRACKET DISTANCE DURING INSTALLATION
- -SET WATTS LINK ASSEMBLY SO THAT IT IS CENTERED ON AXLE HOUSING
- -SET WATTS LINK ASSEMBLY SO THAT BUSHING FACE IS PARALLEL TO PINION
- -TACK WELD WATTS LINK AXLE MOUNTING BRACKETS TO REAR
  DIFFERENTIAL (\*\*\*DO NOT YET FULLY WELD BRACKETS UNTIL AFTER
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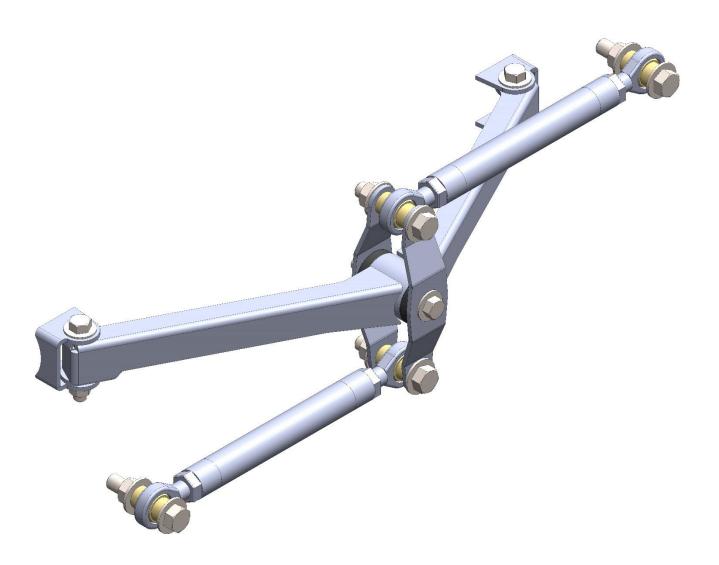
#### LINK BAR INSTALLATION

- -SET MOUNTING DISTANCE OF 4-LINK BARS TO 25" CENTER TO CENTER
- -LOWER LINK BARS ARE INSTALLED WITH SHOCK TABS POINTED UP AND ON OUTSIDE (\*\*\*SEE IMAGE BELOW FOR REFERENCE\*\*\*)
- -USE SUPPLIED GRADE 8 MOUNTING HARDWARE
- -WITH 4-LINK BARS SET TO PROPER LENGTH, REAR DIFFERENTIAL WILL BE CENTERED IN NOTCH WHEN FULLY COMPRESSED



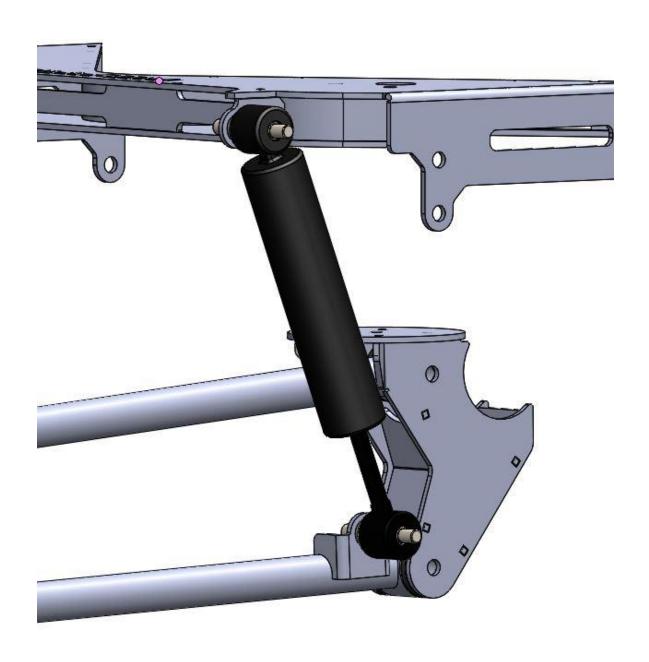
#### WATTS LINK INSTALLATION

- -ASSEMBLE AND INSTALL WATTS LINK USING SUPPLIED GRADE 8 HARDWARE
- -TORQUE ALL HARDWARE TO 65 FT-LBS



#### **SHOCK INSTALLATION**

-INSTALLED VIEW OF PB SHOCK KIT PART#1924426-KIT-4L (\*\*\*INCLUDES KYB SHOCK AND SHOCK MOUNTING STUDS\*\*\*)

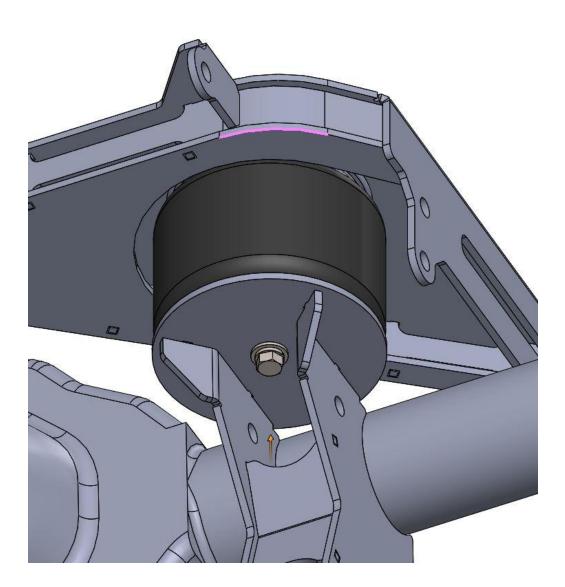


#### **AIRBAG INSTALLATION**

-INSTALLED VIEW OF PB AIRBAG KIT PART#F9000-KIT (\*\*\*INCLUDES FIRESTONE AIRSPRING AND MOUNTING HARDWARE\*\*\*)

\*\*\*DO NOT LET AXLE WEIGHT HANG ON AIRSPRING; CORRECT LENGTH SHOCK MUST BE INSTALLED TO ACT AS LIMITER. OVER EXTENSION OF REAR AIR SPRING WILL LEAD TO DAMAGE AND VOID ANY WARRANTY\*\*\*

\*\*\*MUST USE SUPPLIED 3/8 X .75 BOLTS, LOCKWASHER, AND FLAT WASHER WHEN INSTALLING REAR SLEEVED BAGS. LONGER BOLTS WILL DAMAGE AIRSPRING COMPOSITE ENDS AND VOID ANY WARRANTY\*\*\*



# CONFIRM DRIVE-LINE ANGLES AND FINISH WELDING ON REAR AXLE BRACKETS

-IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE THE DRIVE TRAIN AND DRIVE-SHAFT FULLY MOCKED UP BEFORE FINISH WELDING OF ANY AXLE MOUNTED BRACKETS

## -ENSURE THE FOLLOWING STEPS ARE TAKEN BEFORE FULLY WELDING MOUNTING BRACKETS ATTACHED TO THE AXLE:

- -CONFIRM AND ADJUST DRIVE-LINE ANGLES IF NECESSARY
- -CYCLE SUSPENSION MULTIPLE TIMES THROUGH ITS TRAVEL WITH ALL COMPONENTS MOCKED UP TO ENSURE NO BINDING OR CLEARANCE ISSUES ARE PRESENT
- -CHECK AGAIN AND AGAIN.... MEASURE 100 MORE TIMES....
- -THE MOUNTING BRACKETS ATTACHED TO THE REAR DIFFERENTIAL MAY NOW BE FULLY WELDED (3)

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