



When installing precast planks, we should have the precast contractor **plug the ends with mortar**, in most cases, to prevent animals and water from getting in the cavities during construction.



Precast planks are typically made with a denser concrete mix, meaning water that gets into the cavities will eventually come out, but it may take a few weeks or months.



*The plugs should NOT be a loose type material*



**Plugs are NOT a structural requirement; it is a constructability need.**

**Budget/estimate or negotiate the mortar plugs into the Precast Contractor's scope of work and prevent animal and water damage.**

*Contact the Quality Department with any questions.*

