

1000 BEACON STREET ~~ BREA, CA 92821 714-990-8850 Fax 714-990-8854 2001 FORD F-250/350 SUPER DUTY 2 WHEEL DRIVE 2000 FORD EXCURSION 2 WHEEL DRIVE FTS411 I BEAM DROP BRACKETS

## PARTS LIST:

1 EA. I BEAM BRACKET PASSENGER SIDE FT410-1041 EA. I BEAM BRACKET DRIVERS SIDE FT410-1039 EA. ½" X 1 ¼" BOLTS GR 812 EA.½" NYLOCK NUTS24 EA.½" SAE WASHERS1 EA. PITMAN ARM FT3101 EA. COTTER PIN

## TOOL LIST:

FLOOR JACK JACK STANDS AIR HAMMER WITH CHISEL AND PUNCH BITS DRILL WITH 1/8" AND 1/2" BITS ASSORTED METRIC AND S. A. E. WRENCHES AND SOCKETS C-CLAMPS OR VISE CLAMPS WHITE LITHIUM GREASE

**READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY FROM START TO FINISH BEFORE BEGINNING INSTALLATION.** 

WARNING: FABTECH RECOMMENDS THAT YOU EXERCISE EXTREME CAUTION WHEN WORKING WITH COIL SPRINGS TO AVOID ANY POSSIBILITY OF INJURY.

THIS KIT MUST BE INSTALLED WITH THE FTS409 RADIUS ARM KIT AND FTS131 OR FTS136 COIL SPRINGS.

SWAY BAR DROP BRACKETS ARE INCLUDED WITH THE FTS131 AND FTS136 COIL SPRING KITS.

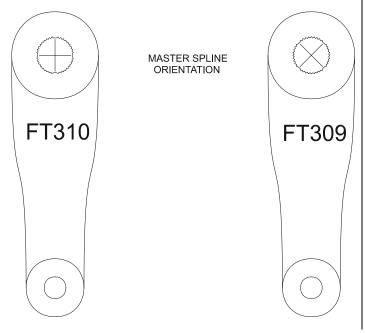
## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Jack up the front end of the truck and support the frame, at the front frame rails, with jack stands. NEVER WORK UNDER AN UNSUPPORTED VEHICLE. Remove the front tires.
- Remove the brake calipers and tie them up out of the way. DO NOT ALLOW THE CALIPERS TO HANG FROM THE BRAKE LINES! Remove the front shocks and the sway bar end links. Loosen

the I Beam pivot bolts, **DO NOT REMOVE THESE BOLTS FROM THE I BEAM BRACKETS.** 

3. Support the I beams with floor jacks and remove the J clips at the top of the coil spring. Lower the floor jacks supporting the I beams to release the coil springs from the coil buckets and remove the nut at the bottom of the coil springs. Set the coil spring, retaining washer, insulator and lower washer aside. Separate the drag link from the pitman arm. Remove the bolts securing the radius arms to the radius arm mounts and the I beam pivot bolts. Set the radius arm/I Beam assemblies aside.

- 4. The rivets and bolts securing the factory I beam brackets to the frame must be removed. The rivets can be removed by drilling out the heads and pushing the rivet out of the frame with a hammer and punch.
- 5. Attach the new drop brackets to the frame using the included hardware. You will reuse most of the factory holes and have to drill some new ones. Locate the existing holes with the supplied bolts and mark the new holes that must be drilled with a center punch. Drill the holes with a pilot drill (1/8") and follow through with a <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" drill. BE SURE THERE IS NOTHING BEHIND THE FRAME SECTIONS YOU ARE DRILLING THROUGH, PLACE A PIECE OF PLATE STEEL ABOVE THE FRAME BELOW THE OIL PAN TO PREVENT DRILLING INTO THE PAN. Tighten all the fasteners securing the brackets to the frame.



- 6. Remove the nut securing the original pitman arm to the steering box shaft. A pitman arm puller must be used to remove the pitman arm from the steering shaft. Using the diagram shown above, confirm that the master spline orientation on your factory pitman arm matches the one on the FT310 pitman arm supplied with this kit. If they do not match, you will need to purchase a FTS309 replacement pitman arm. Align the master splines on the steering shaft, replace the original washer and nut and torque the new unit in place at 200-225 ft.-lbs.
- 7. Slide the I beams into the new drop brackets reusing the factory bolts, do not tighten them yet. Reattach the drag link onto the new pitman arm and torque the castle nut, be sure to install a new cotter pin. Reinstall the coil springs the same way they were removed. Replace the tires and fully torque the lug nuts. Set the truck back on the ground. Reattach the sway bar end links to the I beams, using the factory hardware. Fully torque the I beam pivot bolts and check all other fasteners. Set the toe-in to approximate factory specs. We recommend driving the truck for approximately fifty miles and then have the truck aligned to factory specs.

## **RETORQUE ALL NUTS, BOLTS AND LUGS AFTER 50 MILES AND PERIODICALLY THEREAFTER**. For technical assistance call: 714-990-8850

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