

# *Trabantenbodywork*

the Trabant project 2002 - 2006, from an East German Trabant to a US El Camino

- ENGINE
- CHASSIS
- SUSPENSION
- FRONTED SUPPORTS
- IMPROS
- BRAKE LINES & PROPORTIONING VALVE
- FUEL LINES
- CUT OUT FLOOR
- CHOP BODY IN HALF
- OUT RIGGERS
- WIRE WHEELS
- FLOOR SUPPORTS
- STEERING
- BRAKE BOOSTER
- FLOOR BOARD & FIREWALL STENCILS
- RADIATOR
- POWER STEERING
- WHEEL WELLS
- BATTERY HOLDER
- TRANS OIL COOLER
- SHIFTER
- FLOOR BOARDS
- REAR EXTENSION
- GAS TANK
- FIXED YOKE
- HORN REMOVAL/BUMPER SUPPORT
- FIRENAR
- PEDAL ASSEMBLY
- WIRING HARNESS
- EXPANDABLE BRAKE,  
GAS & HARNESS LINES
- DASH
- DRIVE SHAFT
- EXTENDING QUARTER PANELS
- COLLAPSING PASSENGER CAB
- FRONT LINER & SUPPORTS
- TEAR DOWN
- PAINT
- REBUILD
- UPHOLSTERY

VEB Sachsenring- Automobilwerke Zwickau					
Baujahr	1987	Rahmentyp	P 601	Typ Modell	Trabant P601 LX
zul. Achslast <sup>1</sup> vo/hh kp	460/550	Motortyp	P65-66B	Fahrgestell Nr.	3627177
zul. Gesamtmasse kg	1010	Eigenmasse kg	625	Rahmen Nr.	
zul. Anhängelast kp	300/400	Sitzplätze	4	Motor Nr.	
ungebr./gebremst					

Made in German Democratic Republic

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### Fahrzeugbrief

Das Fahrzeug ist heute mit dem amtlichen Kennzeichen		*B-CX8718*	zum Verkehr zugelassen worden für:
Vorname, Name (ggf. auch Geburtsname), Firma		Michael Meier	
		geb. am	14.01.62
Wohnort/Firmensitz am Tag der Zulassung		Berlin	
		Postleitzahl und Ort, Datum	10965 Berlin, 17.06.02
		Landesbevölkerungsamt Berlin	
Stempel		Im Auftrag	
		Unterschrift	
Das Fahrzeug ist heute mit dem amtlichen Kennzeichen		S-RB 2617	umgeschrieben worden auf:
Vorname, Name (ggf. auch Geburtsname), Firma		Elizabeth Victoria Cohen	
		geb. am	15.02.1973
Wohnort/Firmensitz am Tag der Umschreibung		70197 Stuttgart	
		Postleitzahl und Ort, Datum	70049 Stuttgart, 08.10.2002
		Landeshauptstadt Stuttgart	
Stempel		Amt für öffentliche Ordnung	
		Zulassungsstelle 08/10/02	
Das Fahrzeug ist heute mit dem amtlichen Kennzeichen			

Anschrift des Besitzers

Else Mietendorf  
1509 Mietendorf  
Am Vorstell 32

Fahrzeug-Nr. 3627177  
Zugelassen am 12.1.87  
Motor-Nr.  
Pol. Kennzeichen DPL 1-93

Einlage zum Kfz-Zulassungsschein  
Abgasprüfung/  
sonstige Überprüfungen  
pol. Kennzeichen DPL 1-93

Datum	Unterschrift Prüfstempel



THE TRABANT ARRIVES TO THE USA TO BECOME AN EL CAMINO



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CUT BACK HALF OF PASSENGER CAB. THIS PART WILL SLIDE FORWARD TO MAKE THE EL CAMINO CAB



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LEAVING WORLDWIDE CUSTOMS



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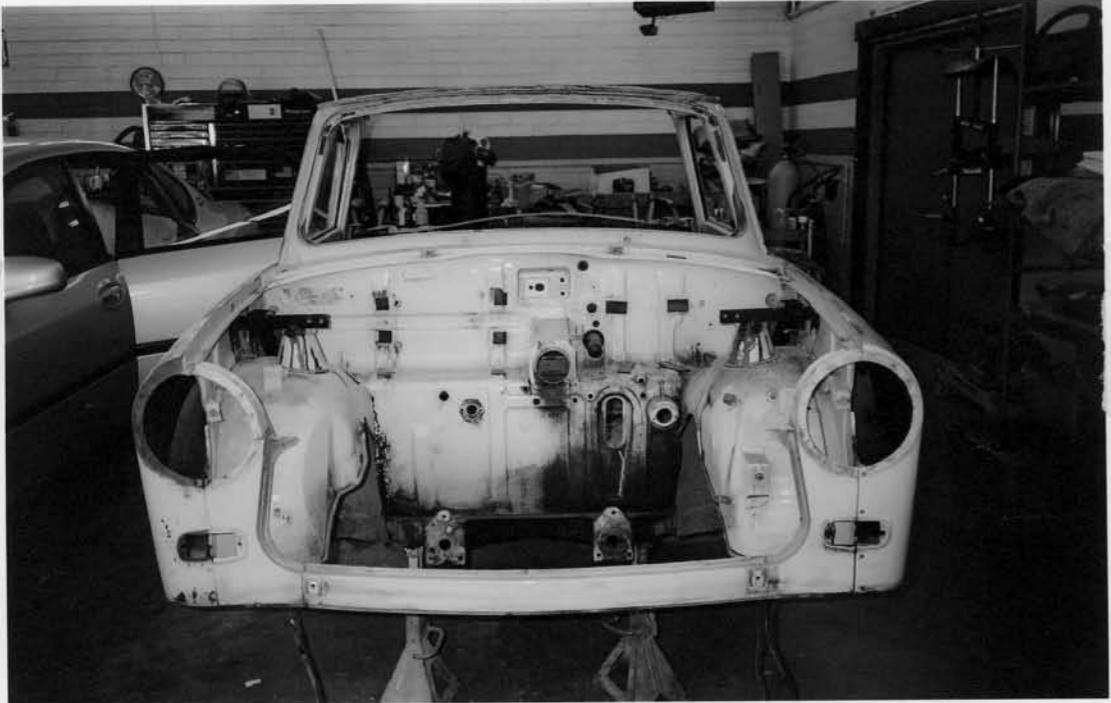


GUY OVERFELT'S GARAGE - SF



ELWOOD BODY WORKS - ARIZONA

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EMPTY ENGINE COMPARTMENT



TRABANT'S 2 STROKE ENGINE



JUNKYARD - LOOKING FOR A SMALL BLOCK THAT RUNS WELL

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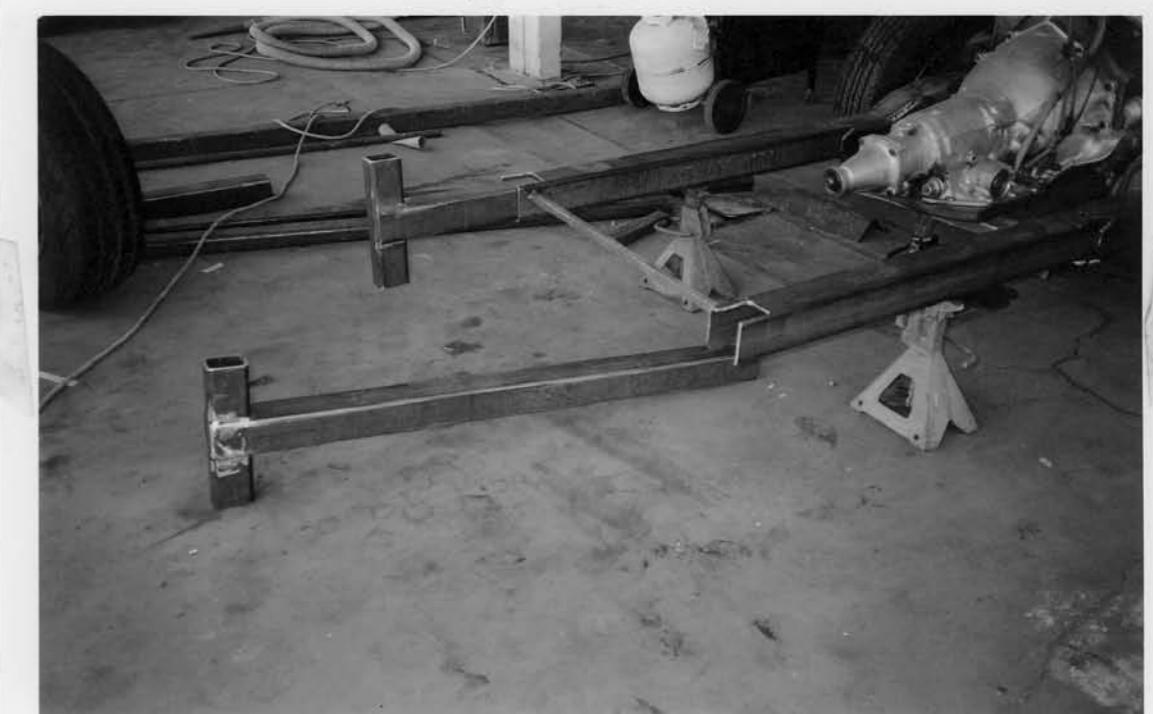
CUTTING FRONT END OFF S-10 CHASSIS TO BE  
ABLE TO MOUNT A SMALL BLOCK



REINFORCING JOINT



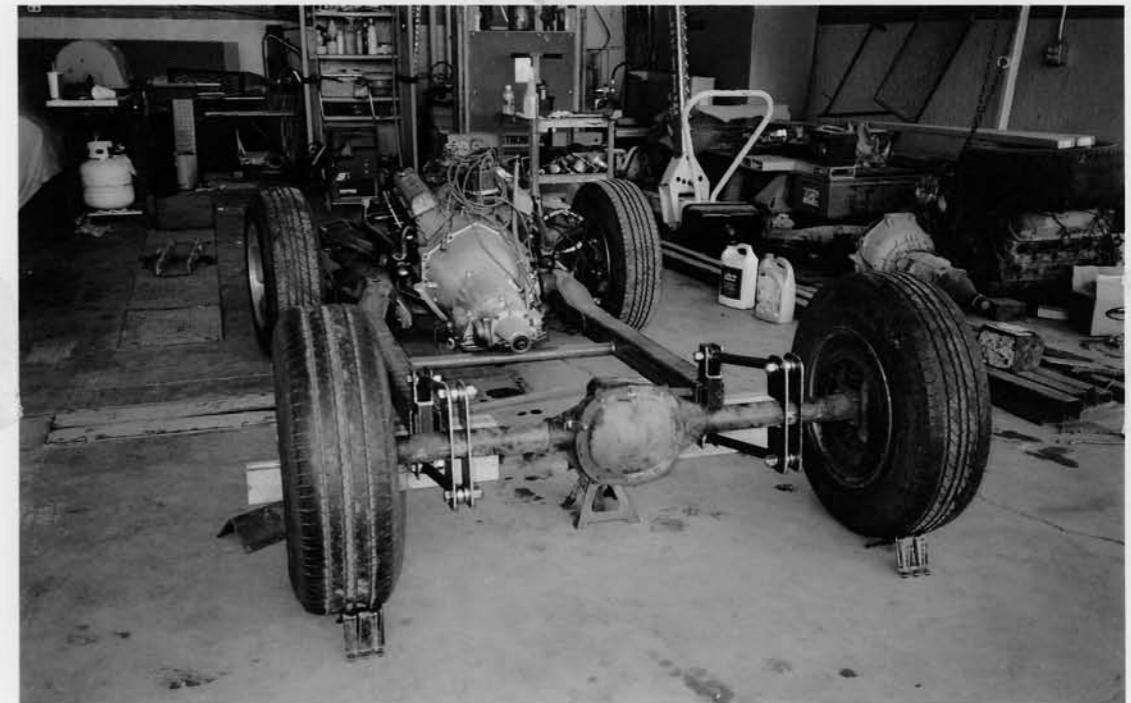
ATTACHING RAILS



SLIDING RAILS WITH UPRIGHTS FOR SUSPENSION



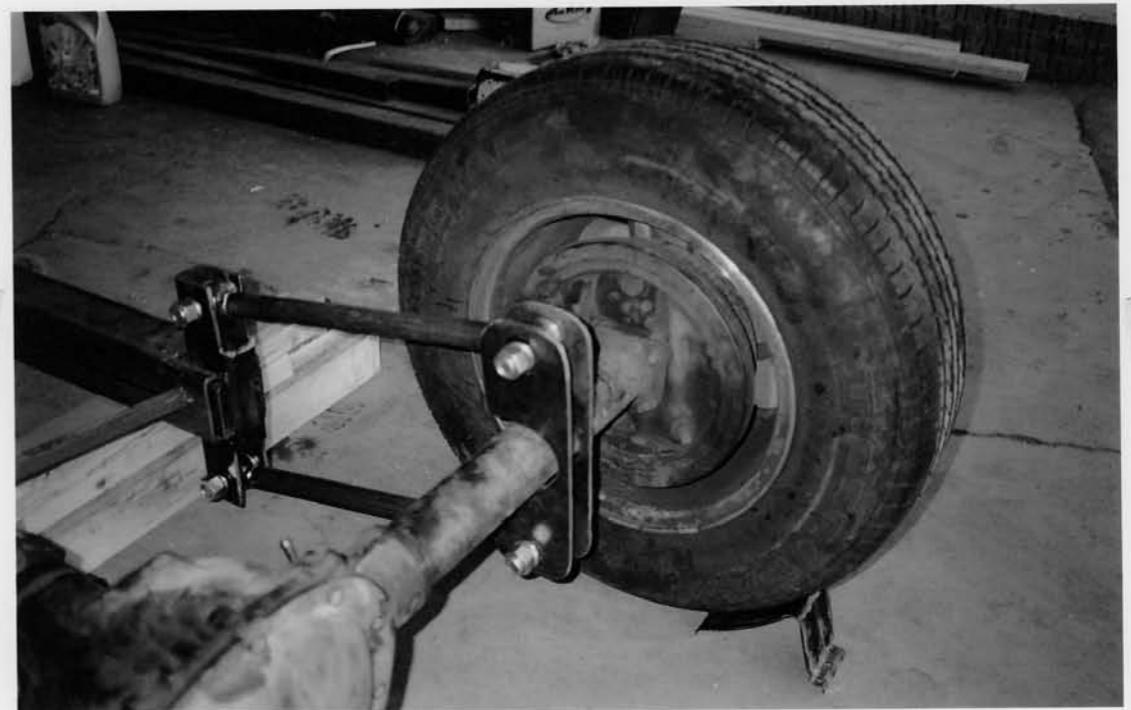
PREPARING FOR SUSPENSION - REAR END FROM S-10

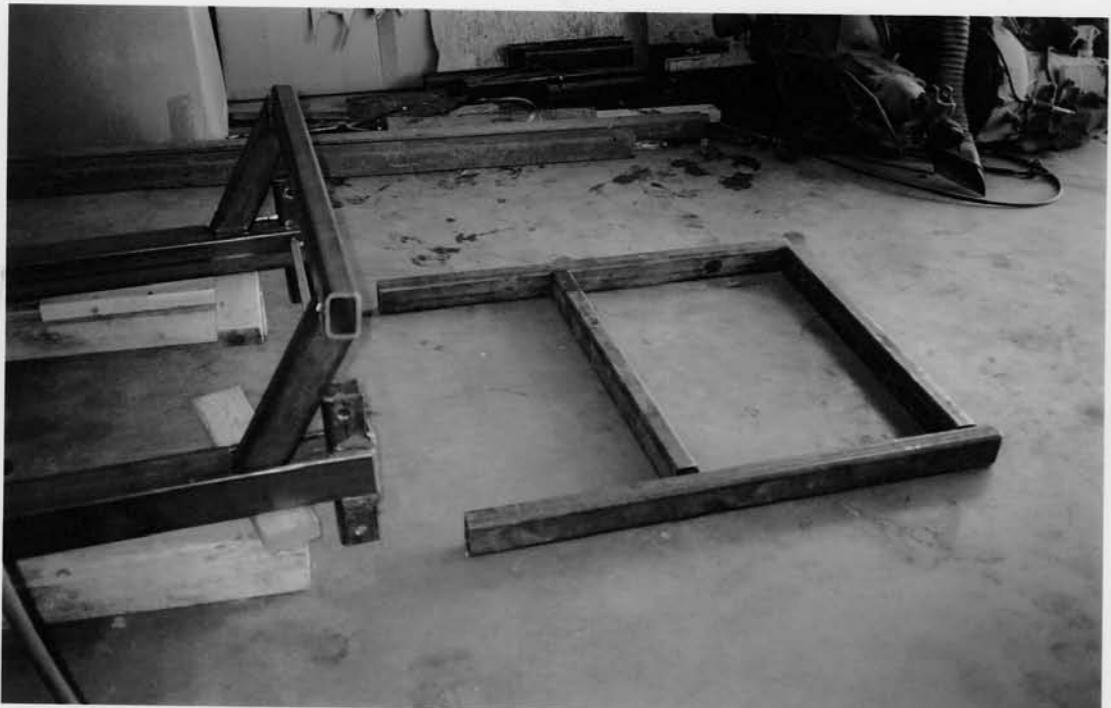


SUSPENSION SET AT RIDE HEIGHT



PARALLEL 4-LINK SUSPENSION

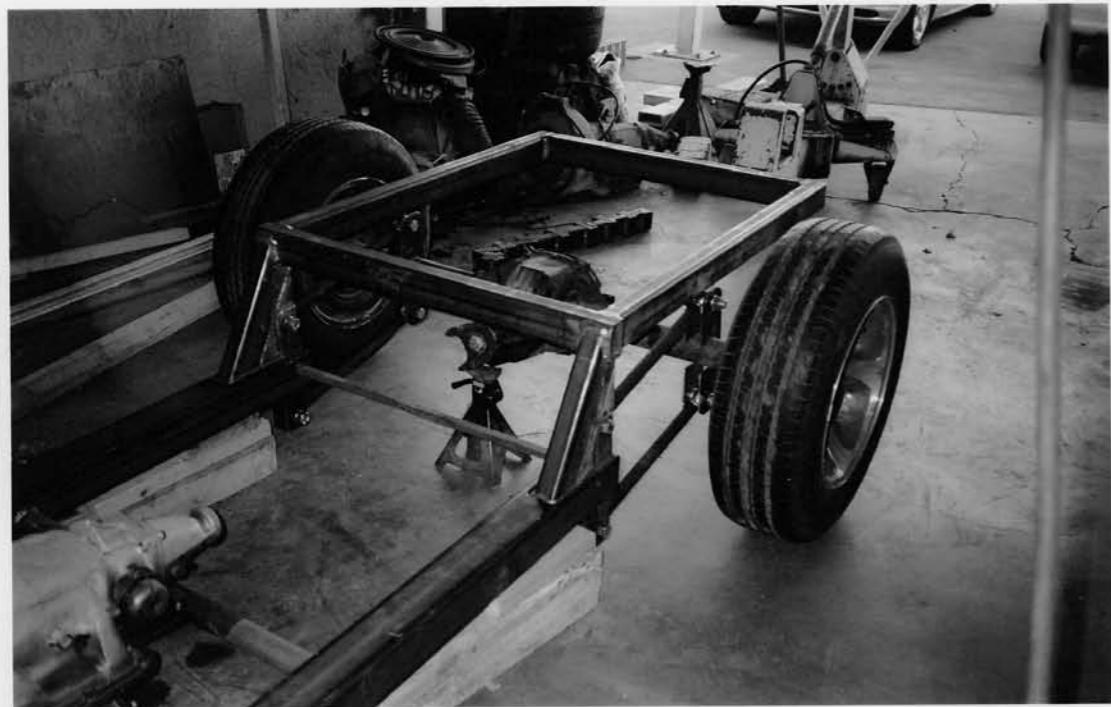




FRAMEWORK FOR FLATBED



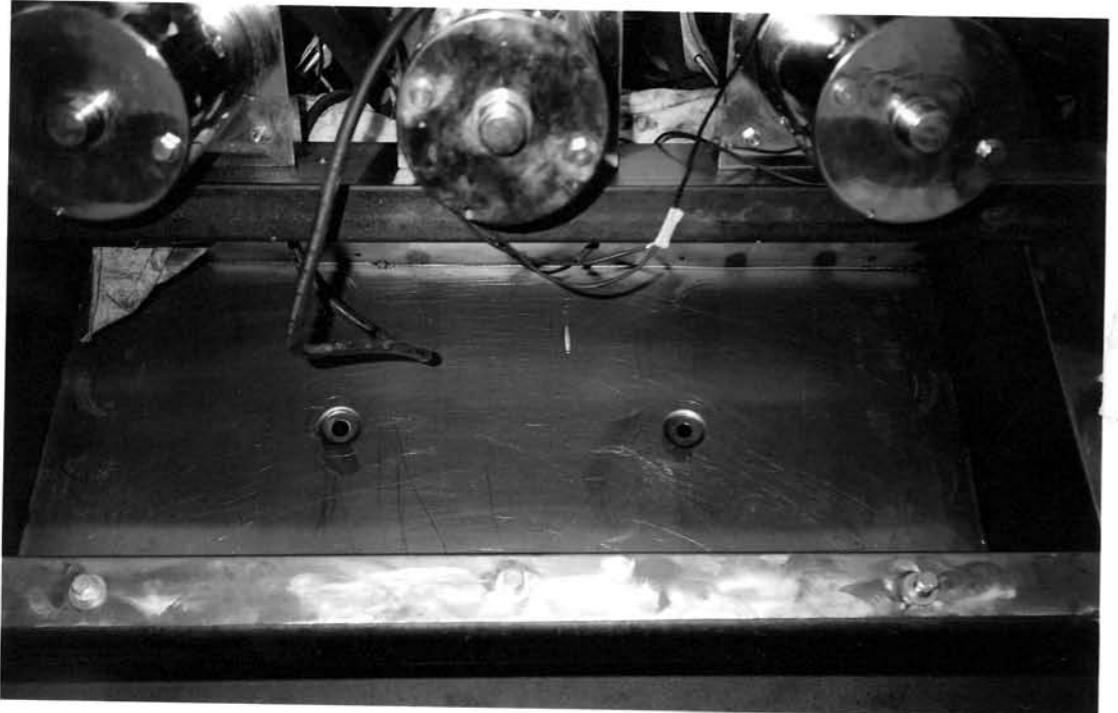
REAR SUSPENSION HYDRAULIC CYLINDERS - 18 INCHES



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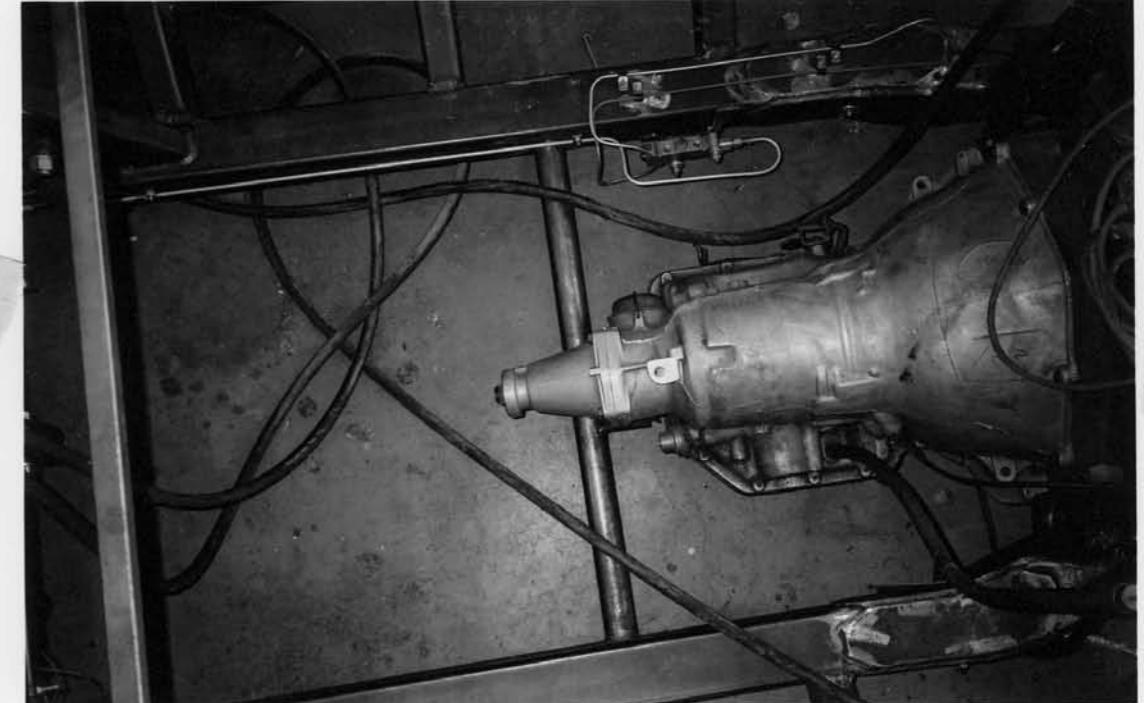


BOX FOR HYDRAULIC BATTERIES. DRAIN HOLES



2 OUTER PUMPS FOR SUSPENSION HYDROS. MIDDLE PUMP  
FOR CHASSIS HYDROS. 6 BATTERIES, 4 FOR SUSPENSION,  
2 FOR CHASSIS.

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BRAKE LINES



BRAKE PROPORTIONING VALVE

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CUTTING OUT SUPPORTS FROM WORLDWIDE.



CUTTING OUT FIREWALL & FLOOR TO MAKE ROOM  
FOR ENGINE & TRANSMISSION

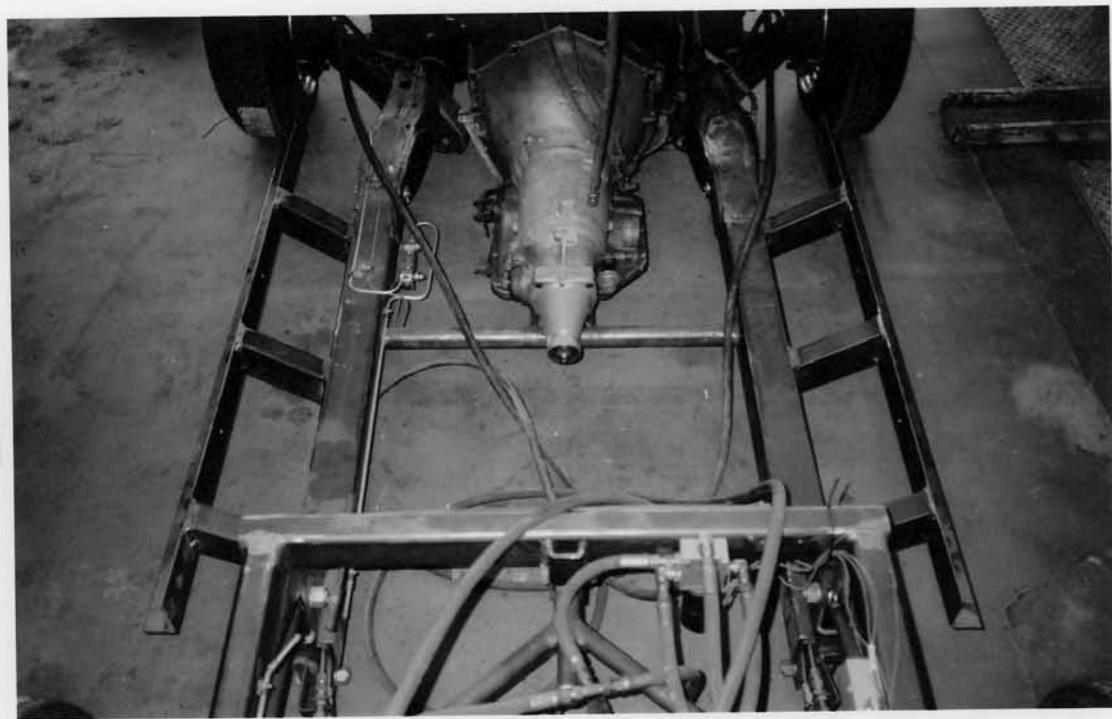


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CUT BODY IN HALF TO MAKE EXTENDABLE

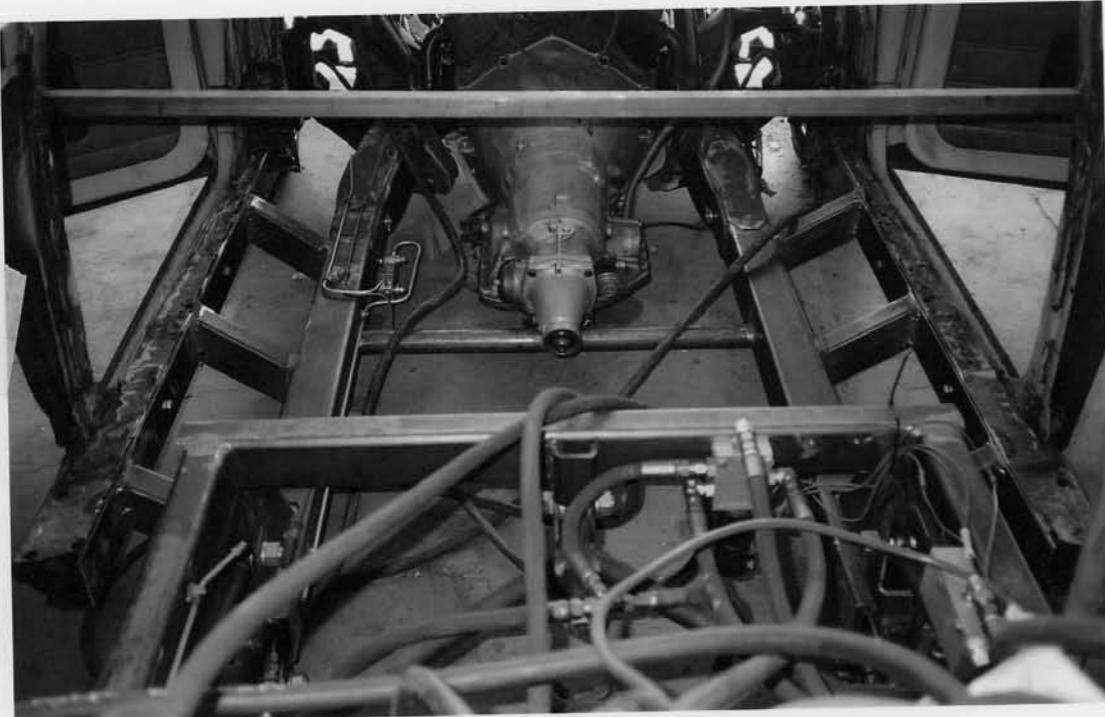
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OUTRIGGERS TO HOLD BODY ON CHASSIS



BODY ON FRAME



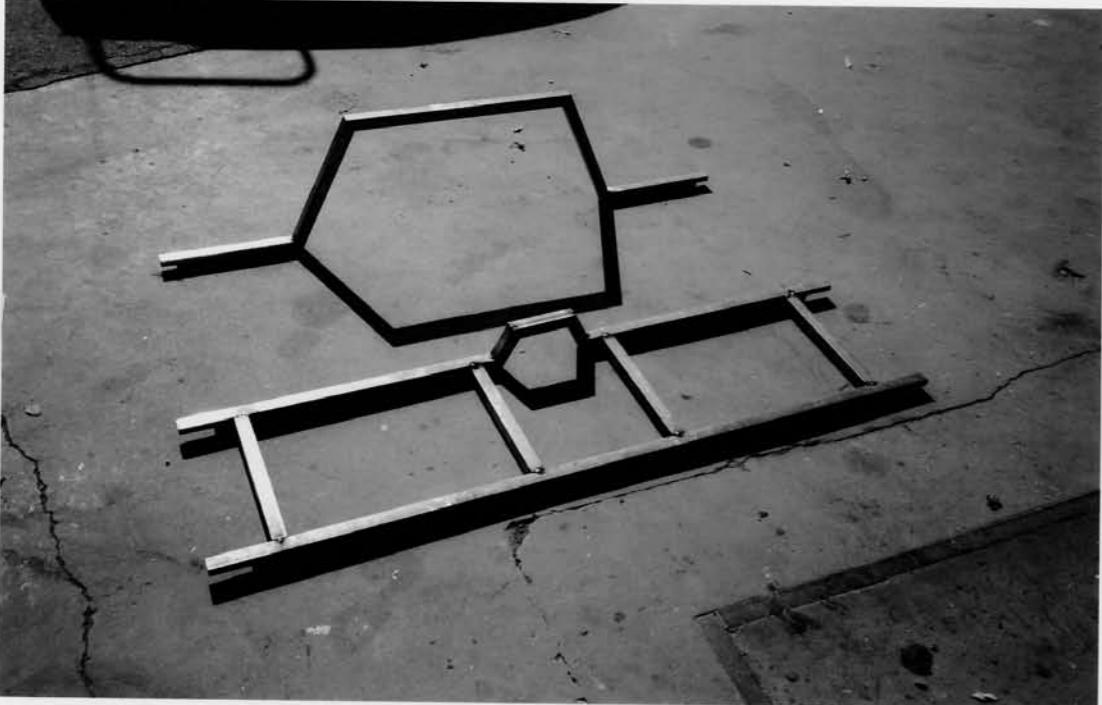
BODY BOLTED TO FRAME

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OUTRIGGER CLOSE-UP

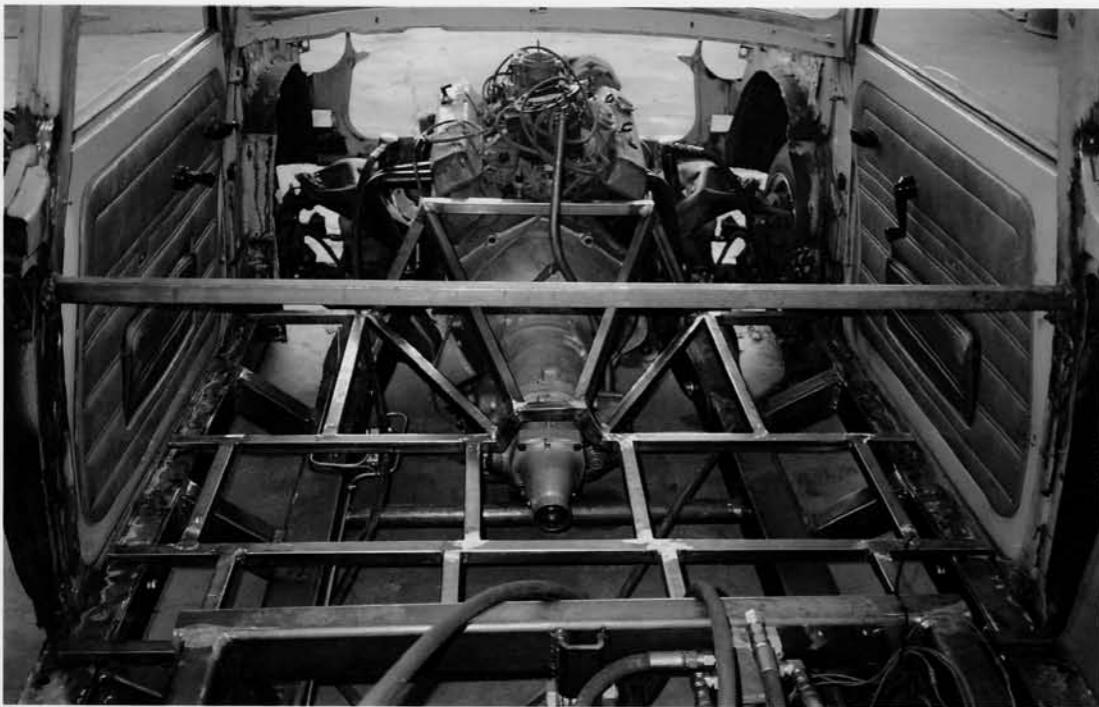
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FRAMEWORK FOR TRANSMISSION TUNNEL

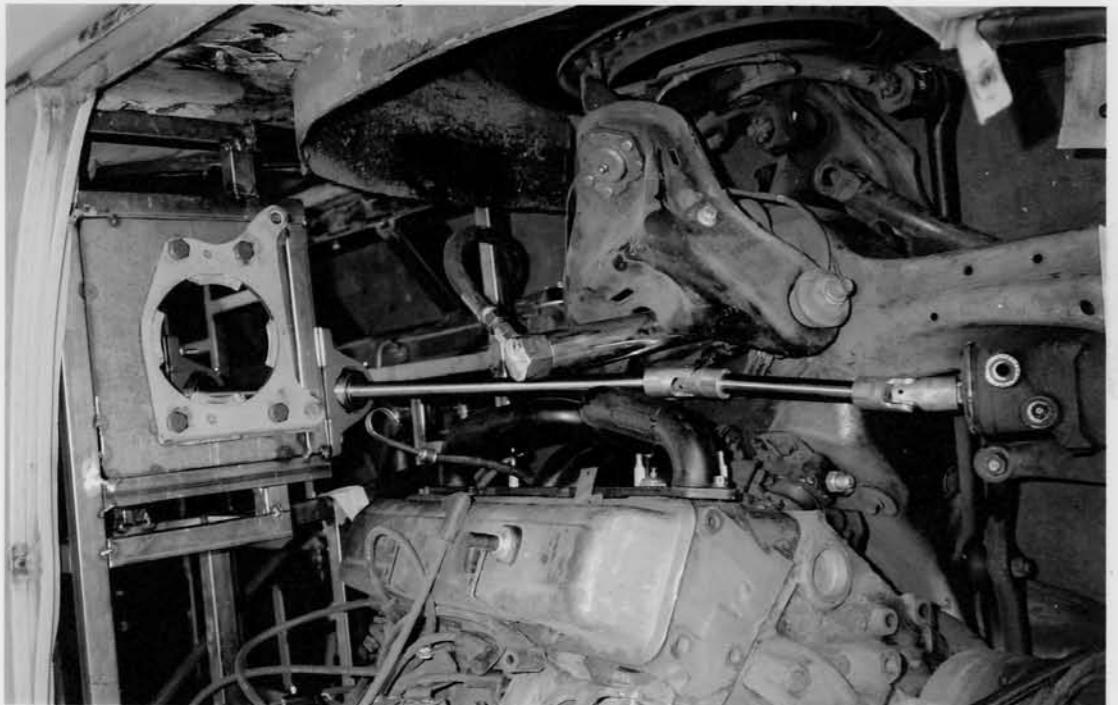


FIREWALL FRAMEWORK & BRAKE BOOSTER BRACKET



FLOOR FRAME





STEERING COLUMN



U-JOINTS FOR STEERING COLUMN

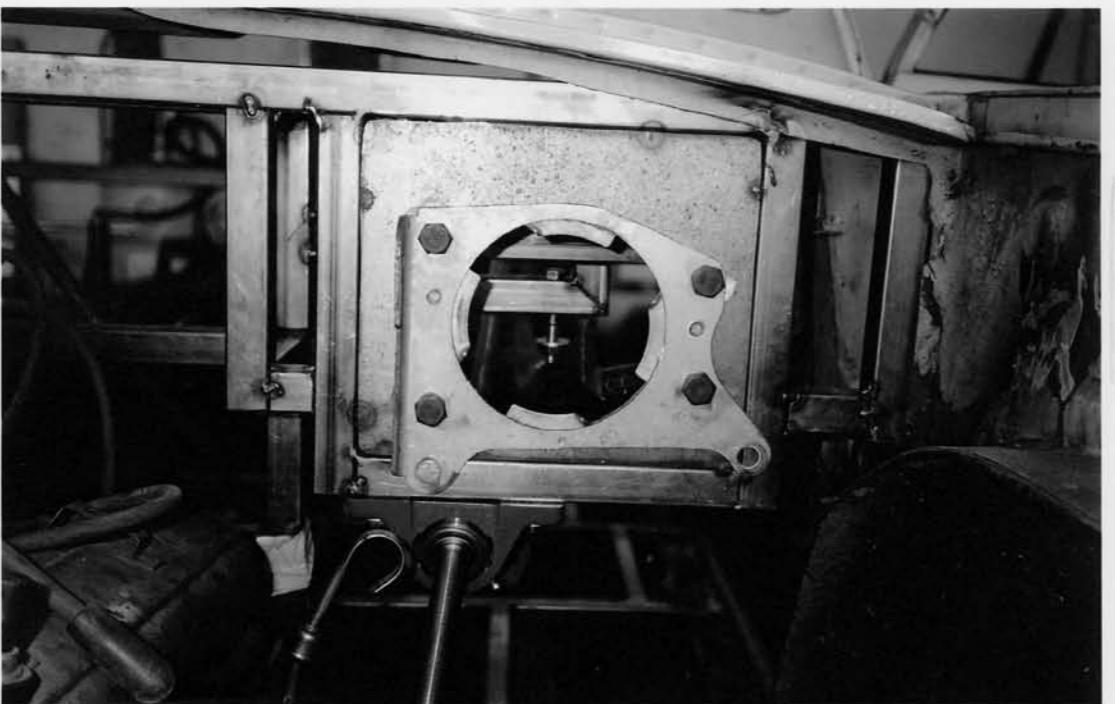


STEERING COLUMN PILLOW BLOCKS

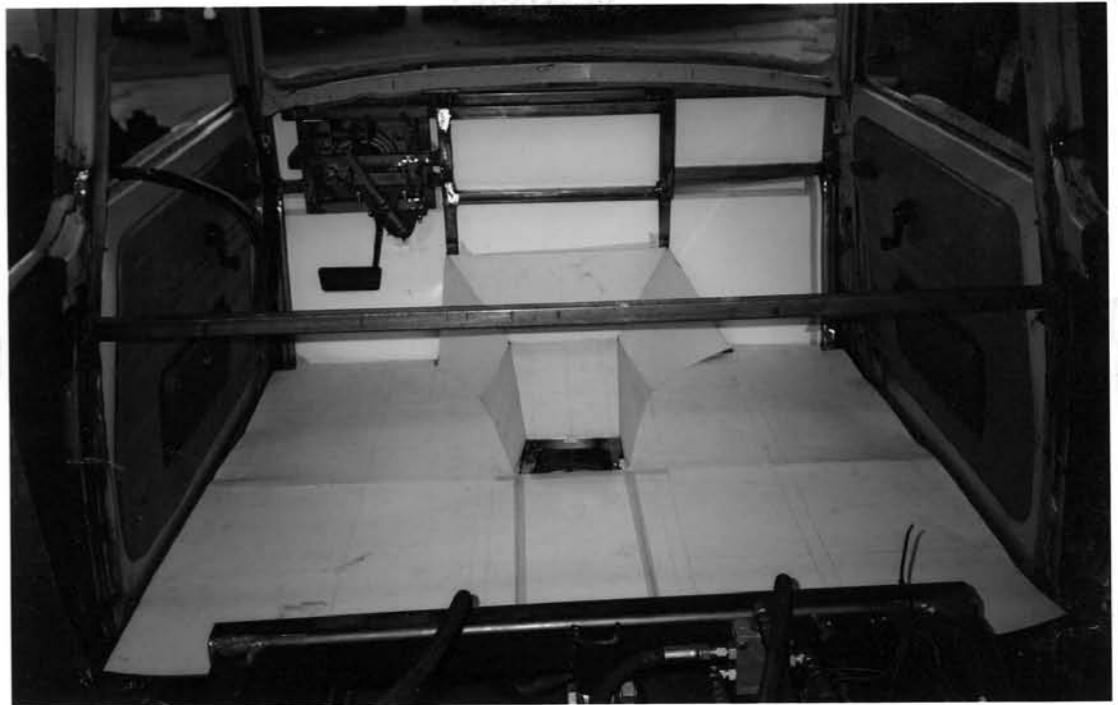
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BRAKE BOOSTER BRACKET

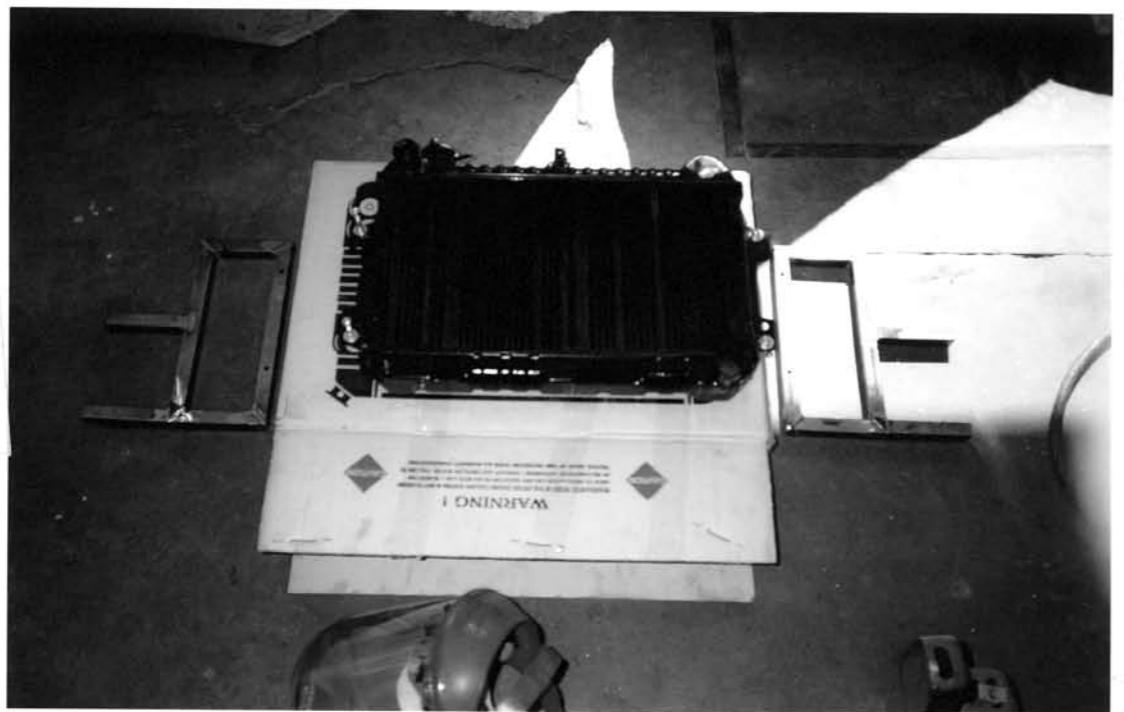


STENCILS FOR FLOORBOARDS & FIREWALL



BRAKE BOOSTER & MASTER CYLINDER





BUILDING RADIATOR SUPPORTS



POWER STEERING PUMP



RADIATOR AND SLIM LINE FAN

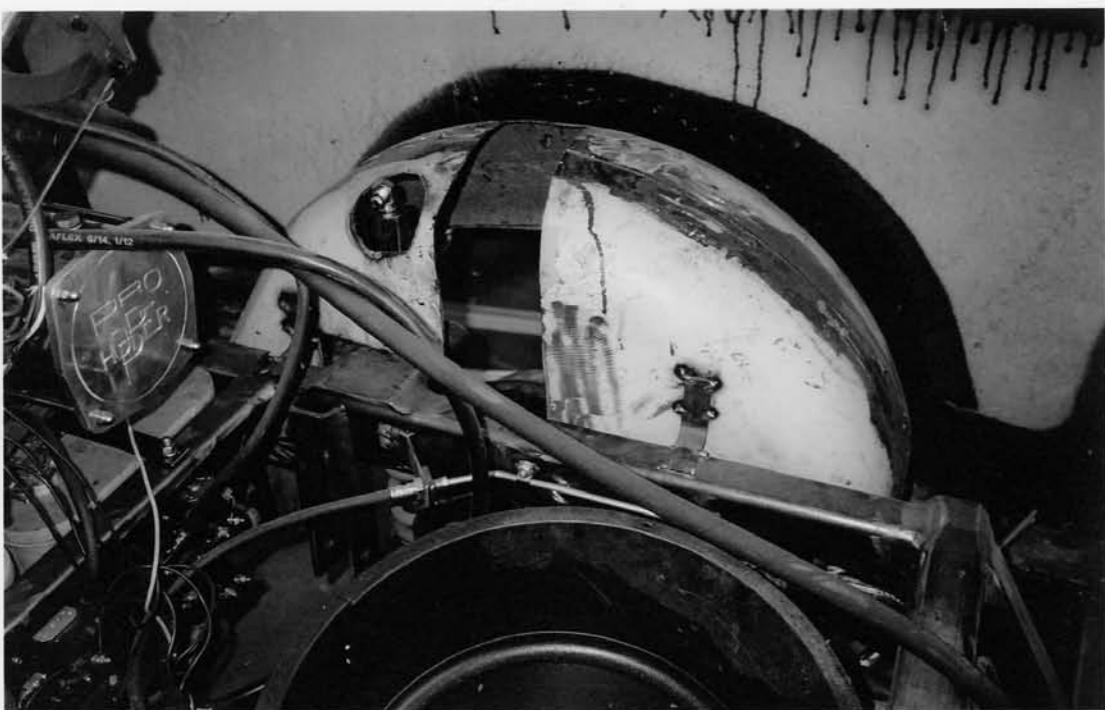




ATTACHING WHEEL WHEELS TO FRAME



KNOCK OFF 13 + 7 WIRE WHEEL

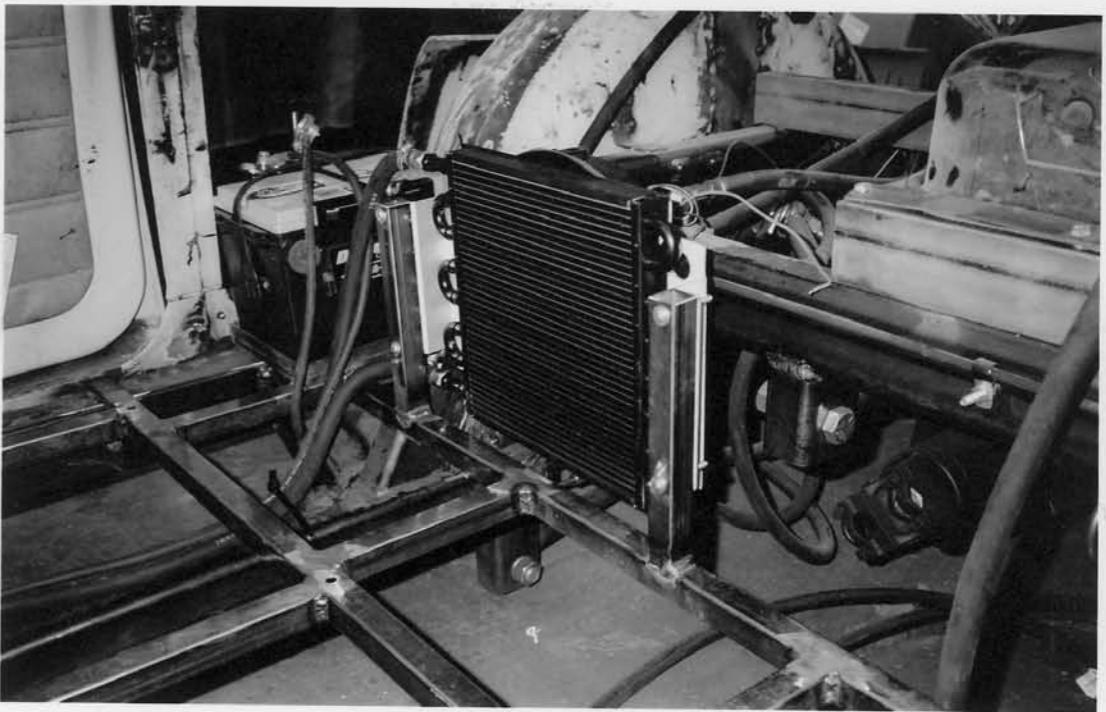


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LINING UP QUARTER PANELS & REAR

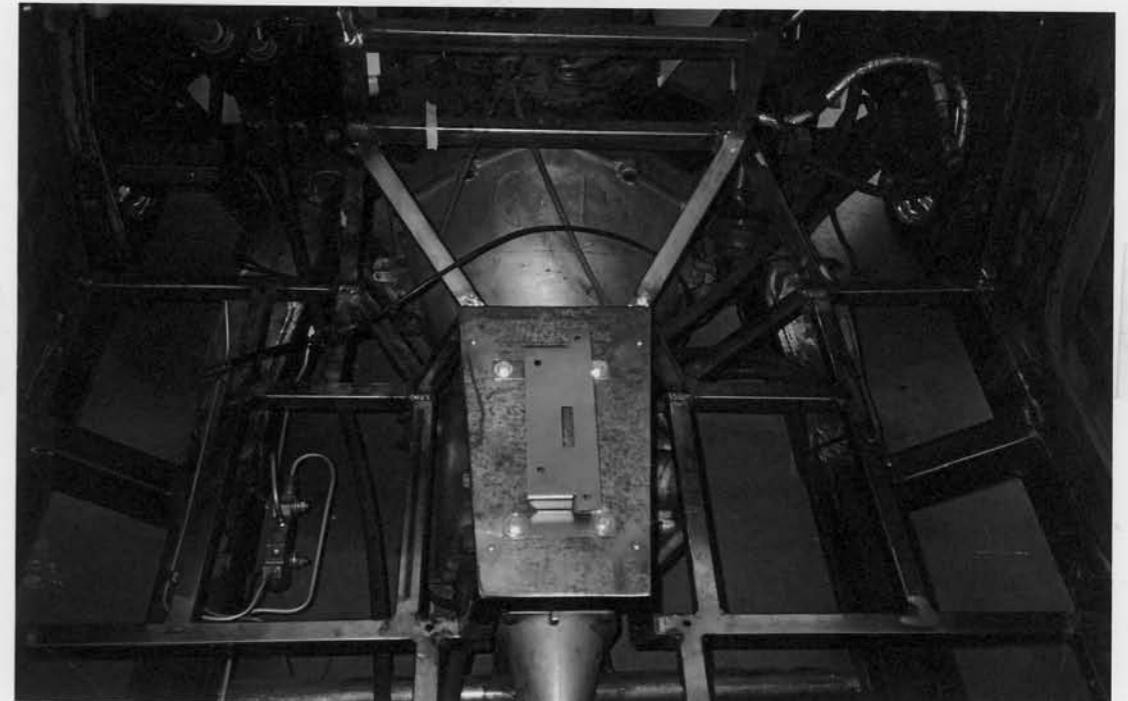
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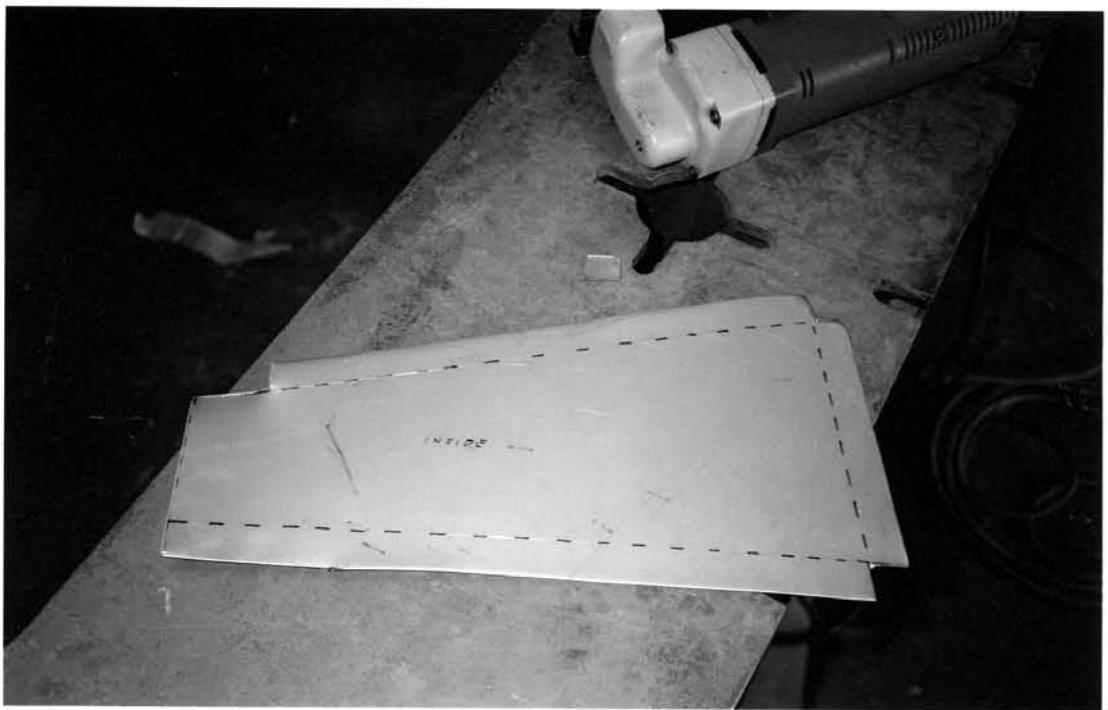
TRANSMISSION OIL COOLER



BUILDING BATTERY HOLDER



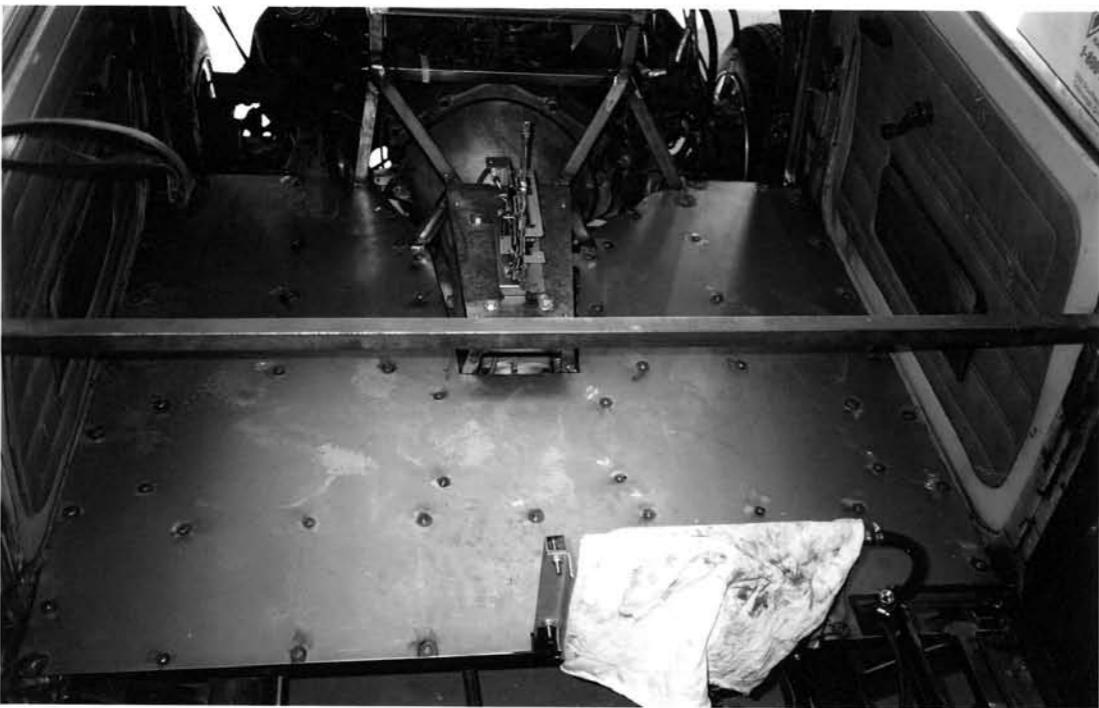
SHIFTER



TRANSMISSION COVER PANEL



TRANSMISSION COVER

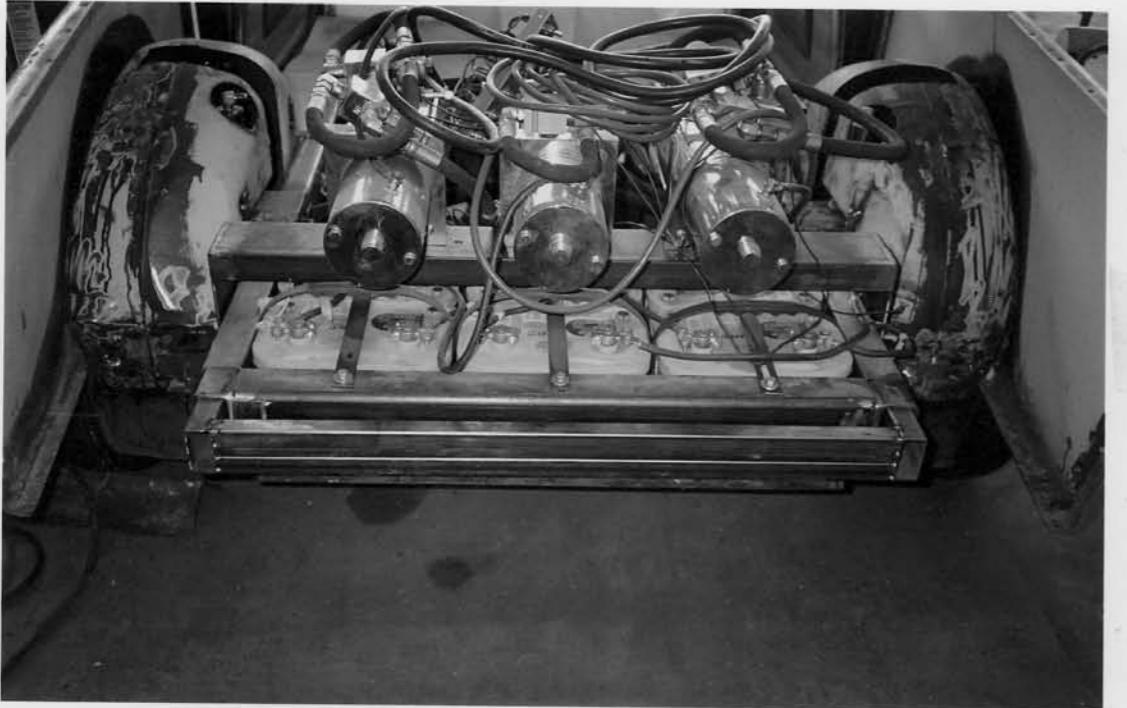


FLOOR BOARD

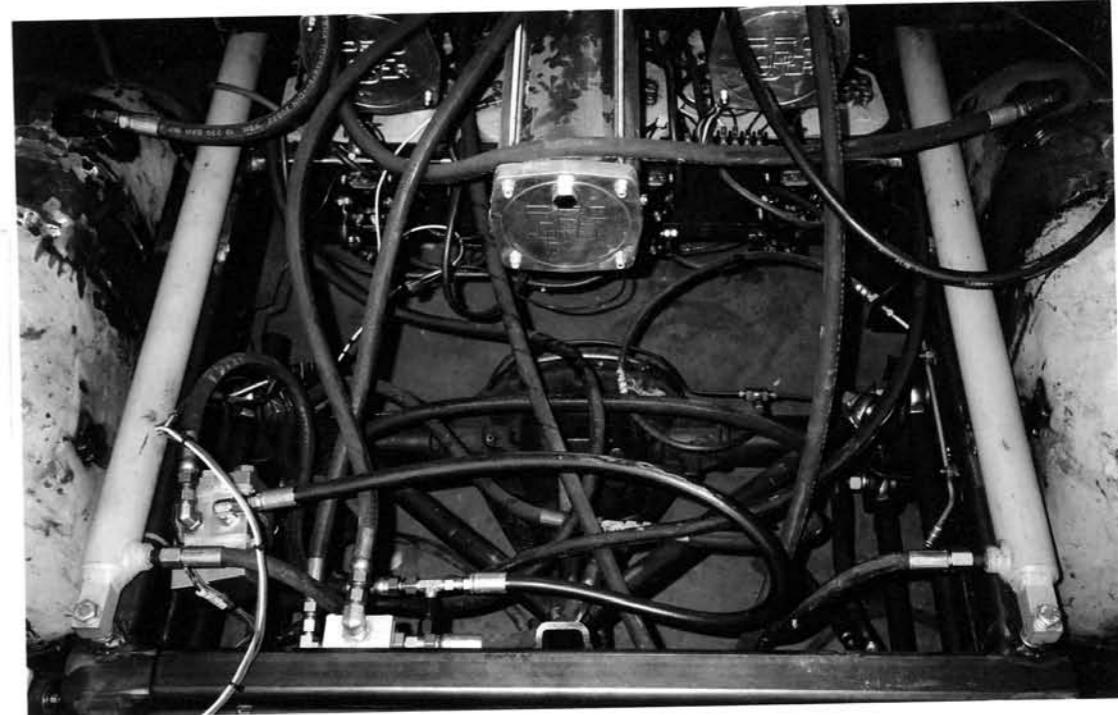
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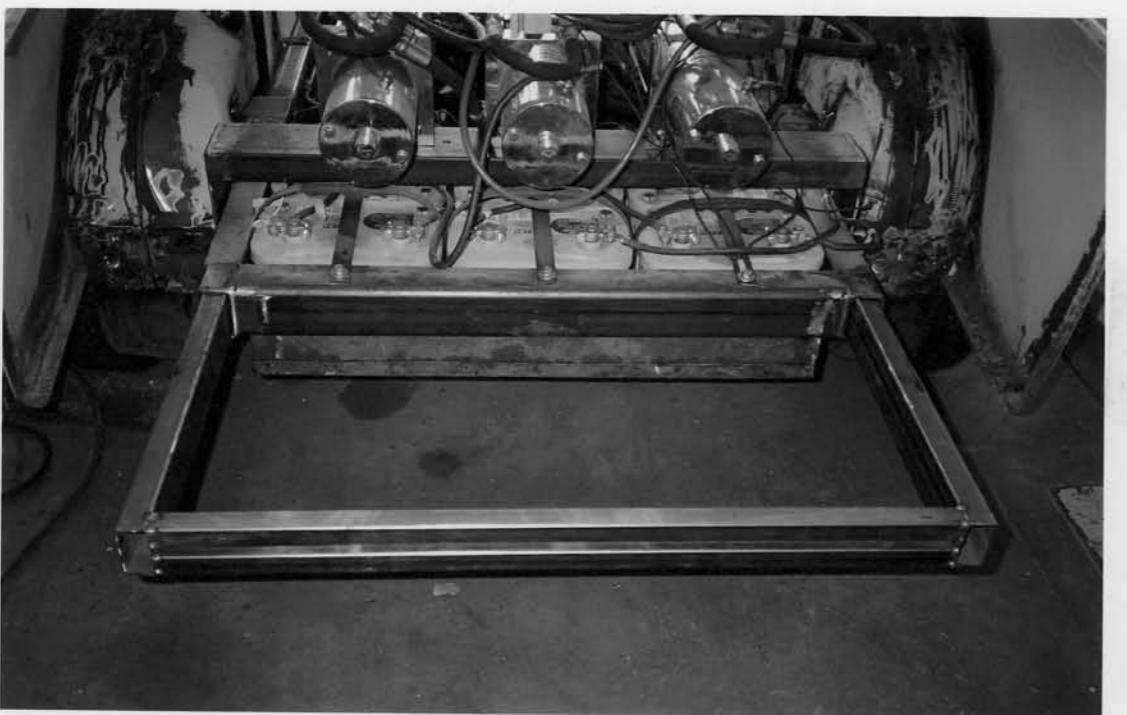
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REAR EXTENSION



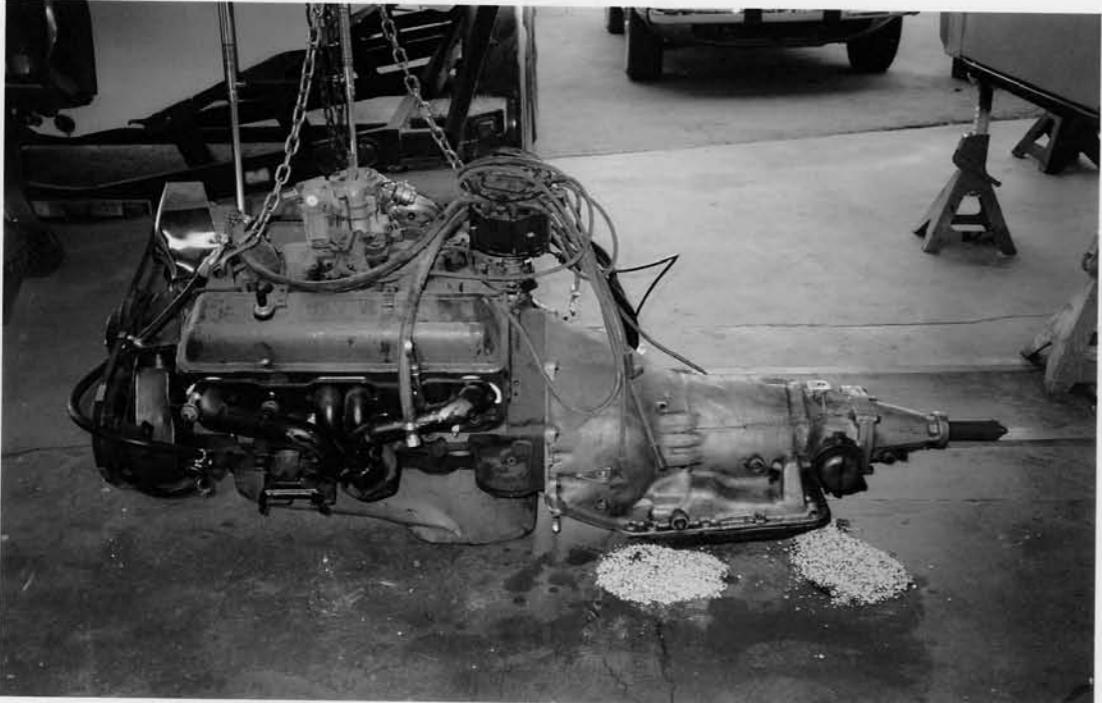
DUAL ACTING HYDRAULIC CYLINDERS FOR REAR  
EXTENSION



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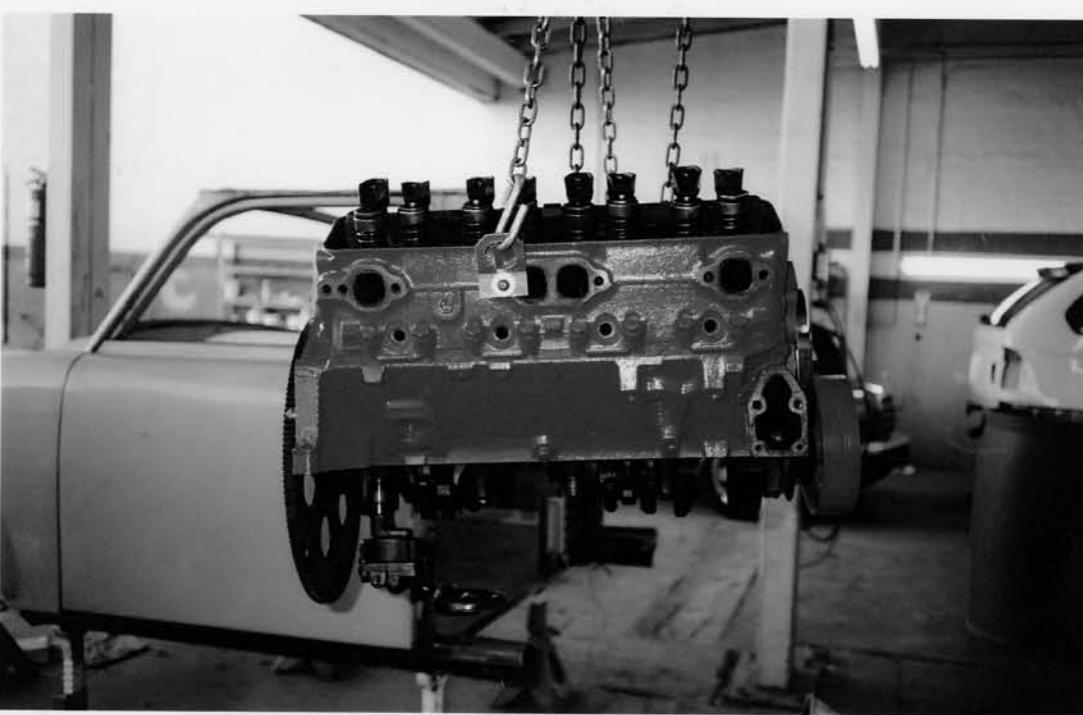
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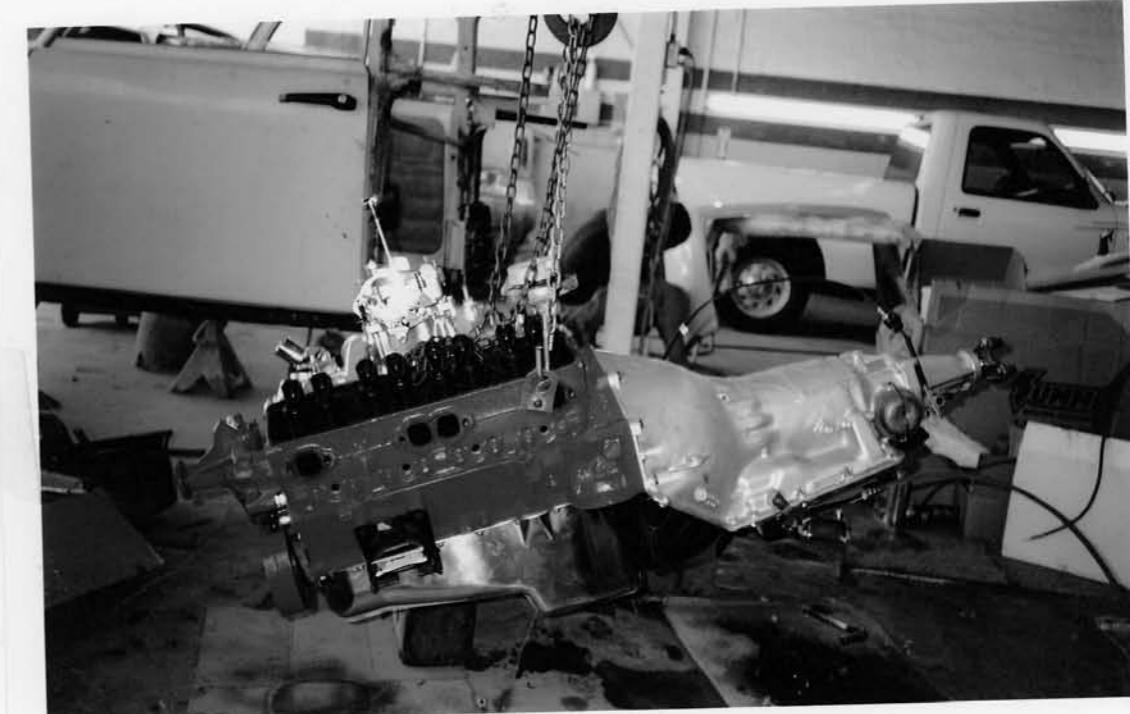
PAINTING ENGINE CHEVY ORANGE



PAINTING TRANSMISSION ALUMINUM.



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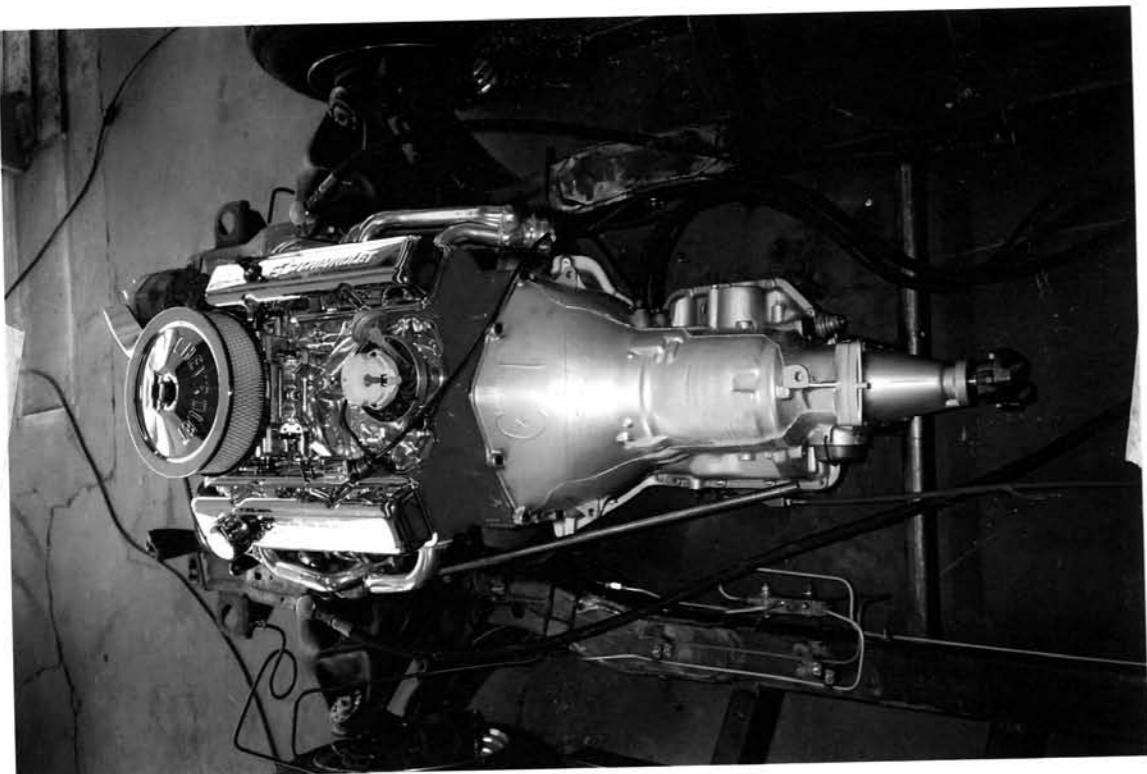
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FIXED YOKE FOR TELESCOPING DRIVE SHAFT



REMOVING S-10 HOMS



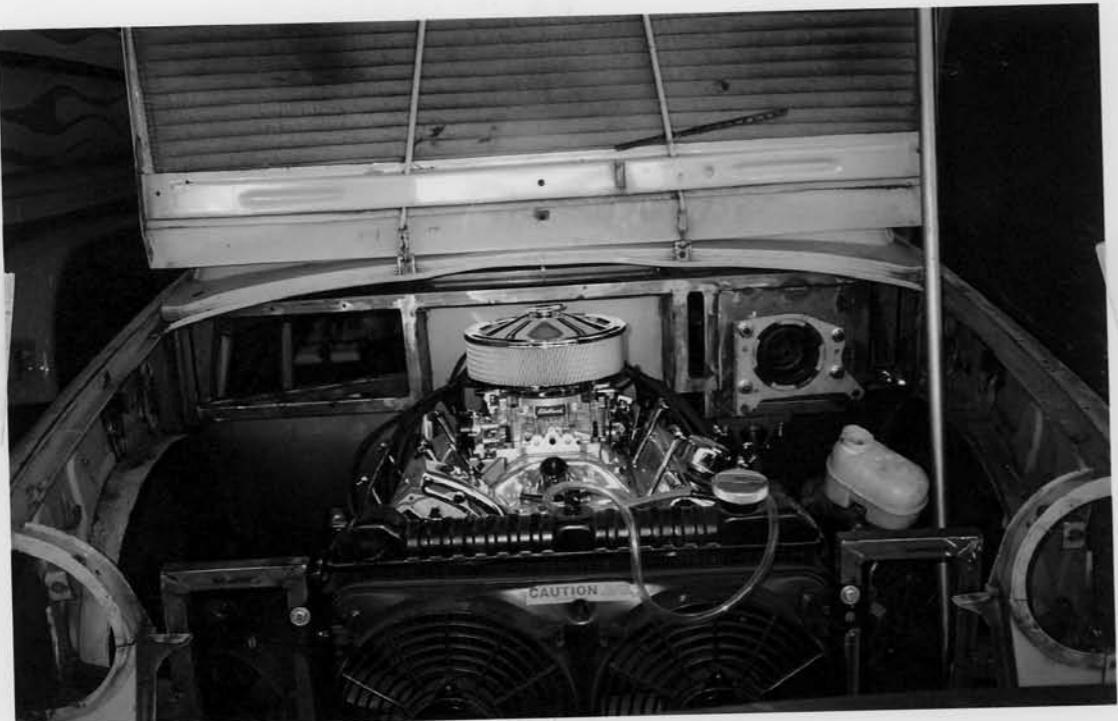
ENGINE DRESS-UP - INTAKE MANIFOLD, CARBURATOR,  
VALVE COVERS

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METAL PLATE FOR BUMPER ATTACHMENT

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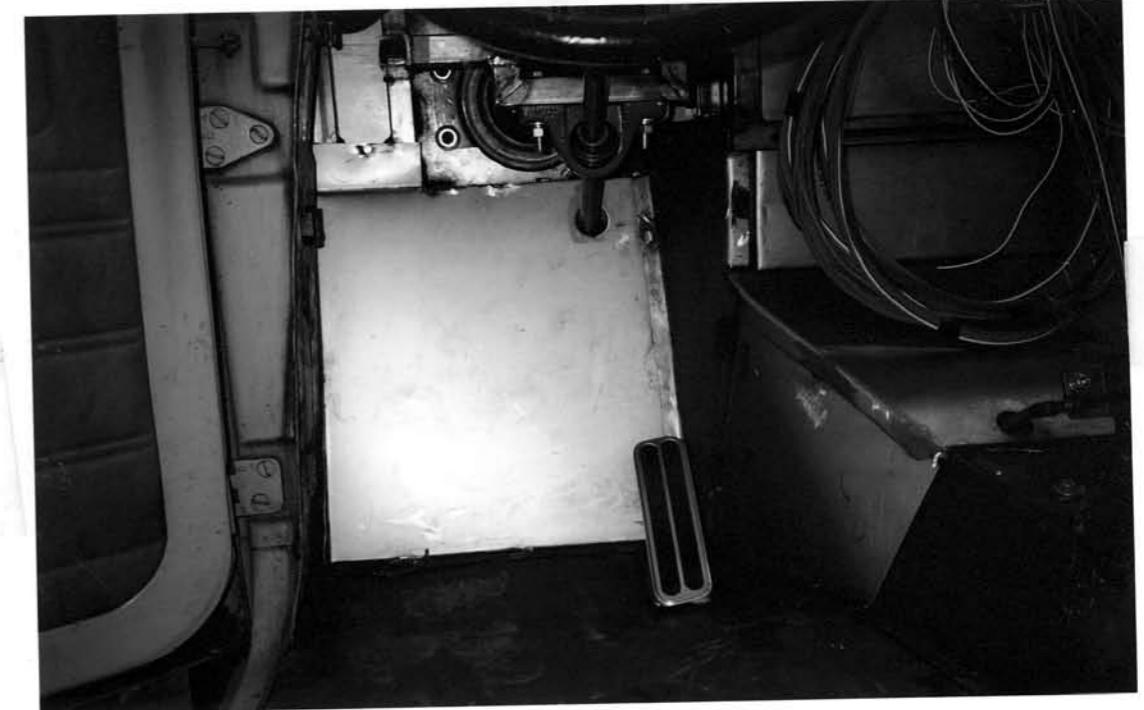
FIREWALL



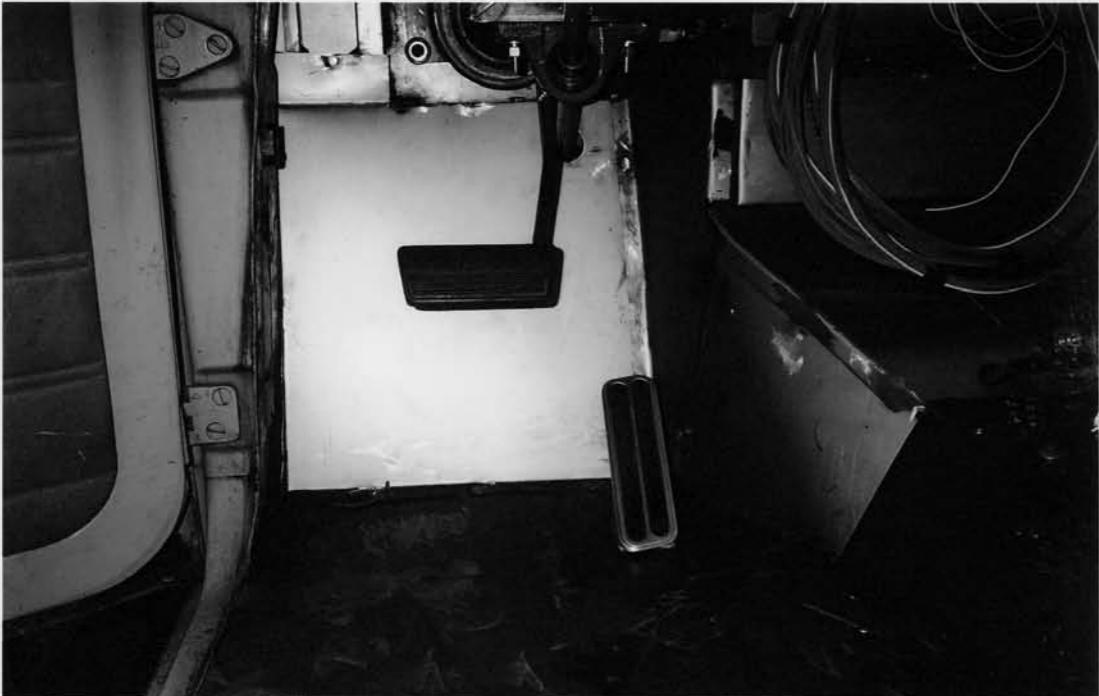
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FLOOR MOUNTED GAS PEDAL



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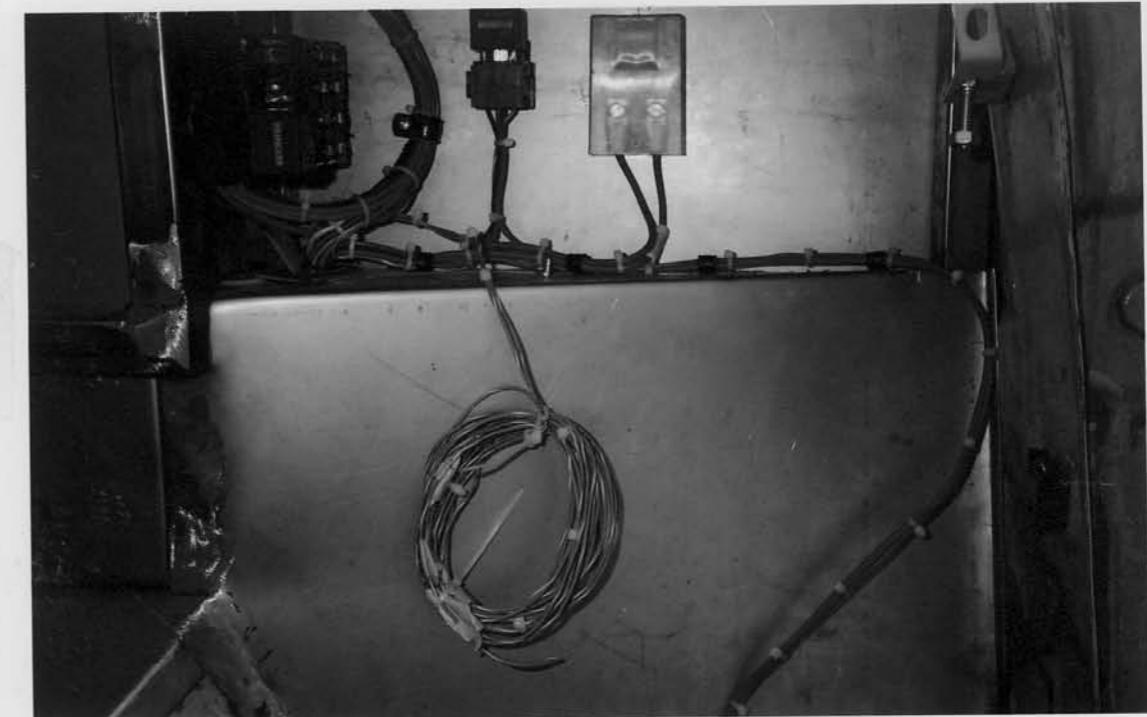
EXTENDING BRAKE PEDAL



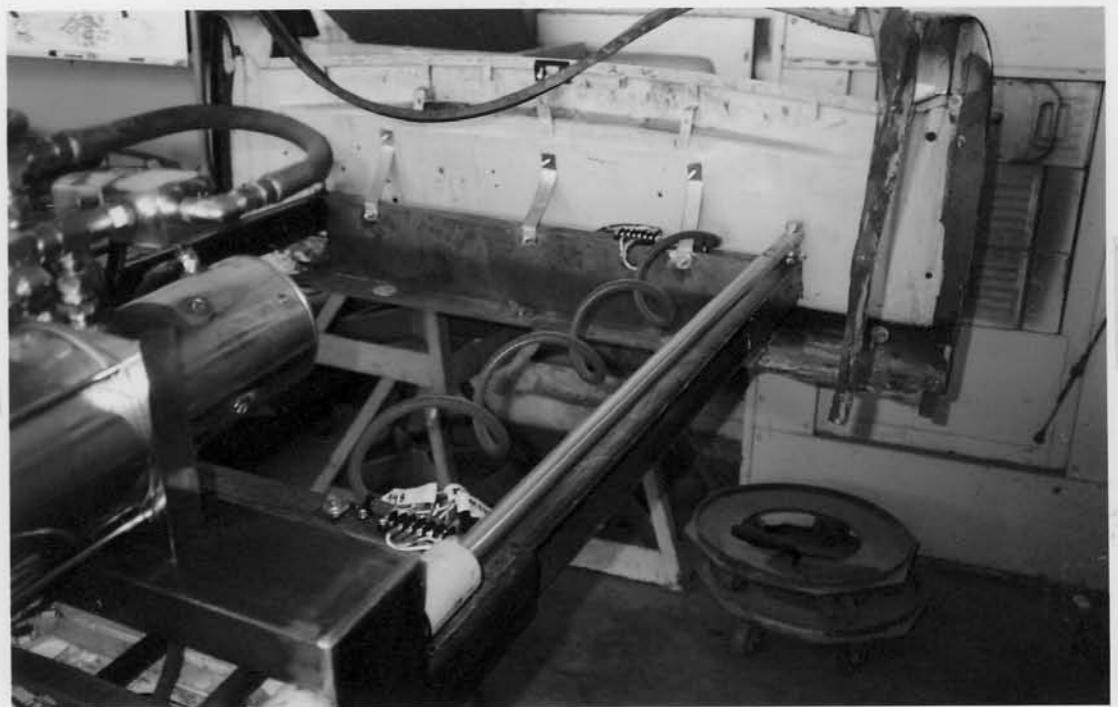
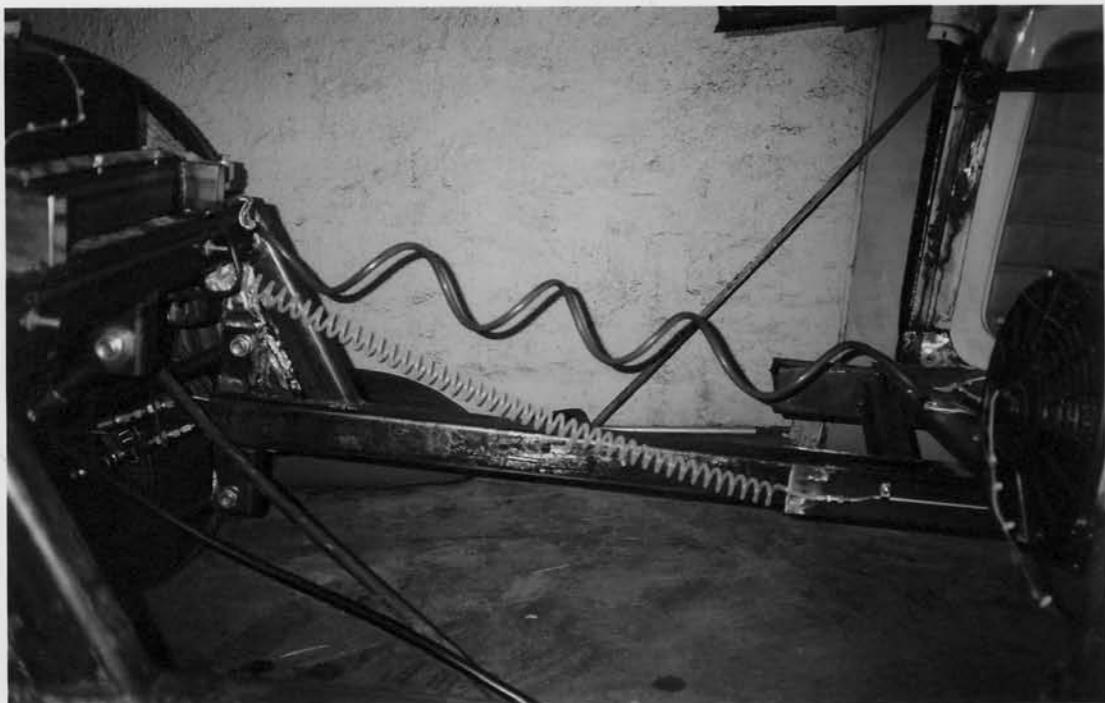
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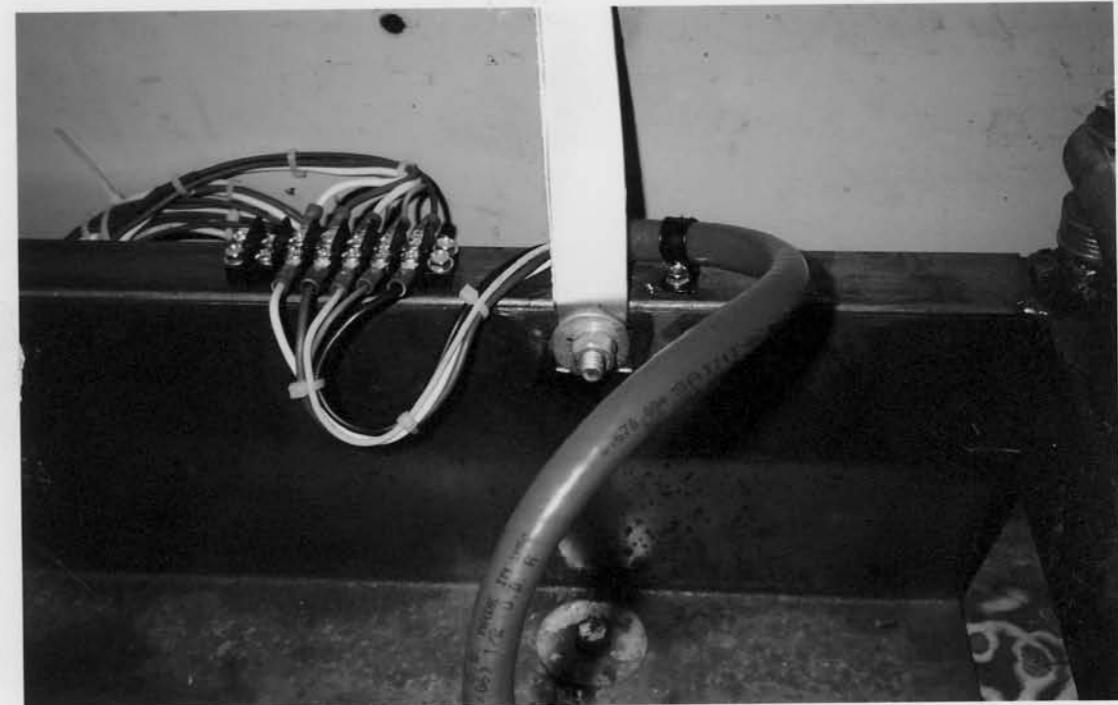
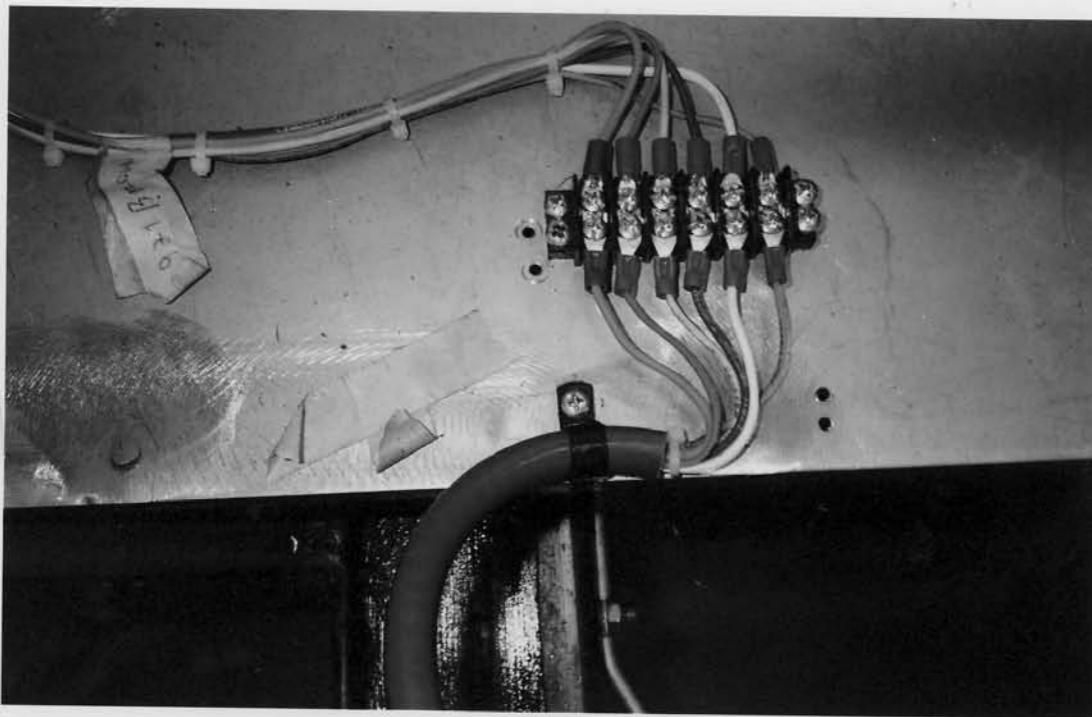
WIRING HARNESS



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EXPANDING WIRING HARNESS & EXPANDING FUEL LINE



- THANKS -



Creative Capital

YERBA BUENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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