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New Technologies in Products, Materials, Design and Construction of Concrete Pavements

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#### Modern Concrete Pavements A wide range of applications







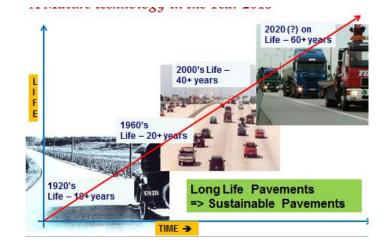






## Concrete Pavements Technology – A Mature Technology in 2015

Resulting from improvements in design, construction & material technologies (over 100+ years)



But <u>still evolving</u> to improve reliability of design, durability of materials, efficiency of construction, and cost competiveness; and better meeting road user needs

#### **Presentation Outline**

- Overview of Current Best Practices for Concrete Pavements
- New Technologies
- Concrete related
- Design: MEPDG process
- SHRP2 Concrete pavement products
- Construction related
- Surface texture related
- Sustainability related





## Roman Definition of Durable Pavements

#### Original pavement surface service life – Forever?



But, would the Roman pavements maintain desirable ride & texture under the 21<sup>st</sup> century truck loadings and vehicles operating at 100 km/h?

## US Targets for Long-Life (Durable) Concrete Pavements

- ➢ Original PCC surface service life − 40+ years
  - At some point in future, Latin American countries will need to strive for such expectations for its concrete pavements ling
    - to make concrete pavements in Latin ng,
       America risk-free, durable, more cost-

effective and more sustainable! ce texture characteristics with <u>minimal intervention</u> <u>activities to correct for ride & texture, for joint</u> <u>resealing, and minor repairs</u>

## Long-Life Concrete Pavements

- Long-life concrete pavements have been attainable for a long time
  - Many pavements are still in place after 40+ years of service under heavy traffic
- The main concern is achieving long-life <u>consistently</u> thru:
  - Reliable structural designs
  - o Durable materials
  - o Quality construction, and
  - o Timely maintenance & repair



#### **US Developments/Innovations Are Aimed At**

- Reducing risk of early pavement failures by
  - o Optimizing pavement structural designs
  - o Identifying and not using **poor** construction materials
  - Improving construction quality
  - Timely pavement preservation
- Reducing overall cost of construction per kmlane (Initial cost & life cycle cost )
- > Improving user safety and ride quality
- Considering sustainability by
  - Increasing use of <u>recycled and marginal</u> local materials

#### **US Expectations of Concrete Pavements**

> At end of service life

- o 40+ years for primary system
- $\circ$  20 to 40+ years for secondary system (?)

Distress	Failure Value
Cracked Slabs, % (plain jointed)	10 - 15
Faulting, mm	6 or less
(Consider grinding before threshold is reached)	
Smoothness (IRI), m/km	2.5 to 3.0
Joint Spalling	Minimal
Materials Related Distress	None (thru good specs & construction practices

## **Concrete Pavement Types**

- Jointed concrete pavement (most popular)
   0 100+ years of experience/innovations
- Continuously reinforced concrete pavement
   No joints; but a bit more expensive first cost
   50+ years of experience
- Roller compacted concrete pavement (30 years)
   For lower speed roads, shoulders and parking lots
   And, heavy duty port & truck freight areas
- Thin concrete overlays (20 years)
  - Typically, for resurfacing of distressed asphalt pavement

## **Concrete Pavement Types**

Pervious concrete (10 years)
 In urban areas – low speed streets & parking lots
 Helps with storm water management

Precast concrete pavement (15 years)

- Conventionally jointed and posttensioned (joints at 70 to 100 m)
- Used in urban areas for rapid overnight repair and rehabilitation

Cast in place prestressed concrete pavements (experimental only – 1980's)

o Thinner and joints at 70 to 100 m

#### **Current US Practice**

- Jointed concrete pavements
   0 4.6 m joint spacing (default)
  - t = 15 to 20 cm (streets); 20 25 cm (secondary roads); 25 to 35 mm (primary roads)
  - Dowels & stabilized base for medium/heavy volume of trucks
- Continuously reinforced concrete pavement (CRCP)
   Steel: 0.70 to 0.80%
  - o Cracking at 1 to 2 m, tight cracks
  - No joints; terminal joints only at structures





#### CRCP

- Steel: 0.65 to
- Cracking at 0 very tight cra
- Terminal join structures on
- Almost a zerc maintenance pavement

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#### Roller-Compacted Concrete (RCC) Pavements

- RCC is a <u>cheaper</u> no-slump concrete that is placed using an asphalt paver and compacted by vibratory rollers.
- Consistency of damp gravel
- No forms and no reinforcing steel/dowel bars
- No finishing
- Compacted using vibratory rollers and finished with rubber-tired rollers



## Thin Bonded Concrete Overlays of AC (Whitetopping)

PCC overlay of existing distressed AC pavement

Thickness – 125 to 175 mm.

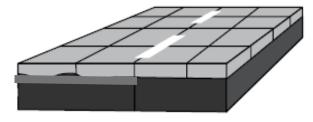
 $\circ$  Jointing – 1.8 by 1.8 m

Use increasing in the US & Latin America



#### Thin Unbonded Concrete Overlays (of asphalt & concrete pavements)

- Thin unbonded overlay (placed over AC or concrete pavement)
   Thickness 125 to 175 mm
   Jointing 1.8 by 1.8 m
- Use of geo-fabric interface of unbonded overlays over existing concrete pavements, based on German practice for new construction







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Unbonded Overlay over Existing Concrete Pavement with Geo-Fabric Interlayer

#### **Guatemala Variation**

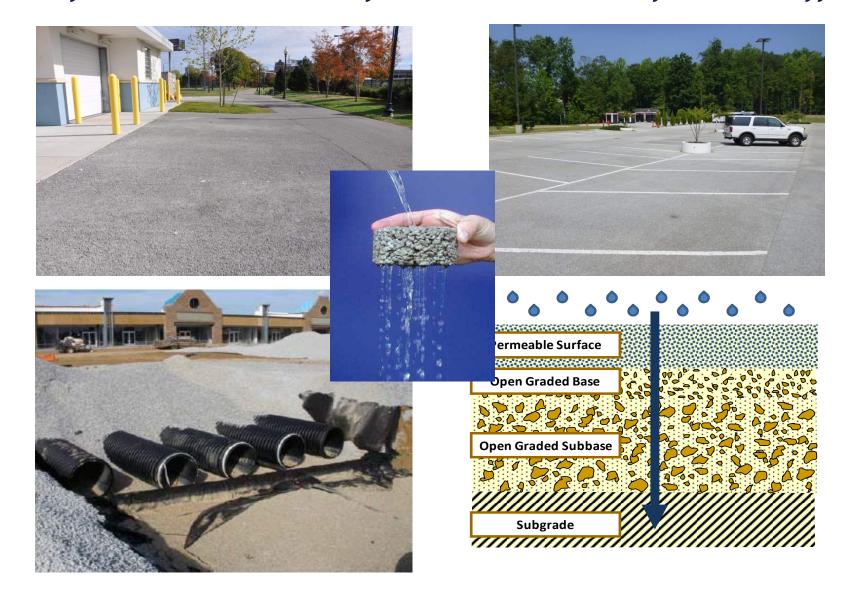
(Short joint spacing for new pavements based on good experience with bonded overlays of AC pavements)

- New Toll highway Guatemala City
- Thickness 225 mm or as needed (NOT THIN!)
- > Jointing 1.8 by 1.8 m
- Cement treated base; 5 mm thick fabric interlayer
- No dowel bars; only tie-bars



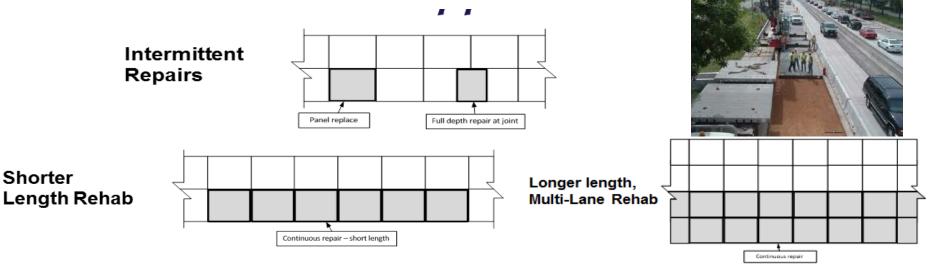


#### **Pervious Concrete Pavements** (A no fines concrete surface to reduce surface runoff)

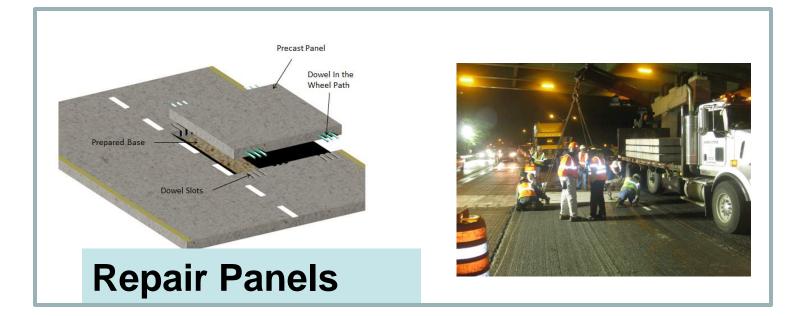


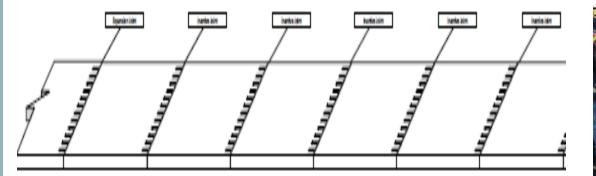
**Precast Concrete Pavement Technologies** Minimize Lane Closures & Traffic Congestion & Improve Work Zone Safety (urban areas)

- Introduced in 2001, use of precast concrete pavement for full-depth repairs & rehabilitation is on the increase in the US
  - Production use by many US agencies
  - <u>Cost effective & longer-lasting repairs & rehabilitation</u>
  - Minimize lane closures (~8 pm to 5 am)



#### Jointed Precast Concrete Pavements







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#### **Conventional Jointed PCP System**

#### ➤ Design

- Continue to refine Mechanistic-Empirical design (MEPDG) process & promote wider implementation
- o Optimizing design features & improving design reliability
- Composite pavement (Top lift PCC<sup>(+)</sup>/Bottom lift PCC<sup>(-)</sup>)
- New pavement types
  - Thin concrete overlays of existing asphalt pavements
  - Precast pavement (for rapid rehab/reconstruction)

> Materials (major focus: durability & sustainability)

- Dense (well) graded aggregates (3+ sizes)
- Less cement use, more SCM (flyash & slag)

#### - GREENER CONCRETE

- Improved additives/admixtures to improve fresh concrete properties and hardened concrete properties
- Two-lift paving concrete mixtures (PCC<sup>(+)</sup>/PCC<sup>(-)</sup>)
- Internally cured concrete using lightweight aggregate
- Improved test protocols to minimize using concrete susceptible to alkali-silica reactivity (ASR)

#### Construction

- Two-lift paving (Two plants & two sets of paving equipment)
  - Use of recycled and marginal aggregates in lower lift
- Stringless paving (controlled using GPS)
- Managing smoothness during construction
- End product and performance-related specification (PRS)
- Pro-active contractor process control
  - Reject poor materials before placement
  - Stop paving operation if process not under control
- Green construction

#### ➢ Repair/Rehabilitation

- NDT procedures to rapidly and reliably identify poorly performing concrete and poorly performing concrete pavement
- Rapid/accelerated (typically at night) for high volume highways
- Thin concrete overlays to extend life of exist. pavements
- Precast pavement use (mainline, ramps, bus lanes, intersections) in high volume corridors

#### Surface characteristics

- Improve surface texture (longer lasting surface texture)
  - Reduce wet weather accidents
  - Reduce pavement/tire noise
  - US: Next Generation Surface Texture
  - Australia: Low noise diamond ground surface
- Construction management (Every Day Counts)
  - Minimize extended lane closures in urban areas
  - Reduce roadwork related congestion
  - Reduce work zone accidents

Some Examples of Recent Developments Improve Concrete Pavement Practices

- Concrete related
- Design: MEPDG process
- SHRP2 Concrete pavement products
  - Construction related
  - Surface texture related

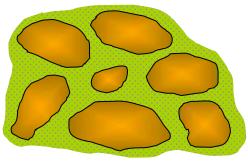
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#### **Concrete related**

Reduce cement use
 Use recycled and marginal aggregates
 Internal concrete curing

## US Efforts to Reduce Cement Use for Paving Concrete

- Some simple changes to reduce cement use
  - Reduce paste content (most problematic component)
    - Use of optimized gradation & use larger maximum aggregate size
    - Reconsider minimum cementitious materials requirement; consider end product specification
  - Increase use of flyash & slag
    - Results in more durable concrete
    - Efficient use of waste products/by-products
  - o Use Greener cements
    - Blended cements (ASTM C595)
    - Performance-based cements (ASTM C1157), including portland limestone cement
    - Non-portland cements under development



**Use of Sustainable Concrete** Reducing Portland Cement Use By Using Pozzolan and Slag & Greener Cements

- Class F fly ash:
- Class C fly ash:
- Slag:
- Silica fume:
- Natural pozzolan: paving

- 15% 25%
- 15% 35% (limited use)
- 25% 50%

Not used in US for paving Not yet used in US for

Blended cement use is allowed & common Green cements under development The Illinois Tollway's Use of Composite Concrete Pavements with Greener Concrete for Improved Sustainability

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The Illinois Tollway

THE FUTURE

286-mile system comprised of four tollways

Opened in 1958 as a bypass around Chicago to connect Indiana and Wisconsin

Carries more than 1.4 million vehicles per day

Largest open road tolling system in the nation

User-fee system – no state or federal gas tax dollars

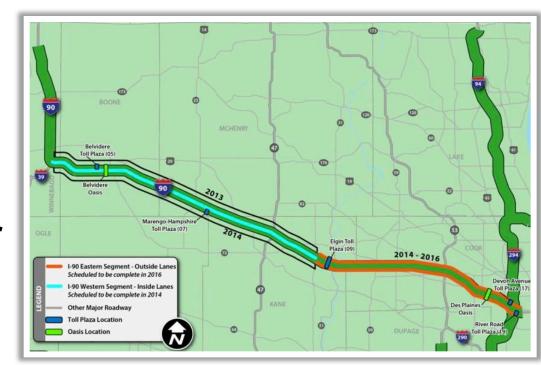


## Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90)

Rebuilding and widening I-90 as a 21st century, state-of-the-art corridor linking Rockford to O'Hare International Airport

#### 62 miles of roadway improvements

\$2.2 billion budget includes \$240 million to integrate transit in the corridor today, as well as future transit expansion plans



#### Innovative Pavement Designs

To provide long-lasting, smooth surface to customers...

## >2-Lift concrete pavement with asphalt shoulders

>Incorporates various green initiatives





Illinois Tollway Requires 100% Recycling of Concrete and Asphalt Pavements with Reconstruction

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#### In Base Aggregates

#### In New Asphalt Mixes



Milled Recycled Asphalt Pavement is Fractionated on Most All Projects



#### What is FRAP?

- Old asphalt pavement that has been milled and fractionated (graded)
- Coarse FRAP contains 2 to 3% asphalt binder
  - HMA has 5-6%
- Contains about 14% agglomerated particles (clumps of sand/asphalt)
- Sizes range from ½" to No. 4 size sieve.

Why use FRAP in Concrete?

- Sustainability
  - Disposal/hauling energy
  - Natural resource depletion
  - Carbon footprint
    - Economy!!!

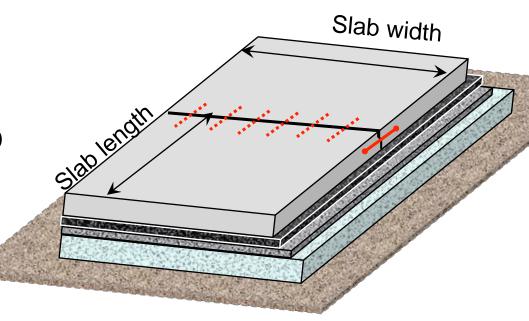
#### Lot of Coarse FRAP Left Over for Concrete

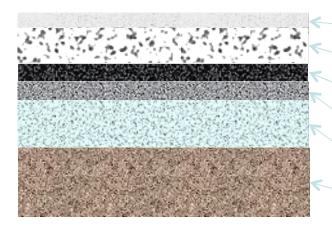


- Fine FRAP (<#4 sieve) used by the Tollway as a liquid binder replacement in new asphalt mixes with reclaimed asphalt shingles (RAS)
- Large stockpiles of coarse FRAP remain unused and take up space – now used for lower lift concrete

#### I-90 Concrete Pavement Design Details

- > 4.65 m slab length
- > 0.3 m widened slab
- Doweled Joints
- >45 cm of base





- Topping Concrete
- High-recycled Content Concrete
- WMA Base
- Aggregate Cap
- Porous Aggregate
- **Compacted Recycled Subbase**

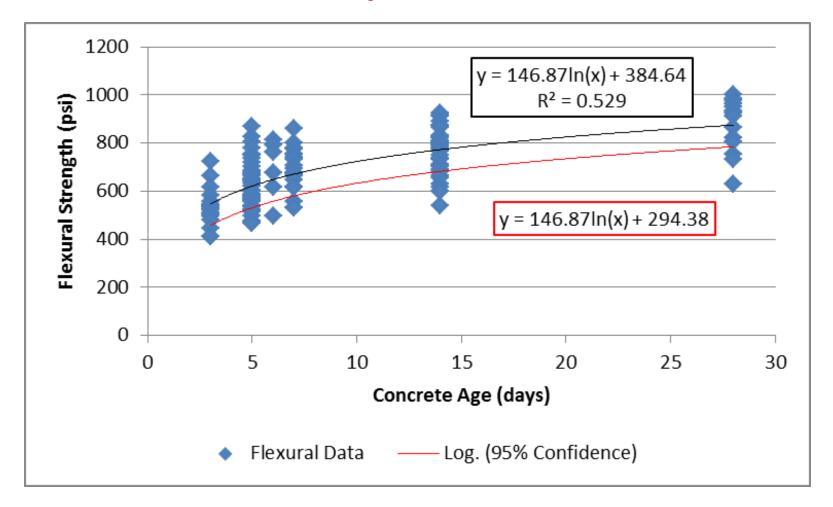
### *Typical Black Rock Mix Design Used in 2013*

> Typical Proportions:

	Lbs/Cu Yd
Cement	375
Class C Fly Ash	145
Slag Cement	60
Coarse Aggregate*	1575
Black Rock	273
Natural Sand	1196

\* - IDOT CM-11 Crushed Stone (~ AASHTO #6 Stone)

#### Summary of Flexural Strength Data on 2013 Ternary Black Rock Mixes



#### Summary of I-90 Reconstruction - 2013 & 2014

# Two slip form pavers / two belt placers for double lane placements only



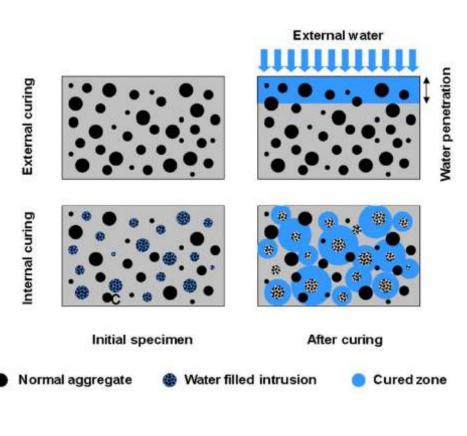
#### Internal Concrete Curing (ICC) (Using lightweight aggregate)

- More interest developing in use of internally cured concrete for concrete pavements
   Ourrent use for bridge deck applications
- ICC is based on partial (~30% by volume) replacement of fine & intermediate size aggregates with saturated light weight aggregates (expanded shale, clay or slate)
- ICC allows prolonged hydration of concrete beyond the initial curing period
  - o Eliminates plastic shrinkage cracking
  - Reduces long-term drying shrinkage & slab warping
  - Improves strength properties

Internal Concrete Curing (Using lightweight aggregate)

ICC mechanism ->

- In US, ASTM (C1761) and ACI (ACI 308/213 – R13)documents provide guidance and test methods
- Paving process same as for conventional concrete



Some Examples of Recent Developments Improve Concrete Pavement Practices

#### Design: MEPDG process

#### AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design \*\*\* Version 2.1

AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design is the next generation of



### Comprehensive Long-Life Concrete Pavement Design

- The Mechanistic-Empirical Pavement Design Guide (MEPDG) allows <u>optimization</u> of many key design features to develop LLCP designs
  - o Joint spacing
  - Base type (& drainage)
  - o Edge support
  - o Load transfer at joints
  - o Concrete thickness/strength

#### End result

- More cost-effective & reliable designs
- More sustainable designs

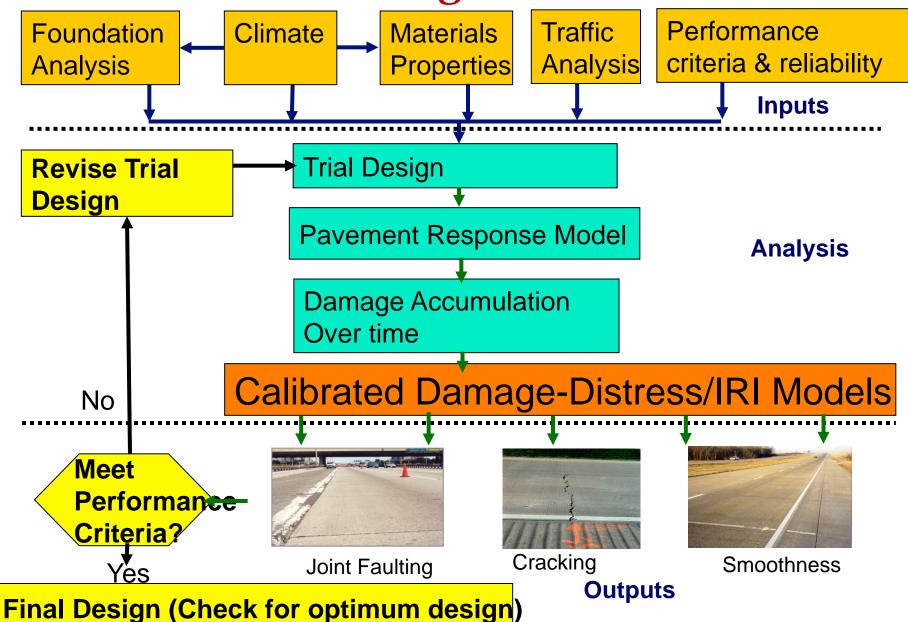
Most US agencies have adopted the new procedure
 Agencies are at various stages of implementation

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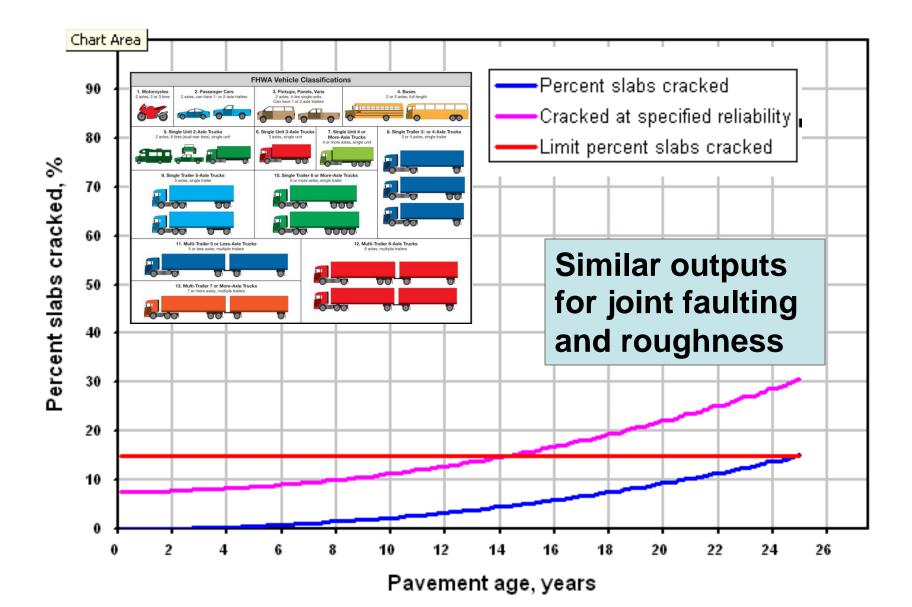
Pavement Design Guide

#### **ME Design Process**



#### Seasonal Analysis of Pavement Damage over Service Life Each load application **PCC Modulus CTB Modulus** Traffic AC Modulus **Granular Base Modulus** Subgrade Modulus 0 8 2 6 Time, years

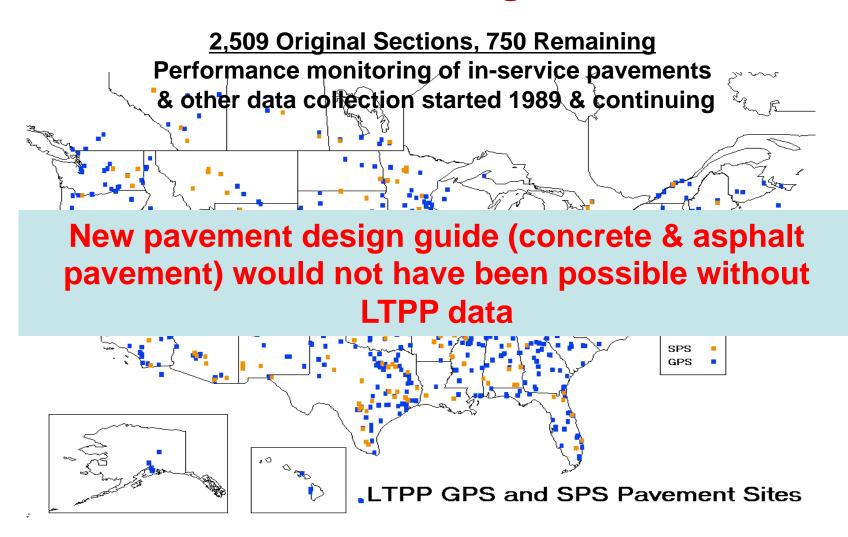
## **Example Results**



## **Current Status of MEPDG**

- ➢ ME Design software version 2.1 released
- Most US highway agencies adopting MEPDG and ME Design software for design of jointed concrete pavements
  - Most agencies are performing local calibration to fit their regional conditions and needs
  - Most agencies are developing databases on construction materials and traffic

#### US Long Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) Program



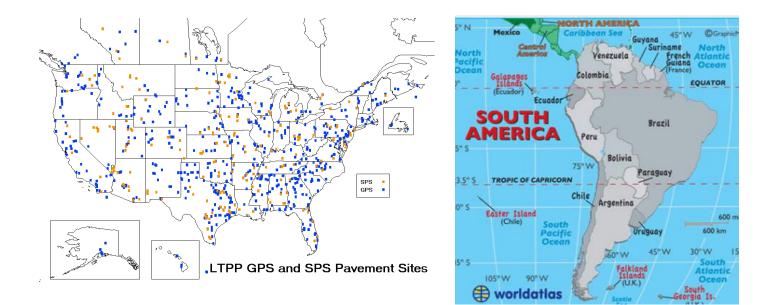
# **LTPP Products** In Use

- Some Completed Products
  - Standardized Pavement Distress
     Identification Manual
  - Deflection Testing (FWD)
     Calibration Procedures
  - Profiler Procedures
  - ProVAL software for smoothness
  - DataPave (database) Online
  - & many topic specific studies related to pavement performance



#### Latin America Long Term Concrete Pavement Performance (LTCPP) Program

Latin American countries should initiate their own mini-LTPP studies for CONCRETE PAVEMENTS to improve understanding of how to optimize concrete pavement performance in each country



Some Examples of Recent Developments Improve Concrete Pavement Practices

<u>US Strategic Highway Research Program</u> <u>2 (SHRP2) Concrete pavement products</u> <u>(2007-2015)</u>

Composite concrete pavements
 Precast concrete pavements
 Construction-time smoothness

 management

 Extending life of existing pavements
 Pavement preservation

#### SHRP2 (2007 – 2015)

- SHRP 2 was created to find strategic solutions to three national transportation challenges: improving highway safety, reducing congestion, and improving methods for renewing roads and bridges.
- SHRP has undertaken more than 100 research projects focused in four areas--safety, renewal, reliability, and capacity.
- The research results are now being made available in a series of effective solutions that will improve the way transportation professionals plan, operate, maintain, and ensure safety on US roadways.



#### Save lives, Save money,

#### SHRP2 Concrete Pavement Products

#### **Composite concrete pavements**

- The objective of this project was to investigate the design and construction of new composite pavement systems, one of the system being a PCC surface over a PCC layer (based on European practice)
- Result: Reduced life-cycle costs (thicker lowercost bottom layer with recycled aggregate, thinner high-quality surface layer) & Improved sustainability.
- Final products: Improved design and construction guidelines available

#### **Composite Pavement Systems**

#### ➤ HMA over PCC

PCC over PCC



#### **BENEFITS:**

- Provides long-life with excellent surface characteristics, but also allows for repaid renewal when needed.
- Economical, sustainable pavement structures that use can use recycled materials or locally available materials.

**PRODUCTS**: Up-to-date guidelines, techniques and specs to greatly advance the state of practice. Includes detailed recommendations for inputs to DARWIN-ME design guide.

#### SHRP2 Project R05 (2008 – 2012) Improving Precast Concrete Pavement Technology

- Overall findings.
- Findings based on field testing.
- > Guidelines for PCP design.
- Guidelines for PCP fabrication.
- Guidelines for PCP installation.
- Guidelines for PCP project selection.
- Guidelines for PCP system acceptance.
- Model specifications.





#### SHRP2 Concrete Pavement Products

#### **Construction-time smoothness management**

The purpose of this project was to enable real-time control of concrete pavement smoothness during construction by measuring smoothness in real time

- Result: Improved long-term pavement performance and reduced pavement life-cycle maintenance and repair costs; improved QC of new pavements by paving contractors; reduced vehicle operating costs & safer and smoother roads for traveling public.
- Final products: Validation of the use of GOMACO GSI and Ames RTP systems

#### SHRP2: Real-Time Smoothness Measurements on PCC Pavements

#### **Benefits:**

- Provides real-time information for process control of smoothness
- Allows for immediate adjustments to equipment and operations
- Minimizes pavement grinding and remediation
- Better quality control
- Potentially better long-term
   performance



# Non-Destructive Testing

#### **SHRP2** Concrete Pavement Products

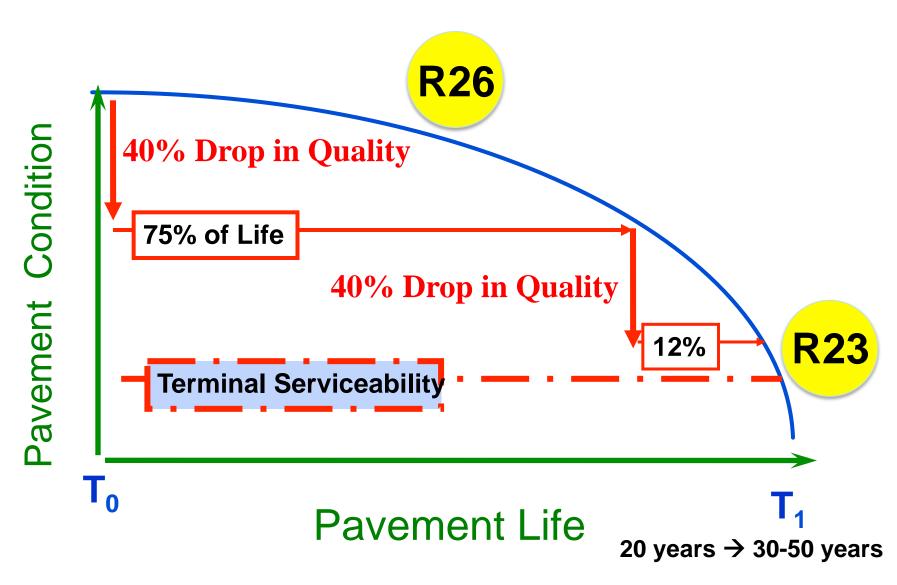
#### **Extending life of existing pavements**

The goal of this project was to develop reliable procedures that identify when existing pavements can be used in place and the methods necessary to incorporate the original pavement into the new pavement structure while achieving long life.

➢ Result: Reduced costs and shorter construction period by reuse of existing pavement, increased construction productivity & reduced traffic impacts and increased safety.

Final products: Web-based improved design and construction guidelines available

#### **Pavement Deterioration Curve**



#### SHRP2 R23 Pavement Renewal Solutions

#### www.pavementrenewal.org

Introdu

	Product	Benefits			
The second secon	rePave Scoping Tool	✓ ✓ ✓	Will encourage longer lasting designs. Realistic scoping assessments and easy to use. Guides user through data gathering process.		
The second se	Project Assessment Manual (including Life Cycle Assessment, Traffic)	~	Combines traditional rehabilitation data needs with up-to-date tools such as CA4PRS (construction productivity and work zones).		
	Best Practices: Flexible and Rigid	√ √	Document practices that are critical for designing and constructing long lasting pavements. Combine key practices with specifications.		
SPECIE Martines Announce Andreas Announce Andreas Announce Announce	Guide Specifications	~	Specification elements can be incorporated in preexisting agency standard specifications.		
	LCCA, Emerging Technologies	√ √	Encourage use of LCCA. Create awareness of emerging pavement technologies.		
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#### SHRP2 Concrete Pavement Products

#### **Pavement preservation**

- The objective of this project was to provide guidance for more effectively matching the pavement condition and other considerations with suitable treatments for preserving high-trafficvolume roadways.
- Result: Improved long-term pavement performance and reduced pavement life-cycle costs by optimized system preservation through improved strategies
- Final products: Best practices guidelines for evaluating existing pavements and for preservation treatments

Some Examples of Recent Developments Improve Concrete Pavement Practices

<u>Construction related</u> 1. Performance related specifications

### **US Efforts to Develop Better Construction Processes**

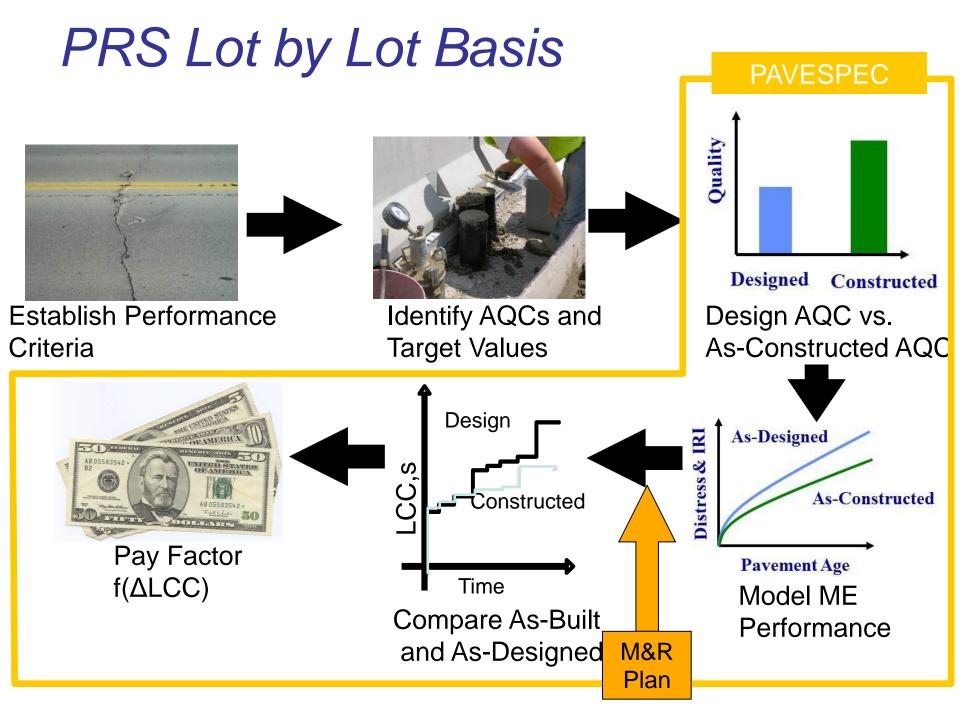
- The future is end product specifications/PRS
   US moving away from prescriptive specs
- End product specs & PRS enable clear definition of critical paving processes/outcomes & incorporate more rational pay factors
  - Processes are objectively defined, are constructible, are not arbitrary & can be measured
  - Contractor responsible & accountable for end product
  - Contractor process control prevents placement of marginal concrete and use of marginal construction processes
  - o Penalties are set by estimating impact on performance

# **Performance-Related Specifications**

"PRS are QA specifications that describe the desired levels of <u>key materials and construction</u> <u>quality characteristics</u> that have been found to <u>correlate with fundamental engineering properties</u> <u>that predict performance</u>"

"PRS employ the <u>quantified relationships</u> containing the characteristics to predict <u>as-</u> <u>constructed pavement performance</u>. **They thus provide the basis for** <u>rational acceptance/pay</u> <u>adjustment decisions</u>."

> Transportation Research Circular Number E-C137 Glossary of Highway Quality Assurance Terms



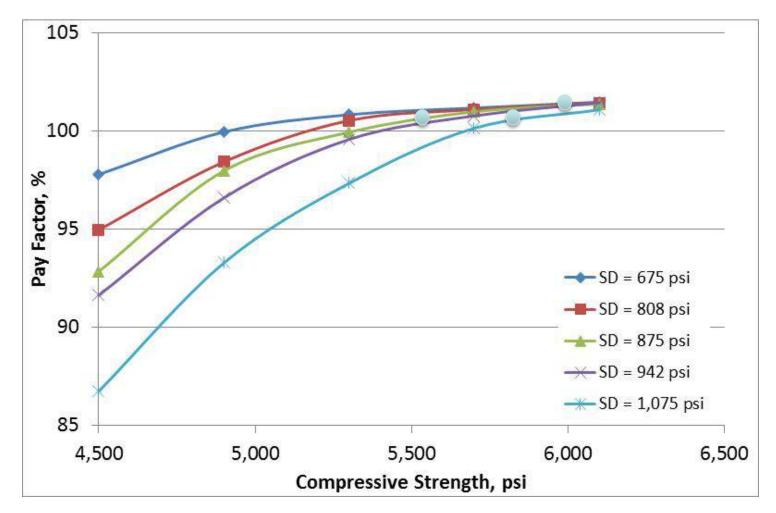
#### **PaveSpec 4.0 Software** (with MEPDG Models and AQCs)

	Significantly Impact Distress					
Input	Transverse "Slab" Cracking	Transverse Joint Faulting	Transverse Joint Spalling	Smoothness		
<b>Initial Smoothness</b>	X	Х	Х	Х		
PCC Strength	X			Х		
PCC Thickness	X	Х	Х	X		
PCC CTE	X	Х		Х		
Effective Dowel Diameter*		Х		X		
PCC air content			Х	X		
PCC mix w/c ratio	X	X	X	X		

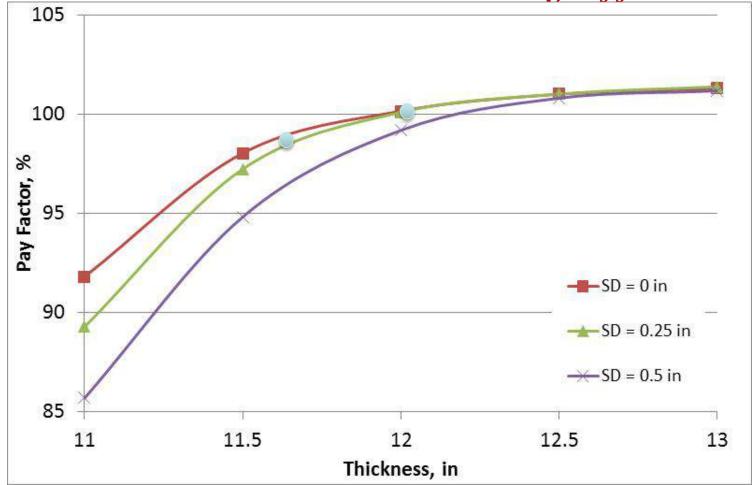


CTE: coefficient of thermal expansion

### Illinois Tollway Shadow Implementation - Strength Variability Effect



### Illinois Tollway Shadow Implementation - Thickness Variability effect



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Some Examples of Recent Developments Improve Concrete Pavement Practices

Surface texture related
US: NGST
Australia: LNDGT

### Surface Texture Development

(for safety & now for low noise)

**1920s-1970s** Brooming/Burlap Drag









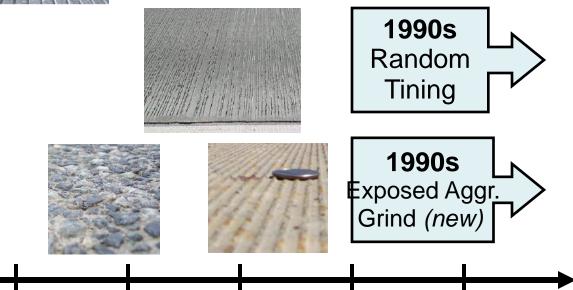
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1970



1990

2000



1980

**Concrete Texturing – New for US** (enhanced safety & low noise surface)

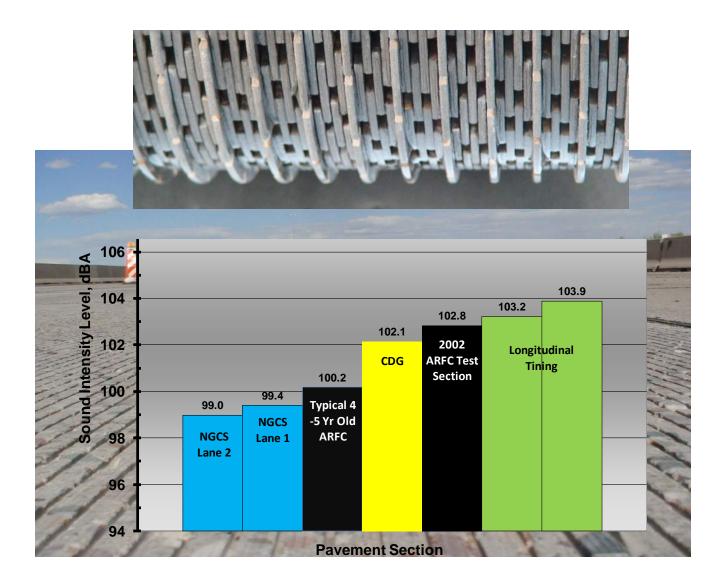
- Addresses noise concerns in urban areas
- Conventional grinding for new
- Under development
  - Next generation surface texture (grinding)
  - 2 Step process flush grind & grooving
  - Grooving: 3.2 mm by 3.5 mm by ~15 mm





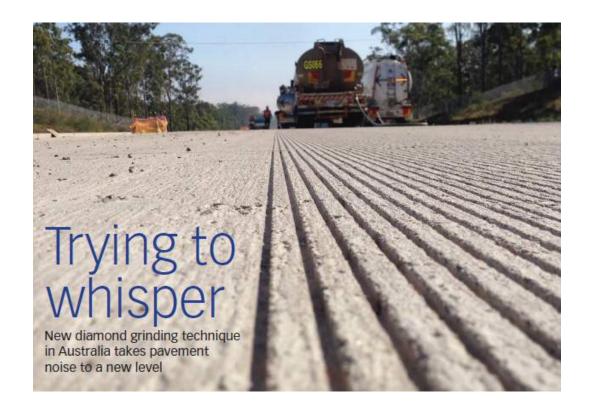


#### **Next Generation Concrete Surface** (Shallow grinding & grooving)



Australian Low Noise Diamond Ground (LNDG) Surface (Burlap drag & grooving)

> Average texture depth: 1.1 to 1.6 mm



# Summary

- We have the engineering know-how to design & construct concrete pavements that are durable/ long-lasting & sustainable, <u>but we need to apply</u> <u>this knowledge consistently</u>
  - <u>Pavements that are not durable/long-lasting ARE NOT</u> <u>sustainable</u>
- So, we need to continue to refine our processes and materials to ensure high probability of longterm good performance, as designed for.

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