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APPENDIX B. MEETING AGENDA**Wednesday, December 14**

Time	Topic
8–8:45 AM	<p>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS</p> <p>Welcome Chris Wagner (FHWA).</p> <p>Introduction and remarks John Donahue (Missouri DOT, Vice-Chair of AASHTO Joint Technical Committee on Pavements and AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design Taskforce).</p> <p>Remarks on Canadian efforts Felix Doucet (Quebec Ministry of Transportation, Canadian ME Task Force liaison)</p> <p>Review of agenda and meeting goals Linda Pierce (NCE) and Kelly Smith (Applied Pavement Technology)</p>
8:45–9:45 AM	<p>AGENCY IMPLEMENTATION EXPERIENCES</p> <p>MEPDG to AASHTO Pavement ME: 2004 to Present Paul Denkler (Missouri DOT)</p> <p>ME Oversight Committee Adnan Iftikhar (Michigan DOT)</p> <p>Process Issues Affan Habib (Virginia DOT)</p>
9:45–10 AM	BREAK
10:00–11:15 AM	<p>AGENCY IMPLEMENTATION STATUS</p> <p>Agency updates on implementation plans, timelines, and progress.</p>
11:15 AM–NOON	<p>AASHTOWARE PAVEMENT ME DESIGN SOFTWARE UPDATE</p> <p>Announcements and news regarding latest software and purchasing/licensing Vicki Schofield (AASHTO)</p> <p>Software enhancements/updates, including new features/capabilities Chad Becker (ARA)</p>
NOON–1:15 PM	LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)
1:15–2 PM	<p>DESIGN PARAMETERS: CONDITION THRESHOLD LIMITS, RELIABILITY LEVELS, HIERARCHICAL LEVELS</p> <p>Design Parameters Geoff Hall (Maryland SHA)</p> <p>Design Catalog and Web-Based Program Joe Tucker (Kentucky Transportation Cabinet)</p>
2–2:30 PM	<p>CLIMATE</p> <p>Long-Term Pavement Performance Climate Tools for ME Design, including MERRA Larry Wisner (FHWA)</p>
2:30–2:45 PM	BREAK
2:45–3 PM	<p>TRAFFIC</p> <p>Case-Study Report: Traffic-Related Issues, Resolutions, and Lessons Learned Nusrat Morshed (New Jersey DOT)</p>
3–3:45 PM	<p>MATERIAL INPUTS I—SUBGRADE AND TREATED AND UNTREATED BASE/SUBBASE MATERIALS</p> <p>Subgrade Soils Melody Perkins (Colorado DOT)</p> <p>Determination of In-Place Elastic Layer Moduli Through Backcalculation of FWD Data Harold Von Quintus (ARA)</p>
3:45–4:45 PM	<p>MATERIAL INPUTS II—HOT-MIX ASPHALT MATERIALS (NEW AND REHAB DESIGN)</p> <p>HMA Materials Lyndi Blackburn (Alabama DOT)</p> <p>Local Calibration of Rutting on Asphalt Full-Depth Pavements Tommy Nantung and Jusang Lee (Indiana DOT)</p> <p>Incorporating Recycled Materials (GTR, RAP, RAS) Harold Von Quintus (ARA)</p>
4:45–5 PM	<p>DAY ONE KEY TAKE-AWAYS</p> <p>Discuss key takeaways of day one All</p>

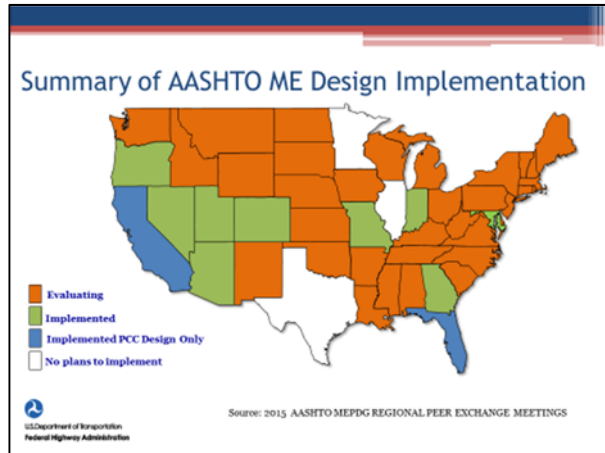
Thursday, December 15

Time	Topic
8–8:45 AM	MATERIAL INPUTS III—PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE MATERIALS (NEW AND REHAB DESIGN) MERRA and PCC Pavement Design Rhonda Taylor (Florida DOT) Update on TPF-5(300), Performance and Load Response of Rigid Pavement Systems Chris Brakke (Iowa DOT)
8:45–9:45 AM	CALIBRATION/VALIDATION Local Calibration Effort on Flexible Pavement Warren Lee (Ontario Ministry of Transportation) Calibration and Validation Ryan Barrett (Kansas DOT) Calibration and User Manual Justin Schenkel (Michigan DOT) Local Calibration Affan Habib (Virginia DOT)
9:45–10 AM	BREAK
10 AM–NOON	SOFTWARE TRAINING Demonstration-based training on new software features (e.g., use of MAP-ME and climate data files) and example applications (e.g., rehabilitation design including backcalculation) Chad Becker and Harold Von Quintus (ARA)
NOON–1:15 PM	LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)
1:15–1:45 PM	CHALLENGES/ISSUES/ROADBLOCKS Common challenges/issues/roadblocks that can be resolved at the regional level rather than by each SHA.
1:45–2:30 PM	ADDITIONAL NEEDS AND NEXT STEPS MEPDG Clearinghouse Study Prashant Ram (APTech) Additional training, software, and research needs, including future pavement ME design enhancements, additional web-based training All agencies SHA next steps and implementation timelines
2:30–2:45 PM	DAY TWO KEY TAKE-AWAYS Discuss key takeaways of day two All
2:45–3 PM	BREAK
3–5 PM	TAC/POOLED FUND MEMBER MEETING Discussion of key outcomes of Users Group Meeting.

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Presentation 1—Chris Wagner, FHWA



Presentation 2—John Donahue, Missouri DOT

Enhancing the Pavement ME Design

AASHTO Pavement ME Design
National Users Group Meeting

December 14-15, 2016

John Donahue, PE
Missouri DOT

Sources of MEPDG Innovation

- AASHTO Pavement ME Design Task Force
- AASHTO Joint Technical Committee on Pavements
- TRB pavement-related committees
- NCHRP projects
- Pooled fund studies

AASHTOWare Task Force

- Task Force composition -
 - 6-7 voting members from licensee agencies including States and Provinces
 - AASHTO Project Manager
 - Liaisons from the FHWA, SCOJD, T&AA and Canadian TAC
 - Contractor (ARA) reps

AASHTOWare Task Force

- Responsibilities -
 - Design model enhancements
 - Bug maintenance
 - Code revisions
 - Training
 - Budgeting
 - Customer satisfaction
 - Meet semi-annually

AASHTOWare Task Force

- Milestones -
 - Conversion from research-grade MEPDG to production level Pavement ME Design (ver 1.0)
 - Improved user interface
 - Sensitivity analysis
 - Thickness optimization
 - Help documents based on MOP
 - Analysis time decrease

AASHTOWare Task Force

- Milestones -
 - Educational model (ver 1.5)
 - Asphalt overlay reflection cracking model (ver 2.2)
 - Map-ME (ver 2.2)
 - SJPCP/AC Analysis Model (ver 2.3)
 - Continuous defect fixes
 - Code cleanup
 - Webinars

JTCOP

- ◉ Committee composition -
 - Max 18 voting DOT members including chair and vice-chair
 - Non-voting reps from AASHTO, TRB, NAPA and ACPA
 - FHWA (secretary)

JTCOP

- ◉ Responsibilities -
 - Development and updates of technical AASHTO publications
 - *Pavement Design, Construction and Management: A Digital Handbook (2015)*
 - *Mechanistic-Empirical Pavement Design Guide – A Manual of Practice (2015 – 2nd ed.)*
 - *Pavement Management Guide (2012)*

JTCOP

- ◉ Responsibilities -
 - (cont'd)
 - *Guide for the Local Calibration of the Mechanistic-Empirical Pavement Design Guide (2010)*
 - Pavement Friction Guide (2008)
 - 1993 Guide for Design of Pavement Structures w/ 1998 Supplemental

JTCOP

- ◉ Responsibilities -
 - Develop candidate NCHRP research problem statements
 - High need problem statements from TRB committees vetted and prioritized
 - Top candidate statements submitted to AASHTO SOM and SOD with supporting recommendations
 - Also communicate needs to SCOR members

JTCOP

- ◉ Responsibilities -
 - Identify implementable Pavement ME Design enhancements for AASHTO Task Force
 - Meet annually

JTCOP-SOM

- ◉ AASHTO reorganization will create merger between the JTCOP and the Subcommittee on Materials
- ◉ Details still pending




Presentation 3—Felix Doucet, Quebec Ministry of Transportation

**Transportation Association of Canada
Canadian User Group**

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TAC Canadian User Group

Meeting since September 2008

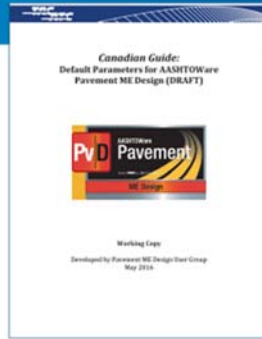

- 2 face meetings and 2-3 telephone meetings per year
- Around 20 members present at each meeting
- Around 50 members on the mailing list
- Provinces: BC, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec
- Municipalities: Edmonton, Winnipeg
- Associations: Cement Canada, Ontario Hot Mix Producers
- Many consultants



Canadian Guide

Default parameters for AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design

- Based on Ontario Guide
- Participants: Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, Edmonton
- In constant progress

Technical Papers

TAC Conference 2013

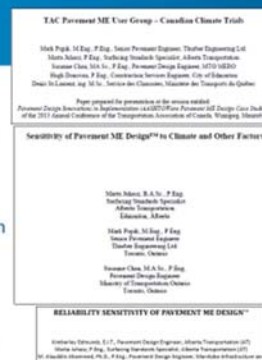

- TAC Pavement ME User Group – Canadian Climate Trials

CTAA Conference 2013

- Sensitivity of Pavement ME Design to Climate and Other factors

TAC Conference 2014


- Reliability Sensitivity of Pavement ME Design

TAC 2016 Panel Discussion

AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design Canadian Implementation Efforts

- Task Force Update
- Canadian User Group Trials
- Canadian User Guide
- Ontario Calibration Efforts
- Manitoba Calibration Efforts
- Canadian Case Studies




Pavement ME Design Trials

Other Trials

- Subgrade Strength 15 to 90 MPa
- Air Voids 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11%

New Trials

- Binder Volume 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13%
- NARR Climate Database





Canadian User Group Benefits

Working Together

- Running the Software
- Developing your Practical Knowledge
- Discussions on Specific Topics
- Publishing Applied Technical Information
- Increasing your Technical Contacts
- Gaining Confidence and Recognition

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 Transportation Association of Canada

 **Québec**

Presentation 4—Paul Denkler, Missouri DOT



**Implementation of M-E Design:
An Agency's Experience**

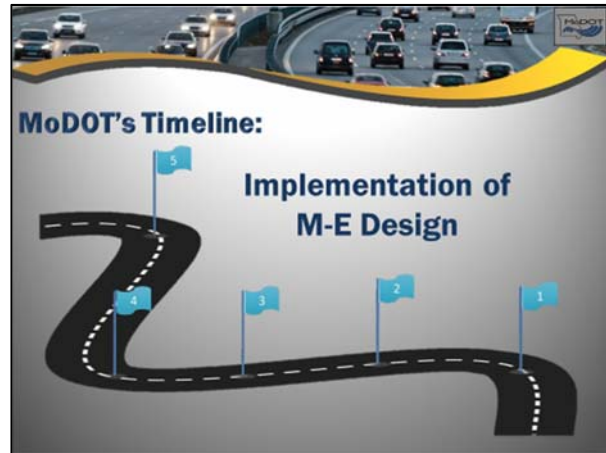




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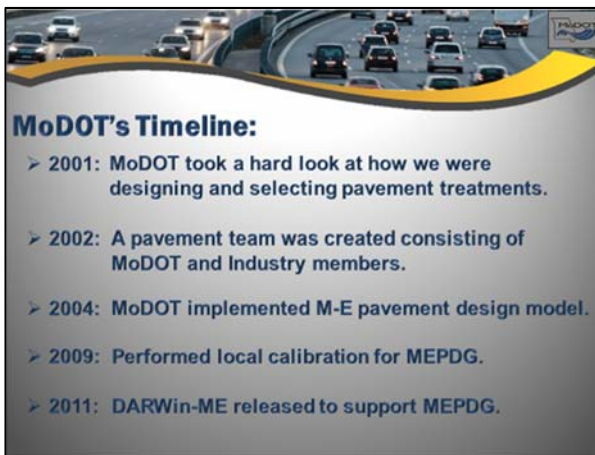
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**MoDOT's Timeline:
Implementation of M-E Design**

A winding road graphic with five numbered markers (1-5) indicating key milestones in the implementation process.



MoDOT's Timeline:

- 2001: MoDOT took a hard look at how we were designing and selecting pavement treatments.
- 2002: A pavement team was created consisting of MoDOT and Industry members.
- 2004: MoDOT implemented M-E pavement design model.
- 2009: Performed local calibration for MEPDG.
- 2011: DARWin-ME released to support MEPDG.



MoDOT's Timeline: (continued)

- 2013: AASHTO Pavement ME Design version 1.3.28
- July 2016: AASHTO Pavement ME version 2.3.0
- Currently: New local calibration underway.



2002 Pavement

Illustration of four stylized figures holding large 3D letters spelling 'TEAM'.



Collaborative Process

Diagram showing the 'Pavement Team' at the center, connected to four stakeholders: Asphalt Industry, Concrete Industry, MoDOT, and FHWA.



Pavement Team:

➤ **Two Goals:**

- Provide best pavement product that can be delivered within available resources.
- Provide the public and stakeholders with a clear understand of the pavement design & selection process.



Pavement Team:

At times was fairly contentious!



Pavement Team:

With MoDOT stuck in the middle!



Pavement Team:

But in the end, everyone got along!



Pavement Team:


...or at least they pretended to!



Pavement Team:


➤ **Two main outcomes/recommendations:**

1. Adopt a Mechanistic-Empirical design method.
2. Advance an Alternate Bidding process for new pavements.



Alternate Bidding Concept:

- MoDOT first looked at alternate bidding in 1996.
- Process of bidding different pavement types with **equivalent designs and performance expectations** against one another in a competitive environment.
- Involves assumptions for life cycle cost analysis.
- Difficult for pavement team to reach a consensus.




Alternate Bidding Concept:

- HMA assumptions (45 year design life).
 - Mill and replace the surface at years 20 & 33.
- PCCP assumptions (45 year design life).
 - 1.5% pavement repair and diamond grind at year 25.




Alternate Bidding Concept:


- **Maximizing Competition**


- "Structurally Equivalent", PCCP & HMA bid competitively by using LCCA correction factors.



MEPDG Implementation:




- Started using the program in 2004 for JPCP and HMA designs.
- Prior to 2004, used AASHTO 1993 Pavement Guide.
- From 2004 to 2009 used nationally calibrated models.



MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

- Average JPCP thickness was reduced by:
 - ≈2" for high truck volume routes.
 - ≈1" for low to medium truck volume routes.



MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

- Average JPCP thickness was reduced by:
 - ≈2" for high truck volume routes.
 - ≈1" for low to medium truck volume routes.
- Average HMA thickness was reduced by:
 - ≈3-4" for high truck volume routes.
 - ≈1-2" for low to medium truck volume routes.

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

➤ Biggest challenges...

Overcoming Fear!

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

➤ Biggest challenges...

- Trusting the results and our inputs.
- First couple years used both AASHTO '93 & MEPDG.
- Materials testing for input properties.
 - Granular base testing for modulus.
- Databases for gradations, effective binder content, total unit weight and other material properties.

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

➤ In 2009

- Performed Model Validation & Recalibration.
 - Validation through historical input data.
 - Predicted performance using M-E models with MO historical data.
 - Compared predicted performance to real-world performance.
 - Models found to be inadequate for local conditions were recalibrated.

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

➤ Results of Model Validation and Recalibration.

- HMA Models.
 - Bottom-up fatigue cracking and thermal cracking were deemed reasonable.
 - Total rutting was found inadequate and was recalibrated. Recalibrated model was deemed reasonable.
- JPCP Models.
 - Fatigue cracking & faulting were deemed reasonable.
 - IRI model showed bias so it was recalibrated.

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

➤ After Model Validation and Recalibration

- All new pavement designs performed using MEPDG.

➤ MoDOT's Performance Criteria (developed by pavement team)

Pavement Type	Performance Criteria	Maximum Limits (Trigger Values)	Reliability
HMA Pavement	% Bottom-up Cracking	2.0 % at Year 30	50 %
	Rutting (Asphalt Layers Only)	0.25" at Year 20	50 %
PCC Pavement	% Slabs Cracked	1.5 % at Year 25	50 %
	Faulting	0.15" at Year 25	50 %

- All other criteria uses typical or default values.

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

➤ Results of Alt. Bidding and Equivalent Designs...

- Between 2004 and 2009.
 - ❖ 124 Alternate Bid Projects.
 - 118 Full Depth (\$1.5 bil)
 - 6 Rehabilitation (\$82.6 mil)
 - ❖ Full Depth Projects.
 - 40 HMA Awards (\$451.7 mil)
 - 78 PCC Awards (\$1.1 bil)
 - ❖ LCCA Factor determined low bidder 3 times.

MEPDG Implementation: (continued)

- Upgrades...
 - 2011 changed to DARWin-ME.
 - No changes in design thicknesses.
- 2013 AASHTO Pavement ME.
- Resulted in some prediction & thickness changes.



AASHTO Pavement ME:

- Trend of New AASHTO ME Design...
ADTT: 1100; Growth Rate: 2.2%; Subgrade: A-7-6; Level 3 Analysis

Design	Old MEPDG Program		New AASHTO ME Program	
	HMA Design	PCCP Design	HMA Design	PCCP Design
4" Type 5	11.5" (1.6%)	8.5" (0.4%)	11.5" (2.0%)	8.5" (0.9%)
12" Rock Base	9.0" (1.9%)	8.0" (1.5%)	9.0" (2.0%)	8.0" (3.2%) 8.5" (0.7%)
18" Rock Base	8.0" (2.0%)	8.0" (1.3%)	8.0" (2.1%) 8.5" (0.8%)	8.0" (2.7%) 8.5" (0.6%)

AASHTO Pavement ME:

- General Observations...
 - Completely redesigned user interface.
 - Can conduct multiple design analyses simultaneously.
 - Sensitivity analysis replaces running separate designs.
 - Faster analyses run time.
 - Compatibility issues with server (internal issue). Have to run on local C: drive.

AASHTO Pavement ME:

- Detailed Observations...
 - HMA designs more sensitive to base & subgrade.
 - PCC designs more sensitive to widened pavement. (i.e. 13' wide design w/ 12' wide lane.)
 - Level 3 analysis. No benefit given to SMA mixtures over lower type mixtures.
 - Lower freeze/thaw cycles near airports in urban areas.

AASHTO Pavement ME:

- Going Forward...
 - HMA designs are based on virgin mixes. Would like to have this include mixtures with recycles.
 - MoDOT current undergoing recalibration. We have included mostly recycled mixes for analysis.
 - Like to learn more about ability to evaluating drainage.
 - Possibility of incorporating MSCR binder grading.
 - Utilize overlay analysis.

Questions?



Presentation 5—Adnan Iftikhar, Michigan DOT

MICHIGAN DOT – ME OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Adnan Iftikhar, P.E.
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Michigan DOT Mission

“Providing the highest quality integrated transportation services for economic benefit and improved quality of life”

Outline

- Michigan Pavement Design Background
- Michigan ME History
- ME Oversight Committee

Michigan Pavement Design Background

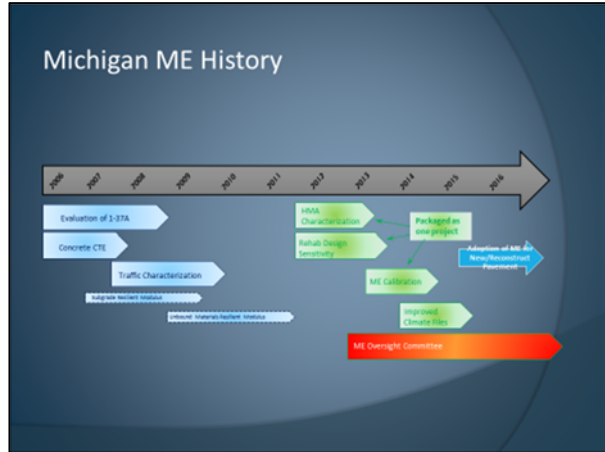
Michigan Pavement Design Background

- AASHTO 1993 since the mid 1990's
- Combination of central office and Region office designers
 - Central office – all (generally larger) projects subject to Michigan's life-cycle law
 - Region offices – all other projects not subject to life-cycle
- MDOT network breakdown
 - HMA – 10,800 lane miles
 - Concrete – 5600 lane miles
 - Composite – 11,000 lane miles
 - Freeway – 9,000 lane miles
 - Non-freeway – 18,400 lane miles

Michigan Pavement Design Background

- Design life
 - Reconstructs – 20 years
 - Major Rehabs (rubblize, unbonded concrete overlay) – 20 years
 - Other Rehabs – 10 to 15 years
- Service life
 - HMA Reconstruct = 33 years
 - Concrete Reconstruct = 34 years
 - Rubblize/HMA Resurface = 26 years
 - Unbonded Concrete Overlays = 25 years

Michigan ME History



ME Oversight Committee

- ### ME Oversight Committee
- Established 2012
 - Traditionally pavement design procedures, policies, etc., have been the duty of one central office engineer
 - 2012 – added an additional pavement design engineer
 - Complexity of ME necessitated input from expertise from around the department to help implementation
 - Assembled a team that represents different areas of expertise

- ### ME Oversight Committee
- ME Oversight Committee (cont.)
 - Membership from various areas
 - Supervisors of the following general areas:
 - Pavement management
 - MA&M/OT&M
 - Concrete materials
 - Asphalt materials
 - Pavement evaluation
 - Traffic monitoring
 - Pavement Operations Engineer
 - Pavement Design Program Engineer (chair)
 - Region Soils Engineers (Region pavement designers)
 - Concrete and HMA paving industries
 - FHWA Michigan Division Representative
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- ### ME Oversight Committee
- Goal of ME Oversight Committee:
 - Facilitate the implementation of ME as MDOT's standard design method

ME Oversight Committee

- Facilitate business process changes for pavement design
 - Who provides the traffic data and how?
 - Which designs are central office and which are not?
 - etc.
- Decisions on equipment
 - CTE test
 - HMA dynamic modulus test
 - etc.



ME Oversight Committee

- Help with decisions on design criteria
 - Distress thresholds
 - Reliability levels,
 - etc.
- Help with decisions on input values
 - Time to 50% shrinkage (PCC)
 - 20 year/28 day PCC compressive strength ratio
 - HMA effective binder content
 - % air voids
 - etc.

ME Oversight Committee

- Expand department knowledge of the software and the impacts of different inputs and design decisions
- Explore research needs
- Facilitate industry participation
- Decide on and oversee subcommittees, including membership

ME Oversight Committee

- Subcommittees
 - Traffic
 - HMA
 - Concrete
- Subcommittee goals
 - Learn the materials/traffic inputs and their impacts in the software
 - Recommend equipment
 - Facilitate testing
 - Make recommendations on input values

ME Oversight Committee

- Subcommittees worked for ~1 1/2 years
- Subcommittees provided recommendations to Oversight Committee
- Oversight Committee made final decisions
- End result: Interim ME User Guide
- Very important to include paving industry groups
- Committee continues to meet every 2 to 3 months to work on issues, software changes, etc., as they pop up

ME Oversight Committee

- ME User Guide
 - Developed 200+ page document for software operation, inputs, calibration coefficients, etc.



ME Oversight Committee

- More information can be found on the MDOT ME webpage:
www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,4616,7-151-9623_26663_27303_27336_63969---,00.html


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Presentation 6—Affan Habib, Virginia DOT



MEPDG Implementation in VDOT: Plan and Challenges

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VDOT's Plan At a Glance

- **Target Implementation: 1/1/2018**
- **Activities done to date**
 - Missed planned target implementation date a number of times
 - Characterization of traffic (10-R19), AC mixes (12-R6), soil (16-R13), concrete,
 - Local calibration for asphalt and CRC (16-R1)
 - <http://vtrc.virginia.gov/pubs.aspx>
 - Procured 13 concurrent use license
 - Development of draft user manual (can email copy upon request)
 - Training to VDOT pavement design staff
 - Obtained executive blessing to proceed
- **Activities ahead**
 - One year advance notice to the consultant community
 - Finalization of performance threshold values
 - Having work around on some issues
 - Finalization of the user manual
 - Getting industry buy in

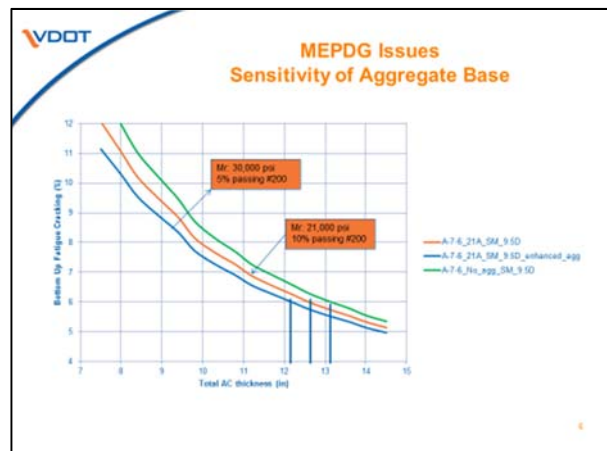
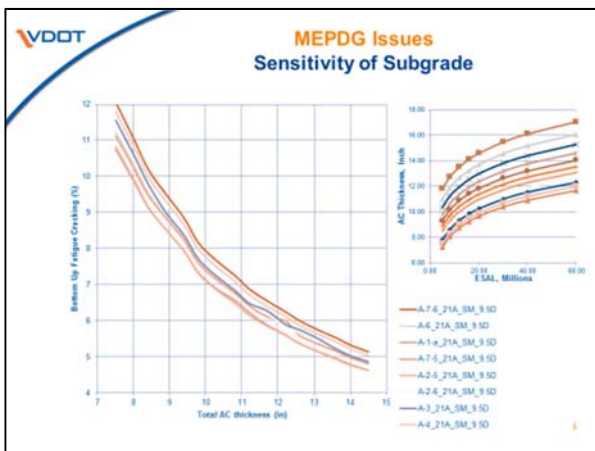
MEPDG Issues: Broader

- Some models are still being modified
 - What are the changes in the horizon?
- Current Active NCHRP studies
 - 01-51: A Model for Incorporating Slab/Underlying Layer Interaction into the MEPDG Concrete Pavement Analysis Procedures
 - 01-52: A Mechanistic-Empirical Model for Top-Down Cracking of Asphalt Pavement Layers
 - 01-53: Proposed Enhancements to Pavement ME Design: Improved Consideration of the Influence of Subgrade and Unbound Layers on Pavement Performance
- How is information channeled to the states?
- Absence of training about fundamental concepts
- Are all stakeholders on board?



Software related issues

- Software installation is handled by IT staff ONLY in VDOT
- The initial software installation took several months
- VDOT planned to have the VDOT specific factors (traffic, local call etc.) installed through the software packaging by IT
 - End users do not need to enter those manually
- Last version took almost 4 months for successful installation
- After a recent server change, we are getting "Activation Failed" message which our IT staff is still trying to fix
- Web based version should help address some of these issues

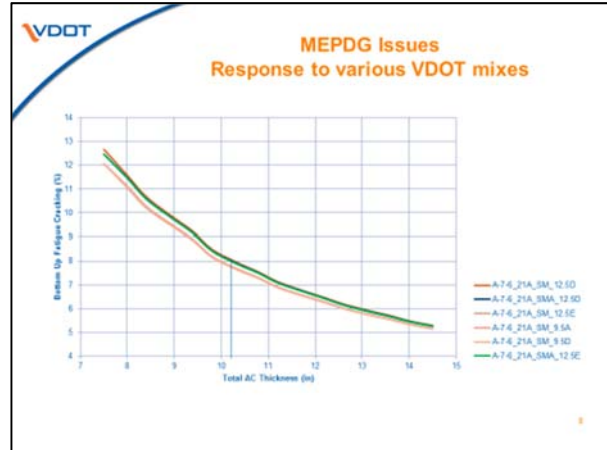


MEPDG Issues
Will 'insensitivity' to subgrade & aggregate change?

- NCHRP 1-53

OBJECTIVE: The objective of this research is to propose enhancements, as needed, to the Pavement ME Design procedures to better reflect the influence of subgrade and unbound layers (properties and thicknesses) on the performance of flexible and rigid pavements. These enhancements may include modifications of the models contained in the Pavement ME Design and/or the development of new models. The research shall address all types of flexible and rigid pavements included in Pavement ME Design.

- NCHRP study may validate or modify current MEPDG model
- What happens if current model is modified?
 - Redo local calibration?
- What do we do now?
 - Wait or have some work around?



MEPDG Issues
Response to various VDOT mixes

- SMA/E mixes not showing better performance
- SMA mixes not showing higher stiffness at high temperature
- Is it practical to use different mix types in the design?
- Ideal solution is to have separate local calibration for SMA mixes
 - Did not observe much difference with SMA mixes in our calibration
 - Will separate calibration coefficient be difficult for the designers, consultants to handle?
- Continue characterizing more mixes
 - Will this change the trend?
- What is the work around?
 - Have one SM, IM and BM
 - Continue using current mix selection guideline outside of design

MEPDG Issues
Local Calibration

- It needs sections with various structures, materials, traffic loading, distress (especially over the entire design life) etc.
- Not easy to have sections without any maintenance beyond 10-15 years
 - Some states have utilized LTPP section data
 - VA has only 3 SPS section
 - VA's local call. sections did not have much distress
 - It may have some impacts on the outcome
 - Not very practical to establish that many LTPP like calibration sections
 - Used PMS data
- Did not distinguish between top down and bottom up fatigue cracking
 - Consistent with AASHTO guide on local calibration
 - What is the impact of this on the predicted distress?
- What is the impact of not having a 'perfect' local calibration?

MEPDG Issues
No local calibration for JCP

- VA does not have too many JCP with shorter slab length to perform local calibration
- Intend to use global model
- Regional calibration for JCP is a possibility
 - How to materialize that?

MEPDG Issues
What about newer materials?


- Not all materials are calibrated in the global models
 - Recycled
 - CTA
 - Other VA specific mixes
- Local calibration strongly recommended for such materials
 - Needs good number of sections
 - What to do without such number of sections?



What's Needed (VDOT's wish list)

- Training on the fundamentals of MEPDG
- Provide structure to MEPDG user group to facilitate mutual help
 - Online discussion group
 - Have this group meet regularly
 - Others?
- Formal communication from AASHTO on MEPDG issues/future developments
- Identify broader 'limitations' (if any) of MEPDG and suggest work around for agencies
- Possible tools to help agencies MEPDG implementation

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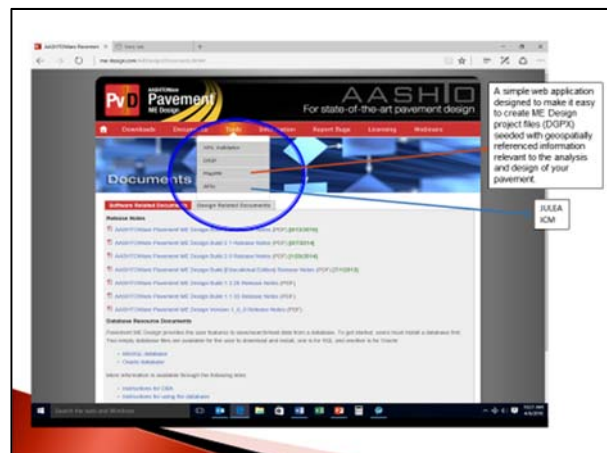
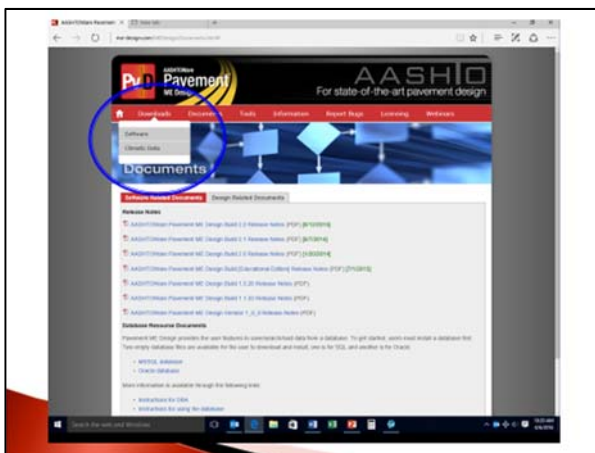
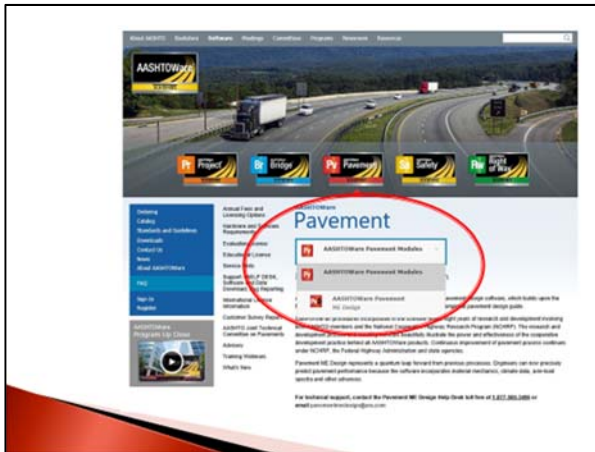


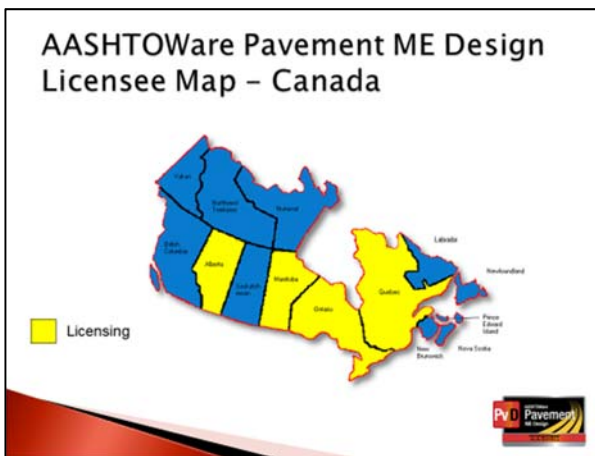
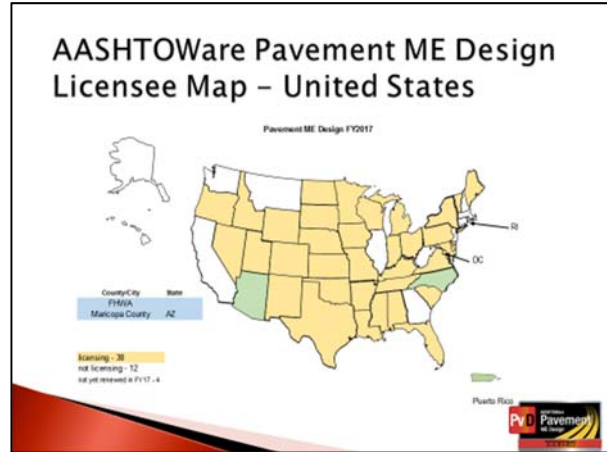
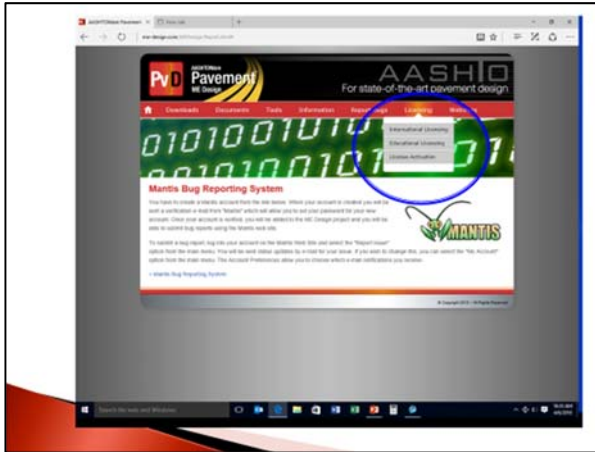
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Presentation 7—Vicki Schofield, AASHTO





Additional License Types

	2016	2017
No Cost Educational	69	51
Private Sector	73	73
Universities	24	17
Local Agencies	1	1
30-Day Evaluation	5	2
International	15	14

2017 – Brazil, China, Colombia, Guatemala, Hong Kong SAR, India, Lebanon, Norway, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Sweden, Turkey, UAE

- ### FUTURE ENHANCEMENTS Under Consideration
1. Allow for the customization of reports
 2. Track improvements by others, Agency PMED customizations, Other AASHTOWare software
 3. Provide ability to reset performance parameters after interim treatment
 4. Lockdown specific input variables
 5. Allow for use of K-values for subgrade
 6. Grey out performance parameters not used for design - create super user to gray out certain inputs
 7. Enhance climate data with MERRA data
 8. Implement tensile strength level 1
 9. Recalibration for flexible and semi rigid pavements in English and SI units

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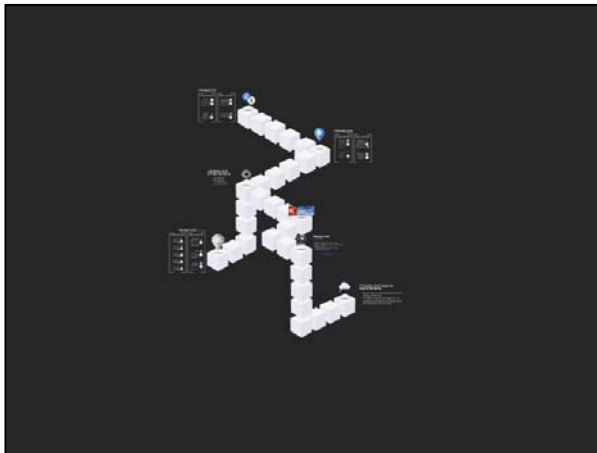
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Software Mission

Pavement ME Design strives to integrate state-of-the-art mechanistic-empirical principles with cutting-edge software technology.

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Halil Ceylan (Iowa State University) completed the neural networks; the final product was not possible without Halil's effort and assistance.

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Normalized Axle Load Spectra

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- One set of default NALS was included in software development from NCHRP Project 137B.
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v2.2 Enhancement

- LTPP defined WPM stress as their "gold standard" primary accuracy NALS used to generate LTPP default NALS.
- NALS is based on default NALS in the software Guide. Primary, Tri-modal, and 4th.

Previous to v2.2

- One set of default NALS was included in software; developed from NCHRP Project 1-37A.
- NCHRP 1-37A default NALS represents overall average from WIM sites in all functional classes; questions were raised about its accuracy.

v2.2 Enhancement

- LTPP defined WIM sites as their "gold standard;" primarily interstate WIM sites used to generate LTPP default NALS
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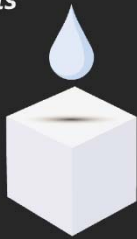
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File APIs for JULEA and ICM

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Provide programmatic access to file outputs generated by the analysis executables.



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- Technical Audit

New Features

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- NARR Climate Data

Code Modernization and Review

- Examined the entire legacy code base (including the analysis executable code) and performed developmental cleanup tasks
- No architectural code changes were made
- Prepared the code base for major update to a web technology application

Technical Audit

- Various anomalies associated with the legacy analysis executables were identified
- Identified items which could impact designs and prioritized fixes to those analyzes.

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For more information on SJPCP head to:
<http://me-design.com/MEDesign/Webinars.html>
 (Version 2.3)

and:

http://me-design.com/MEDesign/data/SJPCP%20Short%20Jtd%20Bonded%20PCC%20Overlay%20Asphalt%20Procedure_Addendum.pdf
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NARR Climate Data

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New Feature

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Phase 2

Backcalculation of Stiffness Values

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- Offer an easy print for the backcalculated modulus data as well as the user structure information to allow the existing structure for getting the backcalc into ME Design.

Goals:

- Using the data generated from Phase 1, input the data into the Evercalc backcalculation program to determine stiffness values.
- Define an output format from the new tool for agencies utilizing a different backcalculation program (other than Evercalc) to compute stiffness values
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Phase 3

Post Processing Backcalculation Results

Goals:

- Create a post processing tool which takes the backcalculated elastic modulus values and creates the necessary input files for ME Design based on the information from the first two phases.
- The files imported into the Pavement ME Design program will include both the backcalculated modulus data as well as the layer structure information to define the existing structure.
- The tool will perform backcalculation of a rehabilitation project, and generate functional ME Design project files (.dgp) as its primary output.

Goals:

- Create a post-processing tool which takes the backcalculated elastic modulus values and creates the necessary input files for ME Design based on the information from the first two phases.
- The files imported into the Pavement ME Design program will include both the backcalculated modulus data as well as the layer structure information to define the existing structure
- The tool will perform backcalculation of a rehabilitation project, and generate functional ME Design project files (.dgp) as its primary output

Process and Feature Improvements

- Please submit through MantisBT at www.me-design.com/MantisBT
- All software improvement suggestions are examined and brought to the attention of the ME Design task force bi-annually.

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Presentation 9—Geoff Hall, Maryland SHA

DESIGN PARAMETERS:

Condition Threshold Limits, Reliability Levels, Hierarchical Levels



AASHTO Pavement ME National Users Group Meeting
December 14, 2016

Geoff Hall, P.E., Pavement Chief, Maryland SHA

Overview

- Distress Threshold limits
 - Initial Performance Target
 - Terminal Performance Targets
- Reliability
- Hierarchical Level

AASHTO ME National Users Group Meeting – 12-14-16 – Design Parameters

Background – Performance Targets

- AASHTO 1993: Serviceability
 - 0 to 5 scale
- AASHTO Now: Something we can measure
 - IRI
 - Cracking
 - Rutting/Faulting

AASHTO ME National Users Group Meeting – 12-14-16 – Design Parameters

Background – Performance Targets

How does Serviceability compare to performance metrics?

Not very well.

- Serviceability is qualitative.
- Performance metrics are quantitative.

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Background – Performance Targets

AASHTO 1993 Targets

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AASHTO ME Targets

Thus, need to start over.

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Performance Targets

Current Defaults:


- Initial IRI = 63 in/mi
- Terminal IRI = 172 in/mi
- AC Top-Down Fatigue Cracking = 2000 ft/mi
- AC Bottom-Up Fatigue Cracking = 25% lane area
- AC Thermal Cracking = 1000 ft/mi

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Performance Targets



Currently available criteria:

- Total Permanent Deformation = 0.75"
- AC-only Deformation = 0.25"
- JPCP Transverse Cracking = 15% slabs
- JPCP Joint Faulting = 0.12"
- CRCP Punchouts = 10/mile



Performance Targets


Are these defaults always appropriate?
Should they be the same for all functional classes?

Performance Targets Project Example

Urban Principal Arterial – Flexible
Mill & Resurface – What is life extension?

	Before Fix		After Fix	
	Existing	Initial	Terminal	
IRI	150	63	172	
Fatigue Cracking	1%		25%	
Thermal Cracking	10000		1000	
Rutting	0.18		0.75	




Initial Performance Target (It's somewhat complicated)

Target can be project-specific.

Use your data.

- You've paved thousands of projects.
 - Determine typical post-paving values
 - Performance specifications



Initial Performance Target

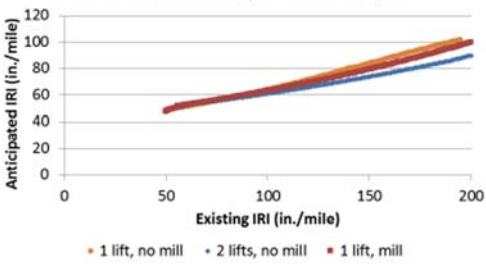
Ride Quality

- **Dependent on a few factors**
 - Pre-overlay IRI
 - Number of lifts
 - Milling or not




Initial Performance Target

Anticipated IRI based on existing conditions and proposed fix



• 1 lift, no mill
 • 2 lifts, no mill
 • 1 lift, mill



Initial Performance Target

Ride Quality

- For examples, visit <http://roads.maryland.gov/index.aspx?pageid=32&d=10>

Existing IRI:	150
Number of HMA lifts:	1
Grinding on the project?	Yes
Wedge/Level?	No
Functional Class:	Locals
Anticipated IRI after construction =	79

Terminal Performance Targets (It's more complicated)

Targets can be project-specific.
Goal is to determine life extension.

Use your data.

- Terminal targets based on pre-overlay condition.
 - For new, use average
 - For used, use project-specific

Terminal Performance Targets

Based on existing Remaining Service Life

- Existing IRI, Rut, Crack and Friction are converted to RSL
 - Conversion of distress to RSL varies by functional class

Terminal Performance Targets

- Lowest RSL controls
- That RSL is converted back to individual distress threshold limits
- For new pavements, RSL target = 20

Terminal Performance Targets Example

Urban Principal Arterial

Existing, pre-overlay values:

- IRI = 150 in/mi → RSL = 21
- Fatigue Cracking = 1% area → RSL = 35
- Thermal Cracking = 10,000 ft/mi → RSL = 16
- Rutting = 0.18" → RSL = 30
- Skid Number = 40 → RSL = 20

Terminal Performance Targets Example

Urban Principal Arterial

Existing, pre-overlay values:


- IRI RSL = 21
- Fatigue RSL = 35
- Thermal RSL = 16
- Rut RSL = 30
- Skid RSL = 20

Overall RSL = 16

Terminal Performance Targets Example

Terminal target values:

- IRI RSL = 16 → IRI = 177 in/mi
- Fatigue RSL = 16 → Bottom-Up = 8%
- Thermal RSL = 16 → Thermal = 10,000
- Rut RSL = 16 → Rut = 0.28"
- Skid RSL = 16 → Skid = 39



Terminal Performance Targets Example

Terminal target values:


- Top-down fatigue: ignore
 - Difficult to tell difference whether fatigue is top-down or bottom-up.
 - Considering all fatigue as bottom-up is somewhat more conservative
- AC only deformation: ignore
 - Difficult to tell whether rutting is whole system or just asphalt



Performance Targets Project Example

**Urban Principal Arterial – Flexible
Mill & Resurface**


	Existing	Defaults	Chosen
Initial IRI		63	79
Terminal IRI	150	172	177
Fatigue Cracking	1%	25%	8%
Thermal Cracking	10,000	1000	10,000
Rutting	0.18"	0.75"	0.28"



Reliability


Current Defaults:


- Mostly 90%
- AC Bottom-Up Fatigue Cracking = 50%
(Flexible pavement overlays only)
- AC Thermal Cracking = 50% **(Overlays only)**



Reliability

Are these defaults always appropriate?






Reliability

What is appropriate?

New Pavements:

- IRI: 50%
 - With performance specs, know what to expect
- All other criteria: 90% is good
 - This is our one chance to build it to last
 - More cost-effective to spend a bit more up front to save a lot more later



Reliability

What is appropriate?

Existing Pavements:

- **IRI: 50%**
 - With performance specs, know what to expect
- **All other criteria: 50% is good**
 - Tail wags the dog: determine how long the fix will last, not fit a fix to an expected life.
 - **Goal is to get accurate life extension, to compare to other options**



Reliability


Project Example

Urban Principal Arterial – Flexible Mill & Resurface – What is life extension?

Last, similar fix lasted 15 years


- IRI Life @ 90% = 4 years
- IRI Life @ 50% = 16 years

Which is more believable?



Hierarchical Levels


- **Input Level 1** – Measured directly; site- or project-specific.
- **Input Level 2** – Estimated from other site specific data or parameters. May also represent measured regional values that are not project-specific.
- **Input Level 3** – “Best-estimated” or default values. Based on national or regional default values.



Hierarchical Levels

How are they chosen?

- Most projects: Uhhhh....whatever’s readily available through our normal routine.
 - We don’t have Level-1 control on many inputs
- Design-Build Projects: Design-Build team can have Level-1 control



Hierarchical Levels


How are they chosen?

- Design-Build Projects: Design-Build team can have Level-1 control
 - DB team can make real-time adjustments to design
 - SHA can approve those adjustments...(if the DB team can prove it, of course)
 - Everybody wins!



Summary

- Distress Threshold limits & Reliability
 - Do not correspond to AASHTO 93
 - Adjust for specific projects
- Hierarchical Level
 - Can effect cost savings



Questions?



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The image shows a presentation slide titled "Questions?". On the left, there is a screenshot of the AASHTO Pavement ME Design software interface, which includes a login window with fields for Username and Password, and buttons for OK and Cancel. The software title "AASHTO Pavement ME Design" is visible at the top of the window. To the right of the software screenshot is a stylized map of Maryland with a red figure of a person standing on it. Overlaid on the map and figure is the contact information for Geoff Hall, P.E., including his name, title as Pavement & Geotechnical Division Chief, and email address gohall@sha.state.md.us. At the bottom of the slide, there is a small logo on the left, the text "Geoff Hall, P.E., Pavement Chief, Maryland SHA" in the center, and the number "31" on the right.

Presentation 10—Clark Graves, University of Kentucky / Joe Tucker, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

Kentucky Development of an MEPDG Based Design Catalog



Our Vision of Implementation

- Kentucky Currently has ME process and our own Catalog Design Process
- Use Current Data and System Framework as much as possible
- Target Level 2/3 Designs
- Our effort is not a conventional implementation effort
- KYTC using PavME as an analysis tool to enhance our current ME design process.



Our Vision of Implementation cont.

- Initial designs new hot mix asphalt construction
- PCC Pavements
- Rehabilitation of both HMA and PCC


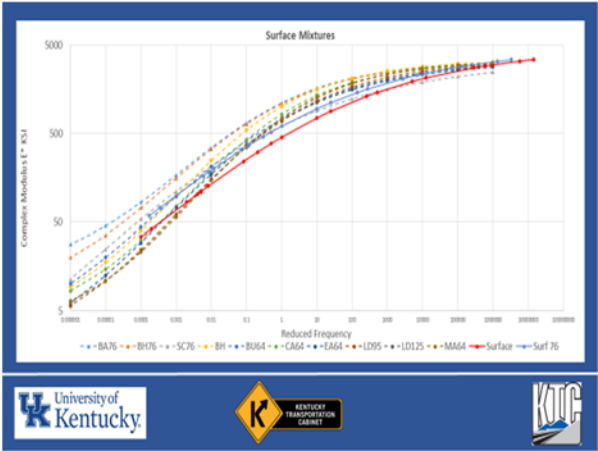


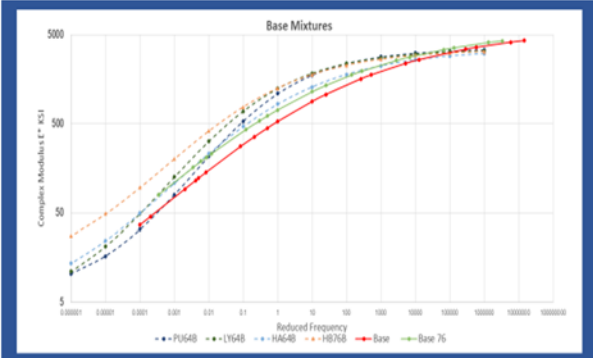
Implementation Steps

- KYTC identified the following steps for successful implementation
 - Implementation plan,
 - Materials and traffic libraries, KYTC-specific user input guide,
 - Identify key stake holders, department divisions and industry
 - Continuous verification, calibration and validation



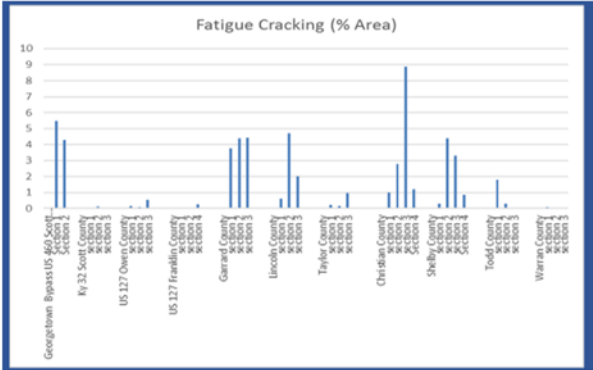
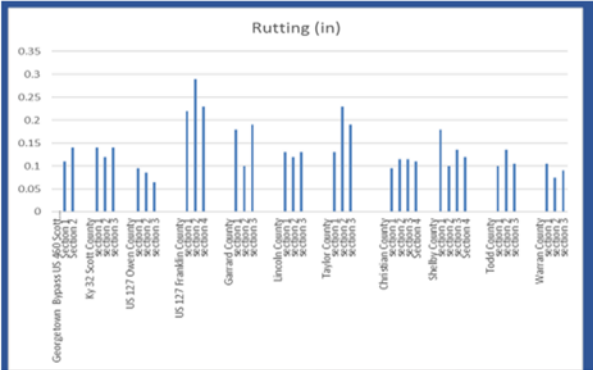
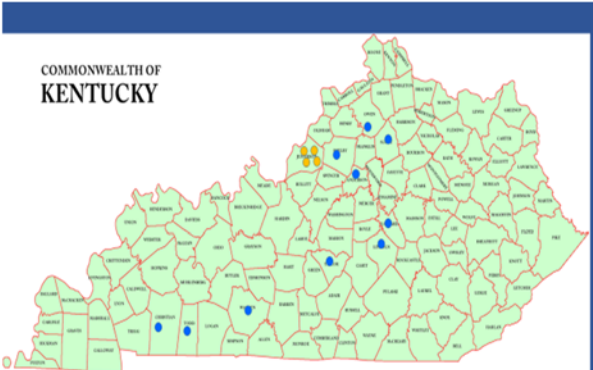
Materials Library Example

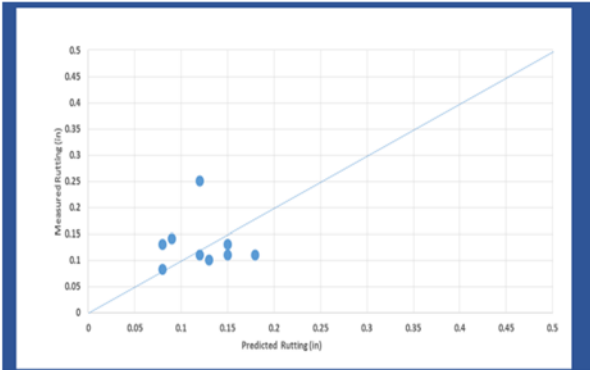





Calibration Sites

- Calibration Sites selected across the state
- Primary focus is on Asphalt Pavements
- 8 – 15 years old
- Constructed with Superpave Mix Design
- Various Traffic Levels





Prepare for Tomorrows Calibration

- Calibration should be a continuous process
- Capture data at the design phase that will be needed
 - Materials
 - Traffic
 - Design changes
- Sophisticated database structure or file repository (Projectwise)



Why A Design Catalog

- Easy transition from current catalog system
- Efficiently develop pavements designs by engineers with limited PaveME experience
- Consistent cost estimation process
- State Highway Engineer looking for quick implementation
- PaveME use for specialized designs and forensic evaluations



Design Catalog Development

- Developed design space of typical designs
- Standard DGA Thickness initially 6"
- Standard HMA Mix Properties from historical designs
- Standardized unbound material properties with variable modulus
- Single Vehicle Class Distributions, default axle load spectra, AADTT from 100 – 16,000
- Variable HMA thickness 6" - 18", 343 combinations,

DGA Thickness (in)	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
AC Thickness (in)	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
Subgrade Strength	4,000	7,500	9,000	30,500	32,000	33,500	35,000
Peak Traffic (AADTT)	100	500	1,000	2,000	4,000	8,000	16,000
SAIS (mil)	300,000	1,425,000	3,000,000	7,300,000	14,600,000	29,200,000	58,400,000



Catalog Development Cont.

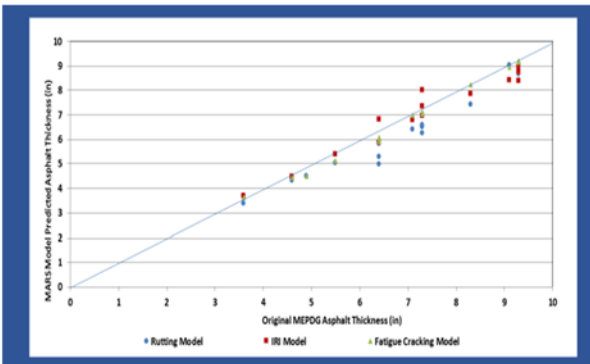
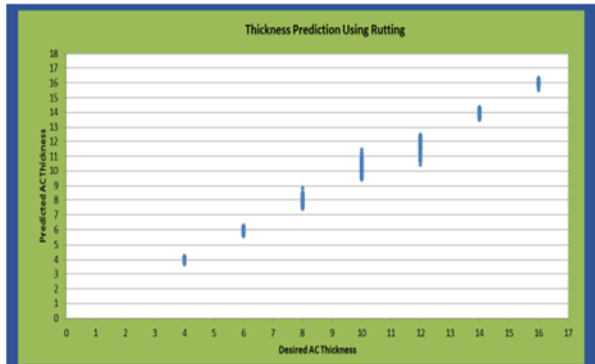
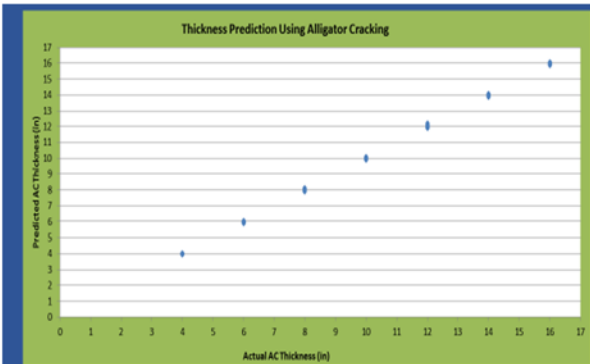
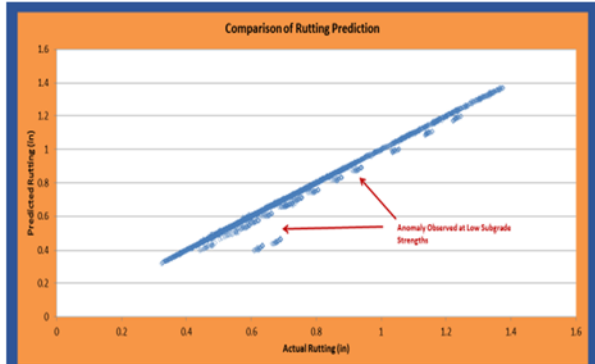
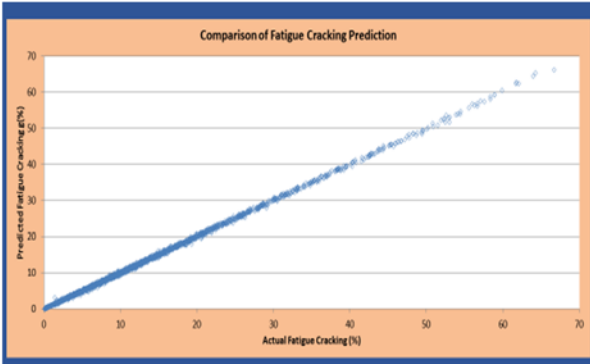
- Initial catalog based on "synthesized" calibration coefficients from surrounding states
- Refinement will be made based on local calibration sites
- Primary focus on AC rutting and fatigue cracking
- Reliability 90%



Modeling of Design Space

- Multiple Adaptive Regression (MARS) of design space.
- Ability to determine both forward solution and predict distress
- Backward solution to predict thickness given distress thresholds
- Accuracy within design space is very good





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PAVEMENT DESIGN

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KYTC Pavement Design Program Kentucky Transportation Cabinet 2016

Project Description:

Current Date: 12/14/2016

Structural Design Inputs

Design CBR:

Design ESALs:

Design AADTT:

Length of Project (miles):

Total Number of Lanes, One Direction:

Number of Divisions 1 to 2:

Number of Divisions 3 to 4:

Number of Divisions 5 to 6:

Number of Divisions 7 to 8:

Number of Divisions 9 to 10:

Number of Divisions 11 to 12:

Number of Divisions 13 to 14:

Number of Divisions 15 to 16:

Number of Divisions 17 to 18:

Number of Divisions 19 to 20:

Number of Divisions 21 to 22:

Number of Divisions 23 to 24:

Number of Divisions 25 to 26:

Number of Divisions 27 to 28:

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Number of Divisions 75 to 76:

Number of Divisions 77 to 78:

Number of Divisions 79 to 80:

Number of Divisions 81 to 82:

Number of Divisions 83 to 84:

Number of Divisions 85 to 86:

Number of Divisions 87 to 88:

Number of Divisions 89 to 90:

Number of Divisions 91 to 92:

Number of Divisions 93 to 94:

Number of Divisions 95 to 96:

Number of Divisions 97 to 98:

Number of Divisions 99 to 100:

Check if User will define layer thickness:

Subgrade stabilization: Chemical Stabilization Rock and Stone 6 inches of DGA + Design None

Pavement Structural Design From Design Catalog

Required Thickness

Final Design Thickness (ft)	Driving Lane Material Selection		Shoulder Material Selection	
	Material	Unit Cost	Material	Unit Cost
Surface	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)
Layer 1	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)
Layer 2	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)
Layer 3	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)
Layer 4	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)	2.25	25.2 ASPH/BASE 9.75C/P200A(2)
Aggregate Base	1.00	DGA	20.54	DGA
Sub Roadbed	12.00	15" OF 40# 40, 14 40# STONE AND TOPS 10 FIBER POLYESTER	12.00	15" OF 40# 40, 14 40# STONE AND TOPS 10 FIBER POLYESTER

Live Demo Developing Design Catalog



- ### Future Directions
- Initial deployment of catalog early 2017
 - District by District Deployment
 - Continued calibration/verification
 - Catalog expansion to handle other design types, PCC, composite, rehab, etc.

Thank You



Presentation 11—Larry Wiser, FHWA

LTPP Climate Tools for ME Design

AASHTO Pavement ME Users Group Meeting
Hyatt Regency
Indianapolis, Indiana
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Larry Wiser, FHWA




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Overview

- ♦ LTPP InfoPave
- ♦ LTPP Climate Tool
- ♦ Other MEPDG Support Tools
- ♦ Feedback and Comments




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LTPP InfoPave

- ♦ LTPP InfoPave is the Web-centric interface, designed to improve access to LTPP data. In addition, the interface provides information, education, and tools to maximize the use of available data.
- ♦ LTPP InfoPave includes creative tools for data viewing, identification, and selection that helps users create their own personalized data sets, summary reports, queries, and much more.




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LTPP InfoPave (Cont.)

- ♦ The LTPP InfoPave web interface is organized in the form of Hubs and Tiles. A hub is collection of related tiles whereas a tile represents a feature or a tool available in under this interface.
- ♦ LTPP Climate Tool is available under the Tools Hub.



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LTPP InfoPave (Cont.)



The screenshot shows the LTPP InfoPave web interface with a navigation menu on the left and a main content area with several tiles. The tiles include: Home, Search, Map, Data, Analytics, Visualization, Tools, Library, Operations, New LTPP, Help, and My LTPP. The main content area displays a list of announcements and a large tile for 'MERRA Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs'.




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LTPP Climate Tool

- ♦ Objective of LTPP Climate Tool is to provide convenient dissemination of NASA's MERRA climatic data for infrastructure engineering applications in customary engineering units
- ♦ Intended users - pavement and bridge infrastructure engineers
- ♦ The 'MERRA Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs' under the Tools menu of the InfoPave website provides climatic data set suitable for use with AASHTO Pavement ME Design software



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Accessing LTPP Climate Tool

- <https://infopave.fhwa.dot.gov> 'Data' & 'Tools'

The screenshot shows the LTPP InfoPave Home page with a navigation menu at the top. The 'Tools' button in the main content area is highlighted with a yellow arrow. The page includes a search bar, a navigation menu with options like Home, Search, Map, Data, Analysis, Visualization, and Tools, and a list of recent announcements.

Available Data

- Data Attributes
 - Temperature
 - Precipitation
 - Humidity
 - Wind
 - Solar
- Data Frequency
 - Hourly
 - Daily
 - Monthly
 - Annually

A horizontal color scale for Temperature Average, ranging from -23 °C (dark purple) to 33 °C (dark red), with intermediate colors for 0, 10, 20, and 30 °C.

Temperature and Precipitation Elements

- Temperature
 - Temperature
 - Soil temperature layers 1 – 6
 - Soil temperature unsaturated zone
 - Soil temperature saturated zone
- Precipitation
 - Precipitation
 - Evaporation
 - Infiltration
 - Overland runoff
 - Snow Mass
 - Snow Melt
 - Snow-covered area fraction
 - Snowfall

Humidity, Wind and Solar Elements

- Humidity
 - Specific humidity
 - Relative humidity
 - Air pressure
- Wind
 - North wind
 - East wind
 - Wind velocity
 - Air density
- Solar
 - Shortwave surface
 - Shortwave top of atmosphere
 - Cloud cover
 - Percent sunshine
 - Emissivity
 - Albedo

LTPP Climate Tool – Location

The screenshot shows the 'LTPP Climate Tool' interface with the 'Location' tab selected. It features a search bar, a map of the United States with a location pin, and a list of search results. The interface includes navigation menus and a sidebar with various tool options.

Location Selection

The screenshot shows the 'Location Selection' map interface. It displays a map of the United States with a location pin and a search bar. The interface includes a search bar, a map, and a list of search results. The map shows a color scale for temperature average, ranging from -23 °C to 34 °C.

Area Selection

There are 20 of 49993 cells currently selected.

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LTPP Section Selection

There are 1 of 49993 cells currently selected.

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LTPP Climate Tool – Country

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LTPP Climate Tool – Map

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LTPP Climate Tool - Data

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LTPP Climate Tool – Graph

Year	Air Temperature Average (°C)
1980	2.5
1981	4.5
1982	0.5
1983	2.0
1984	2.5
1985	1.5
1986	2.5
1987	5.0
1988	3.5
1989	2.0

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Data Download Formats

- **Tabulated Data** – Microsoft Excel (XLS), Microsoft Access (MDB), and Microsoft SQL Server (BAK).
- **Program Input** – Historic Climatic Data (HCD) and Integrated Climate Model (ICM) files.
- **Map** – ESRI Shape File (SHP), and Keyhole Markup Language (KML) XML files.

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Other MEPDG Support Tools

- Use LTPP Data for MEPDG Inputs for Local Calibration
- MERRA Climatic Data for MEPDG Inputs

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Tools Hub

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MEPDG Inputs for Local Calibration

The MEPDG Inputs feature is designed to provide the performance data and inputs from the LTPP database for the AASHTOWare Pavement ME software. This allows the users to run comparisons of model predictions against the actual performance data from LTPP test sections.

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MEPDG Inputs for Local Calibration (Cont.)

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Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs

MERRA Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs enables users to download MERRA climate data in a format that is being used as an input for the AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design Software. This feature allows users to download the Hourly Climatic Database (.HCD) file based upon MERRA data for the selected section.

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Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs (Cont.)

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Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs (Cont.)

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Summary

- LTPP Climate Tool provides convenient dissemination of MERRA climatic data for infrastructure engineering applications in customary engineering units
- Intended users - pavement and bridge infrastructure engineers
- 'MERRA Climate Data for MEPDG Inputs' provides climatic data set suitable for use with AASHTO Pavement ME Design software
- Use of LTPP Data for MEPDG Inputs for Local Calibration


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Feedback and Comments

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Presentation 12—Nusrat Morshed, New Jersey DOT



NJDOT –STATUS OF TRAFFIC INPUT

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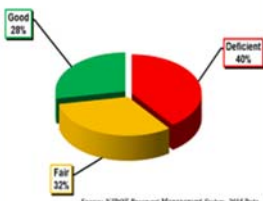
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- HAO WANG, PhD - Assistant Professor, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

OVERVIEW

- Status of NJDOT Highway System
- Types Of Traffic Data- NJDOT
- Example Of Consultant Work Using PAVEMENT ME
- Upcoming User Manual (Traffic) for ME Design-FY-2017

STATUS OF NJDOT HIGHWAY SYSTEM

NJDOT Maintained Pavement Status Based on IRI & SDI (Based on 2015 Data)

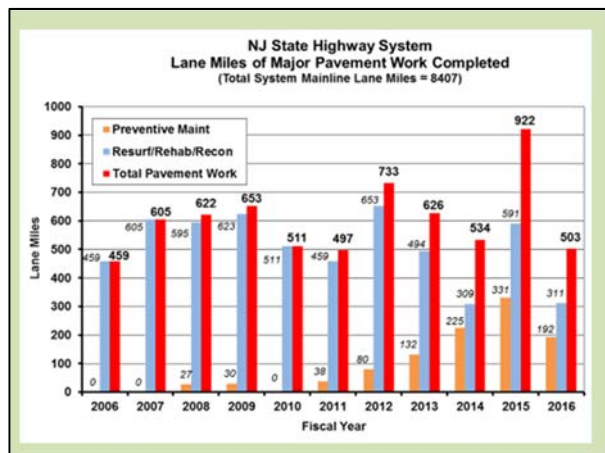


Notes:
1) IRI = International Roughness Index measured in inches per mile
2) SDI = Surface Distress Index measured on a 0-3 scale (0 = distress free pavement)

Status	Criteria	Road Miles (Total Distress)	Lane Miles (Total Distress)	% Total System Lane Miles
Deficient	IRI > 175 OR SDI > 2.4	2083.8	3411.4	40%
Fair	IRI / SDI Combinations Between Good and Deficient	1484.7	2672.1	32%
Good	IRI < 95 AND SDI < 2.0	1125.8	2219.9	28%
Total		4694.3	8403.4	100%

Source: NJDOT Pavement Management System, 2015 Data

Note: Mileage in the table above represents length of highway which is slightly less than system mileage listed out of 8408 and 8405 out of 8407 due to unavailability of some areas for testing.



TYPES OF TRAFFIC DATA-NJDOT

Data Types

- 48 Hours Counts & Ramps Data
- Vehicle Volumes and Speeds
- Vehicle Classification
- Vehicle Weights

Finding our data... Online traffic counts web search engine

Data Viewer 3 (Beta version available now)
To be published in December 2016

Data Viewer 2
Intranet -> Useful Tool

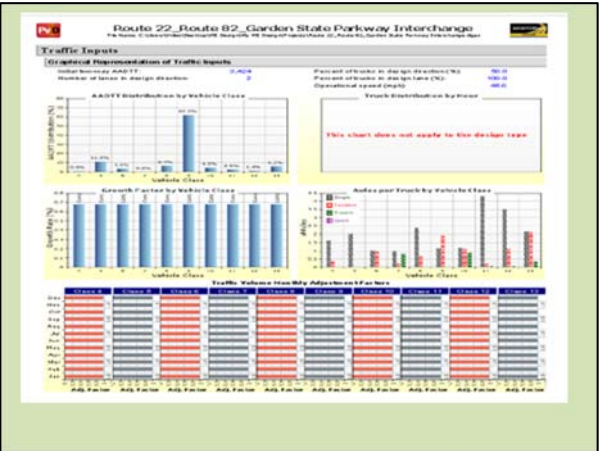
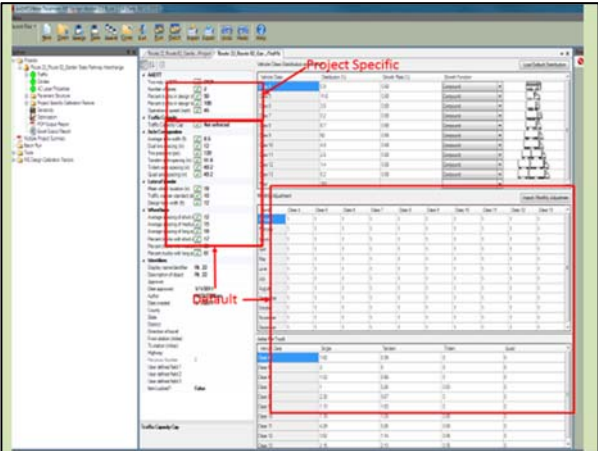
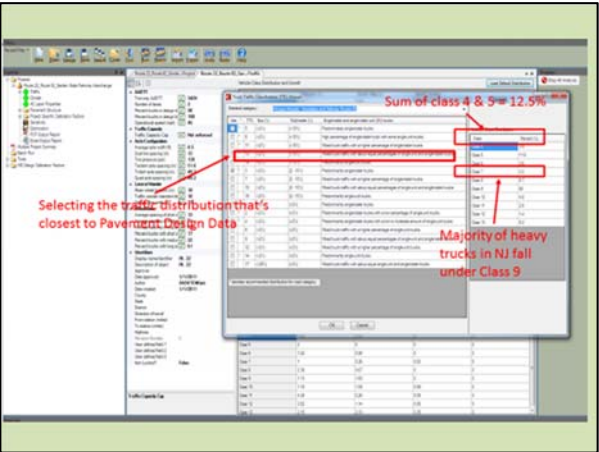
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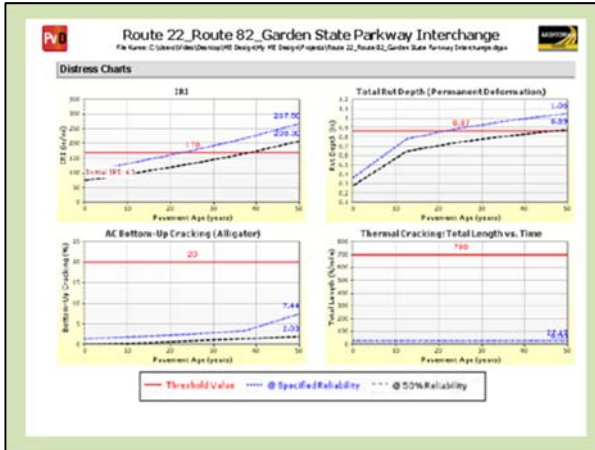
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Class 2 Passenger cars		Class 8 Four or less axle, single trailer	
Class 3 Four tire, single unit		Class 9 5-Axle tractor semitrailer	
Class 4 Buses		Class 10 Six or more axle, single trailer	
Class 5 Two axle, six tire, single unit		Class 11 Five or less axle, multi trailer	
Class 6 Three axle, single unit		Class 12 Six axle, multi-trailer	
		Class 13 Seven or more axle, multi-trailer	

EXAMPLE OF CONSULTANT WORK USING PAVEMENT ME

- ### PROJECT DETAILS
- Route 22/Route 82/Garden State Parkway Interchange Project
 - Route 22: MP 55.26-56.16
 - Existing Pavement
 - Route 22 EB: Primarily reinforced PCC
 - Route 22 WB: AC over reinforced PCC
 - Reconstruction was considered one of the alternatives in the bare PCC section where no raise in profile was allowed due to the presence of overpass

- ### PAVEMENT DESIGN DATA
- 2016 ADT (1 Way) = 53,010 vpd
 - 2022 ADT (1 Way) = 55,210 vpd
 - 2032 ADT (1 Way) = 59,080 vpd
 - 2042 ADT (1 Way) = 63,230 vpd
 - Growth Factor = 0.68%
 - Heavy (Class 6-13) Truck % in 24 hours = 2.7%
 - Total (Class 4-13) Truck % in 24 hours = 3.1%
 - % of Light (Class 4-5) Truck = ~13%
 - % of Heavy (Class 6-13) Truck = ~87%





Route 22, Route 82, Garden State Parkway Interchange

Design Inputs: Design Life: 30 years, State construction: May, 2011, Climate Data: 45480, 14, 189, Design Type: Flexible Pavement, Pavement construction: June, 2002, Start/End: S, L, R, L, R, Traffic opening: September, 2002

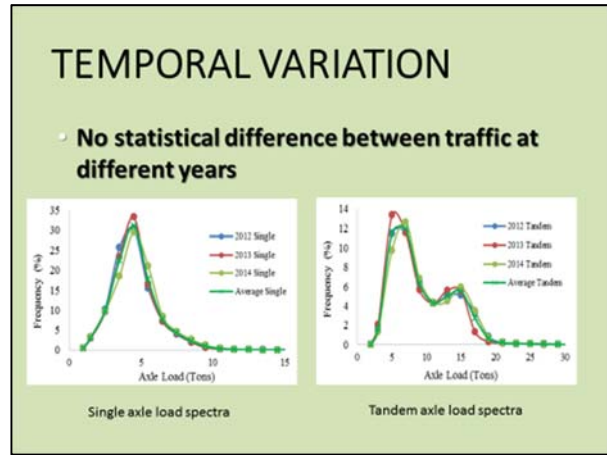
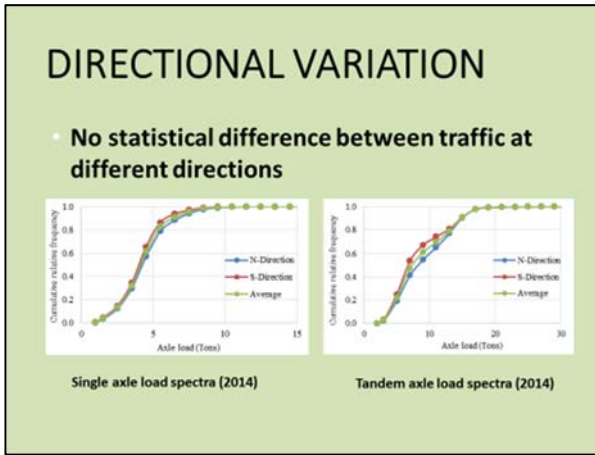
Layer Type	Material Type	Thickness (in)	Stochastic at Construction	Age (years)	Heavy Trucks (cumulative)
Flexbase	ROADY SMAA 12.5 (20.0000)	3.0	Effective binder: 3.43, Asphalt (%) 7.0	2012 (years)	3.424
Flexbase	ROADY SMAA 17.5 (20.0000)	3.0		2012 (years)	18.977426
Flexbase	ROADY SMA 25 (30.0000)	6.0		2012 (30 years)	37.0591208
Horizontalized	ROADY DUGAPC 30.00 (20.0000)	12.0			
Subgrade	A-1.5	Series: n/a			

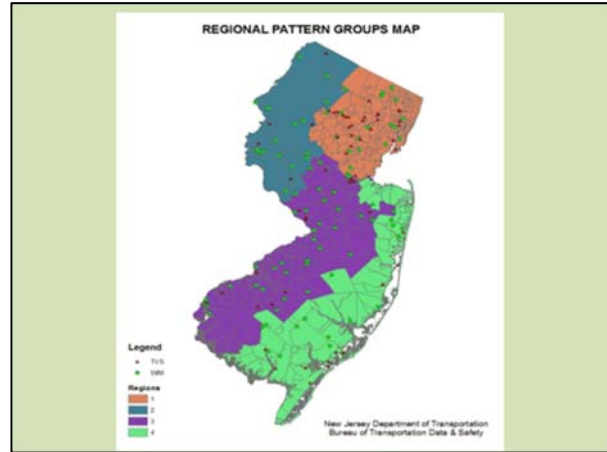
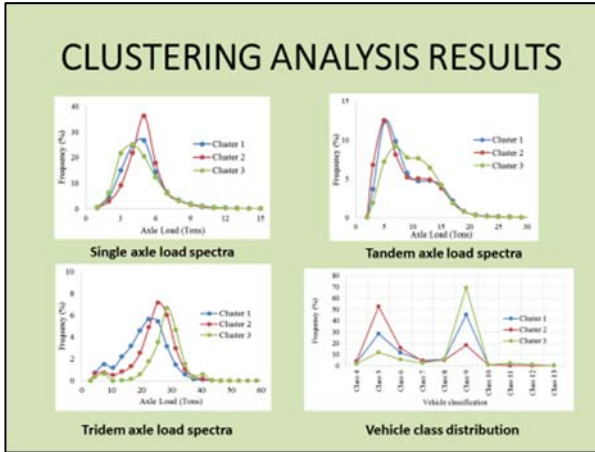
Distress Type	Distress @ Specified Reliability		Reliability (%)		Criterion Satisfied?
	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
Terminal IRI (vehicle)	1.70	2.07	90.00	20.41	Fail
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.07	1.06	90.00	45.25	Fail
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane width)	20.00	7.44	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC thermal cracking (ft/mile)	700.00	27.15	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC top-down fatigue cracking (ft/mile)	3000.00	368.48	90.00	100.00	Pass
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.50	0.43	90.00	97.82	Pass

UPCOMING USER MANUAL (TRAFFIC) FOR ME DESIGN-FY-2017

TRAFFIC FAMILY ANALYSIS

- Analyze WIM data at New Jersey and provide level 2 (cluster average) and level 3 (statewide average) inputs used for AASHTO PAVEMENT ME
- Data extracted from Vehicle Travel Information System (VTRIS) operated by FHWA Office of Highway Policy Information
- 90 Weight-in-Motion (WIM) sites in New Jersey
- Annual average data in 2012-2014 were used in the analysis
- Statistical analysis was first performed to see if there is significant variation within two directions at the same WIM site or at different years at the same WIM site
- Hierarchical cluster analysis was conducted to develop traffic families, respectively, for single axle load spectra, tandem axle load spectra, tridem axle load spectra, and vehicle class distribution





- ### NEXT STEP
- Develop categorization method based on traffic families for pavement design at specific sites
 - Analyze the effect of traffic using traffic clusters, the state-averaged traffic, and the site-specific traffic
 - Continue working on the material catalog for asphalt mixes used in NJ

QUESTIONS?


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Local Calibration of Subgrade Soils



Objectives

- Define Resilient Modulus
- CDOT's Studies
- Modeling the Subgrade in M-E Design
- Where Does CDOT Go From Here?




Resilient Modulus

What is Resilient Modulus?

- Key design parameter for pavement systems.
- It allows the determination of how the pavement system will respond to traffic loadings.
- Ratio of applied deviator stress to the recoverable or "resilient" strain.


What does this mean?



Resilient Modulus - Stress

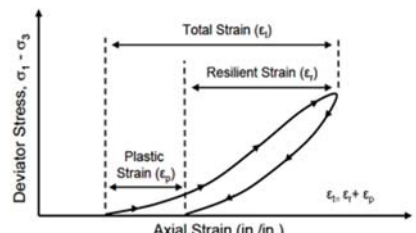

Stress vs. Deviator Stress

- **Stress** - When a wheel load is applied to a pavement, locations under the load experience different levels of stress based on their depth from the surface and the distance from the applied loading.
- **Deviator Stress** - A specific axial or vertical stress at a point in the pavement system due to the applied load.
- Resilient modulus uses Deviator Stresses.



Resilient Modulus - Strain


- **Strain** - The ratio of an object's deformation to its original dimension in the same direction. A portion of the deformation may be recoverable or "resilient" while the remainder is unrecoverable or "plastic".

Resilient Modulus - Stiffness

Stiffness, not Strength


- RM is a stiffness measurement, not the strength of the materials.
- RM used to characterize pavement materials under loading conditions that will not result in "failure" of a pavement system.
- The pavement system can be designed to carry the design axle load applications during its service life by varying the layer thickness and stiffness.



Resilient Modulus

What Factors Influence Resilient Modulus?


- **Compaction:** Specimens compacted at a low density will normally have lower resilient moduli than those compacted at higher density.
- **Moisture Content:** Specimens should be prepared and tested at their optimum moisture content determined by Proctor. As a specimen moisture content increase, the resilient modulus will decrease.
- **Stress State (Bulk Stress):** Within the pavement structure, bulk stress varies as a function of the applied traffic loading, in-situ pavement layer density, and material type. For a given loading, bulk stress decreases as the distance from the pavement surface increases.



Resilient Modulus

How is Resilient Modulus Used in Pavement Design?


- Resilient modulus provides an indication of elastic response of a given material.
- In MEPDG layered elastic analysis is utilized to determine pavement response, based on applied loading, environmental conditions, and material properties at two critical locations, which are



Resilient Modulus

How is Resilient Modulus Used in Pavement Design?


1. Strain at the bottom of the HMA layer.
 - Excessive strain at the bottom of the HMA layer can result in a “fatigue” crack forming and continuing upwards to the pavement surface.
2. Vertical stress at the top of the subgrade.
 - Excessive vertical stress at the top of the subgrade can result in permanent or plastic deformation (i.e. rutting) in the subgrade.



Resilient Modulus

How is Resilient Modulus Measured?

- **ASTM D2844** - Standard Test Method for Resistance R-Value and Expansion Pressure of Compacted Soils.
- Also known as **AASHTO T190**
- In Colorado we use **CP-3101**, a variation of ASTM D2844




Colorado Procedure: Laboratory 3101

Differences between ASTM D2844 and CP-3101

- Utilizes a spacer below the mold
 - The spacer is not removed during the test
- Do not unlock the mold during the compaction
 - Creates straight compaction rather than ‘kneeding’ the soil

Why do we use CP-3101?

- Possibly due to equipment requirements
- And/or straight compaction creates a more conservative R-value (temperamental soils in Colorado)



2002 CDOT R-Value vs. M_r Study (Best Fit Curves)

A-2 Soils

R^2	R-Value	LL	PI	P-4	P-10	P-40	P-200	Moisture (M_{opt})	Density (M_{opt})
0.830	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.850	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.154	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.134	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.114	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.113	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.093	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.063	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.035	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.730								*	*
0.325								*	*
0.730	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.815	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
0.816	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

$M_{opt} = 16,046 - 36*(LL) + 37.5*(PI) - 64.4*(P-4) - 107*(Moist(M_{opt}))$

AASHTO T 190 with AASHTO T 307 at various moisture contents.

CDOT Resilient Modulus R-Value Correction

CDOT uses a Hveem stabilometer to measure the strength properties of soils and bases.

- This equipment yields an index value called an R-value.
- The R-value is considered a static value
- The M_r is considered a dynamic value

CDOT Resilient Modulus R-Value Correction



CDOT Resilient Modulus in ME-Design

Differences Between CDOT and ME-Design

- ME-Design requires the resilient modulus at optimum moisture content.
 - Either by Proctor or modified Proctor testing.
- CDOT uses a Modified version of AASHTO T 190

CDOT Resilient Modulus R-Value Correction

Pre-2012 Equation

$$M_R = 10^{[(S+18.72)/6.24]}$$

where $S = [(R-5)/11.29]+3$

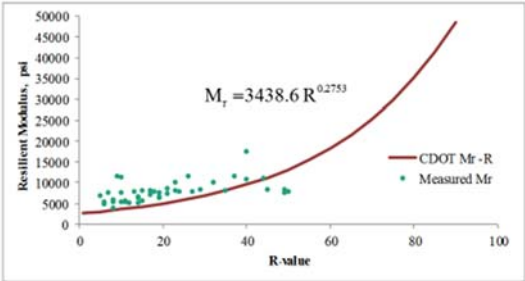
New Equation

$$M_R = 3,438.6 * R^{0.2753}$$

- Only for soils with an R-value of less than 50
- For R-values greater than 50 FWD or AASHTO T 307

CDOT Local M-E Design Calibration

Level 2 Design




CDOT FWD to Laboratory Ratios

Level 1 Design

Layer Type	Location	Mean E_g/M_r Ratio
Unbound Granular Base and Subbase Layers	Granular base/subbase between two stabilized layers (cementitious or asphalt stabilized materials).	1.43
	Granular base/subbase under a PCC layer.	1.32
	Granular base/subbase under an HMA surface or base layer.	0.62
Embankment and Subgrade Soils	Embankment or subgrade soil below a stabilized subbase layer or stabilized soil.	0.75
	Embankment or subgrade soil below a flexible or rigid pavement without a granular base/subbase layer.	0.52
	Embankment or subgrade soil below a flexible or rigid pavement with a granular base or subbase layer.	0.35

E_g = Elastic modulus backcalculated from deflection basin measurements.
 M_r = Elastic modulus of the in-place materials determined from laboratory repeated load resilient modulus test.

From the Mechanistic-Empirical Pavement Design Guide Manual of Practice




National M_r Values

Level 3 Design

AASHTO Soil Classification	Resilient Modulus (M_r) at Optimum Moisture, psi	
	Flexible Pavements	Rigid Pavements
A-1-a	19,700	14,900
A-1-b	16,500	14,900
A-2-4	15,200	13,800
A-2-5	15,200	13,800
A-2-6	15,200	13,800
A-2-7	15,200	13,800
A-3	15,000	13,000
A-4	14,400	18,200
A-5	14,000	11,000
A-6	17,400	12,900
A-7-5	13,000	10,000
A-7-6	12,800	12,000


Only used for preliminary design (values tend to be higher than CDOT's)



Modeling the Subgrade in M-E

Input for New Flexible and JPCP Designs


Pavement & Design Type	Material Property	Input Hierarchy		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
New Flexible and JPCP	Resilient Modulus	Not Available	CDOT Lab Testing	AASHTO Soil Class.
	Gradation	Not Available	CP 21-08	CDOT Defaults
	Atterberg Limit	Not Available	AASHTO T 195	CDOT Defaults
	Poisson's Ratio	Not Available	Software Defaults	M-E Design Software Default of 0.40
	Coefficient of Lateral Pressure	Not Available	Software Defaults	M-E Design Software Default of 0.50
	Max. Dry Density	Not Available	AASHTO T 180 or T 99	Estimate using gradation, plasticity index, and liquid limit. ⁷
	Optimum Moisture Content	Not Available	AASHTO T 180 or T 99	
	Specific Gravity	Not Available	AASHTO T 100	
	Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity	Not Available	AASHTO T 215	
	Soil Water Characteristic Curve Parameters	Not Available	N/A	



Modeling the Subgrade in M-E

Inputs for HMA Overlay of Existing Flexible Pavements


Pavement & Design Type	Material Property	Input Hierarchy		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
HMA Overlay of Existing Flexible Pavement	Resilient Modulus	FWD Deflection Testing and Backcalculated Resilient Modulus	CDOT Lab Testing	AASHTO Soil Classification
	Gradation	Colorado Procedure 21-08		CDOT Defaults
	Atterberg Limit	AASHTO T 195		CDOT Defaults
	Poisson's Ratio	Software Defaults		M-E Design Software Default of 0.40
	Coefficient of Lateral Pressure	Software Defaults		M-E Design Software Default of 0.50
	Max. Dry Density	AASHTO T 180 or T 99		Estimate using gradation, plasticity index, and liquid limit. ⁷
	Optimum Moisture Content	AASHTO T 180 or T 99		
	Specific Gravity	AASHTO T 100		
	Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity	AASHTO T 215		
	Soil Water Characteristic Curve Parameters	N/A		



Modeling the Subgrade in M-E


Inputs for Overlays of Existing Rigid Pavements

Pavement and Design Type	Material Property	Input Hierarchy		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Overlays of Rigid Pavement	Resilient Modulus	FWD Deflection Testing and Backcalculated Dynamic k-value ³	CDOT Lab Testing	AASHTO Soil Classification
	Gradation	CP 21-08		CDOT defaults
	Atterberg Limit	AASHTO T 195		CDOT defaults
	Poisson's Ratio	Software Defaults		M-E Design software default of 0.40
	Coefficient of Lateral Pressure	Software Defaults		M-E Design software default of 0.50
	Max. Dry Density	AASHTO T 180 or T 99		Estimate using gradation, plasticity index, and liquid limit
	Optimum Moisture Content	AASHTO T 180 or T 99		
	Specific Gravity	AASHTO T 100		
	Saturated Hydraulic Conductivity	AASHTO T 215		
	Soil Water Characteristic Curve Parameters	N/A		




Modeling the Subgrade in M-E

The top 8 feet of a pavement structure and subgrade can be divided into a maximum of 19 sublayers.



For a full-depth flexible or semi-rigid pavement placed directly on a thick embankment fill, the top 12 inches is modeled as an Aggregate Base Layer, while the remaining embankment is modeled as the Subgrade Layer 1.



Modeling the Subgrade in M-E


- Expansive Subgrade Soils

Plasticity Index	Depth of Treatment Below Normal Subgrade Elevation
10 – 20	2 feet
20 – 30	3 feet
30 – 40	4 feet
40 – 50	5 feet
More than 50	Placed in the bottom of the fills of less than 50 feet or greater than 6 feet in height, or wasted
- Stabilizing Agents
 - Lime Treated
 - Cement Treated
 - Fly Ash and Lime/Fly Ash Treated
- Geosynthetic Fabrics and Mats




Where Does CDOT Go From Here?

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M-E Pavement Design
Manual**



Where Does CDOT Go From Here?

- Local calibration of M_R for soils with a R-value of greater than 50.
- Continued calibration of soils with R-value of less than 50.
- Calibration for soils unique to Colorado (i.e. volcanic tuffs).



Conclusions

- AASHTO T 307 Standard Method of Test for Determining the Resilient Modulus of Soils should be the preferred test method.
- Old R-values should use CDOT's old equation.
- Use the Level 3 M_r values for preliminary information only. All final designs must use a Level 2 value.

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Material Inputs I – Subgrade & Treated Materials
Determination of In Place Elastic Layer Moduli through Backcalculation

AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design
MEPDG User Group Meeting
Indianapolis, Indiana
December 14, 2016

Harold L. Von Quintus, P.E.



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FHWA: Backcalculation of Long Term Pavement Performance Test Sections

- Report Number: FHWA-HRT-15-036, *LTPP Program Determination of In Place Elastic Layer Modulus: Backcalculation Methodologies and Procedures*, March 2015.
- Many of the processes used in the FHWA/LTPP project are included in the Pavement ME Design backcalculation tool.

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Objectives

1. Select appropriate methods/tools and perform backcalculation of all deflection basin data in the LTPP database.
2. Integrate **most accurate or representative** backcalculated layer modulus values into computed parameter tables in LTPP.
3. Key Outcomes:
 - ✓ Automated backcalculation procedure.
 - ✓ Less dependency on user.
 - ✓ Recreate the results by others not involved in the development process.

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Computed Parameter Tables

Layer Structure Information	Backcalculated Modulus Values	
	Individual Basins	Summary for Test Day
1. Section Information	1. Elastic layer moduli from EVERCALC/MODCOMP	1. Elastic layer moduli from EVERCALC/MODCOMP
2. Structures, EVERCALC	2. Elastic layer moduli from BEST FIT	2. Elastic layer moduli from BEST FIT
3. Structures, BEST FIT	3. Load transfer efficiency from BEST FIT	3. Load transfer efficiency from BEST FIT

Tables storing the backcalculated modulus values are organized by agency for optimizing computational needs.

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Rehabilitation Input Level 1: Backcalculated E_{FWD}

Three points:

1. Backcalculated elastic modulus versus laboratory resilient modulus.
2. Design resilient modulus from AASHTO T 307.
3. Volumetric properties for resilient modulus input.

Analysis Types:
 Modify input values by temperature/moisture
 Monthly representative values
 Annual representative values

Method: Resilient modulus (psi)

28000 Backcalculated Elastic Modulus

Correction factor for NDT modul. 0.35

Rehabilitation Input Level 1: Backcalculated E_{FWD}

- Input: Backcalculated elastic layer modulus, E_{FWD} .
- But, laboratory resilient modulus, $M_R(\text{Lab})$, used in calibration process.
- Program converts E_{FWD} to $M_R(\text{Lab})$ using C-value

$$M_R = E_{FWD} (C)$$

Correction factor for NDT modul. 0.35

Rehabilitation Input Level 1: Backcalculated E_{FWD}

- Convert E_{FWD} to lab M_r (in situ moisture) using AASHTO C-values.

Layer Type	Location	C-Value
Aggregate	Between a Stabilized & HMA Layer	1.43
Base/Subbase	Below a PCC Layer	1.32
	Below an HMA Layer	0.62
Subgrade-Embankment	Below a Stabilized Subgrade	0.75
	Below an HMA or PCC Layer	0.52
	Below an Unbound Aggregate Base	0.35

Rehabilitation Input Level 1: C-Values

Layer Type	Location	WI	MT	GA	MS
Aggregate	Between a Stabilized & HMA Layer	1.43	---	---	---
Base	Below a PCC Layer	1.32	0.75	0.75	0.75
	Below an HMA Layer	0.62	0.60	0.60	0.60
Subgrade-Embankment	Below a Stabilized Soil	---	---	---	0.75
	Below an HMA or PCC Layer	0.52	1.00	0.50	1.00
	Below Unbound Aggregate	0.35	0.50	0.50	0.50

Laboratory Measured Value; AASHTO T-307

Laboratory repeated load resilient modulus tests. But, what is the input value?

Resilient Modulus, ksi

Deviator Stress, psi

- Confinement = 2 psi
- Confinement = 4 psi
- Confinement = 6 psi

$$M_R = \frac{\sigma_d}{\epsilon_r}$$

Design Resilient Modulus; AASHTO T 307

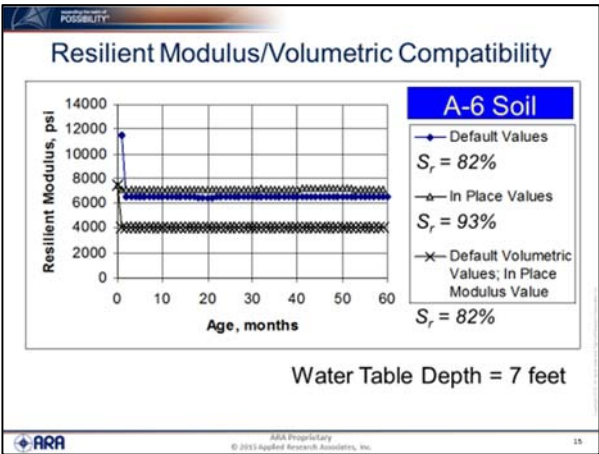
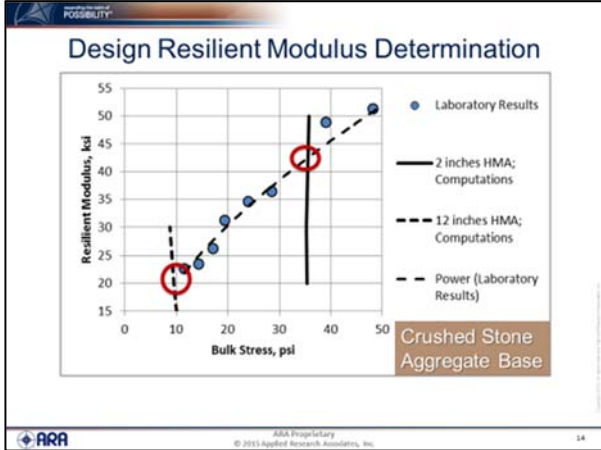
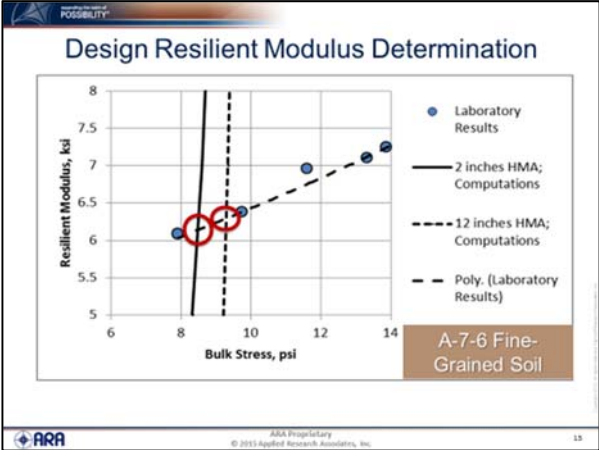
Resilient Modulus, ksi

Cyclic Deviator Stress, psi

Sandy Clay

- Confinement = 2 psi
- Confinement = 4 psi
- Confinement = 6 psi
- Computed Stresses

In place confining pressure determined from horizontal load stresses superimposed with lateral at-rest stresses.



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Assessing Damage In Existing AC: Input Level 1

FWD Testing & Backcalculation:

- FWD testing along wheelpath of project, including cracked areas.
- Measure AC temperature during testing.
- Backcalculate mean layer elastic modulus along project.
- Elastic AC modulus determines in place damage.

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Asphalt Concrete Layers: In Place Damage

Dynamic modulus input level: 3

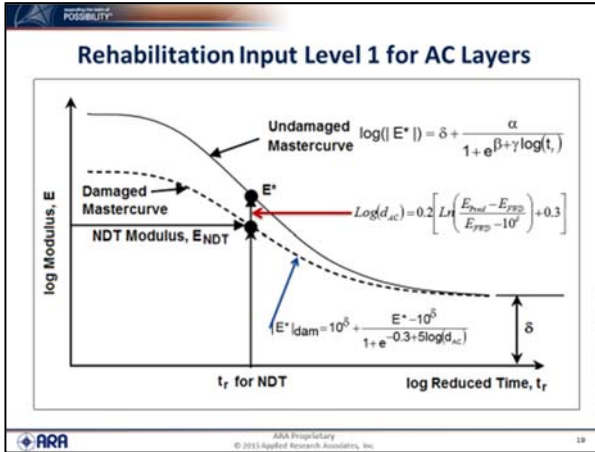
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3/8 inch sieve	77
No. 4 sieve	60
No. 200 sieve	6

Modulus of existing AC layer obtained from NDT testing

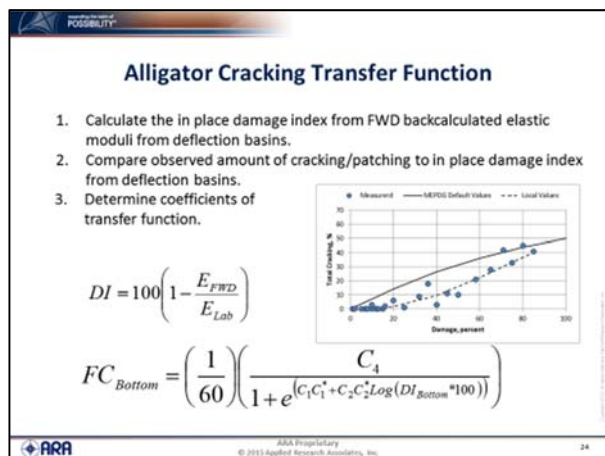
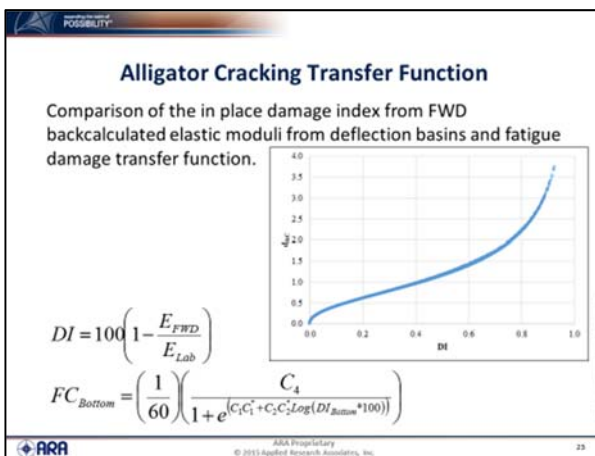
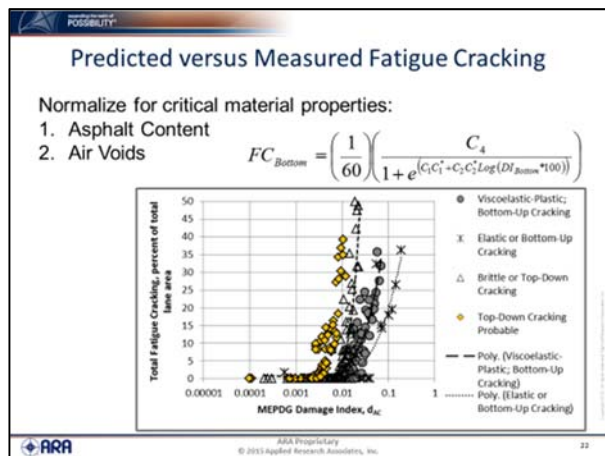
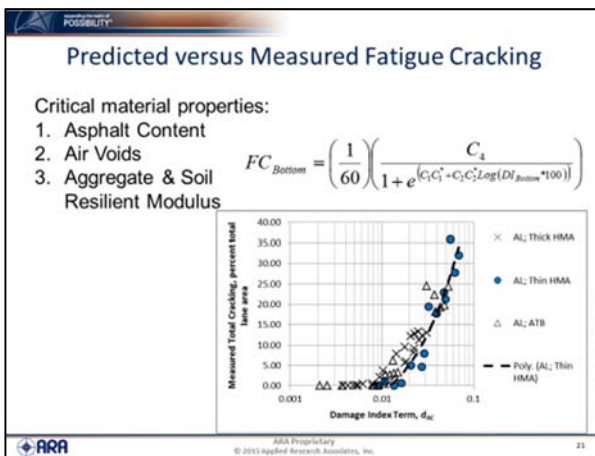
NDT Modulus (psi)	Frequency (Hz)	Temperature (deg F)
800000	30	90
600000	30	75

Elastic Layer Modulus Constant FWD Frequency Mid-Depth Layer Temp.

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- ### Rehabilitation Input Level 1 for AC Layers
- FHWA project: *Characterizing Existing AC Damage for Rehabilitation Design using Pavement ME Design.*
 - Contract Number: DTFH61-14-C-00024
 - Expected publication data: Early to mid 2017.
 - Objective:
 - Review, enhance, calibrate (if needed) current AASHTOWare procedure for characterizing existing HMA layer damage for rehabilitation design.
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1. LTPP Computed Parameter Tables
2. Unbound Layers; the C-Factors
3. Asphalt Concrete Layers; In Place Damage
4. Backcalculation: Enhancement Tool for FY2017

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Backcalculation

Utility tools in support of Pavement ME Design:

- Part 1—Preprocessing Deflection Data Tool for Backcalculation
- Part 2—Backcalculation of stiffness values
- Part 3—Post Processing Backcalculation Results

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Backcalculation

Analysis and Post Processing Phase:

- Backcalculated elastic modulus values
- Load transfer efficiency
- Probability of voids
- Rehabilitation strategy selection guidance

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Analysis and Post Processing Phase

DI _{E-Ratio}	Fatigue Cracking, percent total lane area						
	0	0 to 2	2 to 10	10 to 20	20 to 35	35 to 50	> 50
Negative		Area with higher probability of top-down cracking, debonding near the surface, or some other near surface defect; recommendation is to use rehabilitation input level 1.					
0 to 0.25							
0.25 to 0.5			Area with higher probability of bottom-up cracking; all cracks have yet to reach the surface; or moisture damage, debonding or other lower AC layer defect; the lower the amount of cracking for the same DI _{E-Ratio} , the greater the difference between rehabilitation input levels 1 and 2.				
0.50 to 0.75							
> 0.75							

$$DI_{E-Ratio} = 1 - \frac{E_{FWD}}{E_{Lab}}$$

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Presentation 15—Jusang Lee and Tommy Nantung, Indiana DOT

PAVEMENT ME RUTTING CALIBRATION FOR INDIANA HMA FULL-DEPTH PAVEMENTS

JUSANG LEE AND TOMMY NANTUNG
INDOT RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

December 14, 2016

Outline

- Need of Pavement ME verification
- Rutting distribution in HMA full-depth pavement
- Pavement ME verification/ calibration/ validation of asphalt pavement rutting

Need of Pavement ME Verification for Indiana AC

LTTP sections used for MEPDG (asphalt): **94** sections

LTTP sections in Indiana's climate zone: **19** sections

LTTP sections in Indiana's soil-climate zone: **10** sections

LTTP sections in Indiana's aggregate resource zone: **3** sections

LTTP full-depth asphalt section in Indiana: **0** section

RUTTING VERIFICATION USING APT

Rutting Verification (6 APTs)

Location of the Rut	Mean Measured (mm)	Mean Predicted (mm)	Bias (mm)	SSE (mm ²)	S _e (mm)	R ²	Hypothesis; H0:
Total	5.75	5.37	-0.38	32.71	2.52	0.51	Accepted, p=0.829
AC Layers	5.10	2.47	-2.63	66.61	2.24	0.52	Accepted, p=0.104
Subgrade	0.64	2.90	2.26	31.46	0.42	0.19	Rejected, p=0.000

Limitation of LTTP Rutting Measurements

- **LTTP measurement**
 - = Surface Rutting
 - = "Permanent deformation (total pavement)"
 - = **total rutting**
- **Total rutting** = AC rutting + Subgrade rutting

$$= \frac{\sigma_r}{\epsilon_r} = K_2 \beta_{r1} 10^{2.1} (R)^{0.2} (N)^{0.1} \beta_{r2} + \delta_r(N) = \beta_{r1} k_1 \epsilon_r h_r^{0.2} e^{-0.001 N}$$

= ? + ?
- **Limitation of optimization**
 - = $\beta_{r1}, \beta_{r2}, \beta_{r3},$ and β_{s1}

RUTTING DISTRIBUTION IN APT HMA FULL-DEPTH PAVEMENT

RUTTING DISTRIBUTION IN APT HMA FULL-DEPTH PAVEMENT

2017 TRB Annual Meeting
Event Number: 713
Presentation Number: 17-05842
Presentation Title: Development of Middepth
Profile Monitoring System for Accelerated
Pavement Testing



APT Test Section Design

Lane 1 (Dense)	Lane 2 (SMA)	Lane 3 (SMA)	Lane 4 (Dense)
2.5 in. Intermediate			2.5 in. Intermediate
6.0 in. Base			3.0 in. Base
			2.5 in. OG
2.5 in. OG			3.0 in. Base
3.0 in. Base			Subgrade Treatment, Type 1A
Subgrade Treatment, Type 1A			

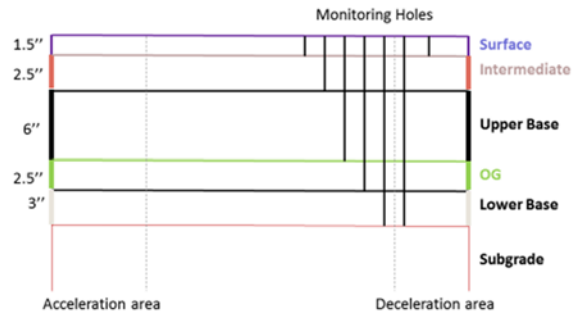


APT HMA Materials

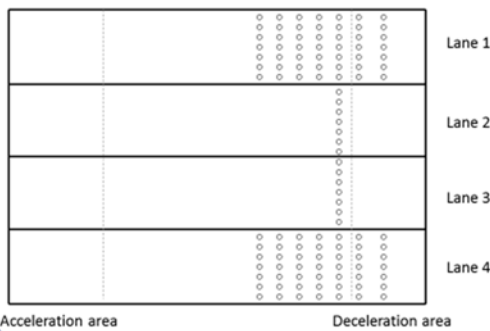
Layer	NMAS	Binder Grade (PG)
Surface	9.5-mm Dense	70-22
	9.5-mm SMA	70-22
Intermediate	19.0-mm Dense	70-22
Upper Base	19.0-mm Dense	64-22
OG layer	19.0-mm Open Graded (OG)	76-22
Lower Base	19.0-mm Dense	64-22



APT Rutting Monitoring Hole Depth



APT Rutting Hole Locations



APT Testing – Laser Profile

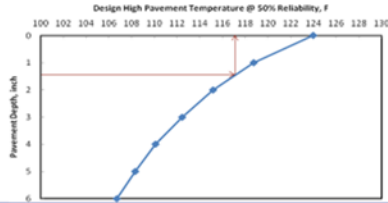


- Sampling rate: 0.16 mm/data point
- Accuracy: 0.15 mm
- Transverse profiles: 4 profiles at constant loading speed area
- Longitudinal profiles: 7 for mid-depth ruts

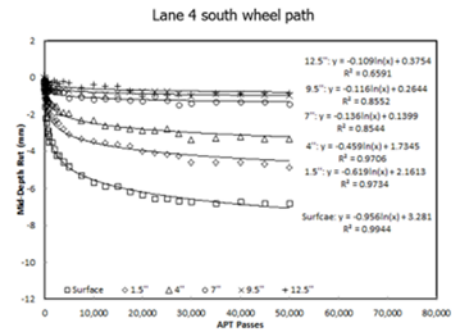


APT Load Application

- 9000 lbs
- 5 mph
- Pavement temp: 117 F @ 1.5"
- Target rut depth: 0.4"
- 50,000 ESALs

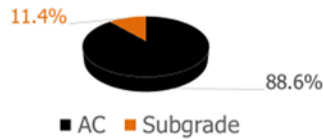


Permanent Deformation Progression



Permanent Deformation Distribution

	Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4
AC	88.8%	87.2%	89.7%	88.7%
Subgrade	11.2%	12.8%	10.3%	11.3%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

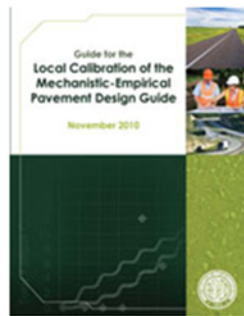


INDOT PAVEMENT ME VERIFICATION/ CALIBRATION/ VALIDATION OF ASPHALT PAVEMENT RUTTING



Local Calibration Procedure

- Verification
- Calibration
- Validation

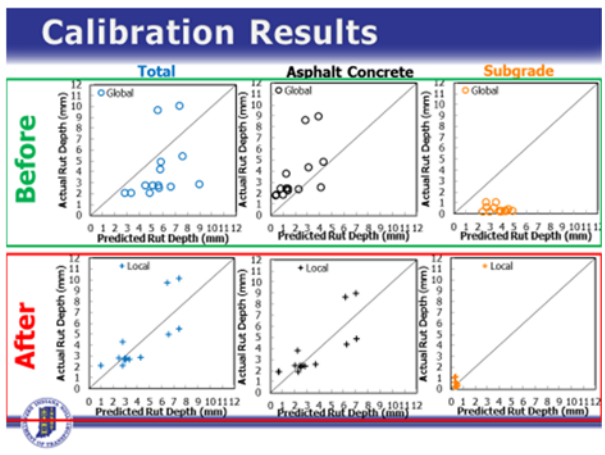
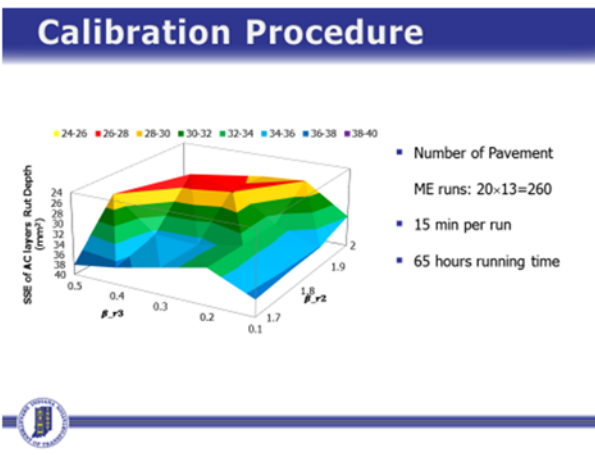
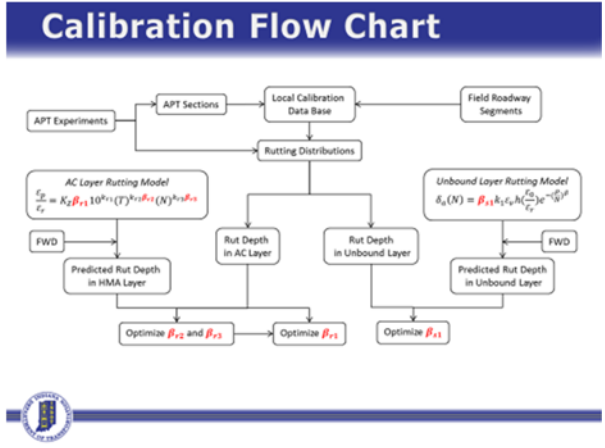
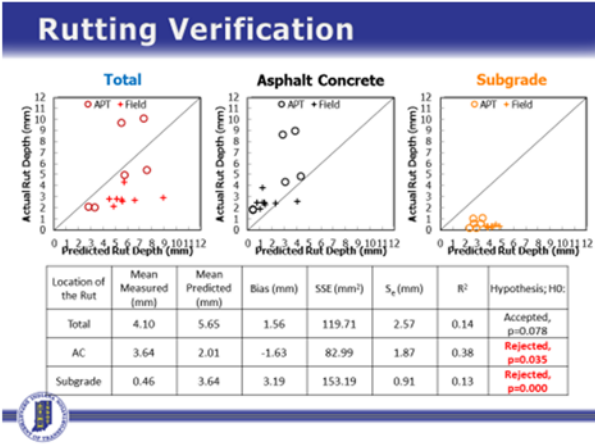


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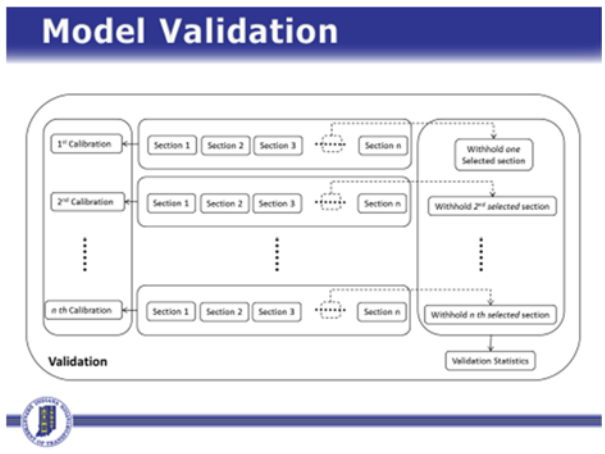
- 8 Field Roadways and 6 APT sections
- Pavement Thickness: 12.5 in. to 18.5 in.
- AADTT: 332 to 14,463
- Surface Material: Dense grade and SMA
- Pavement Age: 5 years to 7 years
- Data collection including weather station generation, traffic data configuration, material properties preparation and distress survey (PMS)





Calibration Statistical Results

Layer	Model	Mean Predicted (mm)	Mean Actual (mm)	Bias (mm)	SSE (mm ²)	S _e (mm)	R ²	Hypothesis, H0:
AC	Global	2.01	3.64	-1.63	82.99	1.87	0.38	Rejected, p=0.035
	Local	3.48	3.64	-0.17	26.01	1.40	0.66	Accepted, p=0.850
SG	Global	3.64	0.46	3.19	153.19	0.91	0.13	Rejected, p=0.000
	Local	0.42	0.46	-0.04	1.51	0.34	0.13	Accepted, p=0.656
Total	Global	5.65	4.10	1.56	119.71	2.57	0.14	Accepted, p=0.078
	Local	3.89	4.10	-0.20	32.43	1.57	0.66	Accepted, p=0.828



Validation Results

Layer	Model	Mean Predicted	Mean Actual	Bias	SSE	S _e	R ²	Hypothesis; H0:
		(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	(mm ²)			
AC Layer	Global	2.01	3.64	-1.63	82.99	1.87	0.38	Rejected, p=0.035
	Local	3.48		-0.17	26.01	1.40	0.66	Accepted, p=0.850
	Validation	3.54		-0.10	58.16	2.11	0.39	Accepted, p=0.911
SG	Global	3.64	0.46	3.19	153.19	0.91	0.13	Rejected, p=0.000
	Local	0.42		-0.04	1.51	0.34	0.13	Accepted, p=0.656
	Validation	0.42		-0.03	1.69	0.36	0.24	Accepted, p=0.656
Total	Global	5.65	4.10	1.56	119.71	2.57	0.14	Accepted, p=0.078
	Local	3.89		-0.20	32.43	1.57	0.66	Accepted, p=0.828
	Validation	3.96		-0.14	66.98	2.27	0.38	Accepted, p=0.887



Indiana Calibration Values

- $\beta_{r1}: 0.07$
- $\beta_{r2}: 1.9$
- $\beta_{r3}: 0.4$
- $\beta_{s1}: 0.12$



THANK YOU!!




Presentation 16—Harold Von Quintus, Applied Research Associates Inc. (ARA)

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Materials Input II – Hot Mix Asphalt
Incorporating Recycled Materials

AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design
MEPDG User Group Meeting
Indianapolis, Indiana
December 14, 2016

Dr. Ramon Bonaquist, Ph.D., P.E., AAT
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**ADVANCED ASPHALT
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2. Project Overview to Meet Challenge
3. Examples of Test Results – Performance Tests
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5. Summary

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The Challenge

- Global calibration of Pavement ME Design transfer functions completed primarily using standard, neat asphalt mixtures.
- Does Pavement ME Design process adequately capture the impact of different, recycled materials?

Asphalt Layer	Thickness (in)	2.25
Mixture Volumetrics	Air voids (%)	7
	Effective binder content (%)	10.2
	Poisson's ratio	(calculated)
	Unit weight (pcf)	160
Mechanical Properties	Asphalt binder	Level 1 - SuperPave
	Creep compliance (1/psi)	Input level 1
	Dynamic modulus	Input level 1
	Select HMA Ester predictive model	Use Viscosity based model (rationally calibrated)
	Reference temperature (deg F)	70
	Indirect tensile strength at 14 day F (psi)	570
Thermal	Heat capacity (BTU/lb-deg F)	0.23
	Thermal conductivity (BTU/hr-ft-deg F)	0.67
	Thermal contraction	1.219E-05 (calculated)

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Project Overview

- Title: *Deployment of Performance Based Technologies for Mechanistic-Empirical (ME) Pavement Design*
- Sponsor: Federal Highway Administration
- Contract Number: DTFH61-13-C-00029
- Schedule: July 2013 to July 2017

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Project Objectives

1. Expedite adoption of performance-based technologies for ME Pavement Design:
 - New and innovative resource responsible asphalt mixtures (R²AMs), and practices to improve performance, cost effectiveness, safety, and user satisfaction.
2. R²AM practices; asphalt mixtures containing:
 - High recycled asphalt pavement (RAP)
 - Recycled asphalt shingles (RAS)
 - Ground-tire rubber (GTR)
 - Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA)
 - Combinations of recycled products

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Project Tasks

- A. Kick Off Meeting.
- B. Outreach – Technical Advisory Committee
- C. Sampling and Data Collection
- D. Laboratory Testing
- E. Develop Practitioner’s Guide on the Performance Testing of Resource Responsible Materials
- F. Develop Practitioner’s Guide on the use of Performance Testing of Resource Responsible Materials
- G. Technical Support

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Project Deliverables/Outcomes

Practitioner’s Guides for:

1. Performance testing of R²AMs, such as WMA, RAP, and RAS mixtures (Task E).
2. Use of performance testing results in Pavement ME Design software and related analysis (Task F).

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Technical Advisory Committee (Task B)

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Greg Sholar	Florida Department of Transportation
Rod Birdsall	All State Materials Group
Grant Wollenhaupt	R2R, LLC
Jeff Stempihar	Arizona Department of Transportation
Chris Robinette	Granite Construction
Dale Rand	PaveTex Engineering and Testing
Mike Santi	Idaho Department of Transportation

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Asphalt Concrete Mixtures (Task C)

Type	Environmental Zone	Mixture
High Recycle	Wet Freeze	WI STH 73 Surface
High Recycle	Wet Freeze	WI STH 73 Base
High Recycle	Wet No Freeze	NC Surface
High Recycle	Wet No Freeze	NC Intermediate
High Recycle	Wet No Freeze	NC Base
Asphalt Rubber	Wet Freeze	PA Surface
Polymer Modified	Wet Freeze	PA Surface
Asphalt Rubber	Wet No Freeze	FL Dense Graded
Asphalt Rubber	Wet Freeze	MA Gap Graded

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AC Mixture Tests (Task D)

Test Type	Material Property
Level 1 Inputs	Dynamic Modulus Master Curve
	Binder Shear Modulus and Phase Angle
	Binder Viscosity Temperature Susceptibility
	Indirect Tensile Creep and Strength
	Repeated Load Permanent Deformation
Additional Tests	Effective Volumetric Binder Content
	Flexural Fatigue
	Intermediate Semi-Circular Bend
	Binder Grading
	Virgin Binder Continuous Grade
	RAP Binder Continuous Grade
	RAS Binder Continuous Grade
	Extracted Aggregate Gradation
Extracted Coarse Aggregate Angularity	
Extracted Fine Aggregate Angularity	

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AC Mixture Tests (Task D); Temperatures

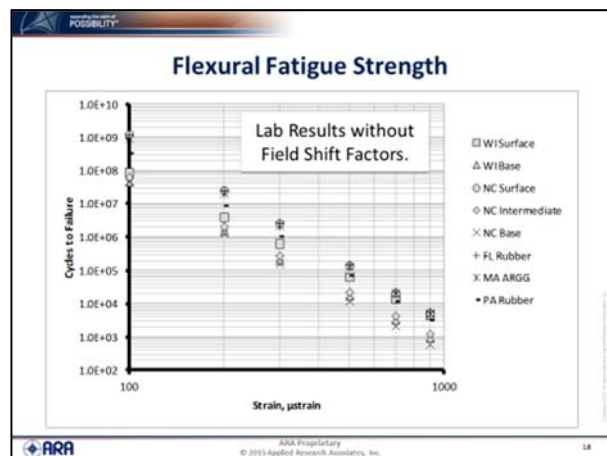
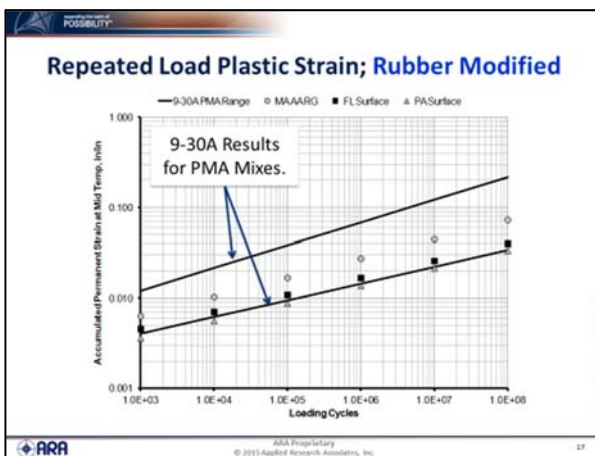
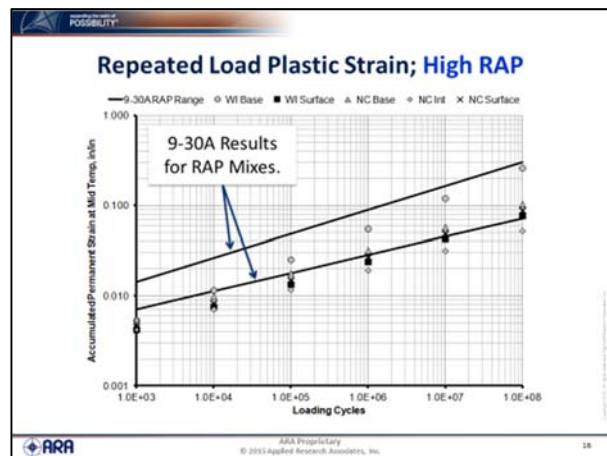
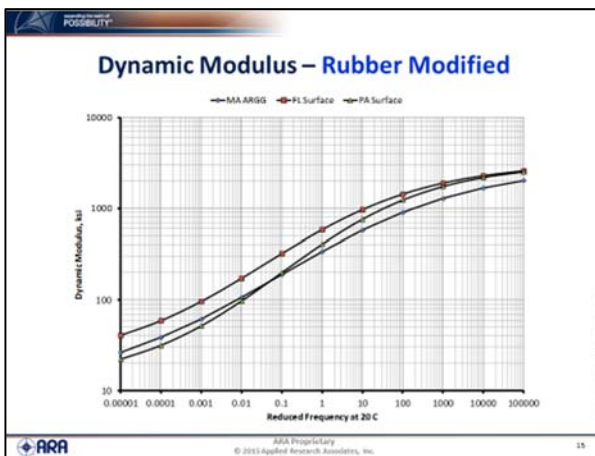
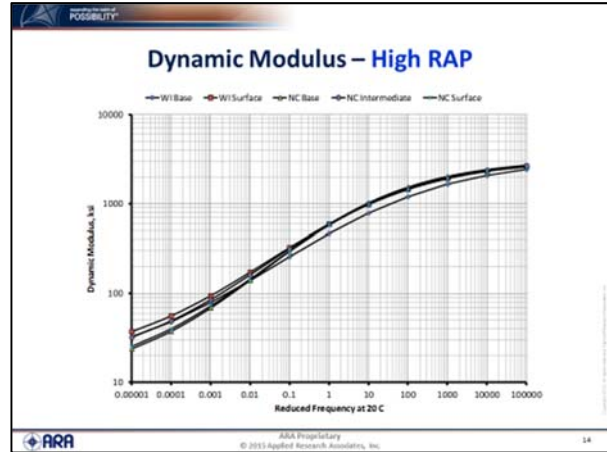
Characteristic, °C	WI	NC	MA	FL	PA
Mean Annual Air Temperature	8.4	16.7	2.4	19.5	9.7
LTPPBind 50% High Pavement	52.6	60.8	48.0	63.0	51.6
Modulus Testing	4, 20, 45	4, 20, 45	4, 20, 40	4, 20, 45	4, 20, 45
Plastic Permanent Deformation	20, 33.8, 47.6	20, 37.6, 55.8	20, 31.5, 43.0	20, 38.0, 58.0	20, 33.3, 46.6
Flexural Fatigue	10, 20, 30	10, 20, 30	10, 20, 30	10, 20, 30	10, 20, 30
Low Temperature Creep & Strength	0, -10, -20	0, -10, -20	0, -10, -20	0, -10, -20	0, -10, -20

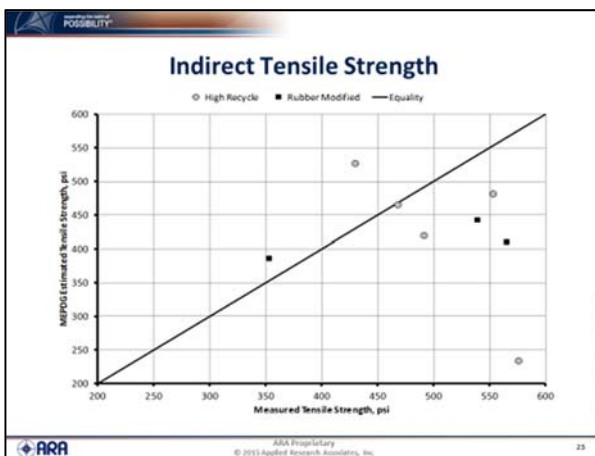
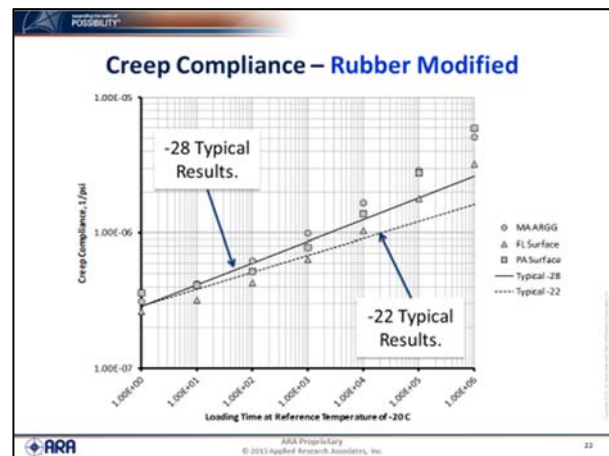
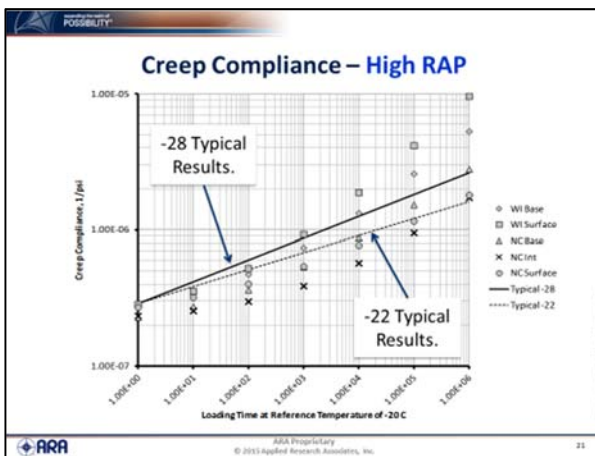
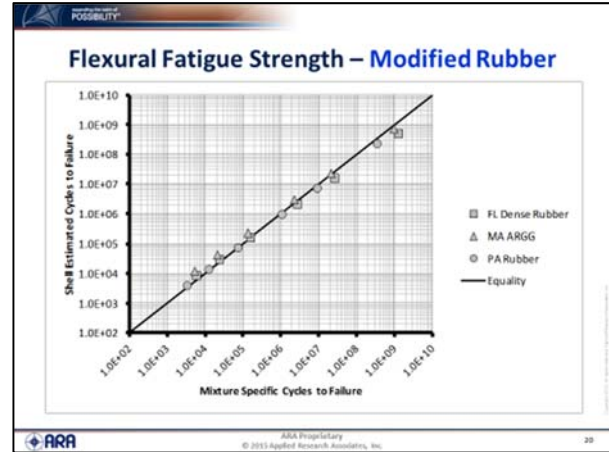
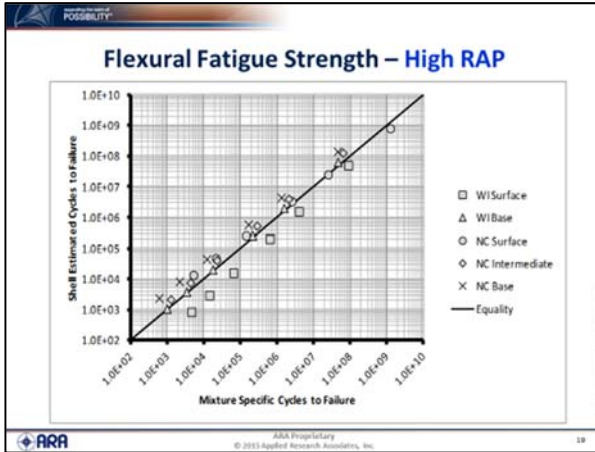
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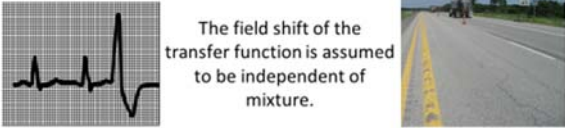
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Laboratory Tests to Field Observations



The field shift of the transfer function is assumed to be independent of mixture.

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AC Rutting BR3 (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1
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AC Rutting K2 (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1.5606
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AC Rutting Standard Deviation		$0.24 * Pow(RUT, 0.8026) + 0.001$

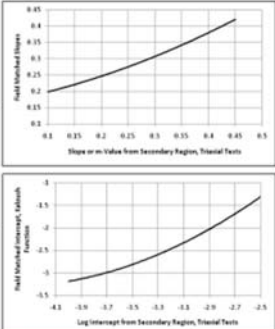
Currently, the K-values have the field shift built into the values.

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Laboratory Tests to Field Observations

Example from the NCHRP 9-30A project.

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Summary

1. Most of the test results for the R²AMs are within the same range for standard, neat asphalt concrete mixtures.
2. Calibration factors of the shift between the laboratory measured values and field observations are the same.
3. More to come later!


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Questions



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Presentation 17—Rhonda Taylor, Florida DOT



DEVELOPMENT OF CLIMATIC REGIONS FOR FLORIDA CONCRETE PAVEMENT DESIGN USING MERRA DATA

Rhonda Taylor, P.E.
Florida Department of Transportation

ABOUT FDOT

- Decentralized Agency with 8 districts developing designs
- Districts perform QC checks of their designs
- Central Office performs QA reviews of the districts

WHY DEVELOP DESIGN REGIONS?

- Weather data is one of the most important and voluminous inputs for a specific project site
- Common for users to make minor input errors
- Design tables allow design reliability and help train new pavement design engineers
- They allow designers in Florida to design consistent with FDOT guidance without the software
- Provide a method to quickly check Pavement ME runs for reasonableness

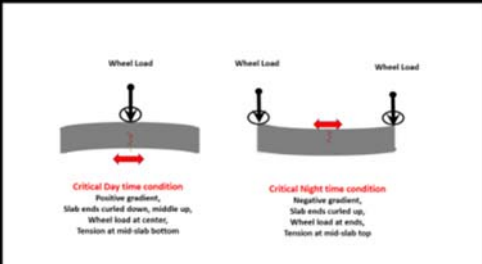
CLIMATE EFFECTS ON JPCP PAVEMENTS

- Top to bottom temperature differential (temperature gradient) is a critical element using Pavement ME
- Can greatly increase stresses in a slab depending on its magnitude, and
- Depending on whether its positive (warmer on top) or negative (cooler on top)

CLIMATE EFFECTS ON JPCP PAVEMENTS

- Positive gradient expands the top of the slab relative to the bottom, causing downward curling of the ends
- Negative gradient causes the top to contract relative to the bottom, causing upward curling of the ends
- Stresses in the slab are generated by the slab weight resisting this movement, and by heavy truck loads at critical points on the curled slab

CLIMATE EFFECTS ON JPCP PAVEMENTS



The diagram illustrates two scenarios of slab curling under a wheel load. On the left, a 'Critical Day time condition' shows a positive temperature gradient where the top of the slab expands more than the bottom, causing downward curling at the ends. A wheel load is applied at the center, and tension is noted at the mid-slab bottom. On the right, a 'Critical Night time condition' shows a negative temperature gradient where the top of the slab contracts more than the bottom, causing upward curling at the ends. A wheel load is applied at the ends, and tension is noted at the mid-slab top.

In Spring, Florida can experience a 40^o temperature swing in one day

HISTORY OF CLIMATIC DESIGN REGIONS

- In previous calibration studies, FDOT developed five climatic design regions for Florida
- Determined using the then available climatic data from AASHTOWare web site
- Gaps were found in Florida's coverage
- Many weather stations had to be discarded due to poor data quality

OBTAINING NEW CLIMATE DATA

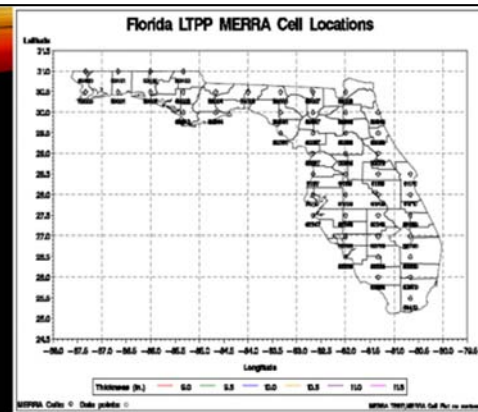
MANUAL PROCESS

- Modern-Era Retrospective Analysis for Research and Applications (MERRA)
- Satellite-based, uniformly spaced weather data
- High quality, 35 years of history (1981 to 2015)
- Obtained by download from FHWA's LTPP Infopave web site during Beta testing
- Hourly Climate Data (HCD) format
- Some cleanup was needed

PROCESSING MERRA DATA WITH PAVEMENT ME

MANUAL PROCESS

- Replace the previous weather station data with new cell-based HCD files in the correct directory
- Download station.dat directory file with cell id's and locations and replace the old station.dat file
- New data is accessed through the Climate Tab of Pavement ME
- Allows individual cell use, or virtual station creation
- Cells cover approximately 31 by 37 miles at mid-latitudes



There are 47 MERRA cells used to cover the State of Florida

INTERPOLATION OF DESIGN REGION BOUNDARIES

MANUAL PROCESS

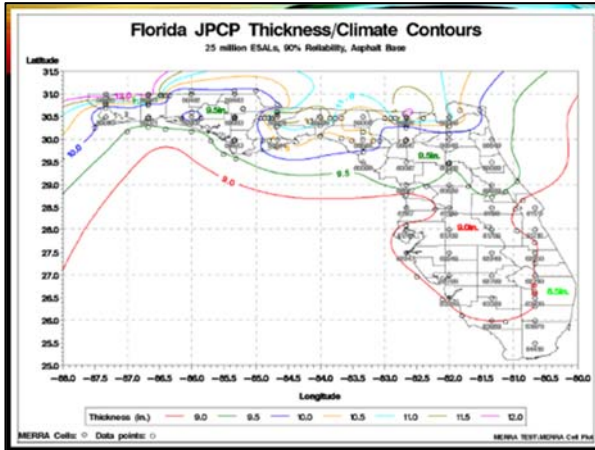
- Analyzed a standard concrete design with the same material properties, base and subgrade
- Specific region boundaries were developed using 90% R and 25M ESALs
- Trial and error runs at each cell location
- Required thickness for each cell was recorded
- Respective cracking levels and the lower thickness in 0.5 inch increments also recorded

Florida's failure level is set at 10% for mid-slab transverse cracking at 20 years

MAPPING DESIGN REGION BOUNDARIES

MANUAL PROCESS

- Imported spreadsheet data (design thickness breakpoints) to a standard statistical package (SAS)
- Uniform rectangular grid points were generated at 0.05 degree intervals
- A contour mapping procedure produced a map of Florida with color coded contours showing thickness delineations
- Due to Florida's extensive coastline, interpolation wasn't always possible so additional breakpoints had to be determined in counties on the coast



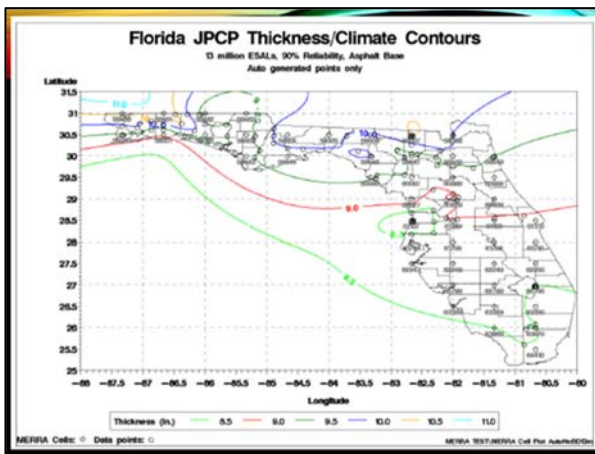
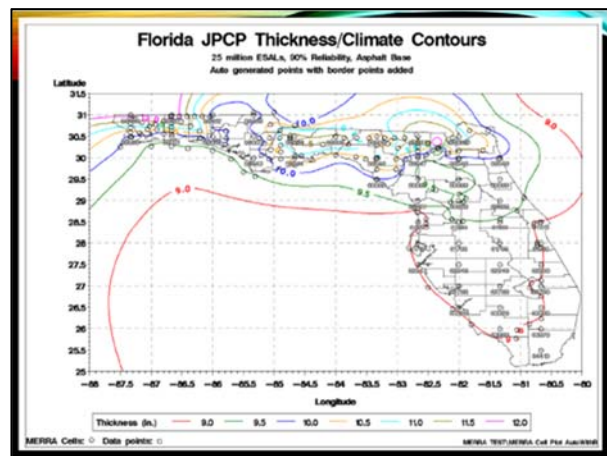
CONSIDERATIONS

- Since historical time periods used by Pavement ME can be subset (FL uses 20 year design periods), some locations were spot checked
- Result: The time period selected can have a significant impact on the design thickness break points
- Design Reliability, %R, can have an impact on thickness boundary locations
- Because manual trial and error was tedious, it was decided to evaluate an automated interpolation process

DETERMINING DESIGN CLIMATE REGIONS

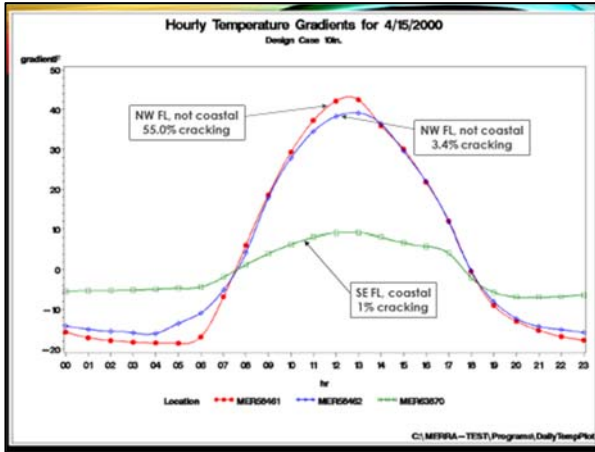
AUTOMATED PROCESS

- A compute program was written to estimate where break points between adjacent cells would occur
- The program quickly estimates all the thickness break points throughout the state and generate the contour map



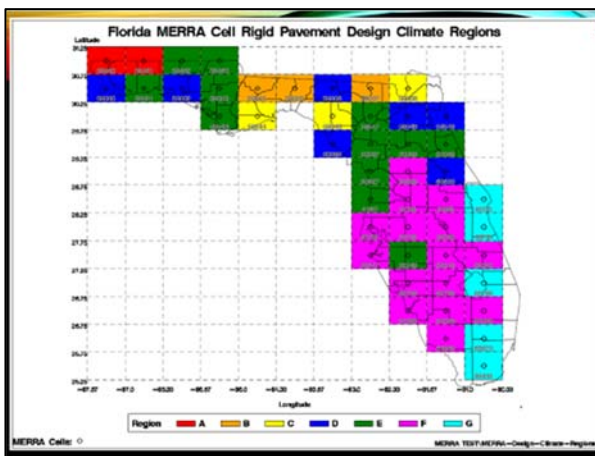
RESULTS

- Selection of different historical climate periods appears to effect where design breakpoints occur as much or more than the automated interpolation
- The automated process results look practical
- Cracking damage plots in the output files indicate that top down cracking is dominate in North Florida, but...
- Bottom up cracking is very close or exceeds top down cracking in South Florida
- Pavement ME temperature gradient files show nighttime gradients are more severe in North Florida



FUTURE EFFORTS

- 7 generalized climate regions have been established
- Design tables currently being developed showing truck design loading capacity per half inch of PCC for each region and reliability level
- Years of truck weigh-in-motion data using the software's axle load spectra categories are being reviewed by type of facility – Florida specific Truck Traffic Classifications will likely be developed
- Florida's 2.5 mi concrete test road has begun construction – will enable updating local calibration coefficients





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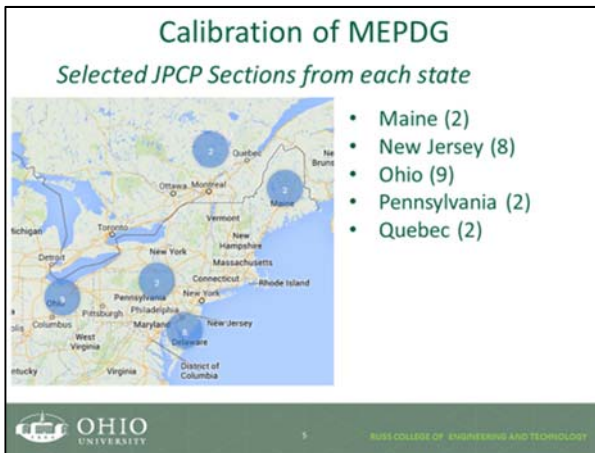
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Calibration of MEPDG Selected JPCP Sections

#	Section ID	Type	Route	State	County	Lanes	Longitude	Latitude	Analysis Period
1	23-3053	GP3	I-29	ME	Cumberland	2	-70.90343	43.92338	1983-2007
2	23-3054	GP3	I-29	ME	Hughes	2	-69.98491	43.93650	1983-2007
3	42-1823	GP3	I-180	PA	Lancaster	2	-76.91766	41.24602	1983-2008
4	42-3544	GP3	I-78	PA	Berk	2	-75.91678	40.17606	1983-
5	89-3055	GP3	Rt. 40	QC	Manitou	2	-72.23417	46.47318	1983-2005
6	89-3056	GP3	Rt. 40	QC	Manitou	2	-72.23617	46.56555	1983-2005
7	38-2013	GP3	US 68	OH	Brown	1	-83.83983	38.83109	1987-1993
8	38-2823	GP3	US 7	OH	Baldwin	2	-80.38214	39.96378	1987-
9	10-0201	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43928	38.84385	1996-2012
10	10-0202	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43938	38.83564	1996-2012
11	10-0203	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43932	38.84989	1996-2012
12	10-0204	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43945	38.8654	1996-2012
13	10-0205	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43923	38.84111	1996-2012
14	10-0206	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43934	38.83367	1996-2012
15	10-0209	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43942	38.86727	1996-2012
16	10-0280	SP2	US 113	DE	Sussex	2	-75.43919	38.8399	1996-2012
17	38-0203	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.0741	40.41442	1995-
18	38-0209	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.07398	40.40311	1995-2012
19	38-0211	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.07406	40.40374	1995-
20	38-0280	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.07384	40.39423	1995-
21	38-0281	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.07403	40.40724	1995-
22	38-0282	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.07418	40.4203	1995-
23	38-0283	SP2	US 23	OH	Delaware	2	-83.07423	40.42283	1995-

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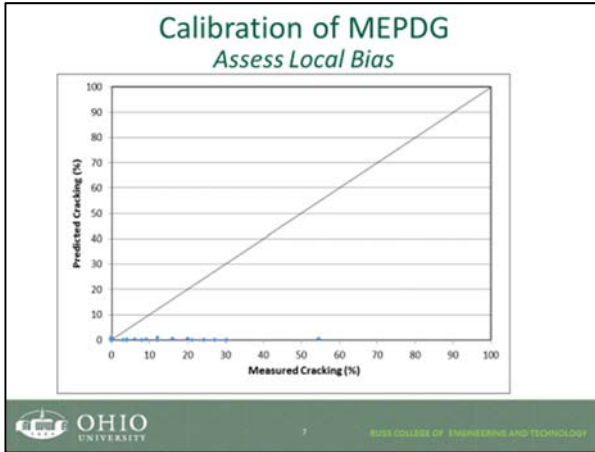
Calibration of MEPDG Assess Local Bias

- Bias found with Cracking Model

Table 1 Summary of Statistical Assessment of Global Calibration Factors

Performance Indicator	Bias (p-value)	Standard Error	R ²	Hypothesis H ₀ : y _i - x _i = 0	Comment
Transverse Cracking	<0.0001	0.2 (%)	0.059	Reject	Bias
Faulting	0.113	0.016 in	0.27	Accept	No Bias
IRI	0.187	17.7 in/mi	0.78	Accept	No Bias

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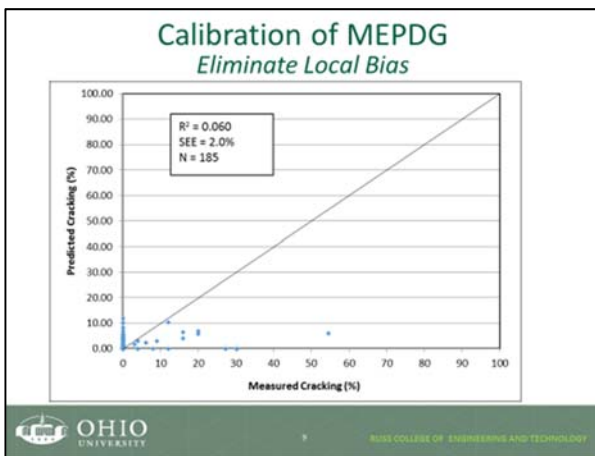


Calibration of MEPDG Eliminate Local Bias

Table 2 Summary of Statistical Assessment of Local Calibration Factors

Performance Indicator	Bias (p-value)	Standard Error	R ²	Hypothesis H ₀ : y _i - x _i = 0	Comment
Transverse Cracking	0.061	2.0 (%)	0.06	Accept	No Bias
Faulting	0.113	0.016 in	0.27	Accept	No Bias
IRI	0.079	17.6 in/mi	0.79	Accept	No Bias

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Calibration of MEPDG Calibration Results

Cracking	C1	C2	C4	C5	SSE
Global Coefficients	2	1.22	1	-1.98	8923.7
Local Coefficients	2	1.22	0.2	-1.63	8139.8
Faulting (No change)	C1	C2	C3	C4	
	1.0184	0.91656	0.0021848	0.000883739	
	C5	C6	C7	C8	
	250	0.4	1.83312	400	
IRI (No change)	C1	C2	C3	C4	
	0.8203	0.4417	1.4929	25.24	

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Development of Design Catalog

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Development of JPCP Design Catalog Old PCC Thickness Table

80-kN ESALs	PCC Slab Thickness 4.2 m driving lane slab width	PCC Slab Thickness 3.6 m driving lane slab width
millions	mm	mm
ESALs ≤ 22	225	225
22 < ESALs ≤ 36	225	250
36 < ESALs ≤ 65	225	275
65 < ESALs ≤ 100	250	300
100 < ESALs ≤ 165	275	325
165 < ESALs ≤ 250	300	325 ¹
250 < ESALs ≤ 400	325	325 ¹


¹ For ESALs over 165 million, 3.6 m untied slabs may not be used for the right hand driving lane. Use either 3.6 m tied slabs, 4.2 m untied slabs, or 4.2 m tied slabs.

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Determine Inputs

- Project and JPCP Design Inputs
- Layer/Material Properties
- Traffic Inputs
- Climate Inputs
- Calibration Factors




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Conduct Parametric Study

- Determine effects of these parameters:
 - Weather stations
 - Subgrade modulus
 - Water table depth
 - Design life
 - Traffic
 - Slab width




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Development of JPCP Design Catalog

Effect of weather stations


NYS DOT Regions



Four climate zones sufficient to implement MEPDG across New York

Zone	Weather Station
1	Buffalo
2	Massena
3	Elmira/Corning
4	Farmingdale

Separate sets of design tables created for each climate zone




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Effect of Subgrade Modulus

- Subgrade resilient modulus (M_R) generally had very little or no effect on the resulting PCC thickness when design traffic volume is small.
- When the design traffic volume is high, weak soil required significantly thicker PCC.
- Design tables generated for these values of M_R : 2000 psi (14 MPa), 4000 psi (28 MPa), 5000 psi (34 MPa), 6000 psi (41 MPa), and 9000 psi (62 MPa).
- For $M_R = 2000$ psi (14 MPa) or 4000 psi (28 MPa), the subgrade will be difficult to construct on and may require stabilization, depending on additional analysis.

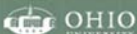


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Effect of Water Table Depth

- 5 ft (1.5 m) and 10 ft (3 m) water table depths were compared to examine the effect of water table depth.
- It was found that water table depth has little or no effect on the resulting PCC thickness.



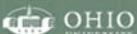
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Final Design Tables for Climate Zone 1

Subgrade $M_R = 2000$ psi (14 MPa)

Initial AADTT	PCC Thickness	
	3.6 m (12 ft) width	4.2 m (14 ft) width
AADTT ≤ 641	215.9 mm (8.5 in)	215.9 mm (8.5 in)
641 < AADTT ≤ 1049	228.6 mm (9 in)	228.6 mm (9 in)
1049 < AADTT ≤ 1895	241.3 mm (9.5 in)	228.6 mm (9 in)
1895 < AADTT ≤ 2915	254 mm (10 in)	241.3 mm (9.5 in)
2915 < AADTT ≤ 4809	254 mm (10 in)	254 mm (10 in)
4809 < AADTT ≤ 7287	317.5 mm (12.5 in)	254 mm (10 in)
7287 < AADTT ≤ 11659	> 356 mm (14 in)	266.7 mm (10.5 in)



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Development of JPCP Design Catalog Final Design Tables for Climate Zone 1

Subgrade $M_R = 4000$ psi (28 MPa)

Initial AADTT	PCC Thickness	
	3.6 m (12 ft) width	4.2 m (14 ft) width
$AADTT \leq 641$	228.6 mm (9 in)	215.9 mm (8.5 in)
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$4809 < AADTT \leq 7287$	279.4 mm (11 in)	266.7 mm (10.5 in)
$7287 < AADTT \leq 11659$	292 mm (11.5 in)	266.7 mm (10.5 in)

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Subgrade $M_R = 5000$ psi (34 MPa)

Initial AADTT	PCC Thickness	
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Subgrade $M_R = 6000$ psi (41 MPa)

Initial AADTT	PCC Thickness	
	3.6 m (12 ft) width	4.2 m (14 ft) width
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Subgrade $M_R = 9000$ psi (62 MPa)

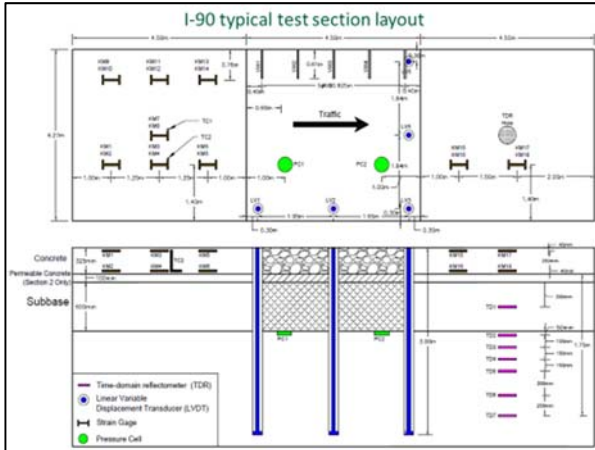
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$2915 < AADTT \leq 4809$	279.4 mm (11 in)	266.7 mm (10.5 in)
$4809 < AADTT \leq 7287$	292 mm (11.5 in)	279.4 mm (11 in)
$7287 < AADTT \leq 11659$	304.8 mm (12 in)	292 mm (11.5 in)

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Example: Truck load testing on I-90 Syracuse May 2010

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- ### I-90 Syracuse
- Section of I-90 at Weedsport, near Syracuse
 - Full-depth reconstruction in October 2009 with new PCC, pavement, base, and subbase
 - AADT 34,320 vehicles
 - 50 year design
 - Comparison of two base types
 - Cement Treated Permeable Base (CTPB)
 - Dense Graded Aggregate Base (DGAB)
 - Test sections were fully instrumented with strain gauges in PCC (KM) and on tie bars (VW), LVDTs (LV), pressure cells (PC), thermocouples (TC), and TDR cables (TD)
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Spring 2010 Truck Test on I-90 Syracuse

- Truck load test performed in late May 2010
- Two truck loads used for test
 - 16-kip rear axle (Light)
 - 20-kip rear axle (Heavy)
- Tested at 4 speeds
 - 5, 25, 35, 45 MPH

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I-90 Truck Test Deflection Data

LVDT 1 (Corner, Approach)

LVDT 3 (Corner, Leave)

- Response for 16-kip axle load shown (5 MPH)
- CTPB (Section 2) experiences uplift on both ends of slab as well as larger deflections at slab edges
- Uplift and large deflections on CTPB indicate a loss of support at the slab edges
 - This is a result of a slab being supported by a rigid base layer

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I-90 Truck Test Midslab Wheel Path Strain Data

- Section 1 (DGAB) responds as non-composite pavement
- Section 2 (CTPB) is composite with base, indicated by unequal magnitude of tensile and compressive strains
- At point "a", the truck axles straddle the slab (rear tire at rear joint, front tire at front joint, both tires on slab)
- Larger tensile stresses in the top of the slab at "a" position indicate loss of support beneath slab where contact with subbase is lost

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I-90 Truck Test Strain Data: 25 MPH – Light Load

25 MPH - Section 1 - KM 3&4

25 MPH - Section 2 - KM 3&4

25 MPH - Section 1 - KM 9&10

25 MPH - Section 2 - KM 9&10

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I-90 Truck Test LVDT Data: 25 MPH – Light Load

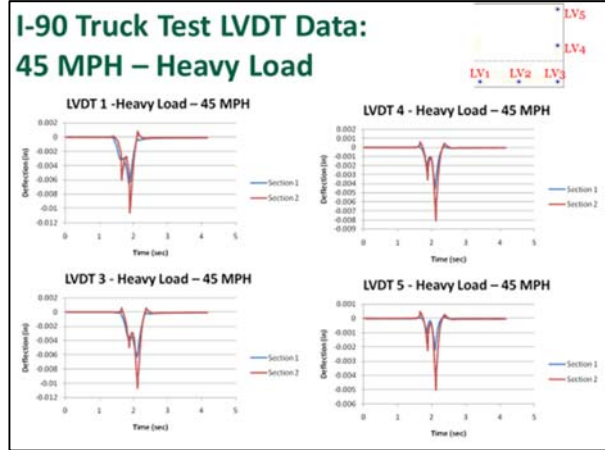
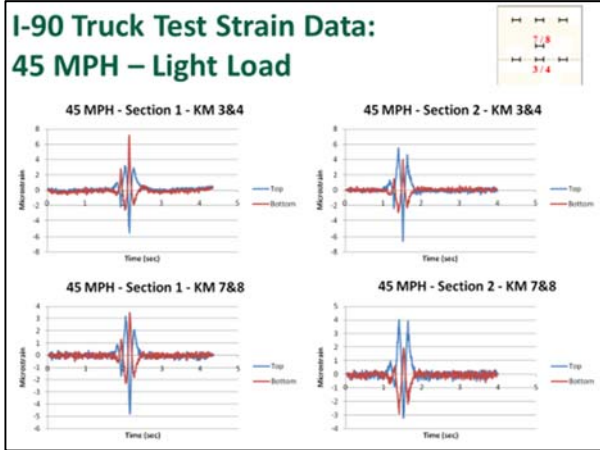
LVDT 1

LVDT 2

LVDT 3

LVDT 4

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Thank you!



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AASHTOWARE PAVEMENT ME DESIGN ONTARIO'S LOCAL CALIBRATION EFFORT ON FLEXIBLE PAVEMENTS

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Outline

- Tools used for the calibration
 - Automatic Road Analyser (ARAN)
 - iVision
 - iCorridor
 - Pavement Management System (PMS)
- What is local calibration
 - Guidelines for the local calibration of MEPDG
- Which coefficients to be calibrated:
 - Rutting Model
 - Fatigue Cracking (FC) Model
 - Thermal Cracking (TC) Model
 - IRI Model
- Further Work

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Current MTO's ARAN

- Dual HD Overhead Video Cameras
- Inertially Aided GPS
- LCMS – Cracking, Rutting and Macro-texture
- Laser Roughness Sub-System
- Distance Measurement Instrument (DMI)

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iVision - a web-base viewing and analysis tool for pavement distress and performance

- feeds data from ARAN and reports in 50-m segment
- reports distress quantities (alligator, longitudinal, transverse cracks) in low/medium/high severity
- shows front, side and road surface images
- captures data since 2013

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MTO's Asset Management System (AMS)

- Pavement Management System (PMS) integrated to AMS in 2015
- consists of approx. 1900 road segments covering all provincial highways
- reports pavement performance indexes such as PCI, DMI, IRI and rut depth
- contains performance data since 1970s
- contains limited information on construction history and pavement structures

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icorridor – a web based mapping system to provide traffic data.

- provides site-specific traffic data (FHWA class distribution, axle load stratum)
- exports traffic files directly to Pavement ME software.

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What is Local Calibration

To develop a non-bias and precise performance prediction model:

1) Eliminating Bias

$$\text{Bias} = \sum_{i=1}^n (D_{\text{observe}} - D_{\text{predict}})$$

- D_{observe} = Observed pavement performance on the roadways
- D_{predict} = Predicted pavement performance from Pavement ME software
- N = number of pavement segments used for the calibration

2) Minimizing sum of squared error (SSE) or standard error of the estimate (Se)

$$\text{SSE} = \sum_{i=1}^n (D_{\text{observe}} - D_{\text{predict}})^2 \quad S_e = \sqrt{\frac{\text{SSE}}{n-2}}$$

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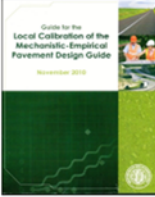
Guide for the Local Calibration of MEPDG

Traditional Approach – Split Sample

- A portion of the data (typically half or more) is used for calibrating the coefficients while the remainder is used to validate accuracy.

Minimum roadway segments suggested in the Guide:

- Distortion (Total Rutting) – 20 (*64)
- Load-Related Cracking – 30 (*46)
- Non-Load-Related Cracking – 26 (*59)
- IRI (*48)
- * Number used in this calibration



AASHTO PAVEMENT ME DESIGN – ONTARIO'S LOCAL CALIBRATION EFFORT

Factorial for the Selected Pavement Sections

64 pavement sections from PMS (for rutting calibration)

Highway Classification	Freeway (26)		Arterial / Collector (38)	
Surface HMA Mix Type	SMA 12.5 (19)	SP12.5 (10)	SP12.5FC1 (8)	SP12.5 (27)
Construction Type	New (11)		Rehabilitation (53)	
Calibration vs. Validation	Calibration (46)			Validation (18)

- Select sections with normal performance from PMS, i.e. good trend of increasing rutting and IRI
- Involves 20 Highways (6 hways. from Southern; 14 hways. from Northern)
- Age: 2 to 17 yrs.; Median = 7.5 yrs.; Mode = 9 yrs.

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Rutting Model

Five calibration coefficients in three equations to be determined:

- Asphalt Concrete (AC) Equation**

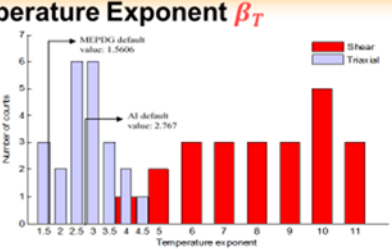
$$\frac{\epsilon_p}{\epsilon_r} = k_2 \beta_{AC} 10^{k_3 T} k_4 \beta_T N^{k_5} \beta_N$$
 - β_{AC} = AC scale factor
 - β_T = Temperature exponent
 - β_N = Traffic exponent
- Granular Base / Sub-base Equation**

$$\delta_a(N) = \beta_{GB} k_1 \epsilon_v h \left(\frac{\epsilon_o}{\epsilon_r} \right) e^{-\left(\frac{h}{k} \right)^\beta}$$
 - β_{GB} = Granular material scale factor
- Subgrade Equation**

$$\delta_a(N) = \beta_{SG} k_1 \epsilon_v h \left(\frac{\epsilon_o}{\epsilon_r} \right) e^{-\left(\frac{h}{k} \right)^\beta}$$
 - β_{SG} = Subgrade scale factor

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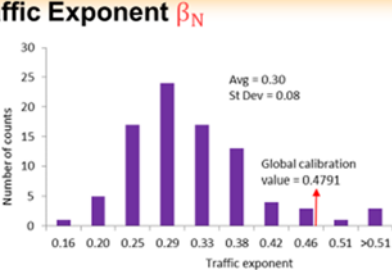
Temperature Exponent β_T



- Histogram of temperature exponents obtained from triaxial and shear tests (Data source: Tables 24 and 25 of NCHRP Report 719 of Project 9-30A)
- Project 9-30A involves a recalibration of AC rutting model using 60 field sections and 46 laboratory specimens.
- Temperature exponent largely dependent upon material testing methods
- Triaxial results are systematically smaller than those from shear tests.
- Follows MEPDG default $k_2 = 1.5606 \rightarrow \beta_T = 1.0$

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Traffic Exponent β_N



- Histogram of the field- and laboratory test-derived traffic exponents of various road sections (Data source: Tables 8, 9, 25 and 26 of NCHRP Report 719)
- Use average traffic exponent: $k_3 = 0.30 \rightarrow \beta_N = 0.6262$

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Three Scale Factors: β_{AC} , β_{GB} , β_{SG}

Predicted rut depth = $\beta_{AC}D_{AC} + \beta_{GB}D_{GB} + \beta_{SG}D_{SG}$

- Indeterminacy of the transfer functions
- Multiple Local Optima Issue
- Example of trial run: SSE contours against β_{AC} and β_{SG} showing multiple local minima
- Use rational engineering judgement to select the appropriate solution

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Layer Contribution to Rutting

- Trench Study
 - expensive and hard to repair at highways
 - need experience and expertise for field measurement and analysis
- From Previous Study (literature review)
 - mixed results
 - not realistic to use one layer contribution to represent the entire network
- Follow Pavement ME Results
 - Use the same layer proportion from Pavement ME
 - Compare total rut from ME and surface rut on pavement

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Rutting Calibration - Results

Note: Set for global calibration = 2.7mm

Calibration Coefficient	Global Model	Local Calibration - Ontario	Local Calibration - Layer Contribution
β_{AC}	1	2.3570	23%
β_{GB}	1	0.1254	11%
β_{SG}	1	0.2482	66%

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Local calibration and performance criteria

- Review the performance criteria after local calibration
- Use the same reference, i.e. PMS

Performance Criteria	MEPDG Default Target Values
Permanent deformation - total pavement (mm)	19
Permanent deformation - AC only (mm)	6

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Performance Criteria	Ontario Target Values
Permanent deformation - total pavement (mm)	Freeway: 10 Arterial: 13 Collector/Local: 17
Permanent deformation - AC only (mm)	ignore

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Alligator Cracking – N_f constants β_{f1} , β_{f2} , β_{f3}

Allowable number of axle-load application:

$$N_f = \beta_{f1} C_V C_H k_1 e^{-\beta_{f2} k_2} E_{AC}^{-\beta_{f3} k_3}$$

where β_{f1} , β_{f2} , β_{f3} is local or mixture specific field calibration constants.

- These constants have very limited impact on the biases and residuals.
- Pavement ME does not allow independent change of these constants between the alligator and longitudinal cracking analyses.
- β_{f1} , β_{f2} , β_{f3} are kept to the default value of 1.0.

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Alligator Cracking – FC constants C_1 , C_2 , C_4

% of alligator cracking for total lane area:

$$FC_{bottom} = \frac{C_4}{1 + e^{(C_1 + C_1 r + C_2 + C_2 \ln(100D))}} * \frac{1}{60}$$

where C_1 , C_2 , C_4 is the transfer function regression constants

- $C_4 = 6000$ is fixed as it represents the lane area, i.e. 500 ft. x 12 ft
- C_1 , C_2 are the local calibration constants
- Transforms the above transfer equation to a linear regression equation to calibrate C_1 , C_2

$$\ln\left(\frac{100}{FC_{bottom}} - 1\right) \times \frac{1}{C_2} = -2C_1 + C_2 \ln(D \times 100)$$

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Alligator Cracking – Results

	Local	Global
C ₁	1.2208	1
C ₂	0.1406	1

Note: StdErr for global calibration = 5.01%

- Very low predicted distresses from software – alligator cracking is seldom the governed criterion for the current design
- Consider those cracks on wheelpath and midlane, exclude edge cracks
- Avoid section with reflective cracks
- Select sections with high age and more cracks.
- Clustering analysis and cleaning up the data to enhance the correlation

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Longitudinal Cracking – FC constants C₁, C₂, C₄

Length of top-down longitudinal crack in ft/mi

$$FC_{top} = \frac{C_4}{1 + \exp(C_1 C_1' - C_2 C_2' \ln(D))} \times 10.56$$

where C₁, C₂, C₄ is the transfer function regression constants

- C₄ = 1000 is fixed as it represents the maximum linear cracking length (500 ft. x 2)
- C₁, C₂ are the local calibration constants
- Transforms the above transfer equation to a linear regression equation to calibrate C₁, C₂

$$\ln\left(\frac{10560}{FC_{top}} - 1\right) = C_1 - C_2 \ln(D)$$

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Longitudinal Cracking – Results

	Local	Global
C ₁	5.556	7.0
C ₂	-0.2839	3.5

- Follow the M of P that longitudinal cracking is top-down crack.
- Very scattered data and correlation is low.
- Consider longitudinal cracks along wheelpath, excluding centre-line cracks
- Clustering analysis and cleaning up the data to enhance the correlation

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Thermal Cracking – Paris Law constant k_t

Fracture parameters for the HMA mixture:

$$\log_{10} A = k_t \beta_t \{4.389 - 2.52 \log_{10}(E_{AC} \sigma_t m)\}$$

where

k_t = 1.5 for Level 1; 0.5 for Level 2; 1.5 for Level 3

Observed amount of thermal cracking, ft/mi:

$$TC = \beta_{t1} N\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_d} \log_{10}\left(\frac{C_d}{h_{AC}}\right)\right)$$

where

N = standard normal distribution evaluated at [z]

β_{t1} = 400 = the upper bound of the thermal cracking in ft/mi

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Thermal Cracking – Results

- Conduct Level 3 analysis only; Level 1 requires lab data on indirect tensile strength and creep compliance.
- Correlation is low. (low sensitivity for level 3 study)
- K = 7 provides the minimum bias.

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IRI Calibration

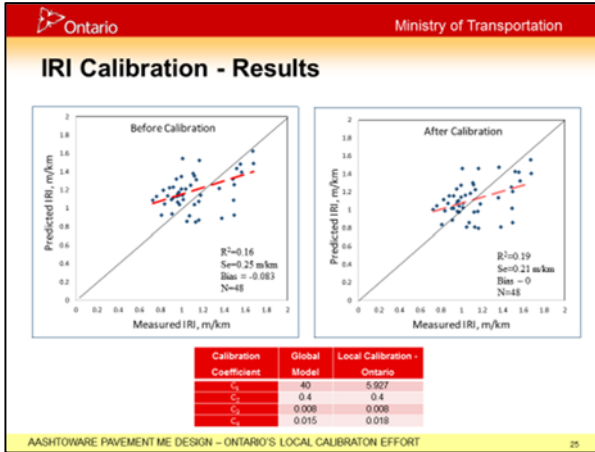
$$IRI = IRI_0 + C_1(RD) + C_2(FC_{Total}) + C_3(TC) + C_4(SF)$$

where

IRI = Predicted IRI, in/mi
 IRI₀ = Initial IRI after construction, in/mi
 FC_{Total} = Area of fatigue cracking (Combined alligator, longitudinal, and reflection cracking in the wheel path), percent of total lane area
 TC = Length of transverse cracking, feet/mile
 RD = Average rut depth, inches
 SF = Site factor
 C₁, C₂, C₃, C₄ = IRI model calibration factor for rut depth, fatigue cracking, transverse cracking and site factor, the global values are equal to 40, 0.4, 0.008, 0.015 respectively

- Best estimate of initial IRI from historical data in PMS
- Reflective cracking uses the default values of Pavement ME, i.e. Level 3 with 'fair' existing pavement condition
- Note: plug-in the distress quantity in imperial unit to the formula and convert IRI to SI unit (m/km) for the correlation

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- ### Further Work
- Clustering analysis and clean-up on dataset to improve the correlation on FC_{top} and FC_{bottom} models.
 - Conduct Levels 1 & 2 calibration on TC model.
 - Complete the reflection crack calibration (integrated in C₂ and C₃ coefficients of IRI model)
 - Review the performance criteria for various distresses.
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Thank You

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The KDOT Experience - Pavement ME Calibration and Validation

Kansas Department of Transportation
December 15, 2016



Outline

- Why Local Calibrate Pavement ME
- Typical Distresses in Kansas
- Local Calibration & Validation Overview
- Lessons Learned
- What are the next steps?

Why Pavement ME and Why Perform Local Calibration?

- Theory on oversized pavement thickness with AASHTO '93
- More thickness → More \$\$
- With many needs and shrinking budgets, Pavement ME → provide required design period thickness to save \$\$ (initial and life cycle)

Typical Distresses In Kansas Pavements Portland Cement Concrete (PCC)



I-35 Franklin County

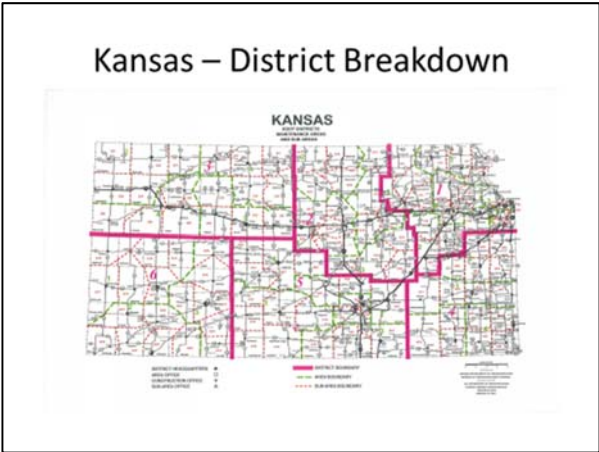
Typical Distresses in Kansas Pavements Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA)



I-435 Johnson County (Kansas City Metro Area)

Local Calibration Goals

- Reduce or eliminate bias to prevent under or over designed pavement
- Increase precision to prevent premature failures
- Implement new Pavement ME software to optimize pavement designs and replace DARWin software



- ### Local Calibration Overview
- Selected 27 flexible pavement projects statewide
 - 21 projects for calibration
 - 6 projects for validation
 - Selected 22 rigid pavement projects statewide
 - 17 projects for calibration
 - 5 projects for validation
 - Compared Pavement ME predicted distresses for flexible and rigid pavements with distresses measured by KDOT's Pavement Management Information System (PMIS) and Network Optimization System (NOS)
 - Adjusted coefficients of distress models to obtain a match between data sets

- ### Validation Overview
- Used local calibration inputs for both pavement types
 - Ran pavement designs with different climate, soil type, and heavy truck traffic
 - Compared Pavement ME design thickness output with the following parameters:
 - Known historical performance
 - Service life
 - Design thickness
 - Traffic loading

- ### Results
- PCC Pavements:
 - No measured data for transverse cracking
 - Model over predicted roughness (IRI)
 - Lower/mid-range traffic routes: JPCP design pavement thickness consistent with expectations
 - Higher truck traffic routes: JPCP design pavement thickness greater than expected
 - HMA Pavements:
 - No measured bottom up fatigue cracking data
 - Inconsistent thickness results for all route classes
 - More testing and research needed to refine key inputs

- ### Lessons Learned
- Sample project size for calibration and validation needed to be increased
 - Sample projects did not consider all statewide surfacing possibilities
 - Cracking, faulting, and rutting data collection format needed refinement to be easier to input
 - More Resilient Modulus (M_R) data needed
 - AASHTO Subgrade Soil Types
 - Chemically Stabilized Soils
 - Granular Base Layers
 - HMA Base Layers
 - CTB/ATB Layers
 - Construct Long Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) test sections using Pavement ME output to monitor performance over time statewide

- ### Future Refinement of Local Calibration
- Continue materials testing to better characterize Resilient Modulus (M_R) values in the following layers:
 - soil types (un-stabilized/untreated soil)
 - chemically stabilized soils
 - aggregate base materials
 - HMA base mixtures
 - PCTB/ACTB
 - Model JPCP (PCC pavement) projects constructed over granular base
 - Develop proper calibration for blended HMA binders that include Recycled Asphalt Pavement (RAP) & Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS)
 - Complete creep compliance and indirect tensile strength tests for SR Superpave mixtures
 - Divide state into Areas/Districts based on severity of thermal cracking and improve inputs for low temperature cracking model
 - Identify bottom up fatigue cracking by coring HMA pavements that exhibit fatigue cracking distresses
 - Increase number of projects statewide for calibration and validation

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #1 PROJECT SELECTION

JPCP Reconstruction

Unbonded Rigid Overlay

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #1 PROJECT SELECTION

Reconstruct Pavement Types	Age Group			Total
	<10	10-15	>15	
Crush & Shape	0	6	17	23
HMA Reconstruct (Freeway)	2	15	5	22
HMA Reconstruct (Non-Freeway)	12	36	15	63
JPCP Reconstruct	3	11	6	20
Total	17	68	43	128

Rehab Pavement Types	Age Group			Total
	<10	10-20	>20	
Composite overlay	0	3	4	7
HMA over HMA	2	5	8	15
Rubblized overlay	0	7	4	11
Unbonded overlay	1	7	0	8
Total	3	22	16	41

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #2 DATA COLLECTION

- Process:
 - Observed data: MDOT pavement asset condition records
 - Conversion & some assumption needed for ME format.
 - Material inputs: historical construction projects records & MDOT studies
 - Missing some data & some assumption needed for ME input.
 - Predicted distresses from the ME results & compared to observed data.

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #2 DATA COLLECTION

MDOT Distress Data to ME Conversions:

Flexible pavement distress	MDOT units	Pavement-ME units	Conversion needed?
IRI	in/mile	in/mile	No
Top-down cracking	in/mi	ft/mi	Yes
Bottom-up cracking	ft/mi	% ft/mi	Yes
Thermal cracking	No. of occurrences	ft/mi	Yes
Rutting	in	in	No
Reflective cracking	None	% area	N/A

Rigid pavement distress	MDOT units	Pavement-ME units	Conversion needed?
IRI	in/mile	in/mile	No
Faulting	in	in	Yes
Transverse cracking	No. of occurrences	% data cracked	Yes

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #2 DATA COLLECTION

Performance measure	Acceptable pavement sections	Total number of available sections
Flexible pavements		
Alligator cracking	121	129
Longitudinal cracking	128 (37)	129 (40)
Rutting	129 (33)	129 (40)
IRI	127 (40)	129 (40)
Rigid pavements		
Transverse cracking	18 (13)	18 (13)
Joint faulting	33 (16)	33 (16)
IRI	29 (15)	29 (15)

- The values in parenthesis represent number of rehabilitated pavement sections.
- Number of sections may not match number of projects because divided freeways were treated as separate sections.

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #2 DATA COLLECTION

MDOT Input

Category	Item	Value
Summary	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
Distress	Alligator	121
	Longitudinal	128
	Rutting	129
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
	IRI	127
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	IRI	127
	IRI	127
Material	IRI	127
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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #3 CALIB. TECHNIQUES

- Dataset Options:
 - Option 1: MDOT reconstruct sections only
 - Option 2: MDOT reconstruct and rehabilitation sections
 - Option 3: MDOT reconstruct, rehabilitation, and LTPP sections (Rigid Pavements only)
 - Option 4: MDOT rehabilitation sections only

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #3 CALIB. TECHNIQUES

- Statistical methods:
 - Full data set – no sampling
 - Traditional split sampling – 70% calibration/30% validation
 - Repeated split sampling – split sampling repeated 1000 times
 - Bootstrapping – random sampling of full dataset with replacement, validated with 80% calibration/20% validation.

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #3 CALIB. TECHNIQUES

Bootstrapping Flowchart:

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #4 CALIBRATION RESULTS

Flexible Pavement Results:

Section	Pavement Type	Subgrade	Material	Input Data				Output Data				
				ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	
101	Type 1	A-1	C-1	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL
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				ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	
				ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	
102	Type 1	A-1	C-1	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	ESAL	
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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #4 CALIBRATION RESULTS

- Flexible Calibration Data Iteration
 - Bottom-Up Cracking
 - Option 1a provided best results ("best") overall. More pavement sections could be used (due to the way MDOT identifies crack types).
 - Option 1b (not recommended). Few pavement sections identified (BU) Cracking based on the difference in the MDOT Absolute (MDOT) ME pavement level.
 - Top-Down (TD) Cracking
 - Option 1 had best results for new reconstruction.
 - Option 2 had best results for rehabilitation.
 - Rutting
 - Individual layer calibration provided the best results – used estimated rutting contribution for each layer.
 - Option 2 gave the most realistic results for rutting model.
 - Thermal Cracking
 - Option 2 had best results for Level 1 & 3 calibration coefficients.
 - BSI
 - Option 1 had best results for new reconstruction.
 - Option 4 was best results for rehabilitation.

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #4 CALIBRATION RESULTS

New Flexible Coefficient Comparison

Model	Coefficient	Global	M1	A2	COI	MO	COs	AS	BS	WS	WT	MC	GM	TA
Bottom-up Cracking	C1	1	0.50	1	0.07	1	0.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	1	1	1	1
	C2	1	0.56	45	335	1	0.235	0.294	0.25	1	1	1	1	1
	C3	4000	6000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000	4000
Thermal Cracking	Level 1	15	0.75	15	75	0.025	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
	Level 2	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
	Level 3	15	4.00	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	0.25	15	15	15
Rutting (HMA)	B-1	1	0.9453	0.49	1.24	1	1.48	1.2	1.1	1.05	1	1.31	0.51	2.29
	B-2	1	1.3	1	1	1	1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1	1.1	1	1
	B-3	1	0.7	1	1	1	0.9	0.8	0.8	1.1	1.1	1.1	1	0.8
Rutting (BSI)	B-1	1	0.0985	0.37	0.44	0.4025	1	1	0.8	1	1	1	0.30	0.20
	B-2	1	0.0367	0.14	0.4	0.61	1	0.5	1.2	0	1	1.02	0.33	0.5
	B-3	40	50.372	1.228	35	17.7	40	40	0.015	40	40	40	174	40
BSI	C1	0.4	0.4102	0.175	0.3	0.075	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
	C2	0.04	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064	0.0064
	C4	0.015	0.0271	0.028	0.019	0.01	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.015	0.004

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #4 CALIBRATION RESULTS

Rigid Pavement Results:

Calibration Coefficients:
 1 -> MDOT rehab-inhdb sections
 2 -> MDOT rehab-inhdb sections
 3 -> MDOT rehab-MDOT rehab-TFF sections (split and 1)
 4 -> MDOT rehab-sections

Division	Dist. Index	Reference pavement asset	Global Coefficients		Local Coefficients				Global IRI at 0.5m	Local IRI at 0.5m	LAA Rate	Reliability	
			C ₁	C ₂	C ₃	C ₄	C ₅	C ₆					C ₇
Option 1	2	Baseline cracking	C ₁ = 1	C ₂ = 1.98	C ₃ = 0.23	C ₄ = -1.08	C ₅ = 1.0189	C ₆ = 0.0021848	C ₇ = 0.00883739	13.96	781	-0.79	0.3
			C ₁ = 0.91656	C ₂ = 0.91656	C ₃ = 0.23	C ₄ = -1.08	C ₅ = 1.0189	C ₆ = 0.0021848	C ₇ = 0.00883739	13.96	781	-0.79	0.3
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Option 2	3	Thermax joint-cracking	C ₁ = 1	C ₂ = 1.98	C ₃ = 0.23	C ₄ = -1.08	C ₅ = 1.0189	C ₆ = 0.0021848	C ₇ = 0.00883739	13.96	781	-0.79	0.3
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Option 3	4	TFF	C ₁ = 1	C ₂ = 1.98	C ₃ = 0.23	C ₄ = -1.08	C ₅ = 1.0189	C ₆ = 0.0021848	C ₇ = 0.00883739	13.96	781	-0.79	0.3
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*Note that the software is not properly using the recommended change, so it is using the global values.

**IRI (FWD) 0.5 (12) 0.5 (14)

Locally developed for the software

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #4 CALIBRATION RESULTS

- Rigid Calibration Determination**
 - Transverse Cracking:**
 - Option 2 provided the most practical results and contains more pavement sections. Therefore, the model coefficients based on Option 2 are recommended for both reconstruct and rehabilitation.
 - Joint Faulting:**
 - The magnitude of measured faulting was low.
 - Option 2 provided the best results.
 - IRI:**
 - Option 2 provided the best results.
 - NOTE:** The faulting coefficient in the IRI model is set to the global model coefficient because of the low measured faulting.

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – #4 CALIBRATION RESULTS

New Rigid Coefficient Comparison

Model	Coefficient	Global	M1	M2	CD	FL	NO	WB	MS	CR
Cracking	C1	2	2	2	2	2.0389	2	2	2	2
	C2	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22	0.9461	1.22	1.22	1.22	1.22
	C3	1	0.23	0.19	0.4	0.564	1	0.39	0.9	1
	C4	1.98	-1.80	-2.067	-2.08	-0.946	-1.98	-2.115	-2.04	-1.98
Faulting	C1	1.0184	0.4	0.0333	0.0304	4.5472	1.0184	0.4	0.034	1.0184
	C2	0.00166	0.001656	0.0147	0.00028	0.00166	0.00166	0.01	0.00166	0.00166
	C3	0.00284	0.002848	0.00406	0.0147	0.00284	0.00284	0.00513	0.00284	0.00284
	C4	0.000894	0.000894	1.16e-07	0.00046	0.000894	0.000894	0.00246	0.004	0.000894
IRI	C1	200	250	20000	3999	200	200	775	350	200
	C2	0.4	0.4	2.397	0.0004	0.079	0.4	0.0004	0.4	0.4
	C3	1.831	1.8331	0.189	5.929	1.8331	1.8331	2.04	0.63	1.8331
	C4	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400	400

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CALIBRATION PROJECT – FINAL NOTES

- Limitations**
 - Number of pavement sections/projects for calibration:
 - Only 20 concrete reconstruct projects (less than the number recommended for calibration).
 - Very few rehab projects.
 - Could only use projects with reasonable progression of distress (upward trend).
 - Data:
 - Can only use project data until a maintenance action occurs that affects any of the distresses predicted by ME.
 - For some distresses, MDOT distress definitions/metrics do not match ME definition – assumptions and translation required.
 - Assumed inputs:
 - Very few materials property inputs found in construction records.
 - Only used previous MDOT data, so no materials or data was collected during project.
- Despite limitations, overall Improvement**
 - All models showed improvement in prediction and lower standard error.

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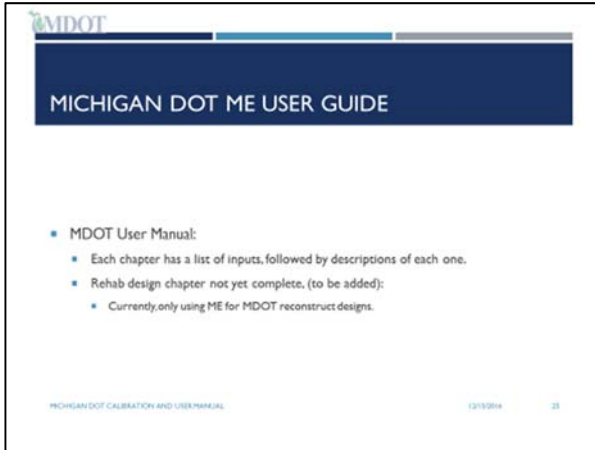
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- MDOT User Manual Organization:**
 - CH 1 – Intro
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 - CH 3 – Design Process
 - CH 4 – General Inputs
 - CH 5 – Performance Criteria & Reliability
 - CH 6 – Calibration Coefficients
 - CH 7 – Traffic Inputs
 - CH 8 – Climate Inputs
 - CH 9 – Asphalt Pavement (New) Layer Inputs
 - CH 10 – Concrete Pavement (New) Layer Inputs
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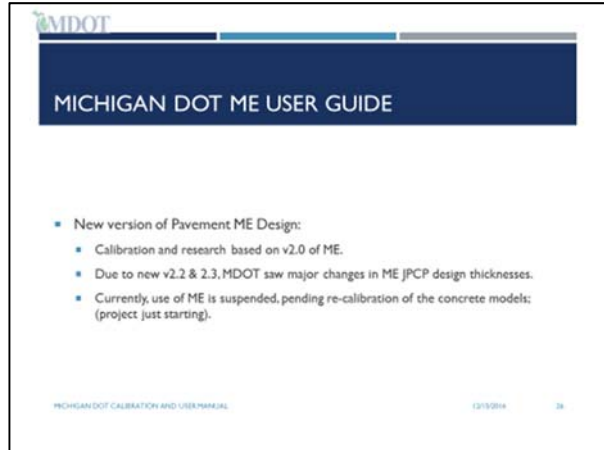
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- MDOT User Manual:
 - Each chapter has a list of inputs, followed by descriptions of each one.
 - Rehab design chapter not yet complete, (to be added):
 - Currently only using ME for MDOT reconstruct designs.

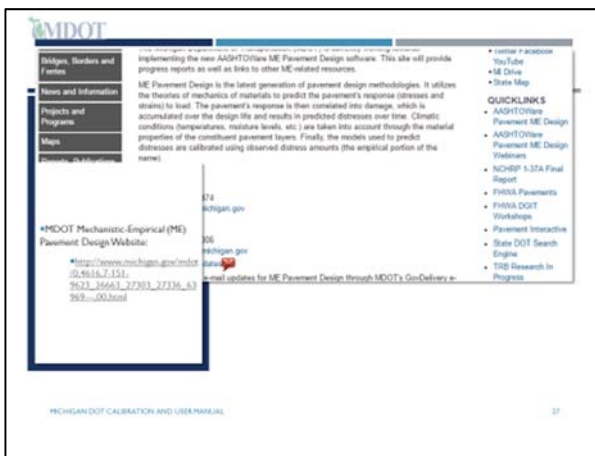
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- New version of Pavement ME Design:
 - Calibration and research based on v2.0 of ME.
 - Due to new v2.2 & 2.3, MDOT saw major changes in ME JPCP design thicknesses.
 - Currently, use of ME is suspended, pending re-calibration of the concrete models; (project just starting).

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implementing the new AASHTO's ME Pavement Design software. This site will provide program reports as well as links to other ME related resources.

ME Pavement Design is the latest generation of pavement design methodologies. It utilizes the theories of mechanics of materials to predict the pavement's response (stresses and strains) to load. The pavement's response is then combined into damage, which is accumulated over the design life and results in predicted distresses over time. Climatic conditions (temperature, moisture levels, etc.) are taken into account through the material properties of the constituent pavement layers. Finally, the models used to predict distresses are calibrated using observed distress amounts (the original portion of the name).

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*MDOT Mechanistic-Empirical (ME) Pavement Design Website:
http://www.michigan.gov/mdot/0,4516,7,151,7623_26661_77303_77336_53_769_...00.html

QUICKLINKS
 • AASHTO's Pavement ME Design
 • AASHTO's Pavement ME Design Webinars
 • NCHRP 5-37A Final Report
 • FHWA Pavements
 • FHWA DOT Workshops
 • Pavement Interactive
 • State DOT Search Engine
 • TRB Research in Progress

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Presentation 22—Hari Nair and Affan Habib, Virginia DOT




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AASHTOWare M-E
VDOT Local Calibration for Flexible and Rigid Pavement Design

Hari Nair, Ph.D., P.E.
Affan Habib, P.E.


VDOT M-E Implementation

- Developed Implementation plan in 2007
- Several Research projects completed
 - Traffic inputs (VTRC 10-R19)
 - Asphalt Material Inputs (VTRC 12-R16)
 - Unbound materials inputs (VTRC 11-R16)
 - Subgrade Inputs (VCTIR 15-R12)
 - Drainage layer and Cement treated aggregate layer
 - Concrete material properties from past projects
- Developed User Manual for Pavement ME design




VDOT ME Local Calibration/Validation

- Review of both asphalt and concrete distress prediction models
 - Asphalt pavement: Permanent deformation, Cracking, IRI
 - Concrete Pavement (CRCP): Punchouts, IRI
- Preliminary values for performance targets, reliability and design life
- Measured values from VDOT Pavement Management System (PMS)
- Local Calibration was performed to remove bias and assess standard error of distress models (Followed AASHTO guide for local calibration)




Asphalt Calibration Sites

- 53 sites from 8 VDOT districts; locations and pavement structure information provided by districts
- Mostly paved in early 2000s; range from 1992 to 2008
- Asphalt thickness typically 10", ranges from 5.5 to 15.5
- 16 sites with CTA layer; 20 with drainage layer




VDOT PMS Distress Data

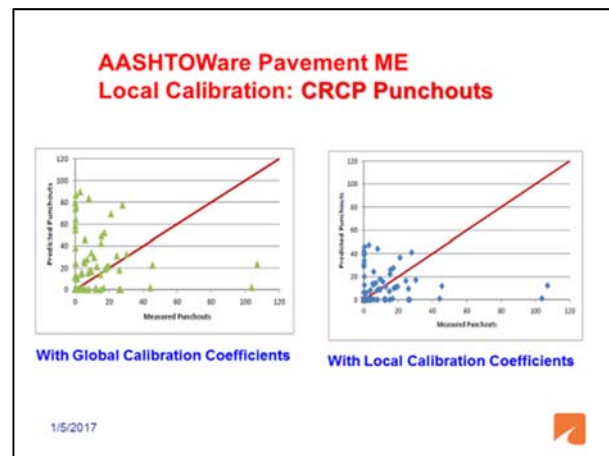
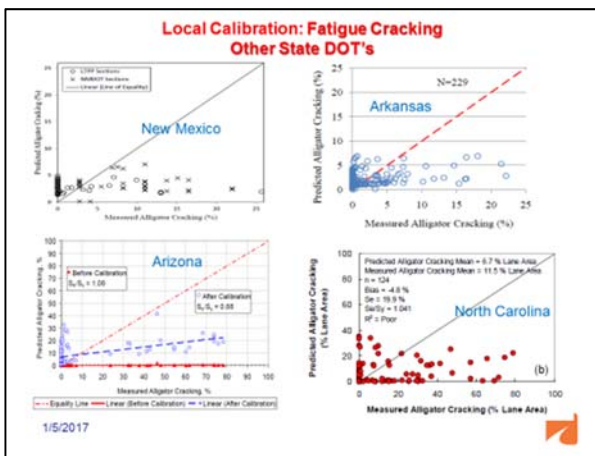
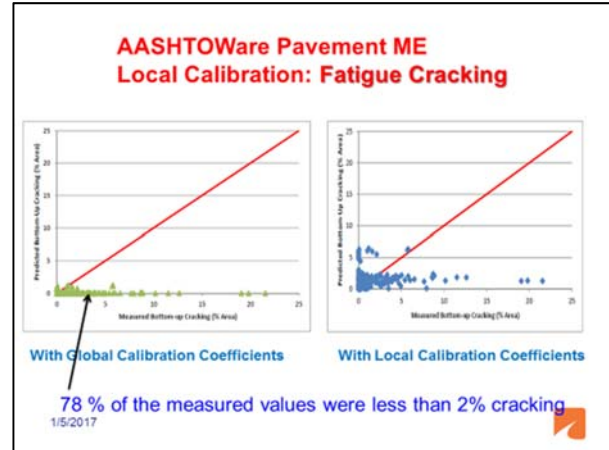
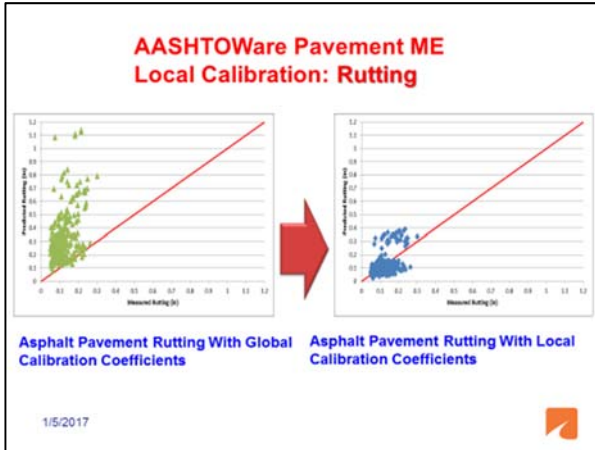
- VDOT Uses Automated distress data collection (from 2007 Onwards)
- Distress values averaged for all segments within project limits to get average value each year.
- Fatigue cracking- labelled as alligator cracking in PMS (Square feet, Three severity levels).
- Sum of severity levels (level 2 and 3) of alligator cracking divided by lane area (12' wide X length) for % fatigue cracking. Level 1 severity were assumed to be longitudinal cracks



Calibration procedure

- Compare measured distress against predicted distress for each year.
- Measured IRI values that decreased greater than 10% in a given year was taken to be that the pavement had been resurfaced and data beyond the decrease would not be considered.
- Also compared year of last rehab from PMS records to remove data points on sites that had been resurfaced
- Removed ME distress predictions that were erroneous and missing measured distress points.
- Sites split into calibration/validation sets based on district





VDOT Pavement ME Design Coefficients Adjustments From Local Calibration

Model	β_{f1}	β_{s1} (fine subgrade)	β_{s1} (granular subgrade)	β_{r1}	C_1	C_2	C_3
Asphalt pavement permanent deformation	0.687	0.153	0.153				
Asphalt pavement bottom-up cracking				42.87	0.3190	0.3190	
CRCP punchouts							114.76

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VDOT Pavement ME Design Coefficients Adjustments From Local Calibration

Local Calibration Coefficients

AC Fatigue

$$N_f = 0.00432 \cdot C \cdot \beta_{f1} \cdot k_1 \left(\frac{1}{E_1}\right)^{k_2} \left(\frac{1}{E_2}\right)^{k_3} \beta_{f2}$$

$C = 10^M$

$$M = 4.04 \left(\frac{W_1}{W_2} - 0.05\right)$$

AC Rutting

$$\Delta x = k_r \beta_{r1} 10^{0.00013 \beta_{r1} \beta_{r2} \beta_{r3} \beta_{r4} \beta_{r5}}$$

$$\beta_{r1} = (C_1 + C_2 \cdot \text{depth}) + 0.320156 \text{ depth}^2$$

$$C_1 = -0.04302 \cdot H^2 + 2.4868 \cdot H_1 - 17.342$$

$$C_2 = 0.0172 \cdot H^2 - 0.2111 \cdot H_1 + 27.420$$

Where:
 $H_{1,2}$ = total AC thickness (in)
 AC Rutting Standard Deviation: 0.287 (Pavement) 0.8026 (Subgrade)
 AC Layer: k1=1.35412 k2=1.8608 k3=0.4791 k1: 0.007566 k2: 3.9492 k3: 1.281 Bf1: 42.87 Bf2: 1 Bf3: 1

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Development of Suggested Values for Design Requirements

- National guidelines
- Previous VDOT design standards
- Data from end-of-service pavements in Virginia
- Relationships between distress in serviceability used in PMS
- Values in local calibration site data
- Experience of VDOT district and field personnel.

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Reliability Level, Design Life, and Performance Target Recommendations for VDOT's Use With Pavement ME Design

Pavement ME Design Requirement Parameter	Design Life (years)	Highway Classification			
		Interstate	Divided Primary	Undivided Primary	Secondary
Reliability Level		95	90	90	85
Performance Measure					
Asphalt pavement—Total permanent deformation (in)	15	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26
Asphalt pavement—Bottom-up fatigue cracking (%)	30	6	6	6	6
Asphalt and concrete pavement—IRI (in/mi)	15	140	140	140	140
CRCP punchouts (count/mile)	30	6	6	6	6

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Summary

Developed a set of local calibration factors applicable for the entire state.

Further refinement of the calibration coefficients might be necessary beyond initial implementation.

Expanding the pool of project sites used for calibration can help provide more robust calibration coefficients.

Local Calibration research report:
http://www.virginiadot.org/vtrc/main/online_reports/pdf/16-r1.pdf

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Pavement ME Design Main Website




Both sets of climate data can be downloaded.

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Climatic Data



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Area Specific Selection of Climatic Data

The profiles corresponding to specific states, provinces, and territories are also available for download. (City, elevation files are available in the former - non-interactive files.)

Step 1. Pick region of climatic data

Choose whether you'd like climatic data with US units or with SI (SI units only)

US Customary
 SI

Step 2. Area of climatic data


Select an area from the drop-down list or click on area on a map below to immediately download climatic data specific to that area. You may select or click on as many areas as you like. You may print and save out both maps for future reference.

Note: (United States) States that are not selected from the drop-down list.

Option 1. Select a United area

Option 2. Click a region area

United States Canada



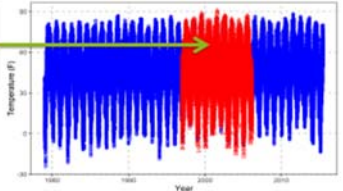
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Stations with Complete Data

1. Increase in number of stations with complete data:
 - a. All stations have complete data
 - b. Previously only stations with complete data showed up in dropdown list
2. New naming convention

Extent of current .hcd files (prior to 2016)

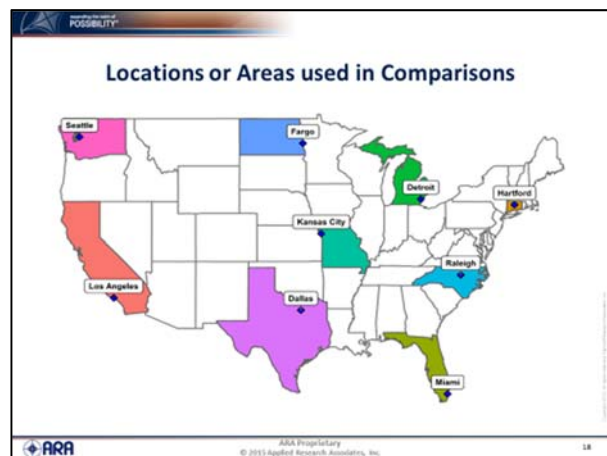
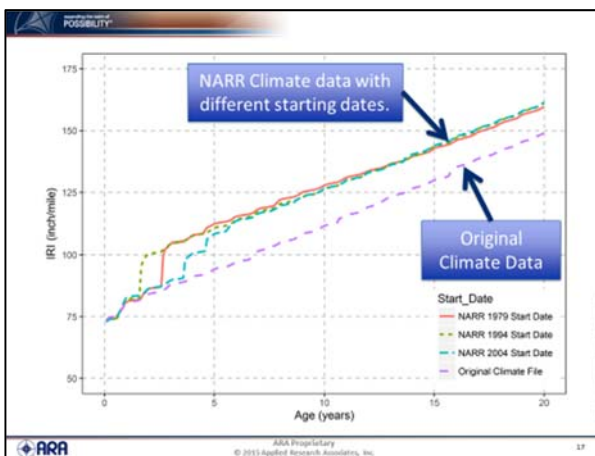
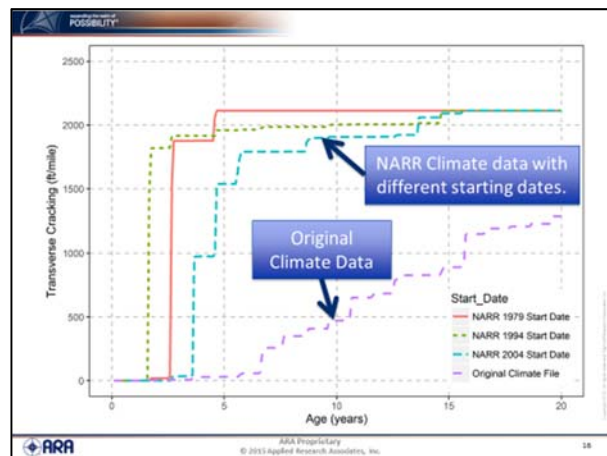
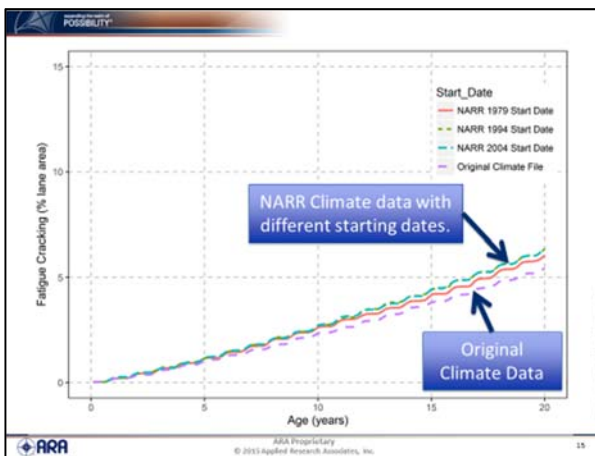
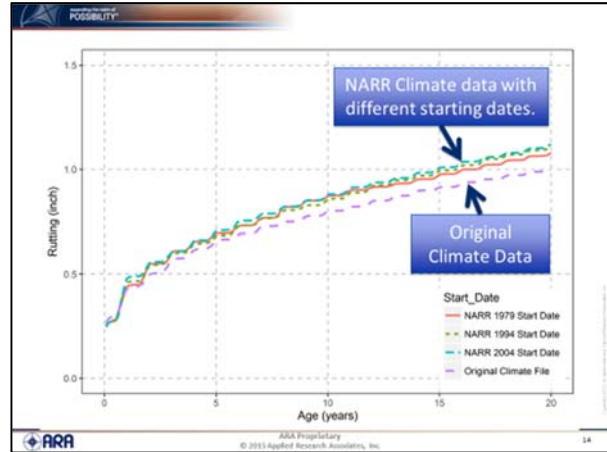


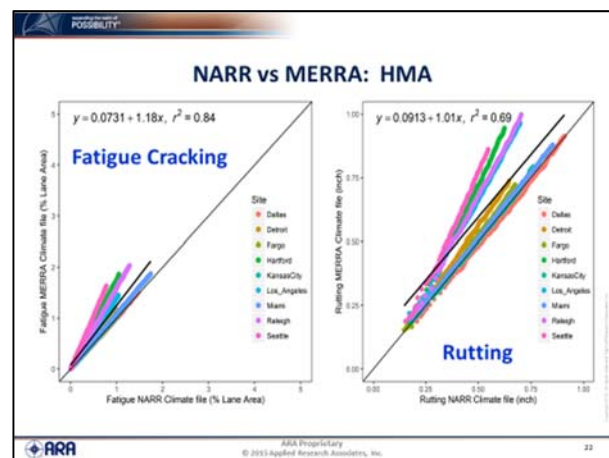
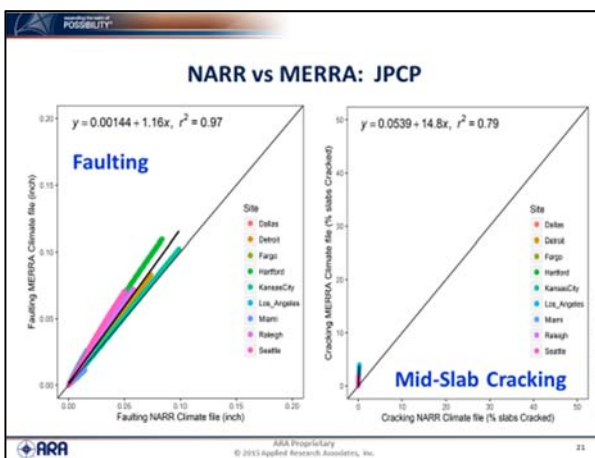
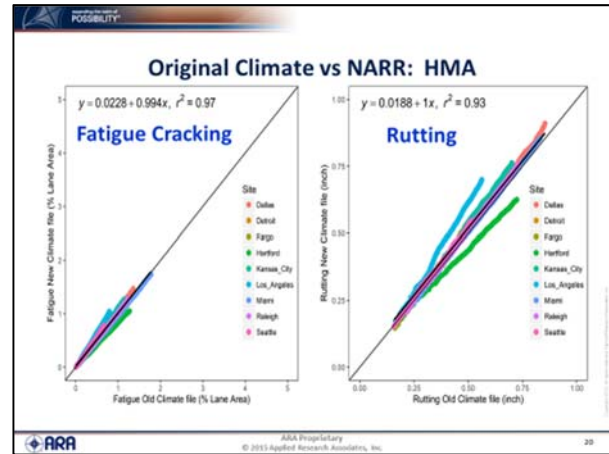
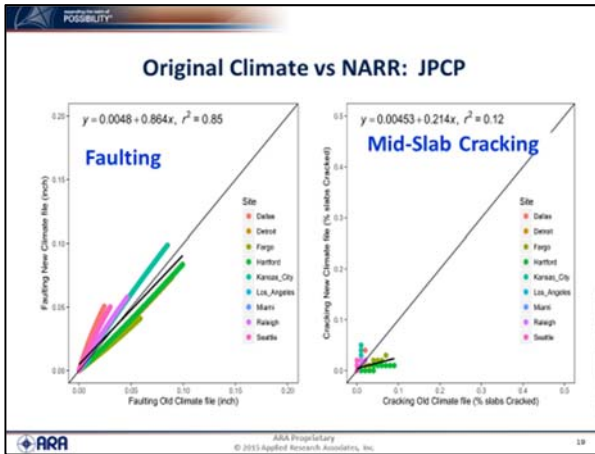
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Questions

- Do different starting dates make a difference?
- Is there a difference between use of the NARR and original climate data; and what about MERRA?

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Why the Difference?

- NARR versus Current Climate Data:
 - Differences observed at an individual site.
 - No bias between two data sets across many different climates.
- NARR versus MERRA:
 - Percent cloud cover is different between NARR and MERRA.
 - Can have more than 100 percent humidity in MERRA database; ICM will not run for that case.

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SJPCP of Flexible Pavements

SR119_Rehab_SJPCP:Project*

General Information
Design type: Overlay

Pavement type: AC over AC

Design life (years): AC over AC, AC over AC with Seal Coat, AC over AC with Interlayer, AC over Semi-Rigid

Existing construction: AC over JPCP, AC over CRCP (fractured), AC over CRCP

Pavement construction: AC over JPCP, AC over CRCP (unbonded), JPCP over JPCP (unbonded), CRCP over CRCP (unbonded), JPCP over AC, CRCP over AC, SJPCP over AC

Traffic opening: Bonded PCC/JPCP, Bonded PCC/CRCP

Special traffic load: JPCP over CRCP (unbonded), JPCP over JPCP (unbonded), CRCP over CRCP (unbonded), JPCP over AC, CRCP over AC, SJPCP over AC

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What's the same with a standard AC overlay?

- Traffic
- Climate
- SJPCP Design Properties
- AC Layer Properties
- Pavement Structure
- Layer 1 PCC: SJPCP
- Layer 2 Flexible, AC
- Layer 3 Non-Stabilized Base
- Subgrade

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SJPCP Performance or Threshold Criteria

SR119_Rehab_SJPCP:Project | **SR119_Rehab_SJPCP:Traffic**

Performance Criteria:
Longitudinal cracking, percent slabs.

Design type: Overlay
Pavement type: SJPCP over AC

Design life (years): 15
Existing construction: May 2003
Pavement construction: June 2017
Traffic opening: June 2017

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SJPCP Design Properties

SR119_Rehab_SJPCP:Project | **SR119_Rehab_SJPCP:Traffic**

Performance Criteria:
Longitudinal cracking, percent slabs.

Design type: Overlay
Pavement type: SJPCP over AC

Design life (years): 15
Existing construction: May 2003
Pavement construction: June 2017
Traffic opening: June 2017

- PCC surface shortwave absorptivity: 0.85
- PCC joint spacing (ft. square slab): 5
- Sealant type: Profound Seal Seal
- Tied shoulders: False
- Load transfer efficiency (%): 100
- Permanent curl/warp effective temperature difference (deg F): -10
- Transverse joint LTE (%): Actual(80)

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Existing AC Layer Condition

Rehabilitation
Condition of existing flexible pavement: Rehabilitation Level: 2

Condition of existing flexible pavement.

- Input level 1 – NDT values.
- Input level 2 – Distress values.
- Input level 3 – subjective rating values.

Why grayed out fields?

Rehabilitation input level: 2

Milled thickness (in): 4

	Amount	Severity
Fatigue cracking (%)	65	High
Transverse cracking (ft/mile)	500	Low

Layer Name	Layer Type	Rut Depth (in)
SJPCP Default	PCC (0)	
Default asphalt ...	Flexible (1)	
Crushed stone	Non-stabilized B...	
A-6	Subgrade (5)	

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PCC, SJPCP Layer Properties

PCC properties same as for JPCP.

- PCC
 - Poisson's ratio: 0.2
 - Thickness (in): 6
 - Unit weight (pcf): 150
- Thermal
 - PCC coefficient of thermal expansion (in/in/deg F x 10⁻⁶): 4.9
 - PCC heat capacity (BTU/lb-deg F): 0.28
 - PCC thermal conductivity (BTU/hr-ft-deg F): 1.25
- Mix
 - Aggregate type: Dolomite (2)
 - Cementitious material content (lb/yd³): 600
 - Cement type: Type I (1)
 - Vibrator to cement ratio: 0.42
 - Curing Compound
 - Curing method: 50
 - Reversible shrinkage (%): Calculated
 - PCC zero-stress temperature (deg F): 35
 - Time to develop 50% of ultimate shrinkage (days): Calculated
 - Ultimate shrinkage (microstrain): 632.3 (calculated)
- Strength
 - PCC strength and modulus: Level 3 Rupture(500) Modulus(4200000)
- Identifiers

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Existing AC Layer Properties

Same AC properties as for new flexible pavements.

- Asphalt Layer Thickness (in) 6
- Mixture Volumetrics
 - Air voids (%) 7
 - Effective binder content (%) 9.1
 - Poisson's ratio (calculated)
 - Unit weight (pcf) 144.5
- Mechanical Properties
 - Asphalt binder Level 1 - SuperPave:
 - Creep compliance (1/psi) Input level 3
 - Dynamic modulus Input level 2
 - Select HMA Estar predictive model Use Viscosity based model (rationally calibrated).
 - Reference temperature (deg F) 70
 - Indirect tensile strength at 14 deg F (psi) 536.88
- Thermal
 - Heat capacity (BTU/lb-deg F) 0.23
 - Thermal conductivity (BTU/hr-ft-deg F) 0.67
 - Thermal contraction 1.149E-05 (calculated)
- Identifiers

Results for Example Problem

Distress Prediction Summary

Distress Type	Distress @ Specified Reliability		Reliability (%)		Criterion Satisfied?
	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
SJPCP longitudinal cracking (percent slabs)	10.00	5.83	90.00	99.09	Pass

Distress Charts

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Inputs for AC over Flexible Pavement

- Traffic
- Climate
- AC Layer Properties
 - Layer 1 Flexible - Max2 12.5 mm PG76-22 Wearing
 - Layer 2 Flexible - Max6 25 mm PG64-22 Base(rolling)
 - Layer 3 Non-stabilized Base - Crushed stone
 - Layer 4 Subgrade - A-6
- Backcalculation
- Project Specific Calibration Factors
 - New Flexible
 - Rehabilitation Flexible
 - New Rigid
 - Restore Rigid
 - Bonded Rigid
 - Unbonded Rigid
- Sensitivity
- Optimization
- PDF Output Report
- Excel Output Report
- Multiple Project Summary
- Batch Run
- Tools
- ME Design Calibration Factors

Performance or Threshold Criteria

Performance Criteria	Limit	Reliability
Initial IRI (in/mile)	55	
Terminal IRI (in/mile)	150	90
AC top-down fatigue cracking (ft/mile)	5000	90
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane area)	15	50
AC thermal cracking (ft/mile)	1500	50
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.4	90
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.4	90
AC total fatigue cracking: bottom up + reflective (% lane area)	15	90
AC total transverse cracking: thermal + reflective (ft/mile)	1500	90

Existing AC Layer Properties

- AC surface shortwave absorptivity
- Layer interface
- Endurance limit
- Is endurance limit applied?
- Uses multi-layer rutting calibration.
- Condition of existing flexible pavement
- Identifiers

- Multi-layer rutting calibration
- Condition of existing flexible pavement

AC Layer Properties

- AC surface shortwave absorptivity 0.85
- Layer interface Full Friction Interface
- Endurance limit (microstrain) 100
- Is endurance limit applied? False
- Uses multi-layer rutting calibration. False
- Rehabilitation
 - Condition of existing flexible pavement Rehabilitation Level:2
- Identifiers

Condition of Existing AC Layer: Input Levels

Rehabilitation input level: 2	Rehabilitation input level: 1
Milled thickness (in): 2	Milled thickness (in): 2
Fatigue cracking (%): 12 Low	Transverse cracking (ft/mile): 950 Low
Transverse cracking (ft/mile): 950 Low	

Layer Name	Layer Type	Rut Depth (in)	Layer Name	Layer Type	Rut Depth (in)
Mix 12.5 mm P...	Flexible (1)		Mix 12.5 mm P...	Flexible (1)	
Mix 25 mm PG...	Flexible (1)	0.15	Mix 25 mm PG...	Flexible (1)	0.15
Crushed stone	Non-stabilized B...	0.025	Crushed stone	Non-stabilized B...	0.025
A-6	Subgrade (5)	0.075	A-6	Subgrade (5)	0.075

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Existing AC Layer Properties: Rehab Input Level 2

Layer 2 Asphalt Concrete: Mix 25 mm PG54-22 Base

- Asphalt Layer Thickness (in): 6.5
- Mixture Volumetrics:
 - Air voids (%): 6.6
 - Effective binder content (%): 9.5
 - Poisson's ratio: (calculated)
 - Unit weight (pcf): 149.5
- Mechanical Properties:
 - Level 1 - SuperPave:
 - Creep compliance (1/psi): Input level 3
 - Dynamic modulus: Input level 2
 - Select HMA Estar predictive model: Use Viscosity based model (nationally calibrated).
 - Reference temperature (deg F): 70
 - Indirect tensile strength at 14 deg F (psi): 501.92
- Thermal:
 - Heat capacity (BTU/lb-deg F): 0.23
 - Thermal conductivity (BTU/hr-ft-deg F): 0.67
 - Thermal contraction: 1.149E-05 (calculated)
- Identifiers

Input values are the same as for new AC layers.

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Existing AC Layer Properties: Rehab Input Level 1

- Mechanical Properties:
 - Level 1 - SuperPave:
 - Input level 3
 - Input level 2
 - Select HMA Estar predictive model: Use Viscosity based model (nationally calibrated).
 - Reference temperature (deg F): 70
- Thermal:
 - Dynamic modulus input level: 2

Input values are the same as for rehab input level 1, expect for AC dynamic modulus.

Gradation	Percent Passing
3/4-inch sieve	89
3/8-inch sieve	68
No. 4 sieve	43
No. 200 sieve	4.5

NDT Modulus (psi)	Frequency (Hz)	Temperature (deg F)
675000	30	85

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Existing AC Layer: Thickness

Layer 2 Asphalt Concrete: Mix 25 mm PG54-22 Base

- Asphalt Layer Thickness (in): 6.5
- Mixture Volumetrics:
 - Air voids (%): 6.6
 - Effective binder content (%): 9.5
 - Poisson's ratio: (calculated)
 - Unit weight (pcf): 149.5
- Mechanical Properties:
 - Level 1 - SuperPave:
 - Input level 3
 - Input level 2
 - Select HMA Estar predictive model: Use Viscosity based model (nationally calibrated).

Input thickness is the core thickness minus the milling thickness.

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Results for Example Problem

Rehab. Input Level 2

Distress Type	Distress @ Specified Reliability		Reliability (%)		Criterion Satisfied?
	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
Terminal IRI (pci/mile)	150.00	140.70	90.00	94.47	Pass
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.40	0.44	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC total fatigue cracking - bottom up + reflective (% lane area)	15.00	17.95	90.00	14.04	Fail
AC total transverse cracking - thermal + reflective (ft/mile area)	1500.00	2762.12	90.00	23.43	Fail
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.40	0.43	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane area)	15.00	0.00	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC thermal cracking (ft/mile)	1500.00	1244.17	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC top-down fatigue cracking (ft/mile)	5000.00	737.42	90.00	100.00	Pass

Rehab. Input Level 1

Distress Type	Distress @ Specified Reliability		Reliability (%)		Criterion Satisfied?
	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
Terminal IRI (pci/mile)	150.00	133.56	90.00	96.30	Pass
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.40	0.43	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC total fatigue cracking - bottom up + reflective (% lane area)	15.00	4.53	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC total transverse cracking - thermal + reflective (ft/mile area)	1500.00	2762.12	90.00	23.43	Fail
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.40	0.41	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane area)	15.00	0.00	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC thermal cracking (ft/mile)	1500.00	1244.17	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC top-down fatigue cracking (ft/mile)	5000.00	300.45	90.00	100.00	Pass

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Outline

- NARR Climate Files; Importing Files and Differences between Current Climatic Files.
- Rehabilitation of Flexible Pavements:
 - SJPCP of Flexible Pavements.
 - In Place Damage of AC Layers: Input level 1 versus input level 2.
 - Reflection Cracking: Types of Repair Strategies and Distress Predictions.
- Tips based on Discussion/Questions from Yesterday.

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Reflection Cracking: with & without Interlayer

SR119_Rehab_AC over AC:Project SR119_Ref

General Information
 Design type: Overlay
 Pavement type: AC over AC with Interlayer
 Design life (years): AC over AC
 Existing construction: AC over AC with Seal Coat
 Pavement construction: AC over AC with Interlayer
 Traffic opening: AC over Semi-Rigid
 Special traffic load: AC over CRCP
 Add Layer: Bonded PCC/JPCP, Bonded PCC/CRCP, JPCP over CRCP (unbonded), JPCP over JPCP (unbonded), CRCP over CRCP (unbonded), CRCP over JPCP (unbonded), JPCP over AC, SJPCP over AC

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Reflection Cracking: Different Treatments

Distress Type	Distress @ Specified Reliability		Reliability (%)		Criterion Satisfactoriness
	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
Terminal IR (dn/mi)	150.00	141.26	90.00	94.21	Pass
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.40	0.41	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC total fatigue cracking bottom up + reflective (% lane area)	10.00	17.50	90.00	0.00	Fail
AC total transverse cracking thermal + reflective (dn/mi)	15000.00	2702.81	90.00	23.43	Fail
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.40	0.40	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane area)	10.00	0.00	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC thermal cracking (dn/mi)	15000.00	1244.17	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC top-down fatigue cracking (dn/mi)	5000.00	733.74	90.00	100.00	Pass

Distress Charts

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Reflection Cracking: Different Treatments

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	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
Terminal IR (dn/mi)	150.00	141.26	90.00	94.21	Pass
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.40	0.41	90.00	100.00	Pass
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AC total transverse cracking thermal + reflective (dn/mi)	15000.00	2702.81	90.00	23.97	Fail
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.40	0.40	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane area)	10.00	0.00	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC thermal cracking (dn/mi)	15000.00	1202.35	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC top-down fatigue cracking (dn/mi)	5000.00	734.07	90.00	100.00	Pass

Distress Charts

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What You Need to Know – Topics

1. Asphalt Treated Permeable Base Layers
2. Global Plastic Deformation Constants
3. Polymer Modified Asphalt Mixtures – accounting for the benefit.

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Open-Graded **Gap-Graded, SMA** **Well-Graded, Fine**

1—USE OF ASPHALT TREATED PERMEABLE BASE (ATPB) LAYERS

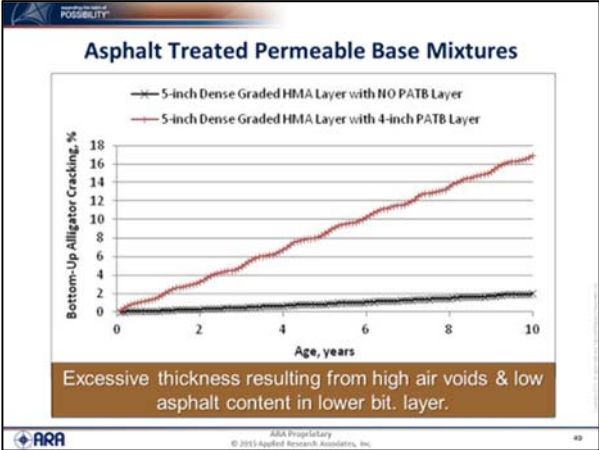
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Asphalt Treated Permeable Base Mixtures

Open-Graded **Well-Graded, Fine**

5-inch Dense Graded HMA Mixture
4-inch PATB Mixture; 20% Air Voids
12-inch Crushed Stone Base Layer; Good Quality
Subgrade Soil; A-2-4 Classification

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Asphalt Treated Permeable Base Mixtures

MEPDG Manual of Practice, Section 3.5 – Design Features & Factors not Included within the MEPDG Process, Page 24:

...the ATPB may be treated as a high-quality aggregate base... The resilient modulus appropriate for this simulation is 65 ksi but should be verified through local calibration...

2—GLOBAL PLASTIC DEFORMATION CONSTANTS: HMA MIXTURES UNBOUND MATERIALS/SOILS

Global Plastic Deformation Constants

Flexible Pavement Rehabilitation Calibration Settings

Parameter	Value
AC Rutting K1	-3.35412
AC Rutting K2	1.5606
AC Rutting K3	0.4791

Initially defined from unconfined tests

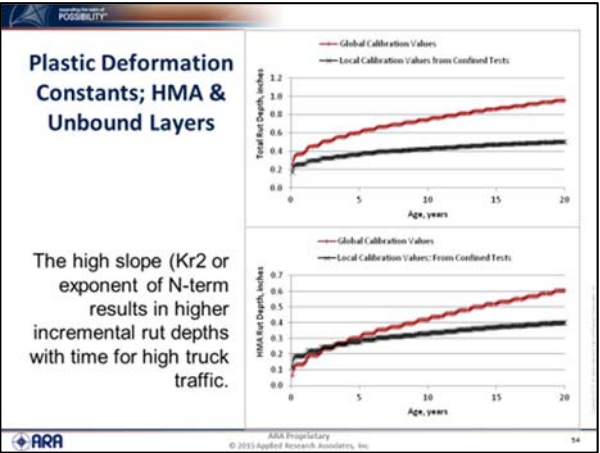
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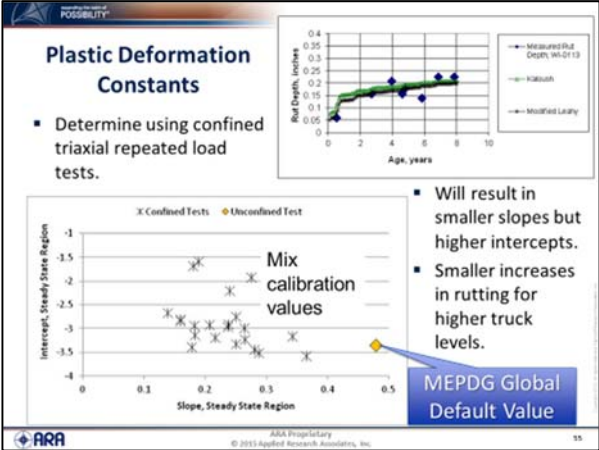
Parameter	Value
Subgrade Rutting	
Granular Subgrade Rutting K1	2.03
Granular Subgrade Rutting BS1	1
Granular Subgrade Rutting Standard Deviation	$0.1477 \cdot \text{Pow}(\text{BASERUT}, 0.6711) + 0.001$
Fine Subgrade Rutting K1	1.35
Fine Subgrade Rutting BS1	1
Fine Subgrade Rutting Standard Deviation	$0.1235 \cdot \text{Pow}(\text{SUBRUT}, 0.5012) + 0.001$

Plastic Deformation Constants

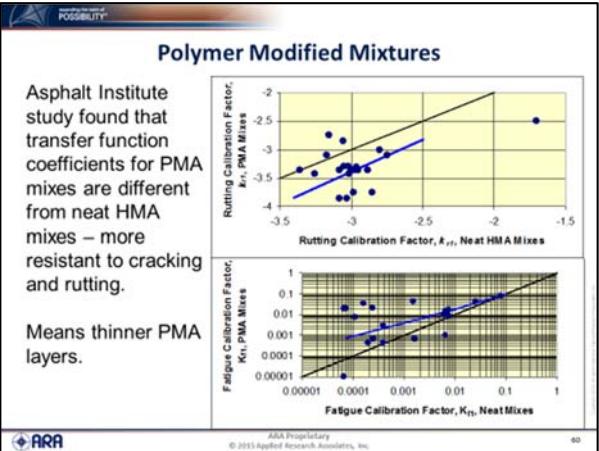
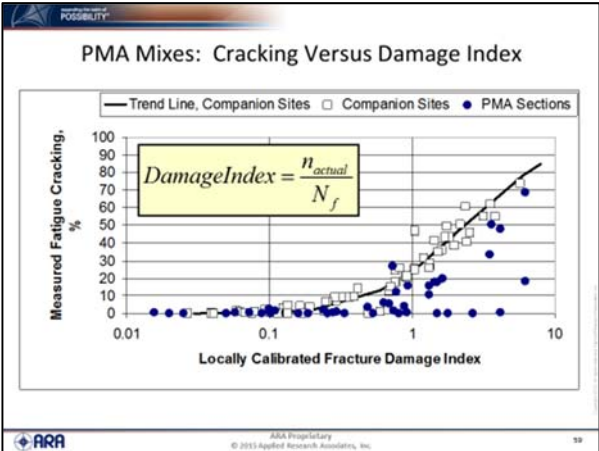
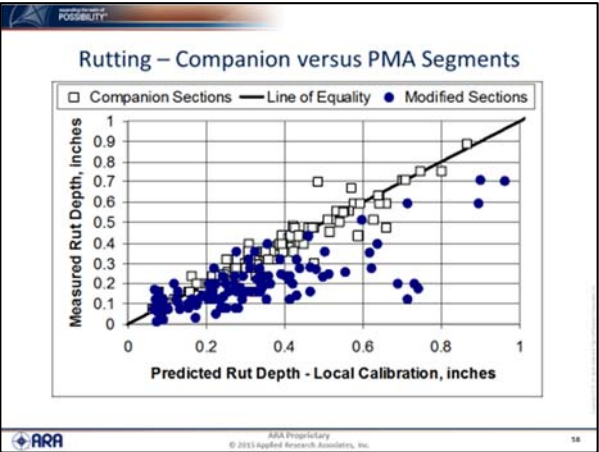
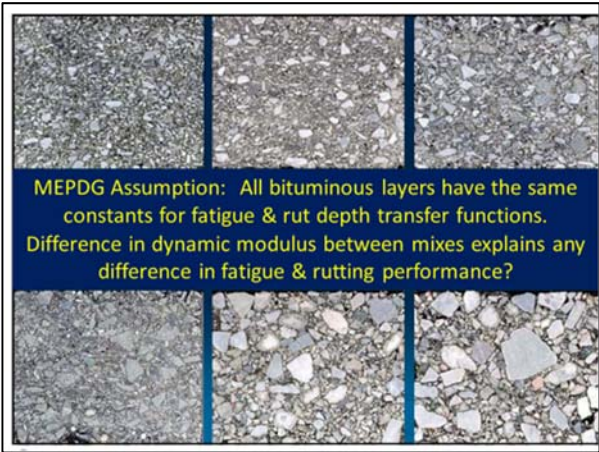
Layer	Calibration Value		6-inch Dense Graded HMA Mixture	
	Global	Local		
HMA Layers				
Kr1; Intercept	-3.354	-2.30	12-inch Crushed Stone Base Layer; Good Quality	
Kr3; N-Exponent	0.479	0.27		
Kr2; Temp. Exponent	1.5606	1.5606	Subgrade Soil; A-2-4 Classification; Good Support from Foundation	
Unbound Layers				
Coarse-Grained	1.0	0.3		
Fine-Grained	1.0	0.3		

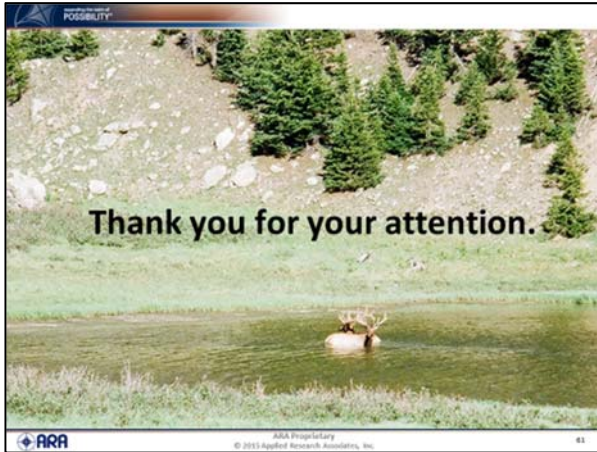
Climate – Missouri Area





5—POLYMER MODIFIED ASPHALT MIXTURES – PROPERLY ACCOUNTING FOR THE BENEFIT





Presentation 24—Prashant Ram, Applied Pavement Technology, Inc. (APTech)

AASHTO Pavement ME National Users Group Meeting

Clearing-House of MEPDG Research and Implementation Efforts

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December 15, 2016

Project Background

- Numerous research and implementation efforts related to MEPDG completed and underway
 - Information from these studies of great interest to agencies using or implementing AASHTO Pavement ME Design
 - Creation of a central repository of this information would be valuable to agencies

FHWA Clearing-house Project

- Initiated March 2016
- Objectives:
 - Gather current information on on-going and recently completed research and implementation efforts related to MEPDG
 - Develop a database of resources identified and host it on a dedicated FHWA website
 - Continuous monitoring of information that is relevant and useful for inclusion in the clearing-house

Project Team

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graph TD
    COR[Federal Highway Administration  
Contracting Officer's Representative (COR)] --> PM[Program Manager  
Kurt Smith, APTech]
    COR --> PI[Project Manager/Principal Investigator  
Prashant Ram, APTech]
    PI --> SE[Senior Engineer  
Kelly Smith, APTech]
    PI --> TE[Technical Experts  
Linda Pierce, NCE  
Matt Latham, Pava]
    PI --> AA[Admin. Assistant  
Rosemary Evans, APTech]
    
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Clearing-House Development Framework

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    T1[Task 1:  
Literature Search focused on MEPDG] --> T2A[Task 2A:  
Recent and Ongoing research]
    T1 --> T2B[Task 2B:  
Implementation Activities]
    T1 --> T2C[Task 2C:  
Research Needs Identified]
    T2A --> DB1[Develop database with listing of items identified]
    T2B --> DB2[Develop database with listing of items identified]
    T2C --> DB3[Develop database with listing of items identified]
    DB1 --> T3[Task 3:  
Update and Maintain Database]
    DB2 --> T3
    DB3 --> T3
    
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Information Housed in Database

- Project title
- Sponsoring agency and Contractor
- Type of work (e.g., NCHRP, state-sponsored, pooled-fund etc.)
- Principal Investigator
- Project status, cost and duration
- Project data (if available)
- Links to project summaries and reports

Project Status and Timeline

- **March – November 2016**
 - Database format developed and listing of resources populated
- **December 2016 – January 2017**
 - Database will be hosted on FHWA website
- **February 2017 – February 2019**
 - Update and maintain clearing-house

Thank You!

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