WRAPP Workshop Delivers

Over 250 pavement practitioners turned out for the annual Western Region Association for Pavement Preservation (WRAPP) Workshop, held February 6-7 in Concord, CA. President Sallie Houston, VSS, welcomed the group and cited the continued importance of pavement maintenance and preservation, especially at a time when funding for pavement work will be increasing. Originally the California Chip Seal Association, WRAPP has grown to over 30 members and is playing a lead role advancing pavement preservation concepts and technologies. They also provide training for the new national certification program and participate in various Caltrans committees.

The Workshop also featured display tables by numerous industry vendors providing the latest information on products and equipment for pavement preservation.

For additional information on the Workshop and the presentations go to: www.wrapp.org

SB1 Funding For Roads

On that topic, the primary buzz at the Workshop was the new SB1 ‘gas tax’ revenue now starting to reach agencies. A Keynote Speaker was Jim Frazier Chair of the California Assembly Transportation Committee. In citing the major funding increases, he noted that local agencies’ funding for street & roads will double, and that $2 billion in projects have already been approved. But the referendum effort to repeal the Bill is gaining steam, and will likely be a November ballot measure.

Kiana Valentine with the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) provided additional perspective on the SB1 details, noting that the funding must go for transportation projects and can’t go to the General Fund. A new Inspector General has been added to the Department of Transportation to oversee the proper use of these funds. For more information on CSAC activities contact Kiana at: Kvalentine@counties.org. For a listing of proposed projects and other on SB1 info, go to: www.rebuildingca.gov/

As a primer for the anticipated SB1 funding, Edric Kwan of the Town of Moraga outlined their success with promoting and implementing sales tax measures for roads. They strive to make Moraga residents aware of how the funds are used to increase their pavement condition in terms of a measurable PCI increase. Important tips for making the public aware of the spending include education programs, via public media, social media, lawn signs, and even T-shirts. They have made their dollars go further by sometimes partnering with the neighboring cities of Orinda and Lafayette on pavement contracts. For more information go to: www.moraga.ca.us

Figure 1. Assemblyman Jim Frazier and Sallie Houston, WRAPP President

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Contract Efficiencies for Lower Bids

Jason Lampley of ISS outlined practices for contracts and ‘engineer’s estimates’ that can lead to lower bids on pavement surface treatments. Here’s a few of his suggestions:

- Time your work for the ‘shoulder seasons’ (Spring & Fall).
- Pool your work with neighboring cities.
- Group project streets by neighborhood/locale.
- Purchase economy-scale quantities, expressly where specialty materials are involved.
- Use the ‘or equivalent’ clause to give contractor some options.
- Hot chip seals can allow longer work shifts and even night work.
- Take advantage of flexible equipment & crews (e.g., same slurry machines can put down different types in same contract) For more information contact Jason at: jason.lampley@gcinc.com

P² Promotion and Multi-layer Treatments

Scott Dmytrow of Telfer Pavement Technologies presented his insight on promoting the concept and value of pavement preservation using the example of the newer ‘multilayer’ surfacings. Such systems might include placing a double chip seal followed by a microsurfacing, or a 3-layer approach involving a microsurfacing, followed by a chip seal with a final slurry seal ‘cape’. These multilayer treatments can often be more cost-effective that a typical ‘mill & fill’ rehabilitation. It was noted that there’s usually a cure period of several days between these layers. For more information contact: scott.dmytrow@telferpavements.com

QC on Emulsion Projects

One breakout session involved Bob Staugaard of APART discussing the important tests that should be run on emulsion. Agency quality assurance (QA) testing should include: emulsion viscosity, percent asphalt residue, penetration, and a test to determine the presence of polymer (e.g. torsional recovery). Samples should be obtained in wide-mouth plastic containers (half gallon is best) and tested as soon as possible – usually within a few days of sampling. Samples shouldn’t be left in the back of a truck! For more information contact Bob Staugaard at: bobs@apartshafter.com

National Efforts On Pavement Preservation

Advances in pavement preservation on the national level were outlined by various speakers including John Coplanz on Rocky Mountain West Pavement Preservation Partnership (RMWPPP), Eric Reimschiissel of International Slurry Surfacing Association (ISSA) and Dr. Gary Hicks on the AASHTO Emulsion Task Force, which is developing national specifications on asphalt emulsions, in terms of the PG grading system, and national specifications for surface treatments.

Education and Pavement Preservation

The inclusion of pavement preservation concepts in higher education was discussed by a panel of representatives from universities in the region, including CSU-Chico, CSU-Long Beach, U.C. Davis and the University of Nevada, Reno, which now offers 10 courses in pavement technology. Dr. Ding Cheng of CSU, Chico, reminded the group of the CP² Center’s online data base - a valuable clearinghouse for documenting pavement preservation projects. Anyone is free to access this website at: www.cp2info.org/Center

WRAPP Awards

WRAPP’s “Lifetime Achievement Awards” were given to Erik Updyke, soon to be retiring after 36 years with the Los Angeles County DPW, and to Jack VanKirk of Basic Resources. Jack will retire in June after almost 40 years in the pavement world.

Figure 2. Sieve Analysis Testing

Figure 3. Jack VanKirk (l.) and Erik Updyke with Their WRAPP Awards
WRAPP’s 2017 “Contractor Quality Awards” went to the following projects:

• City of Santa Maria and ISS for their Type 2 slurry seal program with over 250,000 sy.
• Caltrans District 9 (Bishop) and American Pavement Systems for their double chipseal - 3/8” asphalt rubber chipseal followed by a 1/4” PME chipseal.
• City of Oakland and Telfer Pavement Technologies for the bonded wearing course (BWC) program.

The new President of WRAPP for 2018 will be Jim Ryan of Alon Asphalt.

The 2019 WRAPP Workshop will be held February 7 & 8 in San Diego at the Mission Valley DoubleTree Conference Center. For more information on the WRAPP Workshop,

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Caltrans Rubberized Chip Seal Performance Review
By Lerose Lane and DingXin Cheng, CP² Center

As technologies advance with new asphalt binder materials, Caltrans is anxious to compare the performance of seal coats (aka. chip seals) including asphalt rubber (AR) binders. Caltrans has previously used terminal-blended rubberized asphalt binder (CRR18MB) in hot mix asphalt (HMA), but some local agencies have also used these binders in seal coats. To explore their potential use in chip seals, Caltrans has included CRR18MB as part of their chip seal study for comparison with field-blended asphalt rubber (Type I and Type II). The Type II asphalt rubber binder has been used extensively by Caltrans since the 1980’s.

Construction

Caltrans constructed the first terminal-blended rubber modified binder (MB) chip seal pilot project in District 2, Tehama County, on State Route (SR) 36 in a low mountain region in 2013. Another pilot project, in District 2, Shasta County, on SR 44, in a high mountain region, was constructed, near Mount Lassen in 2014. The projects are now three and four years old, and valuable information can be obtained by studying their performance with regard to total cracking of the pavement surface. During the fall of 2017, the CP² Center evaluated these projects for total cracking, and other pavement distresses. Table 1 summarizes the basic information about the two pilot projects.

Table 1. Summary of Two Rubbersized Chip Seal Projects

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<td>Paramount Petroleum PG 64-16</td>
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<td><strong>Asphalt Rubber Blending</strong></td>
<td>Knife River’s facility in Marysville (Type II*) with and without WMA</td>
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<td>Good</td>
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<td><strong>Seal Coat Completion Date</strong></td>
<td>September 7, 2013</td>
<td>September 5, 2014</td>
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*SR 36 did not use asphalt rubber (Type I)
Test Section Layout
Both projects include multiple test sections, and within each test section, four Performance Evaluation Sections (PESs) were constructed, with post miles, for performance monitoring. Most of the PESs were 500 feet long, and are shown in Figure 2a, and Figure 2b. For the two projects, the condition of each PES section was evaluated by the CP2 Center prior to the chip seal applications, and again in the fall of 2017. SR 44 lost 5 test sections due to either bleeding or rock loss. These sections were considered ‘out of service’, and not evaluated.

Test Section Applications
Application details for the various seal coat test sections are shown in Tables 2 – 7.

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Asphalt Rubber (Type II) Test Sections
Figure 3 and Figure 4 on the following pages show the comparative cracking results for AR (Type II). For SR 44, the total cracking was 22 percent of the original cracking. For SR 36, the total cracking was 15 percent of the original cracking, which is 7 percent less than for SR 44. The AR (Type II) chip seal is performing well in both climate regions for retarding cracking.

Figure 2a. Layout of the SR 36 Chip Seal Test Sections (2017)

Figure 2b. Layout of the SR 44 Chip Seal Test Sections (2017)
Figure 5 and Figure 6 show the comparative cracking results for AR (Type II) with WMA. For SR 44, the total cracking was 93 percent of the original cracking. For SR 36, the total cracking was 30 percent of the original cracking, which is 63 percent less than for SR 44. The AR (Type II) with WMA chip seal is performing much better in the low mountain region for retarding cracking. These results should be verified with more than four test sections, since it is more likely that WMA would be specified in a high mountain region such as SR 44.

Figure 7 on the following page shows the total cracking results for AR (Type I) for PES 3 and PES 4. SR 36 did not have AR (Type I), so the results shown are for SR 44 only. The results are further limited to PES 3 and PES 4 since PES 1 and PES 2 were paved over due to concerns from Maintenance due to rock loss and bleeding. This product exhibited poor performance for these limited results, with a 190 percent increase in cracking when compared to the prior to construction cracking.

Table 3. Summary of Two Rubbersized Chip Seal Projects

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Table 4. Asphalt Rubber (Type I) Construction Details

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Asphalt Rubber (Type I) with WMA Test Sections

**Table 5. Asphalt Rubber (Type I) with WMA Construction Details**

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Figure 8 show the total cracking results for AR (Type I) with WMA for PES 3 and PES 4. For asphalt rubber (Type I) with WMA, the results are also limited to PES 3 and PES 4 since PES 1 and PES 2 were paved over due to concerns from Maintenance due to rock loss and/or bleeding. This product exhibited poor performance for these limited results, with a 418 percent increase in cracking compared to the prior to construction cracking.

Figure 9 and Figure 10 show the comparative cracking results for CRR18MB. For SR 44, the total cracking was 486 percent of the original cracking excluding PES 5 which had been paved over. For SR 36, the total cracking was 11.4 percent of the original cracking, which is 475 percent less than for SR 44. The CRR18MB chip seal is performing much better in the low mountain region for retarding cracking. However, several of the SR44 test sections showed low cracking after 3 years. The difference was that PES 2, PES 3, and PES 4 received a double chip seal due to damage after winter suspension. With the double chip seal on PES 2 and PES 3, there was no cracking after 3 years on SR 44. However, overall, CRR18MB did not perform well in the high mountain region.
Table 7. CRR18MB with WMA Construction Details

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Figure 11 and Figure 12 show the comparative cracking results for CRR18MB. For SR 44, the total cracking was 53 percent of the original cracking. For SR 36, the total cracking was 19.4 percent of the original cracking, which is 33.6 percent less than for SR 44. The CRR18MB with WMA chip seal is performing better in the low mountain region for retarding cracking. However, overall, CRR18MB with WMA performed better in the high mountain region for retarding cracking, except for AR (Type II).

Field Performance of Both Pilot Projects

For the SR 36 pilot project, all of the products appeared to have good performance with retarding total cracking. CRR18MB had the best crack retardance with 11 percent total cracking, when compared to the pre-construction total cracking. AR (Type II) was a close second with only 4 percent more total cracking for a total cracking of 15 percent.

It is clear from these pilot projects that performance, for controlling total cracking, is more difficult to obtain in the high mountain regions with most binder materials. The warm mix additives with the AR (Type I) and AR (Type II) both had more total cracking than the same products without WMA. However for SR 44, the CRR18MB with WMA outperformed the CRR18MB binder for the high mountain region. See Table 8 for comparison results of total cracking between SR 44 and SR 36.

Table 8. CRR18MB with WMA Construction Details

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<th>Seal Coat Binder</th>
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*Percent cracking is the measured total cracking (linear feet) with the seal coat after 3 or 4 years of performance compared to the pre-construction total cracking.

Construction Reports

The CP² Center will continue to provide technical support for future evaluations of these and other projects for Caltrans. For more information contact Lerose Lane at: leroselane@gmail.com or Ding Cheng at: dxcheng@csuchico.edu.
Cold-in-Place Recycling With Foamed Asphalt

By Dennis McElroy - Graniterock

With climate change a hot topic all over the world, it’s not surprising new technologies for pavement rehabilitation have taken off throughout California.

The Golden State, a global leader in environmental stewardship, has embraced Cold-in-Place Recycling (CIR) as a greener, more economical method for restoring our beat up asphalt pavements. CIR can be performed using asphalt emulsion (CIR-AE) or foamed asphalt (CIR-FA).

State transportation leaders agree, foamed asphalt CIR has great potential, when used appropriately. Recently, industry and Caltrans worked together and developed a provisional specification (NSSP 30-6) for this technology.

“Recycling is something we definitely want to do, so we are testing the foamed asphalt process to see how it works,” said Sri Balasubramanian, former head of the Caltrans Office of Asphalt Pavements. “We will evaluate this process over time, project by project, and determine its quality and whether it has the strength and durability to work for our needs.”

Cold-in-Place recycling using foamed asphalt (CIR-FA) reuses the existing asphalt pavement to create a highly durable pavement layer, which becomes a key component of the pavement structure before final surfacing. As shown in Figure 1, it involves grinding up the top 3 to 6 inches of the existing asphalt surface and mixing the pulverized pavement with foamed ‘PG’ asphalt binder and Type II Portland cement, then placing it back down with a conventional paver. It is then capped with a layer of new hot mix asphalt (HMA).

Other surface treatments, such as microsurfacing, thin bonded wearing course, chip seals, cape seals or slurry seals can be installed over CIR mixes. Since these thin maintenance treatments provide very little structural contribution to the overall pavement section, it is recommended that these types of treatments only be applied on roadways with low traffic volume roadways.

Foamed asphalt is produced by injecting small amounts of air and water into standard performance grade asphalt binder, such as PG 64-10, at high pressure, which results in the binder foaming and expanding to approximately 20 times its original volume. The foamed asphalt is then delivered into the single drum mixing chamber via injectors located on top of the drum housing and mixed into the pulverized aggregate. Material sizing is achieved by the down-cutting milling head, the condition of the existing asphalt pavement, and the forward

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urban areas because of the machine’s easy maneuverability. So not only has CIR-FA been used on heavily traveled roadways such as Monterey Highway in San Jose, but also on arterial, collector, and residential roadways throughout California with great success. The recognized benefits of CIR can be summarized as follows:

- Saves 20% - 40% of your road maintenance budget.
- Cuts greenhouse gas emissions by 52%.
- Reduces truck traffic by 90%, saving costs and creating a safer working environment.
- "Zero waste" approach to pavement rehabilitation.
- Faster Construction times compared to traditional remove-and-replace methods.

The City of San Jose Public Works Department, responsible for 6,000 lane miles, has incorporated CIR as part of its pavement maintenance program for the past six years.

"Cold recycling in-situ fulfills exacting quality requirements, is extremely economical, environmentally-friendly, and has the least impact on the public," said Frank Farshidi Ph.D., P.E., a project manager for the city of San Jose. "The main reason we like CIR is because it minimizes the traffic impact and the number of trucks coming in and out of the project site, and we don’t have to close the road. The residents really like that."

Along with Caltrans, San Jose has created its own CIR specification to use on a project-by-project basis. Their Monterey Road Project in 2011, which involved 2-inches of rubberized HMA (RHMA) over 4-inches of CIR-FA, saved over $500,000, or about $118,000 per lane-mile, over traditional HMA methods. The project also saved over 1,400 truck trips and 10,000 tons of material.

CIR-FA can be performed with a single recycling unit as shown in Figure 4, which consists of an asphalt binder tanker truck feeding a Wirtgen 3800 CR recycling machine, followed by standard paving equipment. Larger multi-unit recycling ‘trains’ can be used to grind, crush if necessary, and mix the grindings on site. Utilizing the single unit recycler in urban environments will increase productivity and safety throughout the project site.

The recycling technology that Wirtgen provides has allowed this recycling method to grow in...
Maltene Rejuvenators For Aged Pavements
By Jim Brownridge – Tricor Refining

The saying is true that asphalt pavements start out black and Portland concrete pavements start out white, but both turn gray in the long run. Asphalt pavements lose essential components as they age, turning black to gray, while concrete just darkens. The characteristics of an aged pavement are cracking, brittleness, loss of aggregate and oxidation, which together compromise service life and pavement condition index (PCI).

When asphalt binder is exposed to oxygen and the sun’s ultraviolet rays, over time they begin to oxidize. The changes that occur to asphalt binders are primarily due to the chemical composition of asphalt, leaving binders stiffer, less ductile. The aging process reduces the ratio of oily maltenes in the binder, leaving a greater ratio of stiffer asphaltenes. These changes over time result in a hardened, more brittle asphalt binder. A key to understanding how maltene-based ‘rejuvenator’ emulsions work is knowledge of what maltenes and asphaltenes are. What’s left after the refining and distillation of crude oil are the heavy resins at the bottom of the crude barrel, or asphalt. Asphalt is sold and supplied based on the basis of ‘PG’ grading specifications. In our industry, we can also emulsify asphalt with water to make various products that can be sprayed onto pavements to coat and protect them (e.g., fog or chip seals), or blended with aggregates and placed as slurry and micro seals.

Asphalt binder will have heavy, black materials in it, called asphaltenes, and light oils and resins called maltenes. The maltene-based rejuvenator is a blend of four maltene fractions with no black color to them, because they do not contain asphalt. Unlike

An increasing number of public works agencies, including the cities of San Jose, Hayward, Santa Cruz and San Francisco, and also Santa Clara, Monterey, Marin and Contra Costa counties have caught on to the process and repeatedly use it to address their pavement maintenance backlogs.

With this new Caltrans NSSP 30-6 for CIR-FA, even more local public works agencies are expected to choose CIR-FA for their road maintenance projects.

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asphalt emulsions, that protect and add binder to the surface, the maltene emulsion rejuvenator penetrates into the surface and combines with the weathered and oxidized asphalt binder holding the aggregate. It softens it, or changes its viscosity, and adds durability.

Petroleum or maltene-based rejuvenators aren’t the only product being sold as rejuvenators. Recently, some proprietary recycling agents made from bio-based oils have also been marketed and sold as rejuvenating agents. A true rejuvenator changes what’s underneath, by replacing missing maltene oils and resins. Most of the bio-based materials involve corn, vegetable, or rapeseed, with diluents derived from agricultural sources. These type of products will penetrate the asphalt binder to soften it, but cannot replace the natural petroleum oils and resins missing from the asphalt binder. They provide workability by softening the asphalt, but there’s no improvement in durability because they can’t add back the missing maltene fractions.

In agency pavement preservation programs asphalt emulsion-based rejuvenators should have a place alongside established treatments such as chip seals and slurry surfacings, experience shows. But generally, pavement management programs don’t include asphalt rejuvenators as options within their software.

Travis County, Texas, has used maltene-based Reclamite rejuvenator successfully for years, according to Don Ward, P.E., former director of road maintenance. Ward did extensive research 14 years ago and traveled to a number of states to look at products applied.

“I was taken aback by how the product worked.” Ward said. “A county in Florida had 15 years of documentation and was able to demonstrate how millions of dollars had been saved preserving pavements with a maltene-based rejuvenator.”

Also, in Visalia, Calif., Norm Goldstrom, Public Works Manager, has successfully used maltene-based rejuvenators in their pavement preservation program since 1990. The goal is to maintain the high PCI’s, shown by its pavement management system program, with a lower cost treatment, extending pavement life four to five years. Penetration and viscosity testing of asphalt binders utilizing Caltrans test methods and DSR testing showed substantial improvement leading to reduced stiffness of the binder and retarding the aging process. Visalia’s use of rejuvenators has been so successful that it received the 2015 Project of the Year Award from the Western Region Association for Pavement Preservation (WRAPP). For more information contact Jim Brownridge with Tricor Refining at: jimb@tricorrefining.com

Figure 1. Treated Pavement Shows Less Aggregate Loss Compared to Untreated Section

Figure 2. 2009 photo shows performance of 1977 rejuvenator in Cleveland, Ohio
Civil engineers have their hands full these days when it comes to stormwater design. No longer can they simply slope everything to a drain and send it off to the city system. In many cases, cities are now restricting, or even completely eliminating, the volume of stormwater runoff from a property.

In an attempt to make this work designers tend to throw everything but the kitchen sink (think multiple BMP’s) at the problem in order to satisfy the new regulations. These designs tend to be complex and costly, while often still producing stormwater runoff. But it does not have to be that way.

Pervious concrete stormwater management systems, when designed according to the principle known as Large Area Thin Infiltration Systems (LATIS), are considerably more effective and less costly than other BMP’s or hybrid systems. More than just a way to reduce stormwater runoff, pervious concrete pavement greatly simplifies stormwater management by completely eliminating stormwater run-off, even in slow-draining Type D clay soils during the largest storm events. LATIS however, represents a 180-degree departure from conventional stormwater modeling and design and requires a major re-think.

In conventional designs, water is typically moved, by drainage infrastructure, from where it falls to an area with a smaller footprint. In order to make this trade-off, the depth and volume of water in the smaller area is increased considerably. While natural environments have a considerable capacity to absorb rainwater, stormwater “run-on” will quickly overwhelm the soil’s absorption capacity.

By comparison, when rain falls on a permeable pavement, there is no transporting or moving of the water, it simply stays where it falls. If it rains two inches, then the system has two inches of water evenly spread out over the pavement area. Quickly making its way through the pavement and into an open-graded rock layer below, the rainwater either infiltrates immediately into the soil or, in the case of soils with very low infiltrations rates, is stored temporarily while it slowly soaks in. This rock layer “buffer zone” results in a highly effective and completely passive stormwater mitigation system - with the ability to capture and infiltrate most storm events with no additional infrastructure.

Many such ‘infrastructure-less’ systems have been designed and installed and are providing outstanding performance. Having closely monitored these systems during the records rains of the 2017 California winter, we can report that not one of them ever reached capacity or produced outflow. In addition to the performance benefits, the greatly simplified design will likely lower project costs compared to other BMP’s and hybrid approaches.

As for lessons learned, we’ve come to understand that using pervious concrete as a drain or filter for runoff from adjacent pavement or landscape areas, is not a good practice. Although a common design, it dramatically increases the need for maintenance and reduces performance because stormwater ‘run-on’ directed onto pervious concrete brings with it fines and sediment that quickly build up within the pore spaces, negatively impacting performance. On the other hand, when these pavements are designed as stand-alone systems, and only receive the rainwater that falls on them, they perform at extremely high levels for long periods of time with little or no maintenance.

In regard to the pavement itself, modern concrete mix designs, equipment, and installation techniques have evolved considerably over the past decade and brought pervious concrete to a level of durability and consistency needed to tackle the biggest challenges. Continued, next page
The original generation of pervious concrete mix designs utilized very low water-cement ratios (0.25-0.28) that were excessively demanding to work with and, due to the lack of moisture, they typically achieved very low hydration and thereby lower strength levels. Modern mixes, however, are able to achieve much higher water-cement ratios, particularly through the use of superabsorbent polymer (SAP) additives, providing a dramatic increase in both workability and performance. These mixes are discharged from the truck faster and placed in less time with less effort, providing a welcome increase in productivity.

Using your pavement as your stormwater management system is a relatively new concept, and it can be a big step for many designers. Without the proper knowledge and education, one can easily spend more money than they should to produce a system that underperforms its potential.

For more information go to: www.bayareaperviousconcrete.com

Case Studies on Concrete Repair Best Practices
By FHWA’s "EDC News"

Materials quality, equipment, and construction methods used in pavement preservation improved significantly in the past 20 years, leading to longer lasting preservation treatments. Various publications document design procedures and materials for concrete preventive maintenance, but less information was available on construction best practices. To address this, the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) published a report consolidating case studies from several States for six concrete pavement restoration techniques. MoDOT also published a technical brief for each case study: cross-stitching, dowel bar retrofit, diamond grinding, full depth repair, partial depth repair, and slab stabilization. For information, contact Jason Dietz of the FHWA Resource Center at jason.dietz@dot.gov.

Useful Websites

Here’s a list of useful online resources for pavement maintenance and preservation:

- California Pavement Preservation Center, Chico (CP2C): www.cp2info.org/center
- Western Region Association for Pavement Preservation (WRAPP): http://wrapp.org
- California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA): http://calapa.net/
- Asphalt Reclaiming & Recycling Association (ARRA): www.arra.org
- Asphalt Interlayer Association (AIA): www.aia-us.org
- U.C. Berkeley Tech Transfer (classes): www.techtransfer.berkeley.edu
- Asphalt Institute (AI): www.asphaltinstitute.org
- National Asphalt Pavement Association (NAPA): www.hotmix.org
- Foundation For Pavement Preservation (FP²): www.fp2.org
- International Slurry Surfacing Association (ISSA): www.slurry.org
- Asphalt Sealcoat Manufacturers Association (ASMA): www.sealcoatmfg.org
Get Your Pavement Management House in Order
By Sui Tan, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)

With the passage of Senate Bill 1, local agencies will be receiving about $1.5 billion per year for the next 10 years for road maintenance. For most agencies, this is probably the largest source of dedicated funding available. It is paramount to show California voters that these monies will be put to good use for road repair. However, when it comes to road repair, should it be business as usual? Are you going to pave the worst roads first? Or are you going to fix the good roads so that they last longer?

It is my hope to instill some ‘best management practices’ when it comes to pavement management. It doesn’t matter whether you are just about to implement a new pavement management system (PMS) or managing an existing system, every step is designed to improve cost-efficiency, and promote infrastructure sustainability.

I hope the following six steps will help improve customer satisfaction and deliver accountability and transparency to the motoring public, while also minimizing life-cycle costs for managing and maintaining pavement assets.

Step 1 – Inventory
- Identify the minimum data requirements for network-level decisions.
- Data collection is costly; collect only what is needed.
- Consider PMS software that is easy to use and maintain.

Step 2 – Condition Assessment
- Commit to condition assessment at regular intervals – i.e. arterial and collector at a 2-year interval while residential and local road at a 4-year interval.
- For network-level planning, assessment by representative sampling is the most cost-effective way.
- Set up a data quality management plan.

Step 3 – Needs Assessment
- The PMS decision tree must be able to support preventive maintenance, minor and major rehabilitation, and reconstruction.
- Decision trees should promote pavement preservation.

Step 4 – Prioritization
- Prioritization is a process to maximize benefits and minimize costs.
- Select a PMS that has a strong emphasis on preventive maintenance for pavement preservation.
- Avoid a PMS that relies on ranking that is based on fixing the ‘worst-first’. Instead, focus on a cost-effectiveness approach.

Step 5 – Investment Analysis
- You don’t need an MBA to run investment analysis.
- Look for PMS software that provides easy to run, yet robust analysis.
- Time savings in conducting analysis can be refocused on educating decision makers.

Step 6 – Feedback
- Underlying a PMS software is a work-in-progress database. Keep the database current.
- Verify that street segment inventory is accurate, such as functional class, surface type, length, width.
- Conduct pavement condition assessment regularly.
- Update the work history annually.
- Review your decision tree periodically.
- Update treatment unit costs annually.
- Reassess your data quality management plan periodically.

For more information on effective pavement management contact Sui Tan at: stani@bayareametro.gov
Infrastructure is finally the top issue between the White House and Capitol Hill. The White House forwarded their long-anticipated infrastructure investment plan to Congress on Feb. 12. The 55-page plan can be viewed at: https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/INFRASTRUCTURE-211.pdf.

Members of Congress treated the White House plan as a conversation starter. In the House, the Transportation and Infrastructure committee is working on their own surface transportation bill, which they plan to roll out this summer. They promise to focus on an issue which isn’t in the White House plan, i.e. fixing the Highway Trust Fund for the long term. Expect lively debate as our lawmakers consider new and old ideas to raise revenue, such as tolls on interstate, commercializing interstate rest areas and raising the gas tax.

Your attention is directed to the Missouri DOT Innovation Library, which includes references from the ‘Every Day Counts (EDC)’ Pavement Preservation Initiative, a series of Tech Briefs entitled “Concrete Repair Best Practices”. The series includes Tech Briefs on dowel bar retrofit, diamond grinding, partial- and full-depth repair and slab stabilization. Coming soon - a series on asphalt pavement preservation, which will include chip seals, slurry seals, microsurfacing, and thin lift asphalt overlay construction quality assurance best practices. You can visit the MoDOT library at: http://www.modot.org/services/or/byDate.htm. More information re. the EDC-4 initiative is available at: https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/innovation/everydaycounts/edc_4/pavement.cfm

Did you know the National Center for Pavement Preservation (NCPP) web site includes a video library with over 400 videos and PDF presentations in a dozen categories including paving materials, recycling, sustainability, treatment selection and surface preparation? See the library directory at: https://www.pavementpreservation.org/video_library/pavement/index.html

If you’re looking for some fundamental on-demand instruction under the general heading of asphalt emulsions, binders or mixtures, be sure to check the Asphalt Institute webinar series. Many are available at no cost. See the webinar series at: http://www.asphaltinstitute.org/asphalt-institute-webinars/

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New Caltrans JTCP Resource

Caltrans is moving technician certification from its Independent Assurance unit to the ‘Joint Training and Certification Program (JTCP)’ for certain test methods. JTCP is administered by California State University of Long Beach (CSULB). The last pilot session was held December 14 and December 15. Now the program is live for 2018. LASTRADA Partners has been providing classroom training for the pilots and will provide class room training for many of the 2018 session.

To help understand the JTCP program and aid all the stakeholders in the transition to certification to JTCP, we have consolidated resources from Caltrans, CSULB and the California Asphalt Pavement Association into one web page.

New Website for P²

As Google has become more powerful, how do we make sure that the pavement preservation (P²) message is kept in the forefront? One way is a great website name and great content.

Savemyroad.com by Ergon Asphalt is just one example of that type of website. It’s an interactive site that allows visitors several options. A user can seek advice by inputting different types of pavement distress, traffic levels and road function, and the site will give you possible treatments. This approach was very much inspired by CP² Center’s own website. The site also allows you to practice your pavement preservation knowledge and to do some preservation modeling options. So you can learn how to maximize your roadway network overall PCI while maximizing your budget - or you can show what happens if you use the ‘worst first’ approach. Importantly, it helps to point out what happens when you don’t practice ‘preservation first’. The web site also hosts draft “Construction Guidelines”, which can be used by an agency as a starting point to develop a specification.

Another important aspect of any successful website is that in today’s marketplace it must be able to be used on an array of mobile devices, which Savemyroads.com allows. Worth noting is that FHWA is currently working on a new website - along with the PPRA (a joint industry effort between AEMA, ISSSA and ARRA) which, along with savemyroad.com, will give agencies easily accessible, accurate and updated information for pavement preservation.

For more information go to: www.savemyroad.com or contact Scott Metcalf at: scott.metcalf@ergon.com

Patrons Program Update

The CP² Center’s Patrons Program gives our partners from industry and other pavement oriented groups a way to provide more general sustaining support for the Center, and to help direct and even participate in the Center’s activities.

The Center was established in 2006 at CSU, Chico, to provide assistance with the development and use of appropriate pavement preservation strategies, and it celebrated its 10th anniversary in August, 2016. The Center was originally funded by Caltrans and continues to work closely with them, as well as other agencies. We maintain a very experienced staff of pavement experts and a state-of-the-art laboratory facility which continues to improve each year.

But the Center is funded only by its contracts with agencies such as Caltrans, Cal Recycle, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and also some industry clients. In all cases, work under those contracts is narrowly defined, so that funding may only be used for specific contract tasks. The Center, therefore, has no contingency funding to sustain “overhead” activities, such as maintaining.

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lab equipment, preparing contract proposals, participation in events to promote pavement preservation, organizing meetings and conferences, and delivering training classes. This funding must come from non-contract sources such as our Patrons Program. Donation of used lab equipment is another way Patrons have supported the Center.

Co-Chairs for the Patrons group are currently Scott Metcalf (Ergon Asphalt and Emulsions) and Rene Vercruyssen (Knife River).

Mark Your Calendar: Coming Events

The CP² Center’s Patrons Meeting will be held on April 27. Companies that are not already Patrons but have an interest in supporting the Center and knowing more about the Patrons program are encouraged to attend. For more information contact Ding Cheng at: dxcheng@csuchico.edu

The California Asphalt Pavement Association (CalAPA) will hold its “Spring Conference and Equipment Expo” April 25-26 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Ontario. The Conference will feature speakers from industry, government agencies and academia, as well as vendor displays – both indoor and outdoor. The popular “AP101” class will be offered the first morning of the Conference. For more information go to: www.calapa.net

Two of CalAPA’s “Asphalt Pavement 101” classes will be offered this spring:
- April 24, 2018: San Diego, CA
- April 25, 2018: Ontario, CA

This half-day class offers an overview of the basics of asphalt pavement including materials and pavement construction. For more information go to: www.calapa.net

The next Patrons meeting will be April 27 - location to be determined.

For more information on joining or supporting our Patrons Program, please contact CP²C Director Ding Cheng dxcheng@csuchico.edu or Scott Metcalf scott.metcalf@ergon.com or Rene Vercruyssen Rene.Vercruyssen@knif-eriver.com. More information on the Patrons Program can also be found on the Center’s website at www.cp2info.org/Center.

The Asphalt Institute will offer its “Principles of Construction Quality Asphalt Pavements” at two California locations:
- April 2, 2018: Fontana, CA
- April 5, 2018: San Jose, CA

For more information go to: http://www.asphaltinstitute.org/construction-of-quality-hot-mix-asphalt-pavements-seminar/

The Institute also offers several online webinars. Of particular interest in the field of pavement preservation is their free Asphalt Emulsion Webinar Series. For more information go to: http://www.asphaltinstitute.org

A Contra Costa County Transportation Authority (CCTA) ‘Tech Series’ event, featuring Larry Scofield from the American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA) and John Harvey from UC Davis Pavement Research Center, will be held on Wednesday, April 4th from 11am to 1pm at CCTA in Walnut Creek. They will be discussing the latest concrete pavement technologies.

For RSVP information please contact Stephanie Hu at stephanieh@ccta.net

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Caltrans established the California Pavement Preservation (CP² Center) at CSU, Chico in July 2006, and fully funded the Center in January 2007. Dr. DingXin Cheng is the current Director of the Center. Mr. Hector Romero is the current contract manager of Caltrans.

The purpose of the Center is to provide pavement preservation support services to Caltrans and other public agencies, and to industry. Unique services include developing educational programs in pavement preservation, providing training and staff development opportunities, providing needed technical assistance to public agencies and industry, and managing/conducting research and outreach services, such as this newsletter.

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