CONCRETE PAVEMENT PRESERVATION Sustainable Solutions: Today & Tomorrow

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Appian Way – Roman Road







THE CHALLENGE IN HAND



PRIORITIES HAVE SHIFTED



•*Minimal system expansion* •Maintain the present system •*Minimize traffic disruptions* olncrease safety •Address operator comfort •*Reduce Roughness* •Reduce Noise •Save money *•Protect the Environment*

SUSTAINABILITY = PRESERVATION

 In the context of pavement systems, sustainable pavements are those that, from design through rehabilitation, use environmentally friendly materials and practices and enhance the public's economic well-being and general quality of life.

THE NEED

 Cost effective, environmentally friendly, engineered strategies to preserve and rehabilitate the aging roadway system.





WHAT IF YOU COULD.....

- Restore or enhance pavement surface characteristics like smoothness, quiet ride, skid resistance, and reflectivity?
- *Reduce wear and tear on vehicles from poor pavement surfaces?*
- *Rehabilitate pavements for a fraction of the cost of reconstruction?*
- Preserve the remaining equity in existing pavements for another 30 to 40 years?
- Reduce "first use" of natural or manufactured materials?
- Reduce frequency and duration of work zones, ultimately reducing vehicle emissions due to work-zone related traffic delays?

TOMORROW'S TECHNOLOGIES ARE HERE TODAY!

Transportation agencies already have access to a variety of sustainable, concrete-based pavement maintenance and repair solutions. What is needed is not necessarily new technologies or solutions, but a new, proactive mindset toward using them.







GOT CONCRETE?

We've got solutions for pavement preservation!



CONCRETE PAVEMENT <u>RESTORATION</u> - CPR



CALIFORNIA I-10

PCC PAVEMENT PRESERVATION TECHNIQUES

Slab stabilization/jacking
Partial-depth repair
Cross-stitching longitudinal cracks/joints
Retrofitting dowels
Full-depth repair
Diamond grinding
Joint & crack resealing
PCC Overlays

PARTIAL-DEPTH PATCHING



PARTIAL DEPTH REPAIRS

Repairs deterioration in the top 1/3 of the slab.
 Generally located at joints, but can be placed anywhere surface defects occur.











Older Longitudinal and Transverse Partial Depth Repairs (1991) – MN I-35 SB near Duluth

LOAD TRANSFER RESTORATION – DOWEL BAR RETROFIT



PURPOSE OF LOAD TRANSFER RESTORATION

- Re-establish loadtransfer across joints or cracks
 - Load-transfer is a slab's ability to transfer part of its load to its neighboring slab
- Used in JRC and JPC pavements to limit future faulting



LOAD TRANSFER RESTORATION

Placement of load transfer devices across joints or cracks of existing pavements
Candidate projects

Poor load transfer (< 70 %)
Pumping
Faulting
Corner breaks



SLOT CREATION Close-Up of Sawblades





RETROFITTED DOWEL BAR

END VIEW

SIDE VIEW







WASHINGTON STATE DBR EXPERIENCE

DBR test section conducted in 1992
Full-scale use of DBR began in 1993

 Heavily faulted Interstate pavements
 280 Ln-mi

or 600,000 bars



IGGA DBR PROJECT DATABASE

• Individual project data which includes:

- Project Location
- Project Date
- Number of bars installed
- Over 5.5 million bars installed since 1990

DIAMOND GRINDING





WHAT IS DIAMOND GRINDING?

- Removal of thin surface layer of hardened PCC using closely spaced diamond saw blades
- Results in smooth, level pavement surface
- Longitudinal texture with desirable friction and low noise characteristics
- Frequently performed in conjunction with other CPR techniques, such as full-depth repair, dowel bar retrofit, and joint resealing
- Comprehensive part of any PCC Pavement Preservation program





DIAMOND GRINDING



DIAMOND GRINDING *Grinding Process*



DIAMOND GRINDING TRIVIA:

- Diamond grinding was first used in California in 1965 on a 19-year old section of I-10 to eliminate significant faulting (Neal and Woodstrom 1976).
- In 1983, CPR was conducted on this same pavement section, including the use of additional grinding to restore the rideability and skid resistance of the surface. In 1997, the process was repeated.
- Since its first use in 1965, the use of diamond grinding has grown to become a major element of PCC pavement preservation.

EFFECTIVENESS OF DIAMOND GRINDING -CALTRANS

 CALTRANS has determined that the average life of a diamond ground pavement surface is 17 years and that a pavement can be ground at least three times without affecting pavement structurally. See for full report

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THE EFFECTIVENESS OF DIAMOND GRINDING CONCRETE PAVEMENTS IN CALIFORNIA

November 2004

ADVANTAGES OF DIAMOND GRINDING

• Cost competitive

- Enhances surface friction and safety
- Can be accomplished during off-peak hours with short lane closures and without encroaching into adjacent lanes
- Grinding of one lane does not require grinding of the adjacent lane
- Does not affect overhead clearances underneath bridges
- Blends patching and other surface irregularities into a consistent, identical surface
- Provides a low noise surface texture!

Diamond grinding can provide a 60% to 70% improvement over the pre-grind profile on average!

PAVEMENT PROBLEMS ADDRESSED

POLISHED SURFACE

WHEEL PATH RUTTING

CURLING

SAFETY, SURFACE TEXTURE AND FRICTION

- Increased macrotexture of diamond ground pavement surface provides for improved drainage of water at tire-pavement interface
- Longitudinal texture provides directional stability and reduces hydroplaning (side-force friction) Grooves provide "escape route" for water trapped between tire and pavement surface
- In Wisconsin, overall accident rates for ground surfaces were 40% less than for un-ground surfaces over a 6-year period, 57% in wet weather conditions (Drakopoulos et al. 1998)

UNACCEPTABLE NOISE LEVEL

NEXT GENERATION CONCRETE SURFACE (NGCS)

COSTS

Depends on —
Aggregate and PCC mix properties
Average depth of removal
Smoothness specifications
Size of the project
Work schedule

Cost effective whether used alone or as part of a comprehensive CPR program. In most cases, the cost of diamond grinding is only about half the cost of bituminous overlay.

CONCRETE PAVEMENT PRESERVATION WORKSHOP

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GOT ASPHALT?

(or concrete that needs to be resurfaced)?

We've got a concrete solution for that, too!

IOWA'S 2009 CONCRETE OVERLAY STORY (203 TOTAL MILES)

 41 Projects

 12 Stimuli
 5 Interstate/Primary Highways
 33 Secondary Roads
 3 Municipal Streets

Unbonded Resurfacing Family

Unbonded Concrete Resurfacing of Concrete Pavements Unbonded Concrete Resurfacing of Asphalt Pavements Unbonded Concrete Resurfacing of Composite Pavements

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Guide to

CONCRETEOVERLAYS

Sustainable Solutions for Resurfacing and Rehabilitating Existing Pavements

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SUMMARY

It's all about applying the right treatment to the right pavement "at the right time"
There are many available rehabilitation treatments for PCC pavements
Each solution has advantages and limitations
Performance and cost vary with given conditions
You are encouraged to take advantage of local contractor experience

We all need to start pulling together to help keep our environment and transportation network healthy

CALL ON US AS YOUR RESOURCE FOR PAVEMENT PRESERVATION SOLUTIONS

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AMERICAN CONCRETE PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION pavement.org

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