

# FHWA Pavement & Materials Technology Program

#### An Overview

Northeast and Mid-Atlantic States
In-Place Recycling Conference
Harrisburg, PA
August 24, 2010

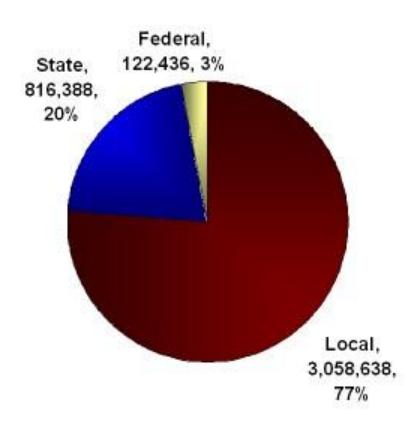
#### Public Road Network

#### System Role

- Personal Trips
- Freight Movement
- Deliveries
- Intermodal Connection
- Rapid Deployment

#### Facts

- 4 million miles
- 76.5% local roads
- 3 trillion VMT



## Keeping America Moving

To improve mobility on our nation's highways through national leadership, innovation and project delivertional Highway System

- 1991 ISTEA
- Interstate System
- Key Corridors
- Principal Routes
- Facts
  - 160,000 miles
  - 4.1% US mileage
  - 44.8% total travel
  - 61% Flexible



## System Performance

Safer Travel



- Reduced Travel Time (congestion)
- Improved Freight Mobility
- Healthy Bridges and Pavements
- Sustainable Network

#### System Performance

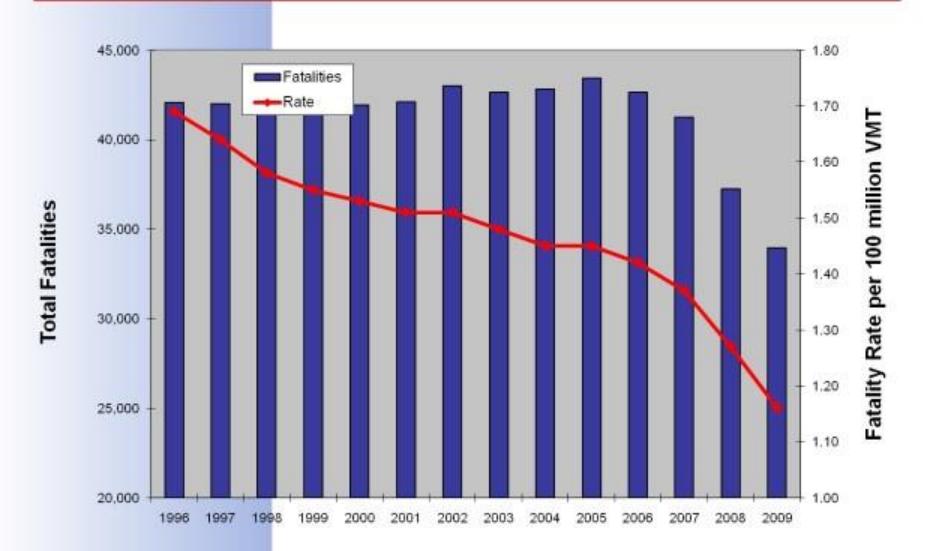
- 33,963 fatalities
- 1.16 fatality rate
- 27% congested travel
- 26% deficient bridge area
- 8% structurally deficient bridge area
- 57% of pavements with good ride
- 8% of pavements with poor ride





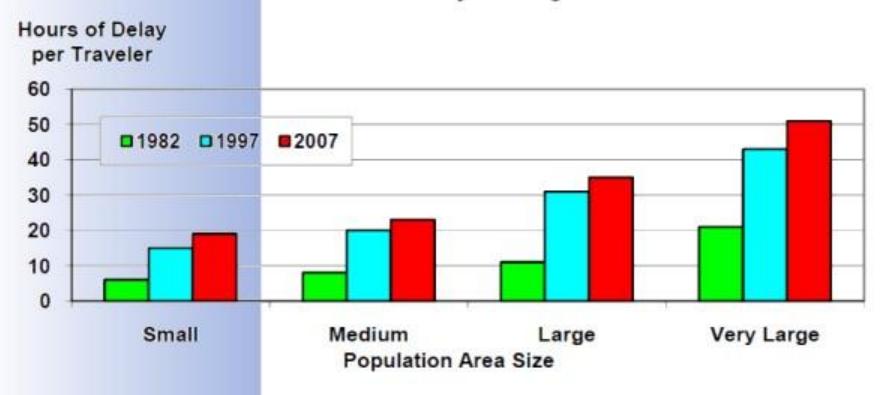


## **Fatality Trends**



## Congestion Trends

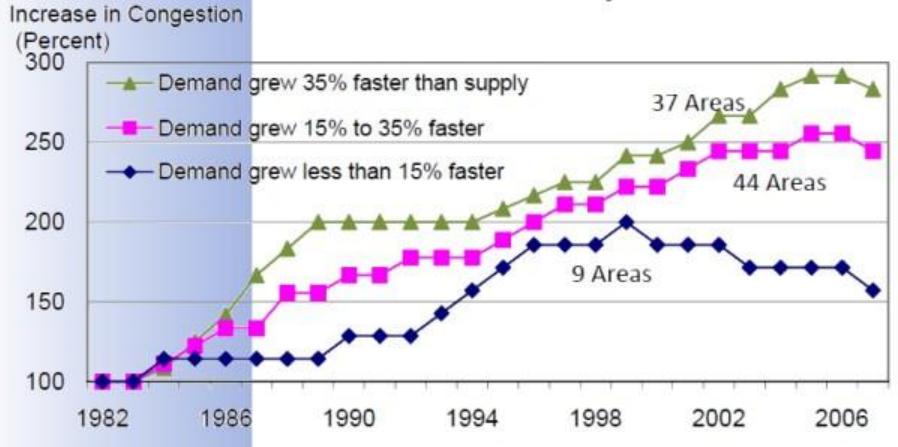
#### Trends of Annual Delay During Peak Hours



Texas Transportation Institute Report: Urban Mobility Report, 2009

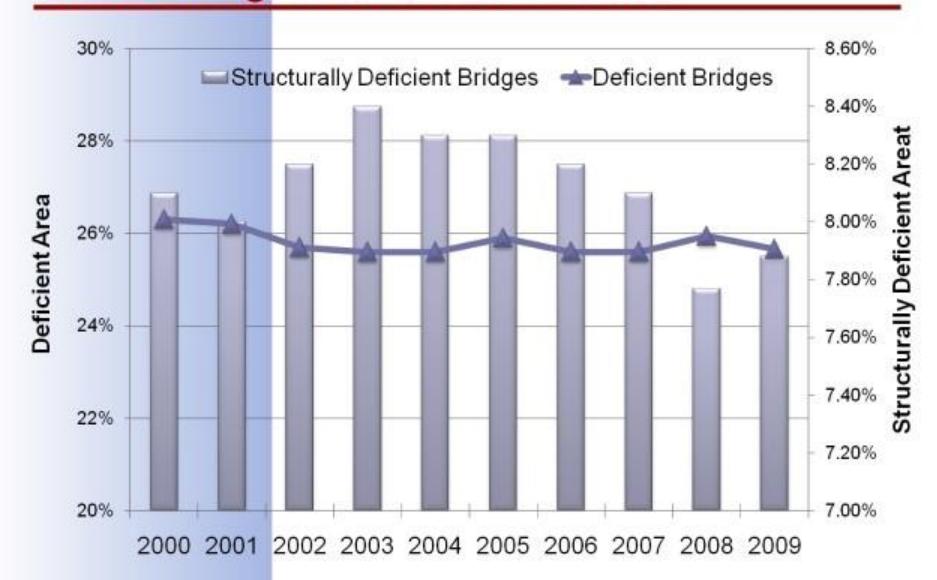
## System Expansion vs. Mobility

#### Road Growth and Mobility Level



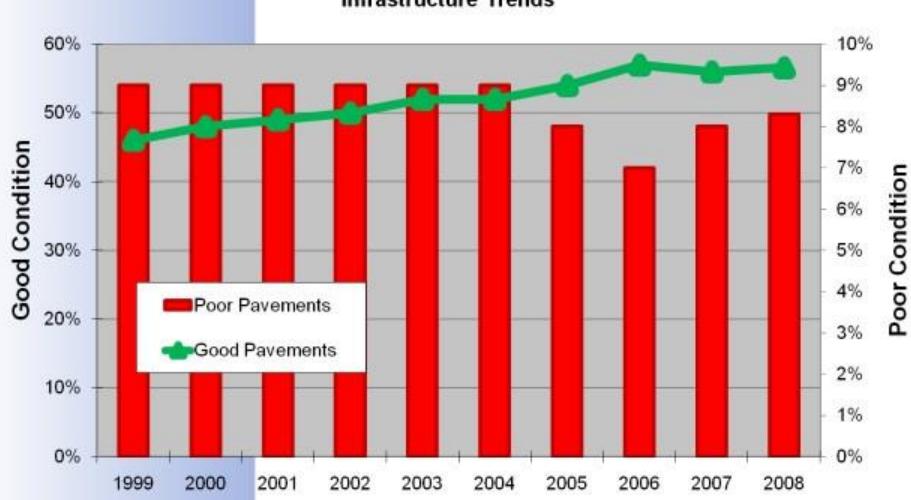
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#### NHS Bridge Condition Trends



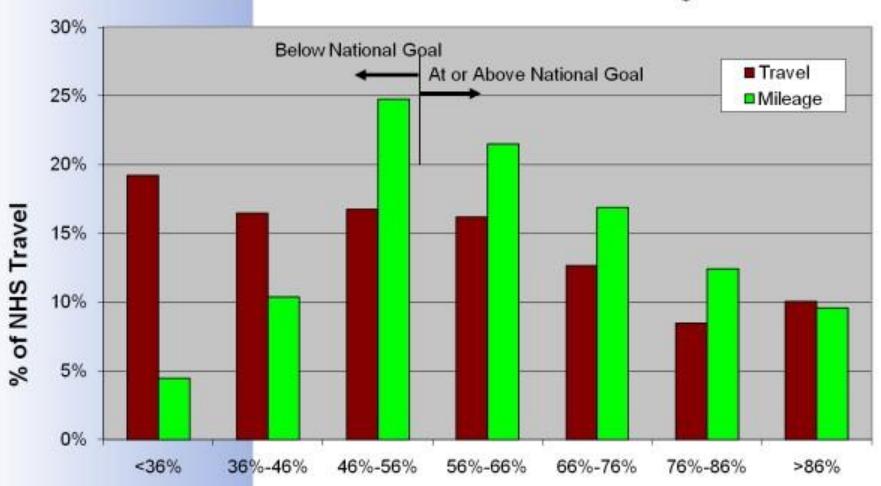
#### **Pavement Condition Trends**





## Distribution of Ride Quality

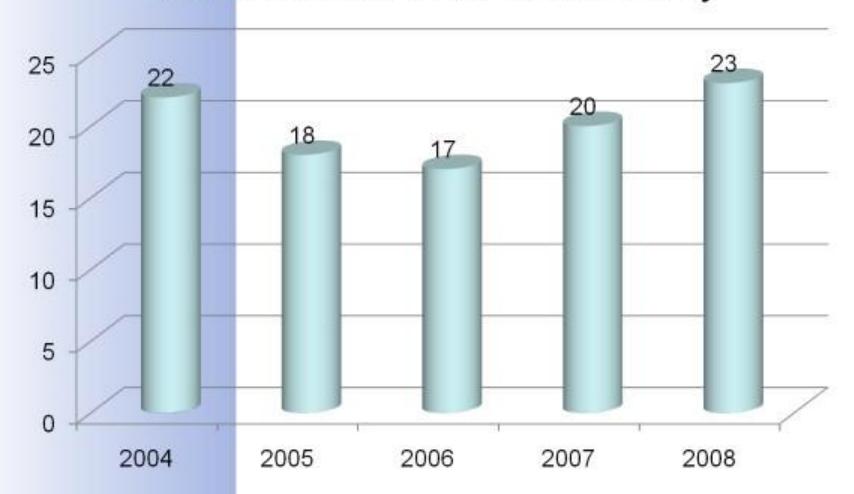
#### Distribution of NHS Travel on Good Riding Roads



% of NHS Travel/Mileage on Good Riding Roads

## **Annual Decline in Ride Quality**

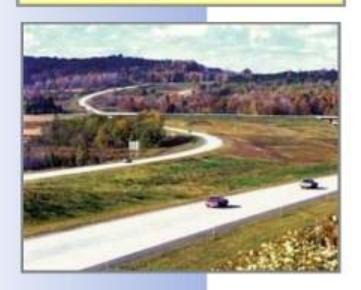
#### States with Annual Decline in Ride Quality



#### FHWA Pavement & Materials

#### Protecting the Investment

Preserving our existing pavement network to ensure it delivers mobility today.





#### **Building for the Future**

Rapidly renewing pavements to extend service life to deliver mobility for future generations.

#### Six Focus Areas

- 1. Pavement Design and Analysis
- 2. Materials and Construction Technology
- 3. Pavement Management and Preservation
- 4. Surface Characteristics
- 5. Materials and Construction Quality Assurance
- 6. Environmental Stewardship

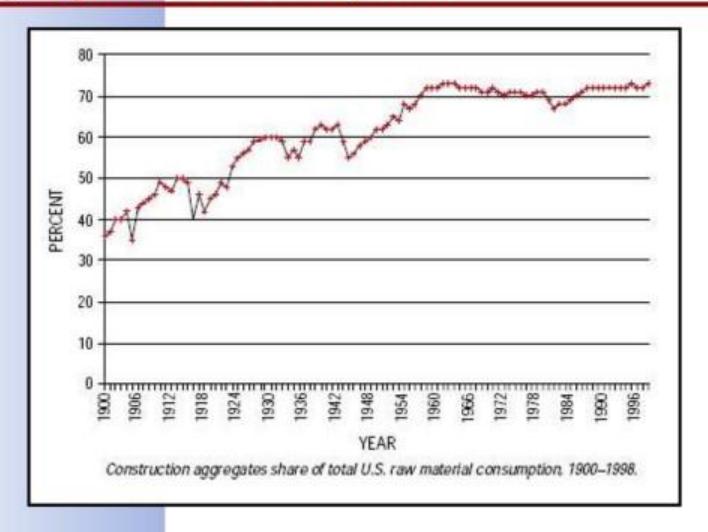
#### Sustainable Pavement Practices

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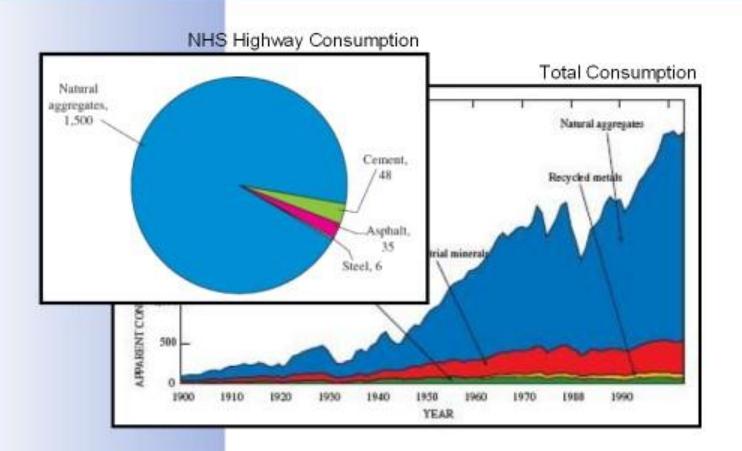
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## **Aggregate Consumption**

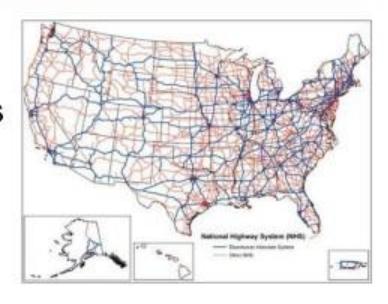


## Aggregates in Pavements



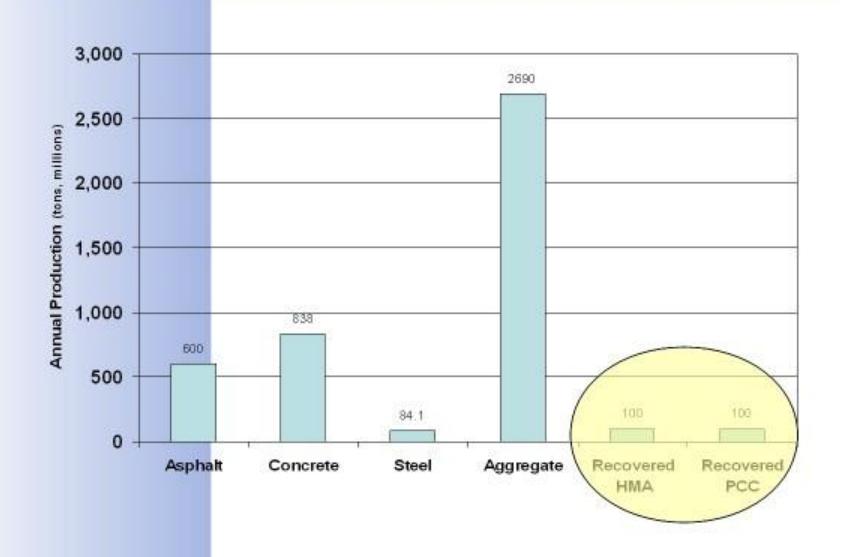
#### Demand for Materials

- 160,000 mile National Highway System
- 4 million miles of public roads
- Produce over 600 million tons of HMA annually & 85+ million SY of concrete for paving annually



- \$70 billion capital outlay to maintain pavements
- Demand for aggregates considerable requiring an estimated 700+ million tons to meet annual demand (15%-25% of annual production)

#### Material Production Quantities - US



#### FHWA Policy - 2002

- Recycled/Re-Use materials are viable resources
- Recycled materials should get 1st consideration
- Consider use of recycled materials early in the planning/design process
- Economic benefits should be considered in the material selection process
- Restricting the use of materials should be technically based
- Material should not adversely impact the environment and should perform as intended

## **FHWA Priority Areas**

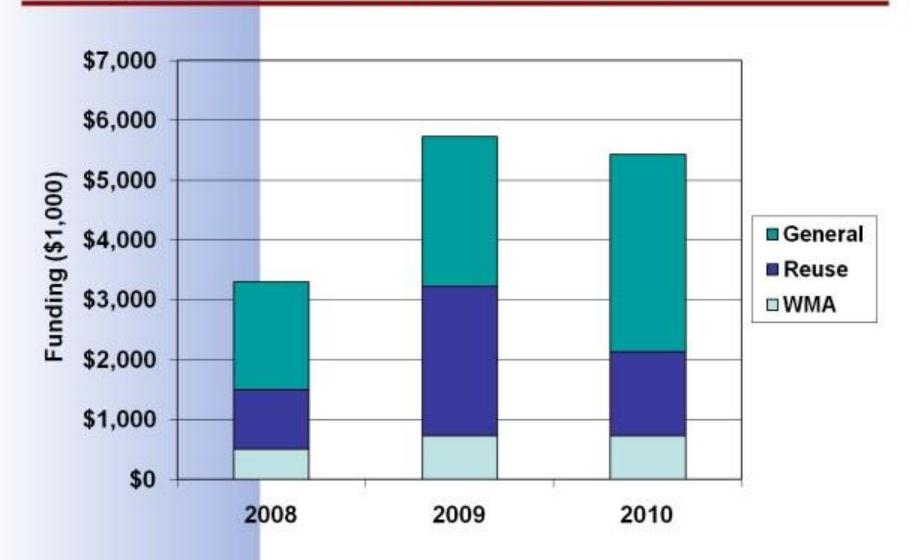
- Recycled Material Use
  - Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP)
  - Reclaimed Asphalt Shingles (RAS)
  - Recycled Concrete Aggregate (RCA)
  - In-Place Recycling
- Warm Mix Asphalt
- Quantifying Sustainable Benefits



#### **Desired Outcomes**

- Develop a methodology to incorporate the benefits of sustainable practices into the Pavement Type Selection
- Issue technical report on methods to more effectively utilize marginal materials
- Increase the percentage of states using 25% or more RAP in HMA
- Implement method to capture recycled materials quantities
- Develop national targets for RCA and RAS
- Increase the adoption of WMA as a standard
- Deliver top priorities of pavement preservation roadmap

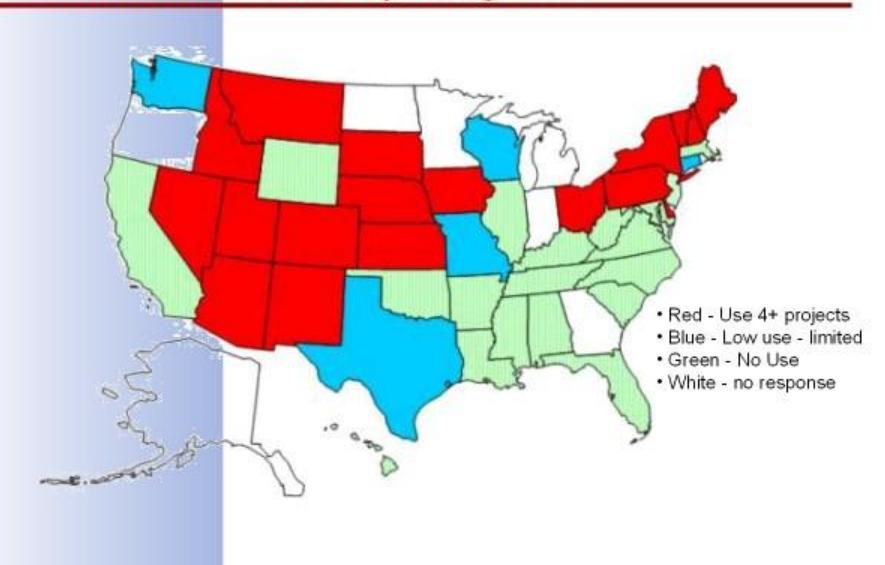
## Program Environmental Efforts



#### **Efforts**

- Expert Task Groups
- Technical Support
- Documentation of Best Practices
- Specification Development
- Performance Evaluation
- Sustainability Measures
  - Carbon Footprint (outcome)
  - Technology/Material Use (outcome)
  - Deployment Progress (output)

## Cold-In Place Recycling Use



#### In-Place Recycling Initiatives

- Update NHI "Asphalt Pavement In-Place Recycling Technologies" Course
- Update Basic Asphalt Recycling Manual (BARM)
- Recycled Materials Resource Center
- Support of Regional In-Place Technology Workshops
- Methodology to Consider Sustainability in RealCost
- Sustainability in Asphalt and Concrete Pavements
- Providing more information over the internet

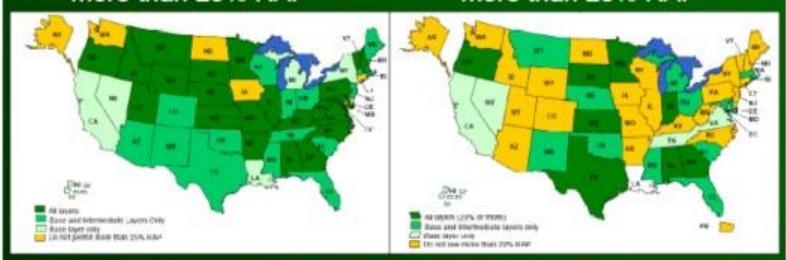
#### RAP Use

#### State of Deployment 2009

**Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement** 

States that Permit more than 25% RAP

States that Use more than 20% RAP



Over 80% State DOTs *permitted* high RAP (> 25%) in the intermediate and surface layers.

About 42% actually **used** more than 20% RAP in the intermediate and surface layers.

#### RAP Use

#### Things are improving...

States that have increased the amount of RAP permitted since 2007



- 23 States now have experience with high RAP mixes
- 11 States have experience with high RAP and Warm Mix Asphalt mixes

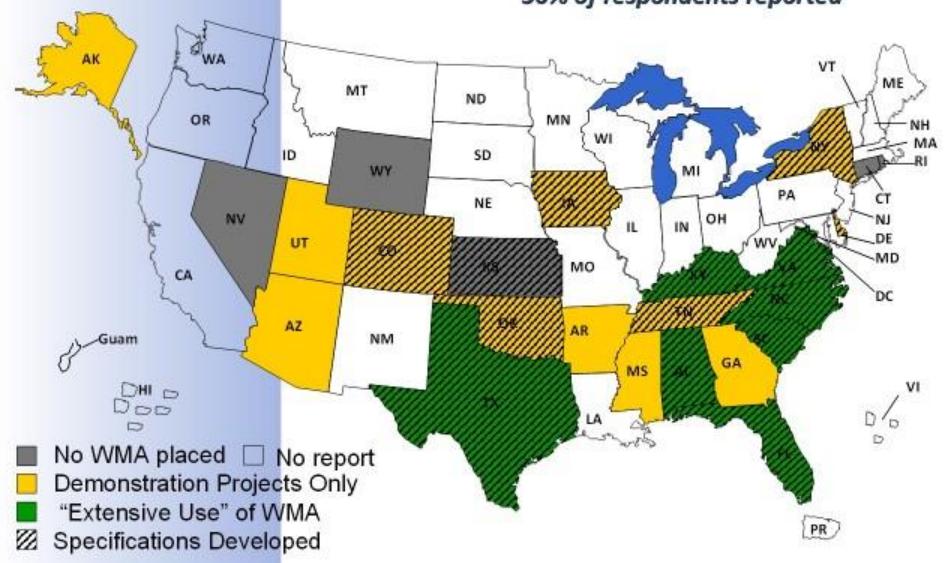
#### WMA Trials & Demonstration Projects

Jan 2010 - All Sources (not limited to DOT projects)



#### **DOT WMA Projects & Specifications**

as of March 2010 - (limited to State DOT projects only)
50% of respondents reported



#### **RAP and WMA Use**

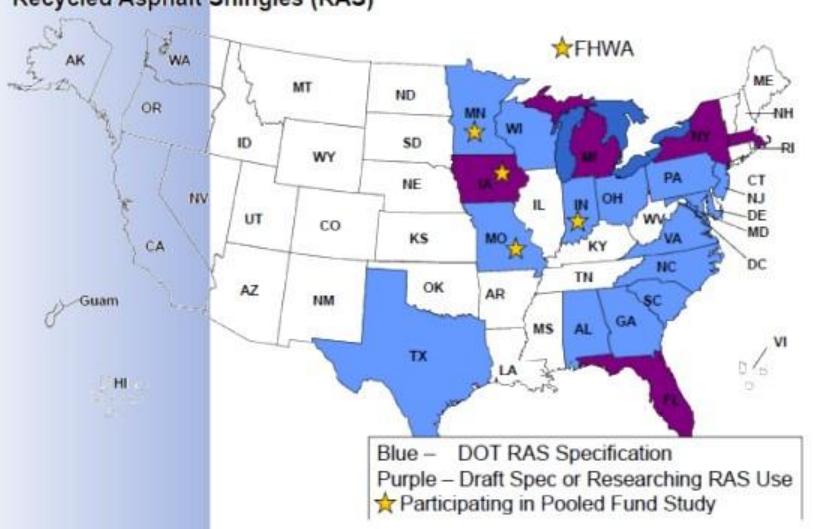
#### States That Have Tried WMA & Higher RAP



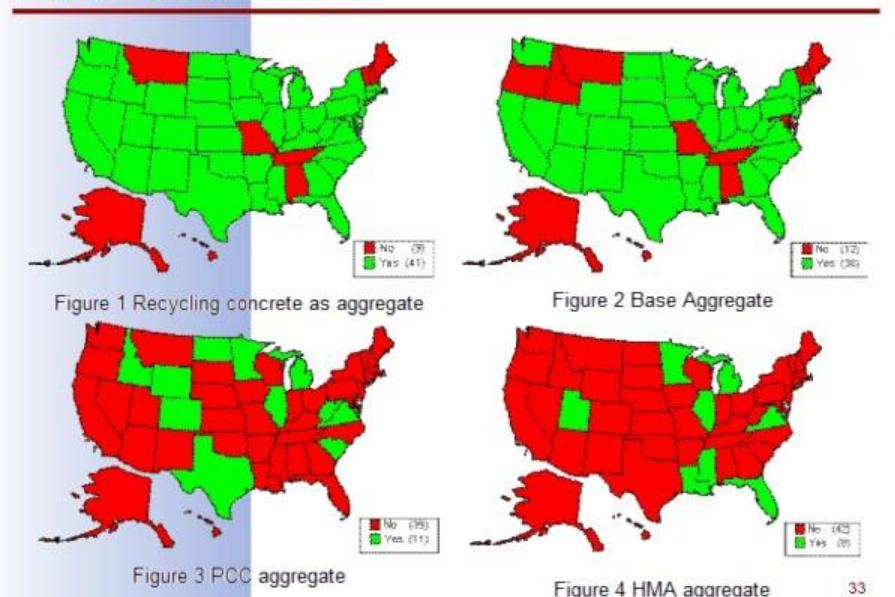
#### **RAS Use**

#### State of Deployment

Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS)



#### **RCA Use - 2002**



#### Criteria & Tools for Sustainable Highways

- Evaluate and Establish Criteria
- Develop a Tool to Apply Criteria
- Establish an Evaluation Method
- Completion September, 2010
- Peer Exchanges May, June
- Credit Approach
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#### Looking to the Future

- Pavement and Materials Technology
  - FY2010 Planning underway
  - Stakeholder input (increased visibility)
- "Green" Design and Construction
- Performance Based Program
  - Use of Federal Funds
  - Process
  - Reporting
  - Accountability

#### Thank You

