

-Buried Treasure-Finding Innovative Solutions by Looking Beneath the Surface



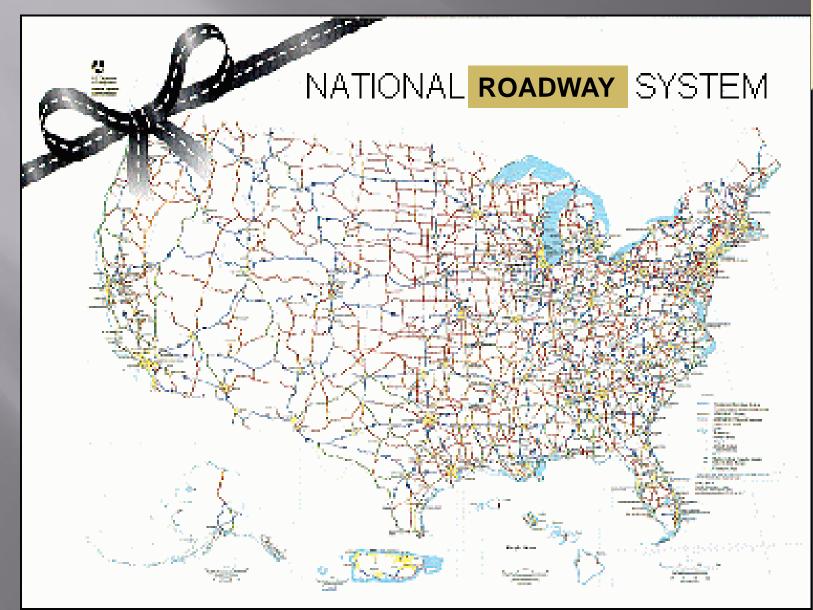
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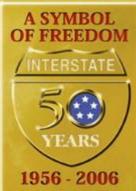


## --TREASURE--

" A Quantity of Precious Metals, Gems, or other Valuable Objects"

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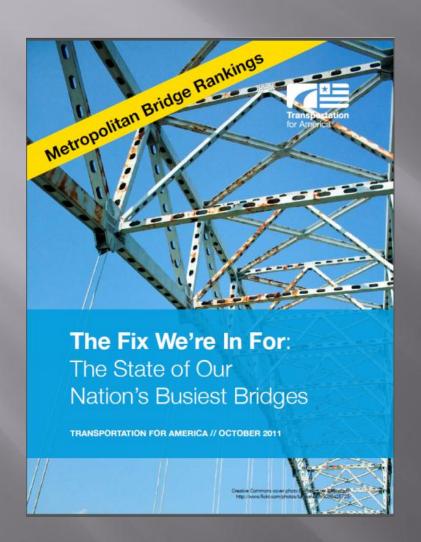
#### --What is Buried Treasure--

- A Pavement Preservation Technique that Uncovers and Renews Aged PCCP that has Been Overlaid with Asphalt due to Functional Requirements and Not Structural Issues
  - Functional Issues Consist of Noise, Friction, and Smoothness
  - □ A Planned Preservation Strategy that can Maximize the Original Life of a Our National Treasure which is a Multi-Trillion Dollar <u>Investment</u>

### How is it Accomplished

- Removing the Existing AC Overlay by Milling
   Off and Recovering RAP to Offset Costs
- Repair the Existing Concrete Pavement as Needed
- Diamond Grind the Surface to Restore the Roadway Template, Provide a Smooth and Quiet Ride

#### Is it Just Roads?



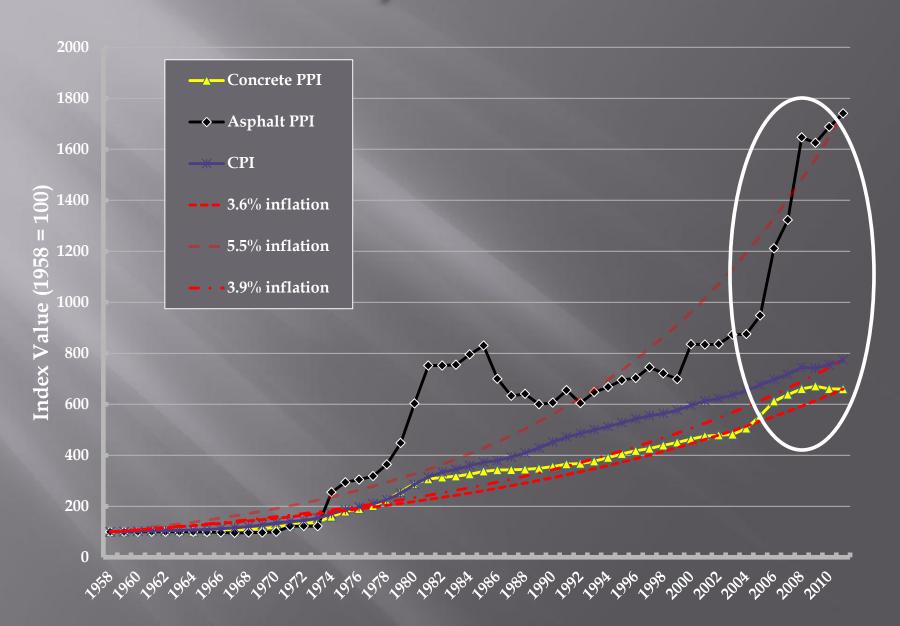


## So Why Consider this Now?

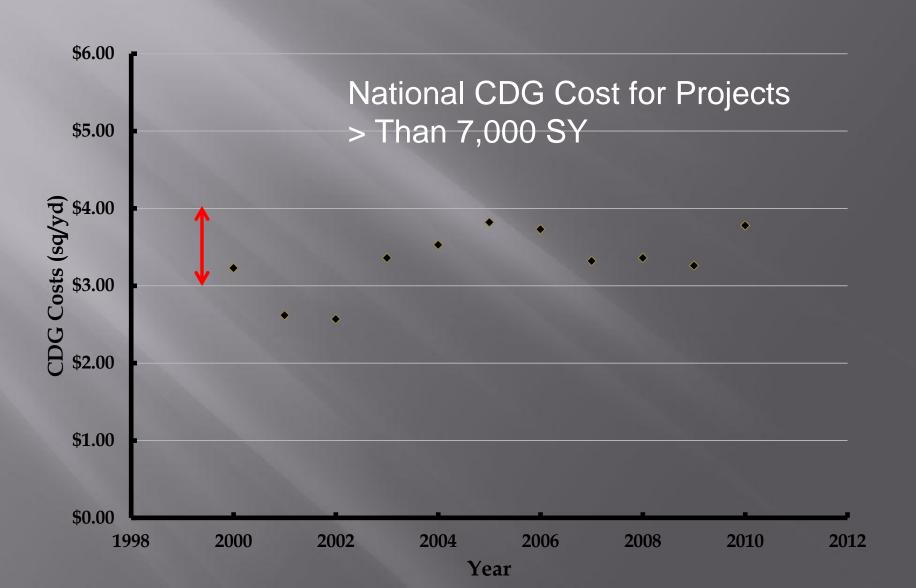


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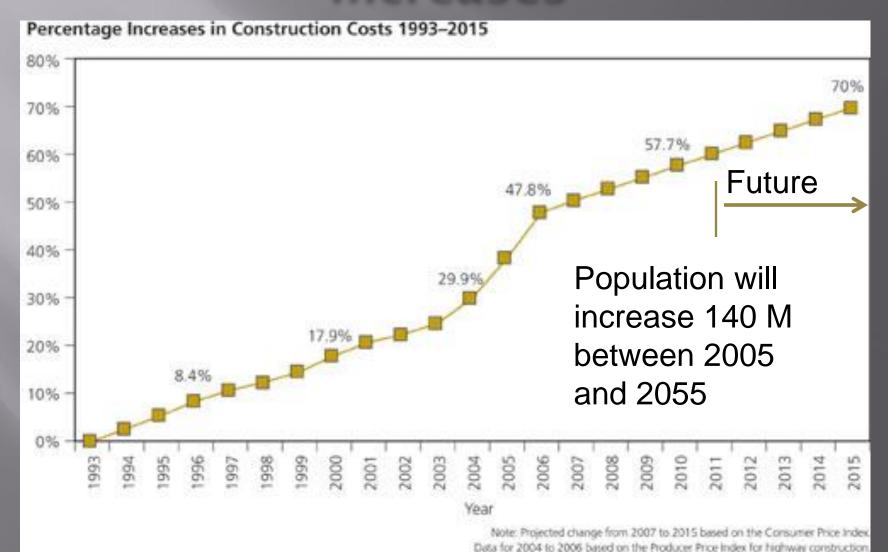
### Commodity Price Increases



#### Its Cost Effective and Predictable



# Construction and Population Increases



# How Do You Find Buried Treasure?



### Finding Buried Treasures

- Identify Projects Nearing Rehab Based on Distress Conditions that were Concrete Overlaid w/AC
- Identify Projects that were Overlaid for Functional Requirements (noise, ride, friction) or Repairable...
  - Bid Documents
  - PMS
  - Maintenance/Construction Personnel
- Conduct Engineering Analysis
  - Review Historical Records
  - Deflection Testing
  - Ground Penetrating Radar

# Steps to Recovering Buried Treasures

- Digging it Up (Milling Off the Overlay)
- Cleaning it Up (Repairing the Concrete)
- Preserving it (Diamond Grinding the Final Surface)

### Digging it UP!

#### MILLING OVERLAY OFF



#### THINGS TO NOTE

- Prevent Milling into the Concrete
- Often times variable depth of Overlay
- Carbide Tips canDamage TransverseJoints

### Repairing the Treasure!

- Slab Replacement
- □ Slab Jacking
- □ Dowel Bar Retrofit
- Patching
- Sealing
- Conventional Diamond Grinding (preserving it)

## Newark N.J. Case Example

#### CONCRETE (23-60 YRS)

- □ 1931 1.4 Mile (Asbuilt)
- □ 1958 3.5 Mile (Asbuilt)
- □ 1970 1 Mile (Asbuilt)
- 9 Inches Thick
- □ 70,000 ADT
- Dowels

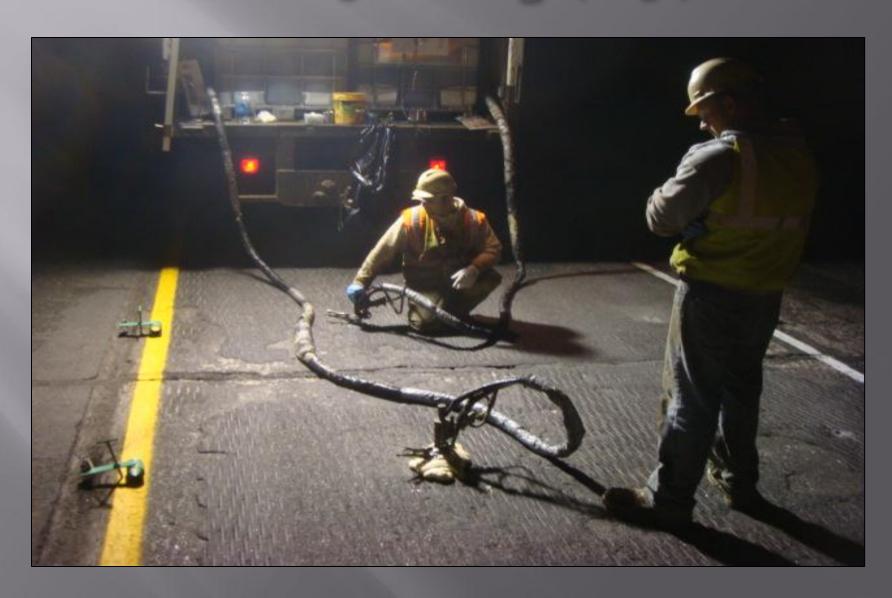
#### ASPHALT OVERLAY (7-8 YRS)

- 1993 Micro Surfacing for Skid Improvement
- 2001 Nova Chip to Replace Micro Surfacing Deterioration
- □ 2008 Buried Treasure

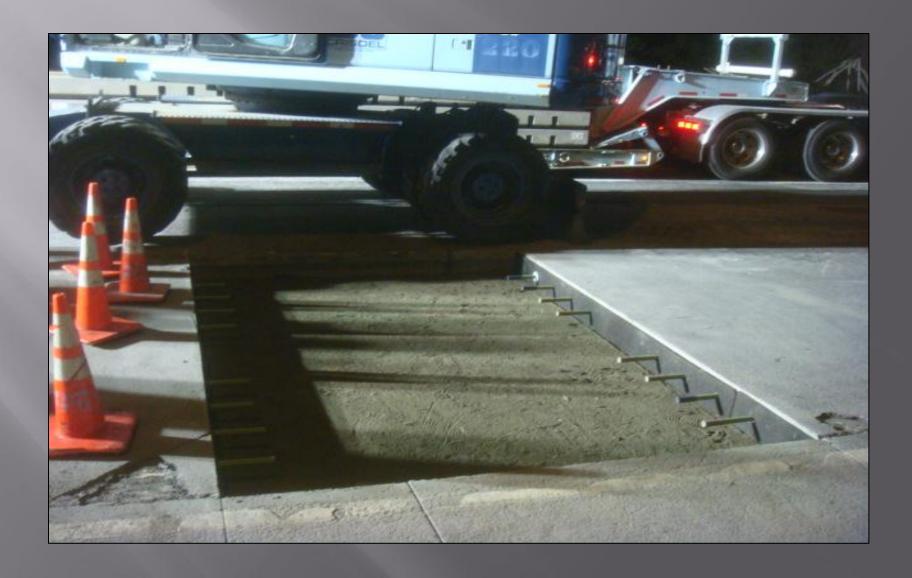


Paper: Dan Frentress--National Conference on Preservation, Repair, and Rehabilitation of Concrete Pavements

# Slab Jacking (N.J.)



## Slab Replacement



# Pre-cast Panel Installed Ready for Diamond Grinding



## Partial Depth Patches



# Conventional Diamond Grinding through AC and PCCP



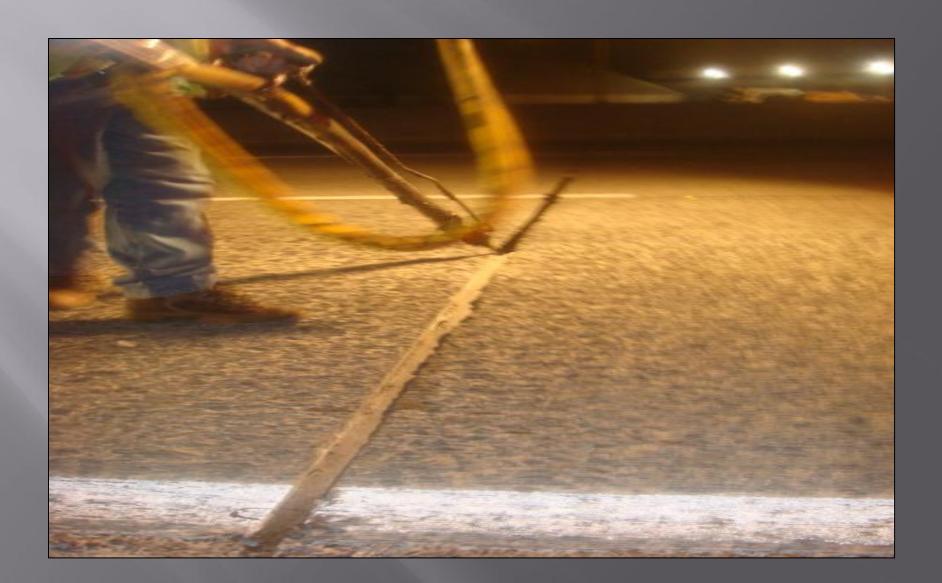
#### Conventional Diamond Grinding



# Conventional Diamond Grinding --Low Spots In AC--



# Joint Resealing



### Washington—Case 2

#### CONCRETE

#### 1917(?) Construction

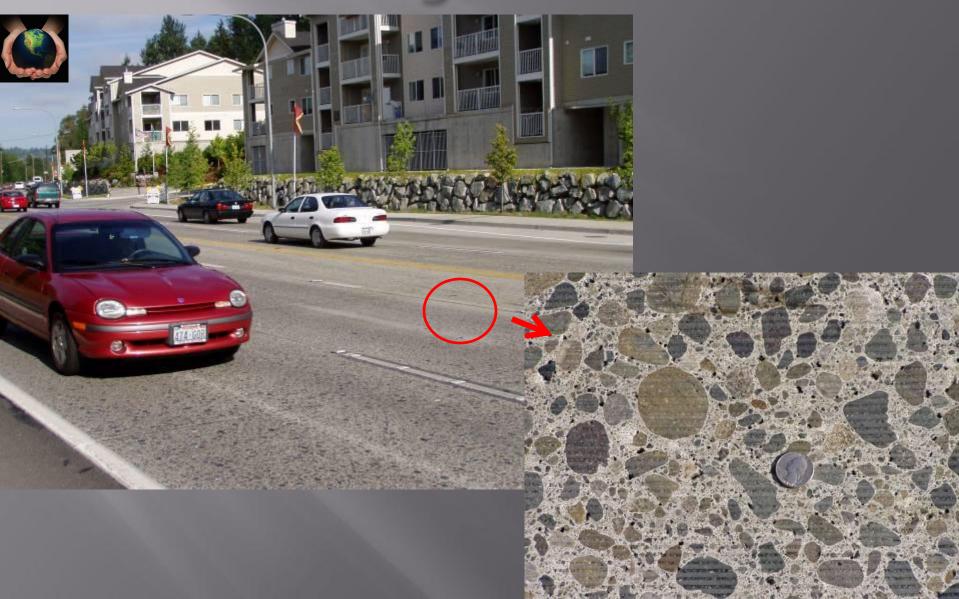
- 8" Plain Reinforced Concrete Pavement
- Previous Asphalt
   widened lanes removed
   and replaced with
   concrete then entire
   project diamond ground

#### **ASPHALT**

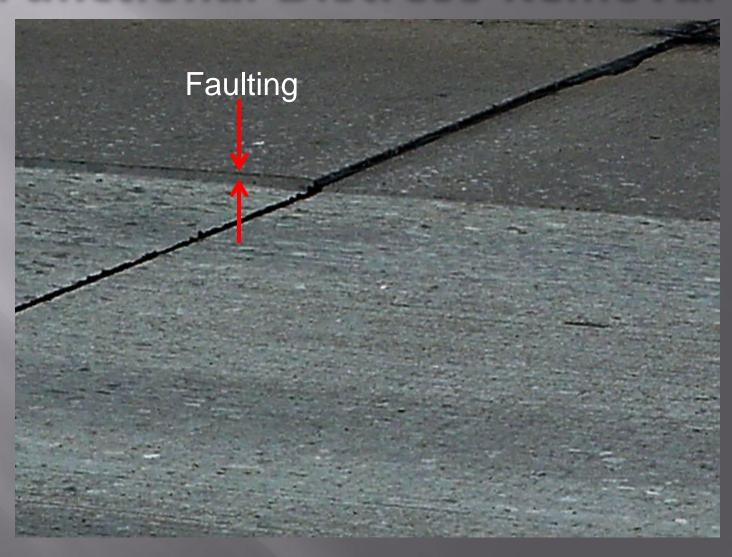
- Numerous Overlays
- Lane Widening with Full Depth Asphalt
- Ride quality and appearance suffered due to multiple patches, overlays and aging asphalt lane additions so Buried Treasure Approach Used in 2002



## Washington SR 522



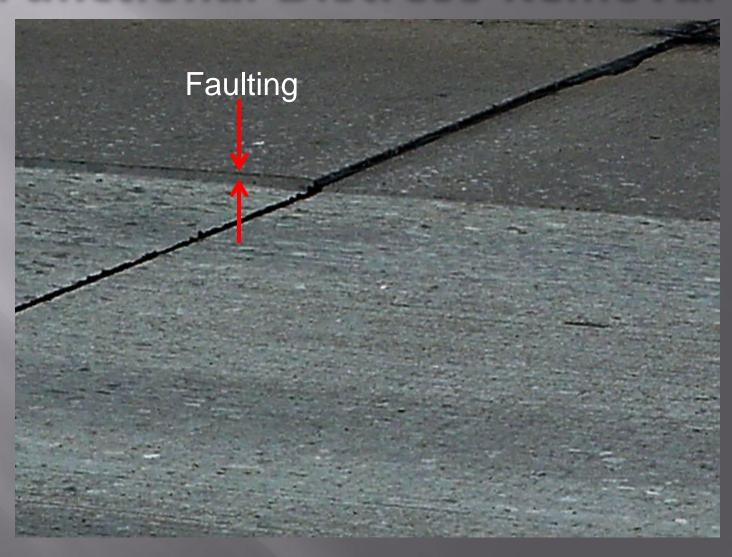
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# Diamond Grinding Equipment



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### Finished Surface



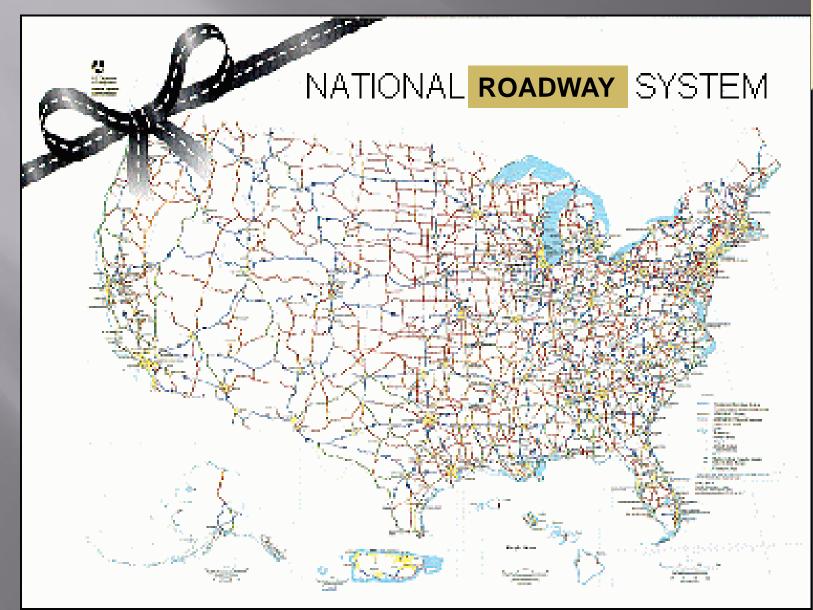
## Pavement Problems Addressed

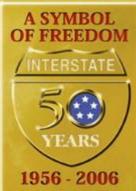
- Faulting at joints and cracks
- Built-in or construction roughness
- Polished concrete surface
- Wheelpath rutting
- Unacceptable noise level
- Permanent upward slab warping
- □ Inadequate transverse slope

# In Summary

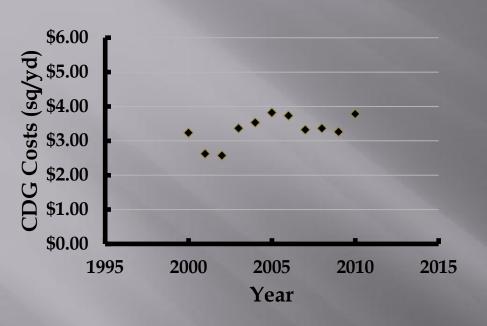


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#### Summary



- Uncovering BuriedTreasure Can be the MostCost Effective Solution
- It Can be the Most
   Sustainable Solution Since
   Few New Resources are
   Consumed
- The RAP has Value and Can Offset the ProjectCosts

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# Conventional Diamond Grinding through AC and PCCP

