

# Mix Designs for FDR, CIR, and HIR

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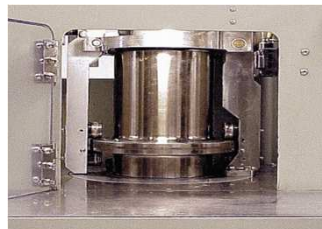
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# Outline

- Purpose and other considerations for mix designs
- FDR
- CIR
- HIR
- Summary



# Purpose of a Mix Design

- Increase the probability of a successful project
- Additive type determination and check compatibility
- Determine additive quantities and other requirements such as water
- Is add-rock or a secondary material required?
- Provide QC targets



# Other considerations

- Provide guidance on or be involved with sample collection
- Will the road be widened?
- Are multiple designs required for the project?
- Determine if pavement design parameters are achieved (i.e. structural coefficients)



# Other considerations

- Dealing with fabric
- Is there a stripped layer?
- Saw-cut to depth and remove non-recycled layers
- Correctly proportion materials



# Full Depth Reclamation



## Suggested Additives for Full Depth Reclamation – Blend of existing bituminous and base / soil

Material Type	Well-graded gravel	Poorly graded gravel	Silty gravel	Clayey gravel	Well-graded sand*	Poorly graded sand	Silty sand	Clayey sand	Silt, Silt with sand	Lean clay	Organic silt / organic lean clay	Elastic silt	Fat clay, fat clay with sand
USCS	GW	GP	GM	GC	SW	SP	SM	SC	ML	CL	OL	MH	CH
AASHTO	A-1-a	A-1-a	A-1-b	A-1-b or A-2-6	A-1-b	A-3 or A-1-b	A-2-4 or A-2-5	A-2-6 or A-2-7	A-4 or A-5	A-6	A-4	A-5 or A-7-5	A-7-6
Emulsion FDR / GBS Best if SE > 30 and P200 < 20 (100% base to 100% RAP)													
Foamed asphalt P200 5 to 20% and follow max. density grad.													
Portland cement PI < 10													
Lime PI > 10 and P200 < 25 or PI 10-30 and P200 > 25, SO <sub>4</sub> in clay < 3000 ppm													



# FDR Additive Contents - typical

- Asphalt emulsion (2% to 6%)
- Foamed asphalt (1% to 3%) + cement
- Portland cement (3% to 6%)
- Fly ash (8% to 14%)
- Lime (2% to 6%)





# FDR Mix Design Methods

- Asphalt emulsion – Industry-adopted and agency-specific (i.e. PennDOT) mix designs
- Foamed asphalt – Foamed Bitumen Mix Design Procedure Using the Wirtgen WLB 10
- Portland cement – PCA EB052, Soil-Cement Laboratory Handbook
- Fly ash – American Coal Ash Association
- Lime – National Lime Association



# FDR Tests

## Common Tests

- Moisture density relationships
- Gradation analysis, liquid limit, plastic limit

## Bituminous

- High shear mixer
- Superpave gyratory compactor or Marshall
- Strength (indirect tensile, Marshall)
- Moisture-conditioned strength
- Short-term strength
- Modulus for pavement design
- Thermal cracking



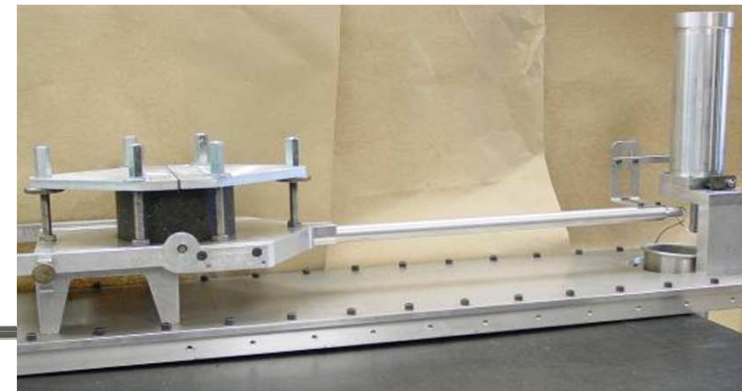
## Chemical

- Unconfined compressive strength
- Wet-dry and freeze-thaw durability tests

# Adjustments for FDR performance

Applies more to bituminous

- Strength
  - Add rock, add small amount of cement or lime, lower binder content
- Moisture-conditioned strength
  - Add small amount of cement or lime, higher binder content
- Setting characteristics (short-term strength)
  - Solventless emulsion, add small amount of cement
- Modulus (structural coefficient)
  - Same as strength
- Thermal cracking
  - Softer or more binder



# Cold in-place recycling



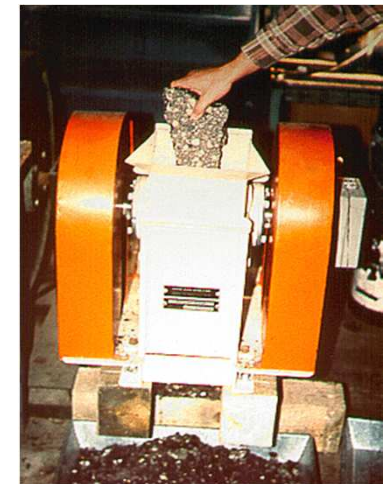
# CIR Mix Design Methods

- Industry-adopted or state specific (i.e. PennDOT) procedures



# CIR Mix Design

- Mix design
  - RAP crushed to defined gradations
  - Emulsion formulated
    - **Climate & project needs**
    - **Controlled break, cohesion, coating/adhesion**
  - Superpave Gyratory Compactor (SGC) or Marshall compaction at field moisture content
- Performance-related tests



# Milling & Crushing, Screening & Sizing

## Lab



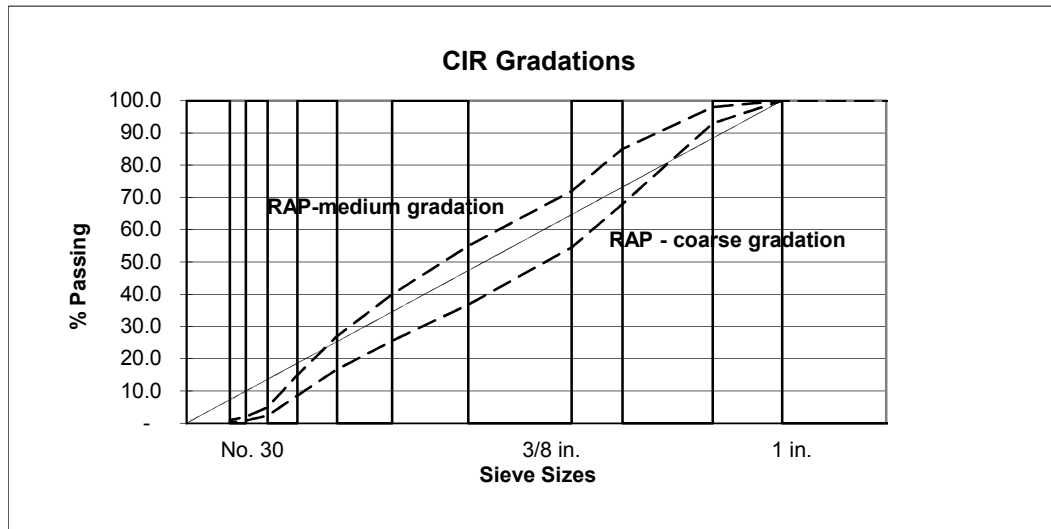
## Field



# Lab RAP Analysis

- Lab

- Field cores crushed to 2 gradation bands
- A design for both gradations



- Field

- Field gradation depends upon multitude of factors: milling, weather, etc.
- Gradation compared to lab tested band
- Emulsion rate based on applicable gradation

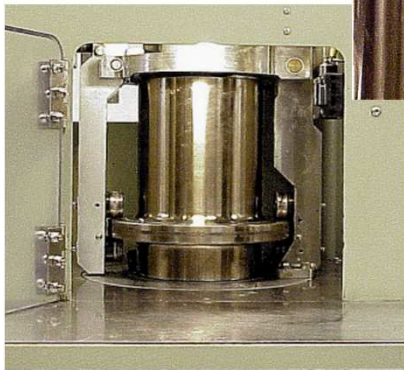




# Density Compaction Effort

## Superpave Gyrotory Compactor

**Lab**



**Field**



# Performance-Related Tests

- Raveling
- Strength – Marshall stability, indirect tension test, or APA
- Moisture susceptibility
- Thermal cracking



# Raveling Test

Engineered CIR Specimen  
(AZ project)  
1% loss after 15 minutes



Conventional CIR Specimen  
(MN project)  
11% loss after 10 minutes



# Adjustments for CIR performance

- Strength
  - Add rock, add small amount of lime
- Moisture-conditioned strength
  - Add small amount of lime, higher emulsion content
- Setting characteristics (short-term raveling test)
  - Solventless emulsion, change emulsion formulation
- Thermal cracking
  - Softer or more binder



# Hot in-place recycling

- Surface recycling
- Repaving
- Remixing



# HIR Additives

- Rejuvenating agent – blending charts for type and amount
- Asphalt emulsion with rejuvenating agent and polymer
- New aggregate or HMA



# HIR Mix Design Methods / Tests

- Mix design effort ranges from as little as additive selection only to as much as a full mixture analysis
- Industry-adopted or other procedures
- Thicker -> Mix design more important
  - Marshall and SGC compaction
  - Volumetrics, Marshall strength, indirect tensile strength, APA, resilient modulus, thermal cracking



# Adjustments for HIR performance

- Adjustment of additive / formulation
- Adjustment of other added materials





# AASHTO Structural Coefficients

<b>Treatment</b>	<b>Coefficient</b>
Aggregate base	<0.10 to 0.14
Cement treated base / soil cement	0.14 to 0.23
Bituminous FDR	0.20 to 0.25
Emulsion CIR	0.28 to 0.33
HIR	0.40
HMA	0.40 to 0.44

Coefficients dependent on original material quality and local experience



# Summary – Mix Designs for FDR, CIR, and HIR

- Increase the probability of success
- Determine additive type and check compatibility
- Determine primary additive quantities and the need for secondary additives (i.e. new aggregate)
- Determine if modulus or strength is achieved to meet pavement design requirements
  - Consider dynamic modulus - MEPDG



Questions?

Thank you!

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