# In-Place Pavement Recycling - Moving Towards a Sustainable Future

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## Outline

- Ontario road system overview
- Past What have we learned
- Present Current practices and improvements
- Case Studies
- Sustainable Future Challenges







#### Provincial System

- Funded through provincial taxes
- 16,520 centre-line km, 3000 bridges
- \$ 2.4 B Capital Constr.

#### Municipal System:

 152,000 centre-line km 132,000 bridges

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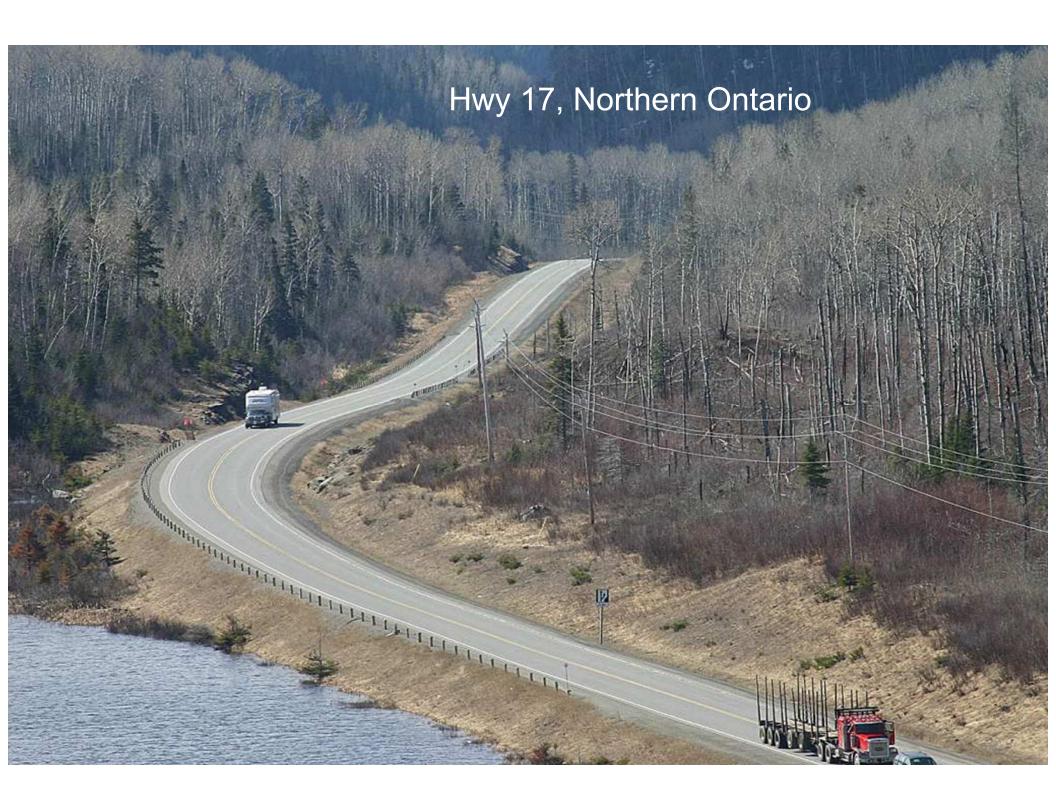


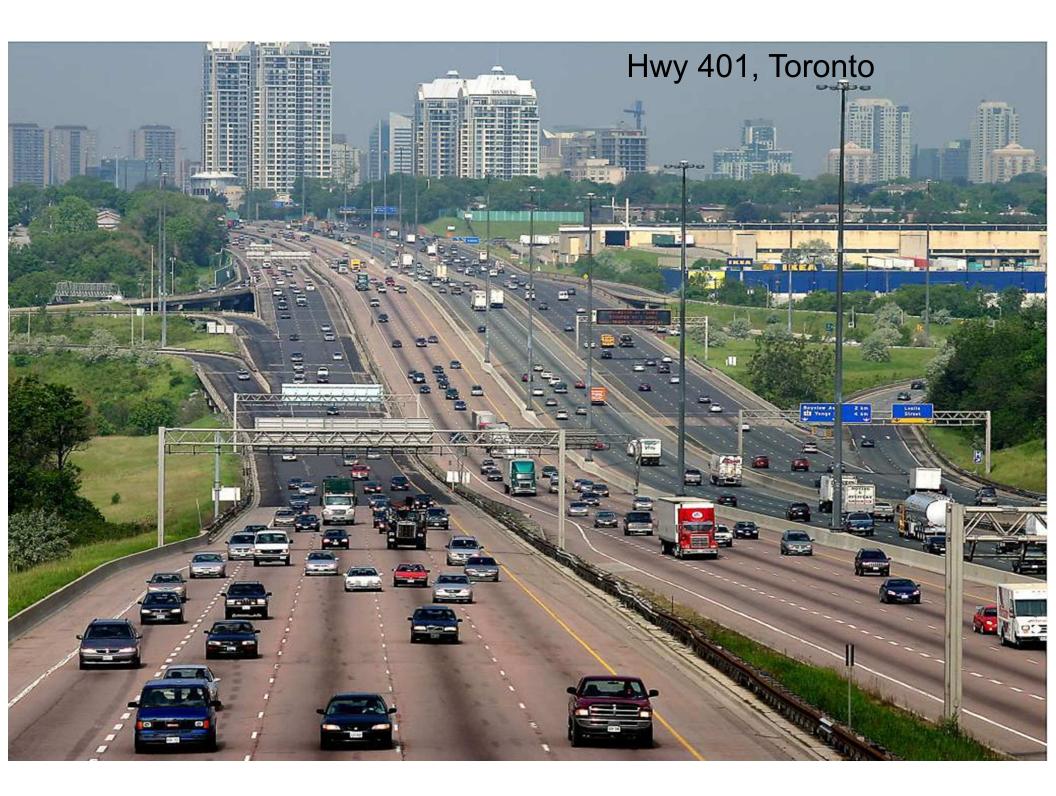
## **MTO Pavement Network**

#### Provincial Road Network

- □ freeway 8,900 lane-km
- arterial 13,000 lane-km
- □ collector 9,800 lane-km
- local 7,500 lane-km
- 95% ==> Bituminous pavements
- 5% ==> Concrete and other types of pavements
- 70% of Canada's exports and \$1.2 trillion in goods are carried on Ontario's provincial highways







# **Greening Pavement Initiatives**

Environmentally friendly pavement design, preservation and rehabilitation strategies include:

- Reuse and recycling of materials
  - Pavement recycling
  - Roof shingles, rubber tires, glass and ceramics
  - Blast furnace slag, fly ash and silica fume
- Warm mix asphalt concrete
- Drainable/permeable pavements
- Reduced noise and perpetual pavements



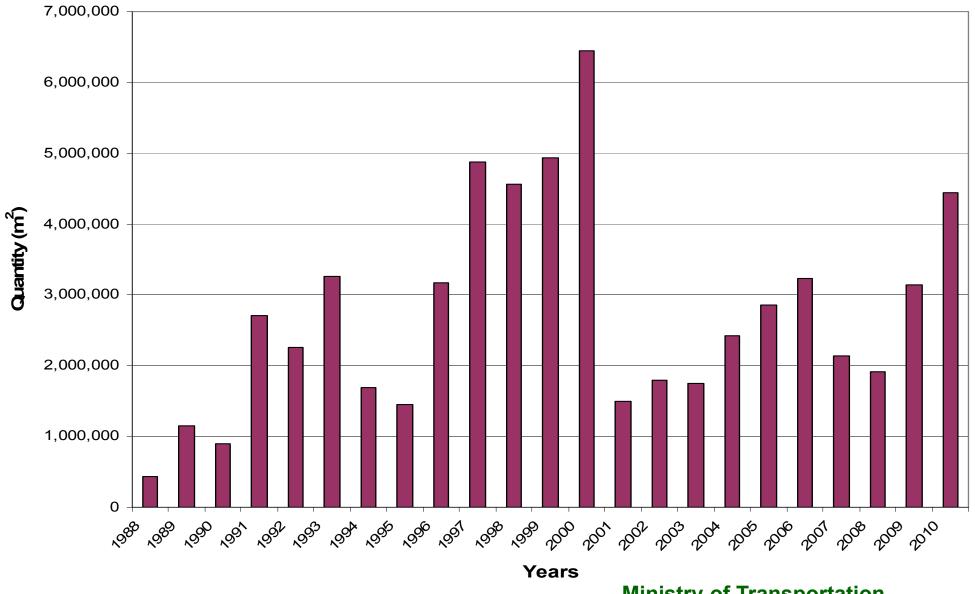
Implementation of Pavement Recycling in Ontario

- Central plant recycling
- Milling, partial depth
- Full depth reclamation
- Cold in-place recycling -
- Hot in-place recycling
- FDR with EA (FA)
- CIR with EA (FA)

- late 70's
- early 80's
- mid 80's
- 1989
- 1990
- 2000
- 2003



#### **MTO In-situ Asphalt Recycling Quantities**



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### Full Depth Reclamation - FDR





### Hot In-Place Recycling - HIR





### Cold In-Place Recycling -CIR





#### FDR with Expanded Asphalt Stabilization





### CIR with Expanded Asphalt



## 10 Years Summary of Quantities

- Full Depth Reclamation (FDR)
- Hot In-place Recycling (HIR)
- Cold In-place Recycling (CIR)
- FDR with Expanded Asphalt
- CIR with Expanded Asphalt

15,579,412 m<sup>2</sup> 324,124 m<sup>2</sup> 4,150,428 m<sup>2</sup> 2,664,245 m<sup>2</sup> 2,486,485 m<sup>2</sup>

Total from 2001 to 2010:

25,204,694 m<sup>2</sup>



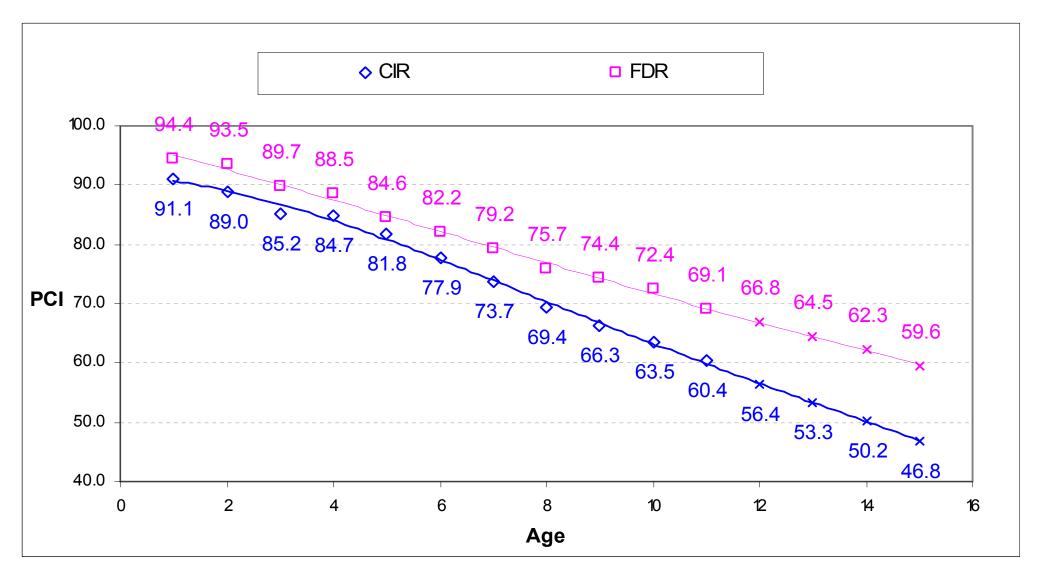
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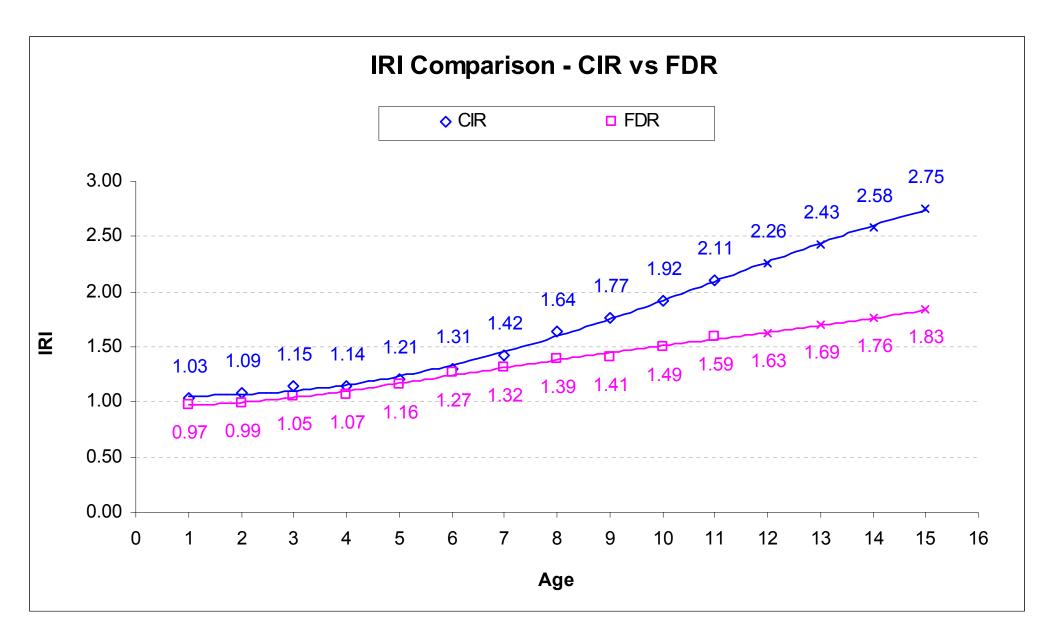
## **Past Performance**

- In-situ recycled pavements have performed well, often carrying significantly more traffic over their service life than anticipated.
- Designs built in the past have evolved from theory, road tests, and trial and error.
- Lessons have been learned from design problems/flaws, materials, and construction practices that have caused problems.



#### PCI Comparison – CIR vs. FDR





## **Current Practice**

Recent improvements in **design**, **materials** and **construction** processes have significantly increased the benefits of in-situ recycling techniques.

Improvements in technology have provided cost effective designs and optimization of rehabilitation strategies.



# **Design Improvements**

#### **Comprehensive Construction and Material Specifications**

- OPSS 330, Full depth reclamation
- OPSS 334, Cold recycled mix
- OPSS 333, Cold in-place recycling
- OPSS 332, Hot in-place recycling
- OPSS 331, FDR with Expanded Asphalt
- OPSS 335, CIR with Expanded Asphalt

Available online:

http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/transrd



## FDR with EA, Hwy 17, Wawa

- Highway 17
- 37.5 km south of Wawa.
- Within Lake Superior Provincial Park.
- 22.5 km in length.
- Grader placed

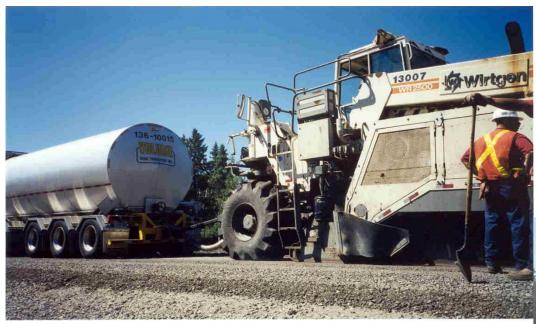




### **Design Considerations – Hwy 17 Project**

- Existing pavement consisted of 80 mm of HMA, 100 mm of crushed granular base and 530 mm of granular subbase
- PCI was 49 out of 100 indicative of extensive, moderate transverse cracking and extensive, moderate pavement edge break-up.
- 2010 AADT was 2500 with 28% trucks, mostly logging trucks
- Rehab options considered included:
  - CIR with a 50 mm HMA overlay
  - □ FDR with a 120 mm HMA overlay
  - FDR with EAS and an 80 mm HMA overlay





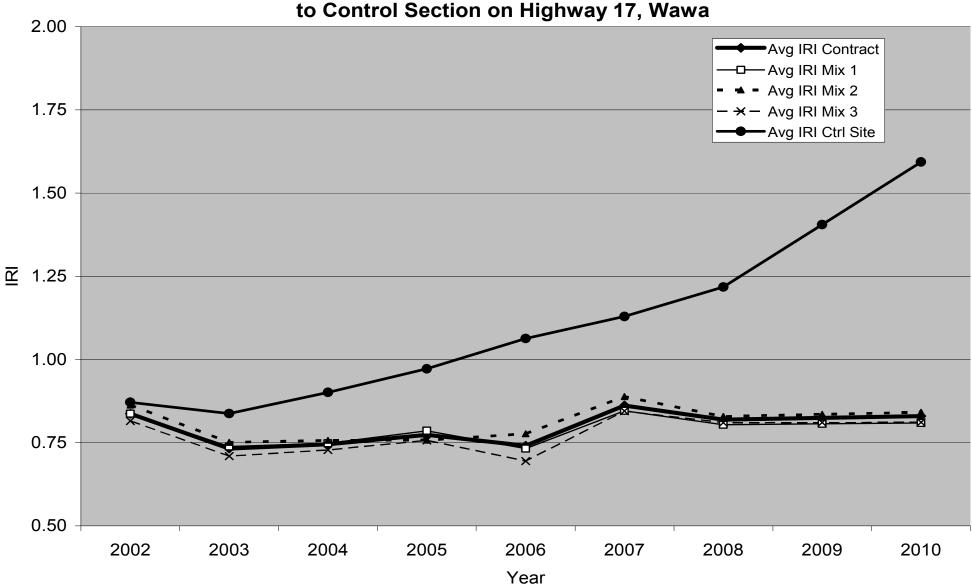
The grading and compacting operation following behind the EAS



The reclaimer/stabilizer attached to a tanker of hot asphalt cement



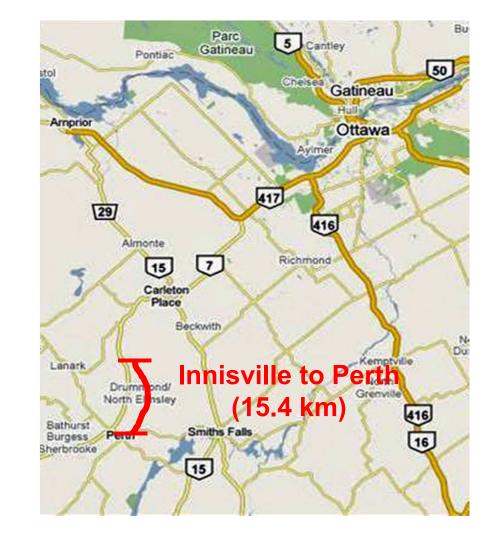
The expanded asphalt mat following initial pass of the breakdown roller



#### International Roughness Index Comparison of Three Mix Design Trial Sections to Control Section on Highway 17, Wawa

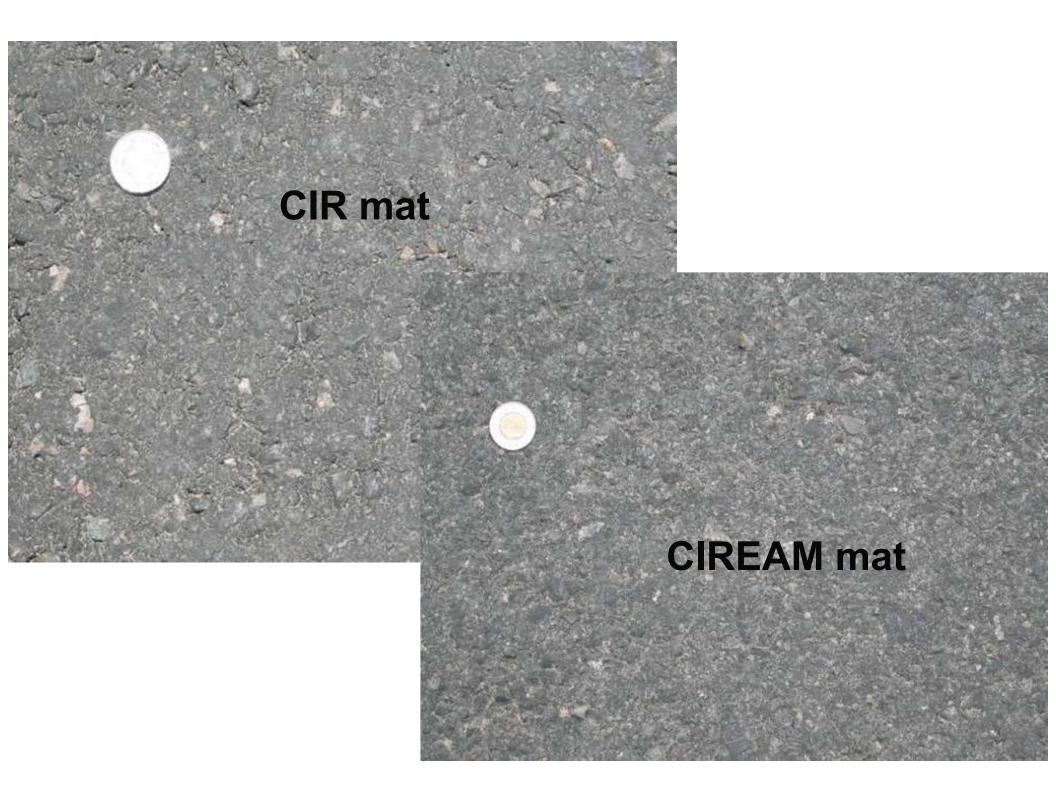
## CIR with EA Trial, Hwy 7, Perth

 MTO's first use of CIR with EA was in 2003 on Highway 7, southwest of Ottawa.





Pavement Condition Prior to CIR and CIREAM

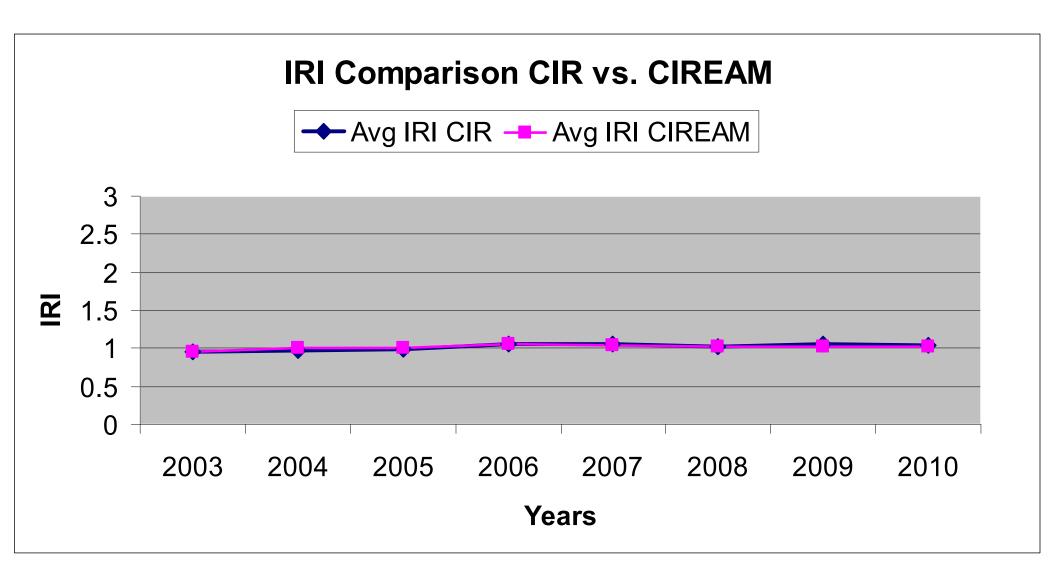


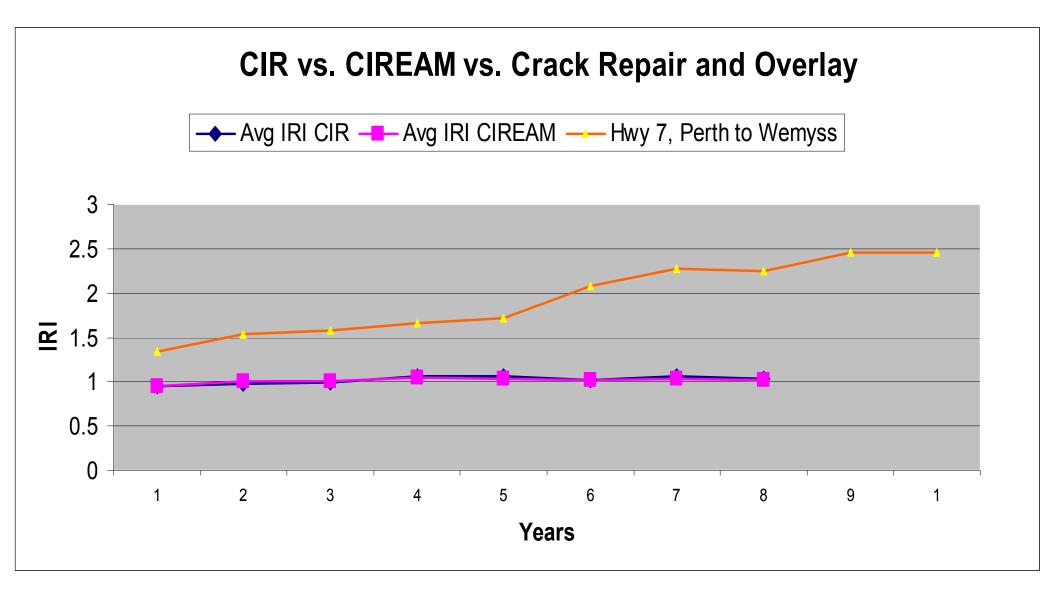
## Resilient Modulus of CIREAM and CIR Field Cored Samples

Instantaneous Resilient Modulus of Elasticity (E <sub>RI</sub> )					Total Resilient Modulus of Elasticity (E <sub>RT</sub> )			
	14+930	15+680	21+360	21+610	14+930	15+680	21+360	21+610
Section	CIREAM		CIR		CIREAM		CIR	
E <sub>RI</sub> / E <sub>RT</sub>	5516	5144	5414	4960	5363	5006	5249	4795
Average:	5330		5187		5185		5022	
Std. Dev.:	263		321		252		321	

## Indirect Tensile Strength of CIREAM and CIR Field Cored Samples

Station	14+930	15+680	21+360	21+610		
Section	CIRI	EAM	CIR			
ITS	907.6	826.7	937.5	761.1		
Average:	867		849			
Std. Dev.:	<b>Std. Dev.:</b> 57			125		





### **Towards a Sustainable Future**

#### What is Sustainable Development?

".... Development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."



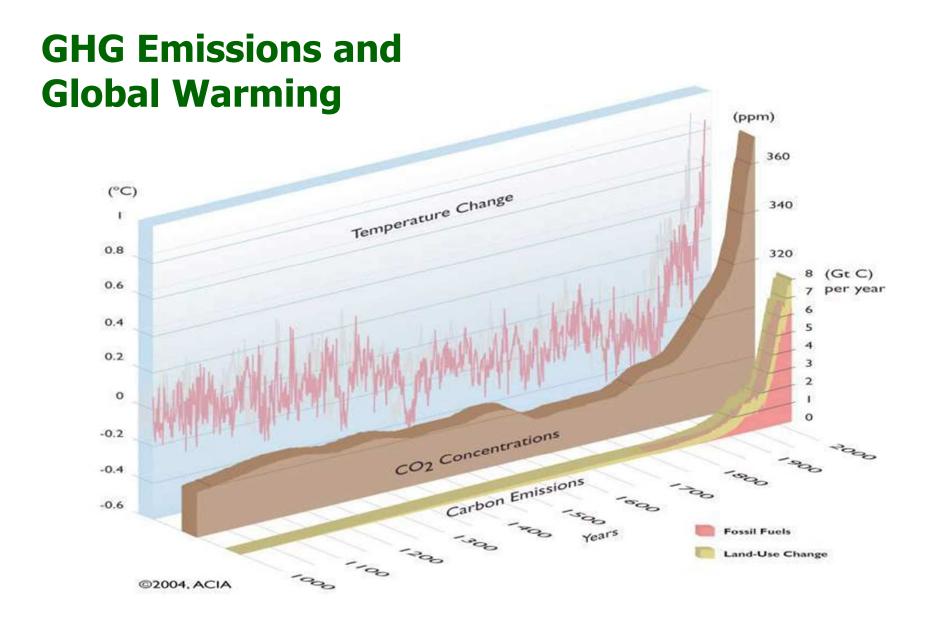
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### **Towards a Sustainable Future**

To achieve sustainability, every corporate decision should consider the impact of the triple-bottom-line.

#### "What are the Social, Economic, and Environmental (SEE) Impacts of the decision"





#### Variation in Mean Surface Temp and CO<sub>2</sub> Concentration

## Sustainable Pavement Criteria

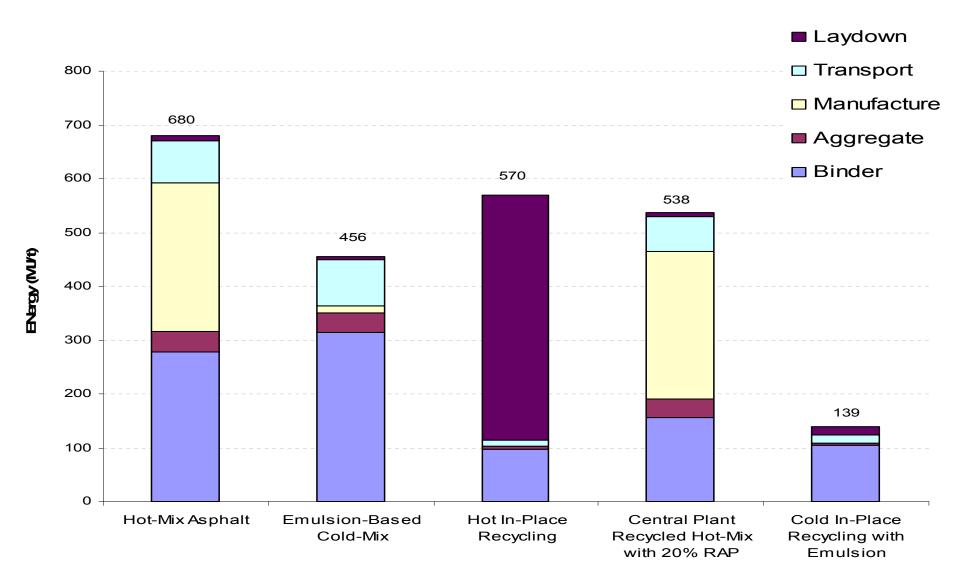
"....safe, efficient, environmentally friendly pavements meeting the needs of present-day users without compromising those of future generations"

In-situ recycling technologies address the main criteria for a sustainable pavement:

- Optimizing the use of natural resources
- Reducing energy consumption
- Reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- Limiting pollution
- Improving health, safety and risk prevention
- Ensuring a high level of user comfort and safety



#### Energy Use Per Tonne Of Material Laid Down



Source: The Environmental Road of the Future, Life Cycle Analysis by Chappat, M. and Julian Bilal. Colas Group, 2003, p.34

#### Sustainable Pavements

- The report concludes that recycling technologies are the most promising tool to assist in the selection of environmentally friendly flexible pavements.
- MTO's primary pavement design/rehabilitation goal is to provide safe durable roads that maximize the use of recycled materials.



## **Ontario Case Study**

Environmental Benefits of In-place Recycling (CIR & CIREAM) vs. Mill and Overlay



## **Impact Evaluation**

PaLATE software -

Pavement Life-cycle Assessment for Environmental and Economic Effect

- Created by Dr. Horvath of the University of California at Berkley
- Assists decision-makers in evaluating the use of recycled materials in highway construction (both LCC and Environmental Impacts).



## **Study Assumptions**

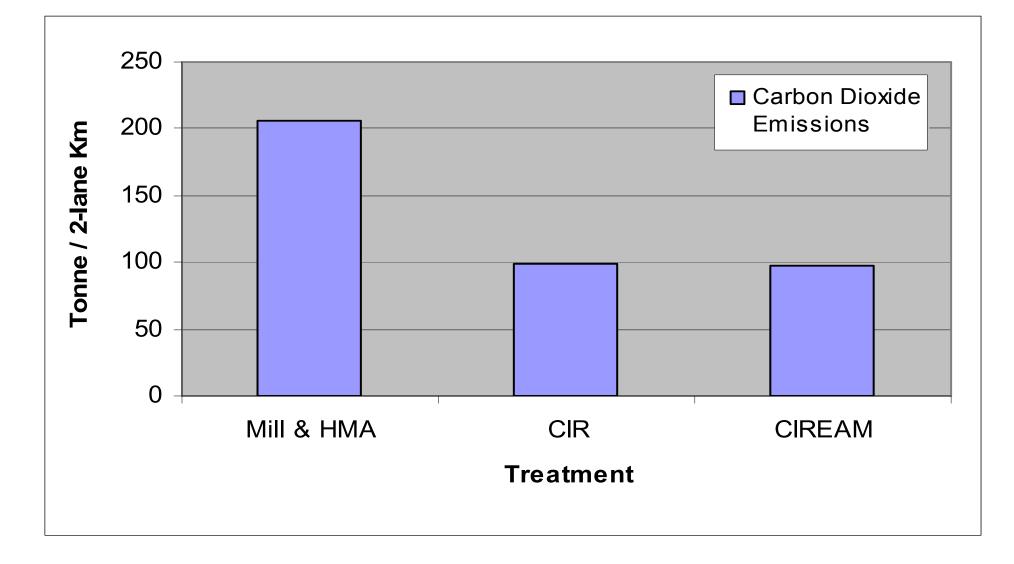
	CIR	CIREAM	M&O
Existing HMA Depth	150mm	150mm	150mm
New HMA	50mm	50mm	130mm
% AC	5%	1.0% & 5%	5%
% Emulsion	1.2%	0	0

Using PaLATE model, the following emissions were calculated and compared:

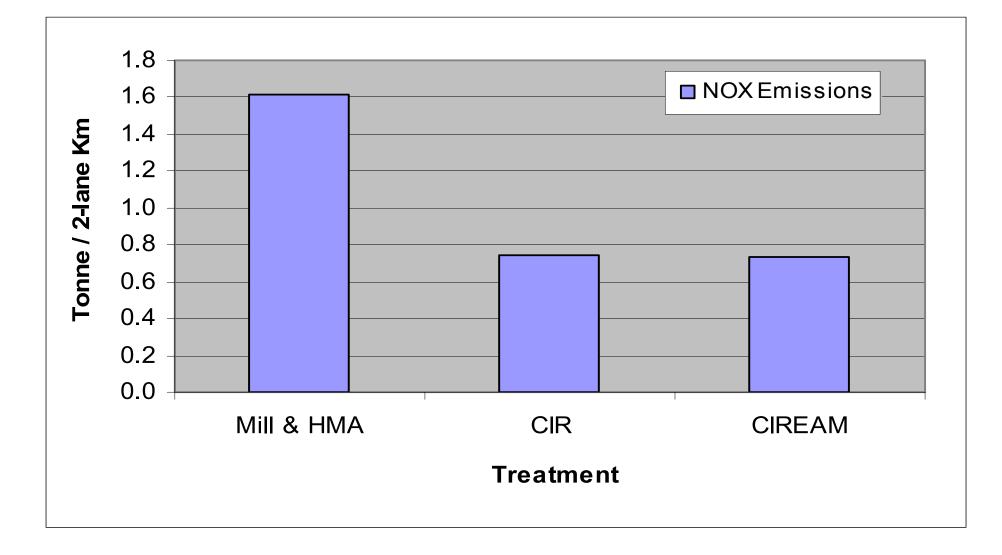


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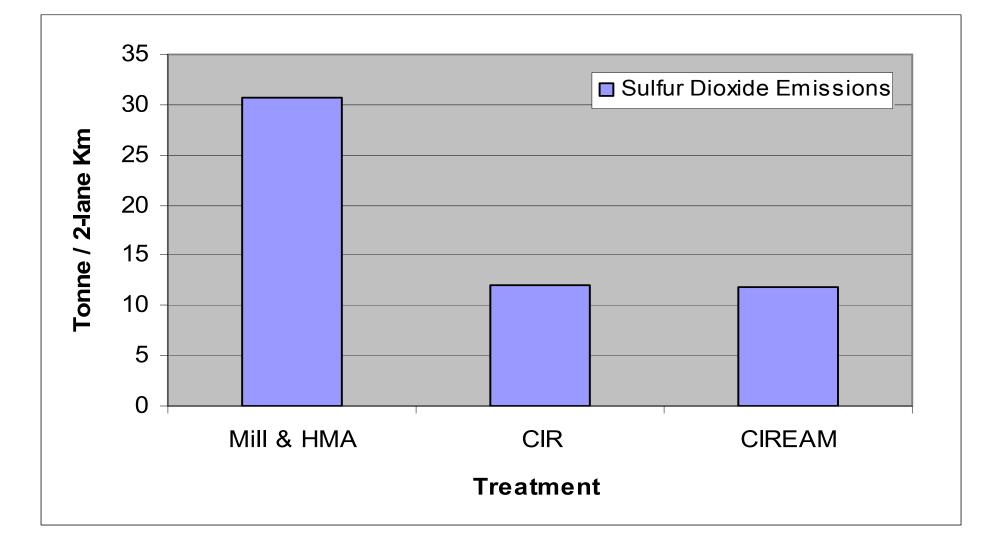
## **CO**<sub>2</sub> Emissions



## NO<sub>X</sub> Emissions



# SO<sub>2</sub> Emissions



#### **Environmental Benefits**

- Per 2-lane km, CIR/CIREAM emits approximately 50% less GHG, consumes 62% less aggregates, and costs 40-50% less when compared to a conventional mill and overlay treatments
- Since the implementation of CIR/CIREAM contracts, MTO has reduced GHG emissions by:
  - 144,400 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>
  - 1,200 tonnes of NO<sub>x</sub>
  - **25,200 tonnes** of SO<sub>2</sub>

And saved **1.98 million tonnes** of aggregates



## **Technology Transfer**

- CIR & CIREAM are two of the most environmental friendly flexible pavement rehabilitation techniques available; they reduce Life Cycle Costs, reuse existing non-renewable material, minimize new materials and reduce on site transportation.
- MTO actively promotes CIR/CIREAM through technical papers, presentations and by example



#### What's next?

- Current Life Cycle Costing (LCC) includes:
  - Initial, and discounted main/rehab costs and remaining life costs
  - User costs
- We now have the tools to calculate GHG emissions and energy savings – PaLATE software
- MTO has developed a rating system to quantify and encourage pavement sustainability
- We are moving towards including an environmental component into LCC (Environmental benefits/credits).
- Insures that the best treatment is selected to benefit economic, social and environmental needs
  - a Sustainable Approach.



## **Existing Green Rating Systems**

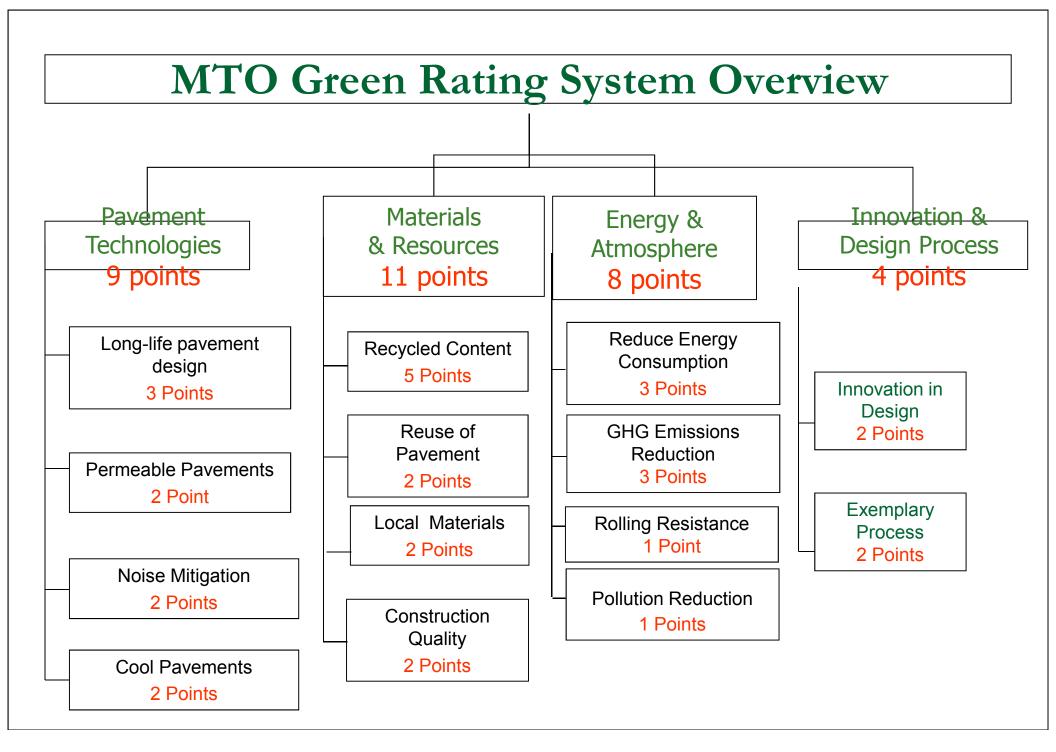
- LEED<sup>®</sup> for Buildings
- University of Washington Green Roads
- NYSDOT GreenLITES Project Design Certification Program
- Alberta/Stantec Green Guide for Roads
- TAC Green Guide for Roads





#### **MTO Green Rating System Categories**

Category	Goal	Points
Pavement Design Technologies	To optimize sustainable designs. These include long life pavements, permeable pavements, noise mitigating pavements, and pavements that minimize the heat island effect.	9
Materials & Resources	To optimize the usage/reusage of recycled materials and to minimize material transportation distances.	11
Energy & Atmosphere	To minimize energy consumption and GHG emissions.	8
Innovation & Design Process	To recognize innovation and exemplary efforts made to foster sustainable pavement designs.	4



## Summary

We will better achieve our sustainable pavement goals through:

- Building on current industry/ministry partnerships in the development of improved in-situ recycling specifications and design/construction procedures
- Encouraging continued innovation by the province's insitu recycling contractors
- Supporting dedicated research programs to advance the technology
- Increasing technology transfer to accelerate adoption of in-situ recycling concepts



## Conclusions

- There is an increased focus on sustainable asset preservation in Ontario, both at the provincial and municipal levels
- Pavement preservation and rehabilitation incorporating timely insitu recycling treatments can significantly extend pavement life and result in improved network performance over time
- Implementation of sustainable AM principles and performance measures are critical to addressing infrastructure investment requirements and environmental stewardship over the long-term



## Thank you!

### **Questions?**

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