

Concrete Office Updates

2012 Spring MEO Meeting

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2012 Special Provisions – 2461.4D7

- Provides electronic platform scales for weighing all materials.
 - Measure to nearest 0.02 kg



Production of 3U18 Bag Mixes

- Currently produced only in Roberts, WI
- Certified Plant Program
 - Will allow manufacturer of 3U18 Pre-bagged mixes
 - Requires QC Plan and Quality Control Testing
 - Once a year visits by MnDOT personnel to “certify” the plant
- Expect to see 3U18 production in surrounding states for Minnesota projects
 - TCC added new production facilities in Iowa, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Nebraska

Current Concrete Research Projects

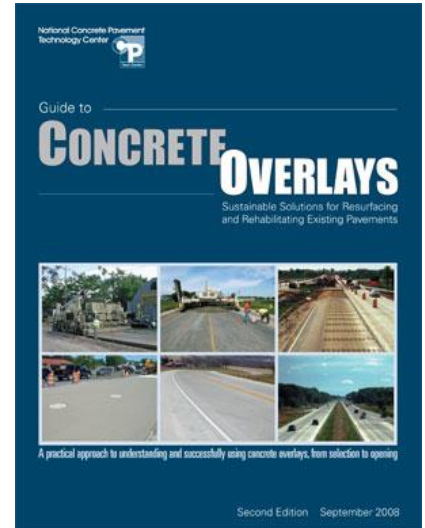
- Maturity Methods for Concrete Paving
- Concrete Delivery Time Specifications
- Practical Design Procedure for Whitetopping
- Evaluation of Geotextile Fabric Bondbreaker
- Evaluation of Current Carbonate and Absorption Aggregate Spec Limits for Paving and Bridge Superstructure
- Partial Depth Patching Repair Material Durability Project
- Durability of w/c ratio pavements
- Colored Concrete Specifications

Measuring Sawcut Depths

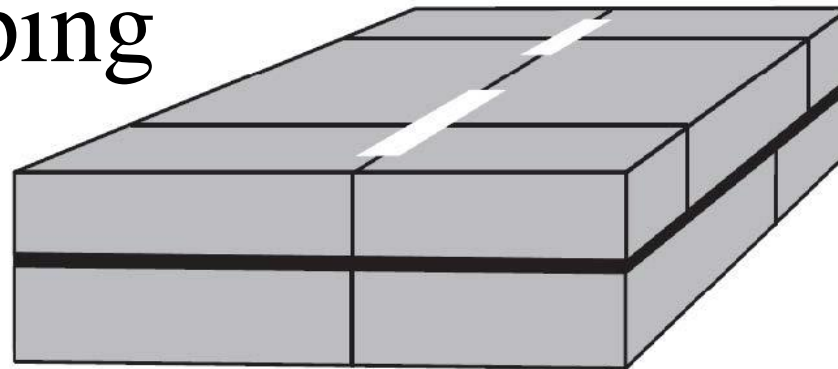
- Seen some longitudinal cracking that does not appear to be subgrade related as is usually the case with longitudinal cracking.
- **Where we correct the cross slope in concrete – the centerline longitudinal joint is deeper than the transverse joint – it is important to ensure the Contractor is making adjustments in their sawing operation to adjust for this.**
- **In transverse joints where we correct the cross slope the $t/3$ measurement should be based on the minimum thickness of the pavement.**
- **For transverse joints in concrete overlays – the joint depth should be $t/3$ For all longitudinal joints – the joint depth should be $t/3$**
- A thin plastic ruler would be accurate enough to randomly take some saw cut depth measurements, another option would be the thin steel ruler that is used with the beam breakers. **I would suggest randomly checking the joints at least 1 time per day during paving.** Document the saw cut depths in your construction field diary.



Concrete Overlay Survey



Whitetopping



Unbonded Concrete Overlay

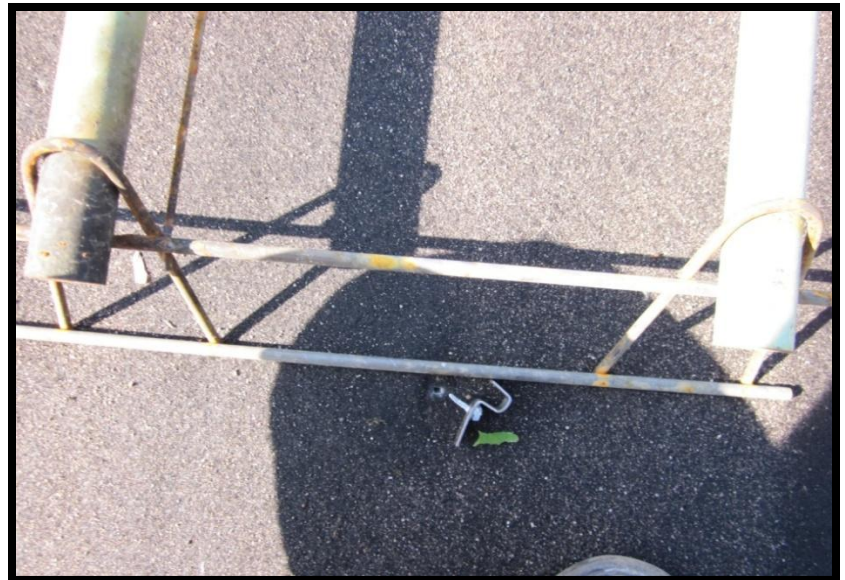
Bond Breaker Types Used in Minnesota

- PASSRC – Permeable Asphalt Stabilized Stress Relief Coarse Layer
- Hot Mix Asphalt – Virgin or Milled Surface
- Geotextile Fabric on concrete



Anchoring Dowel Baskets

- On several projects, the Agency dedicated person to making sure baskets were anchored
- Anchor on the downstream side



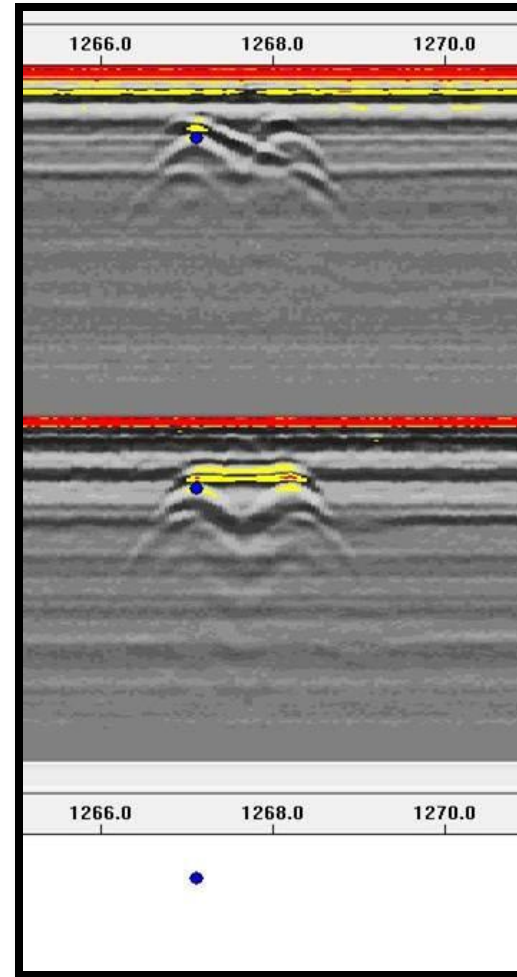
Misaligned Dowel Bars



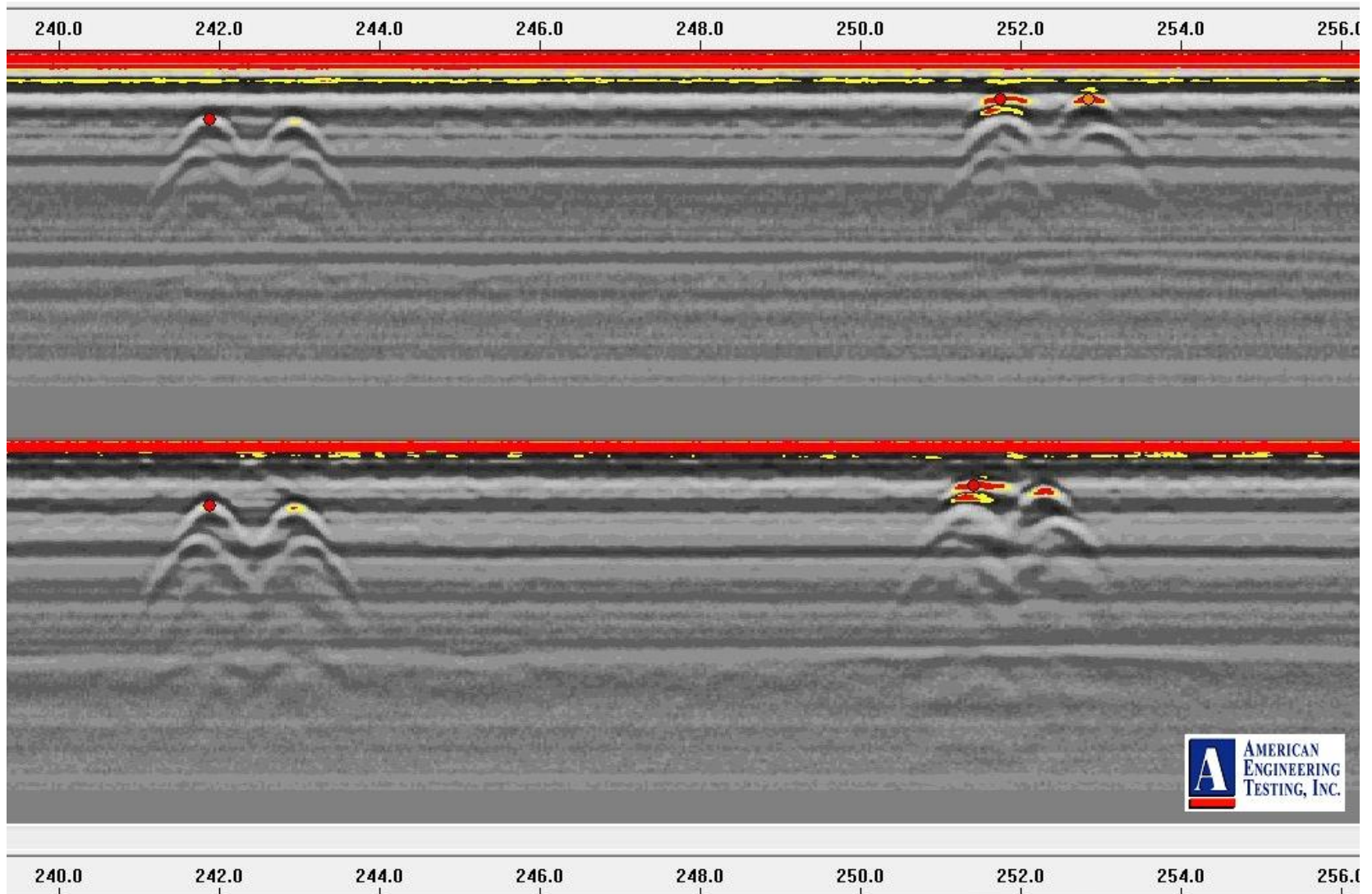


GPR Investigation

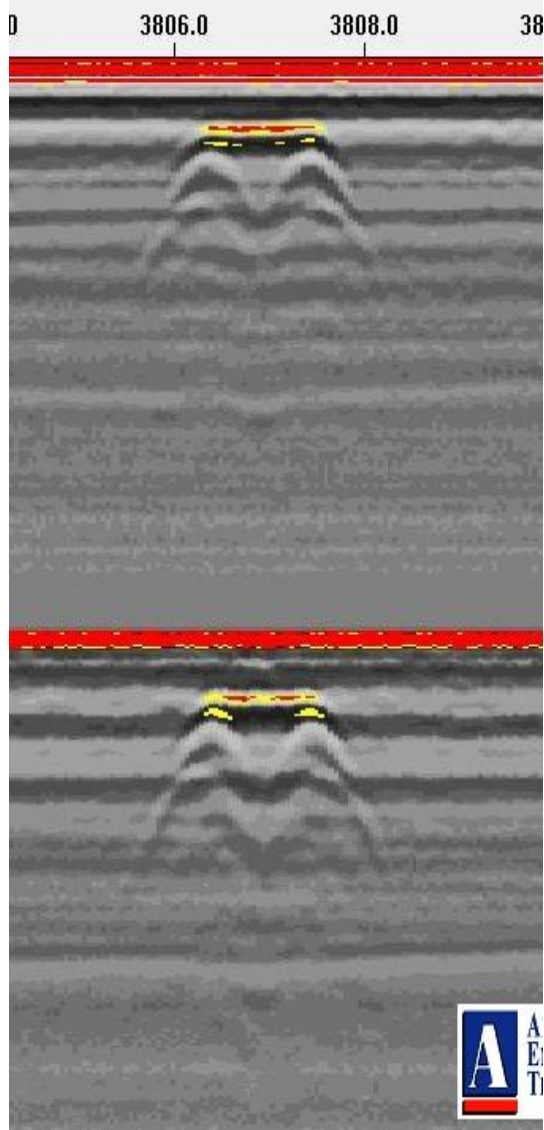
- Top scan shows a bar that has fallen into the basket
- Bottom scan shows a bar in its proper place.



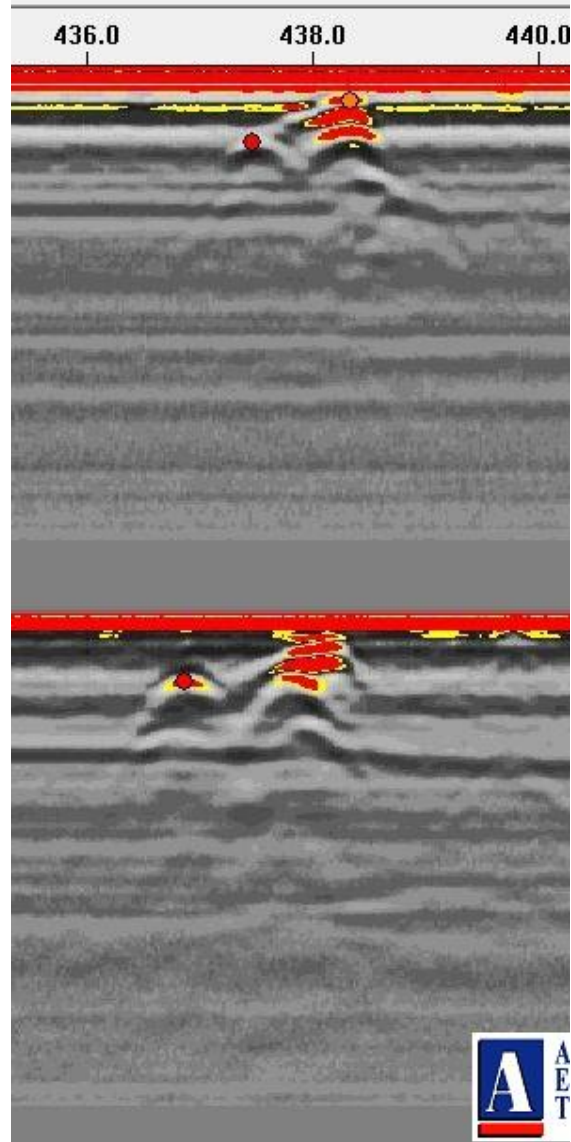
Moved Baskets



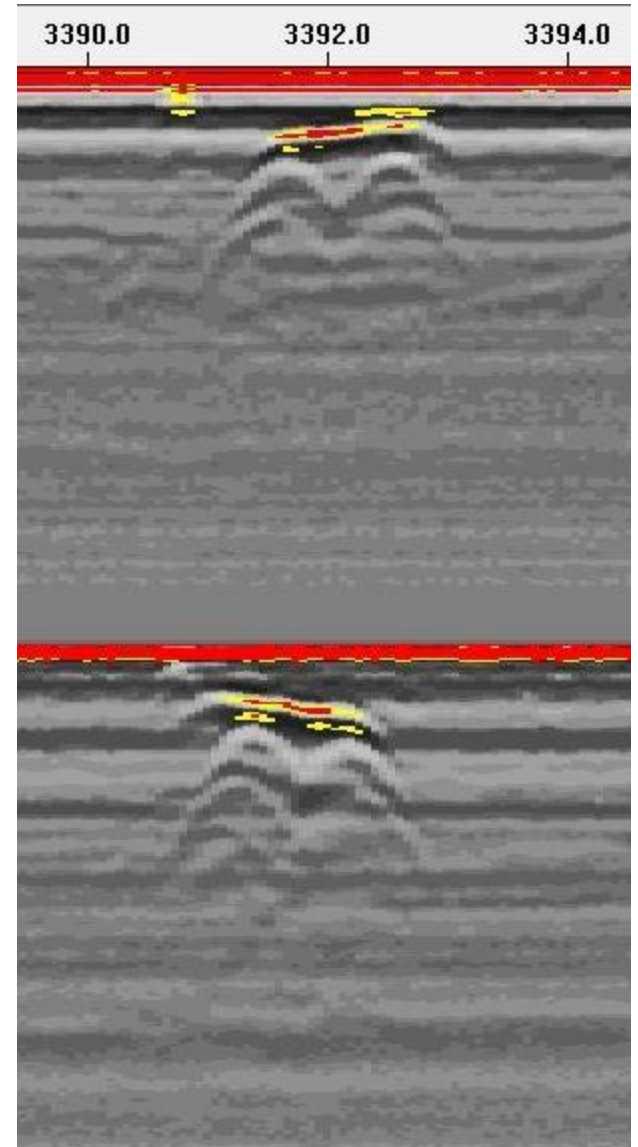
Normal Basket



Damaged Basket

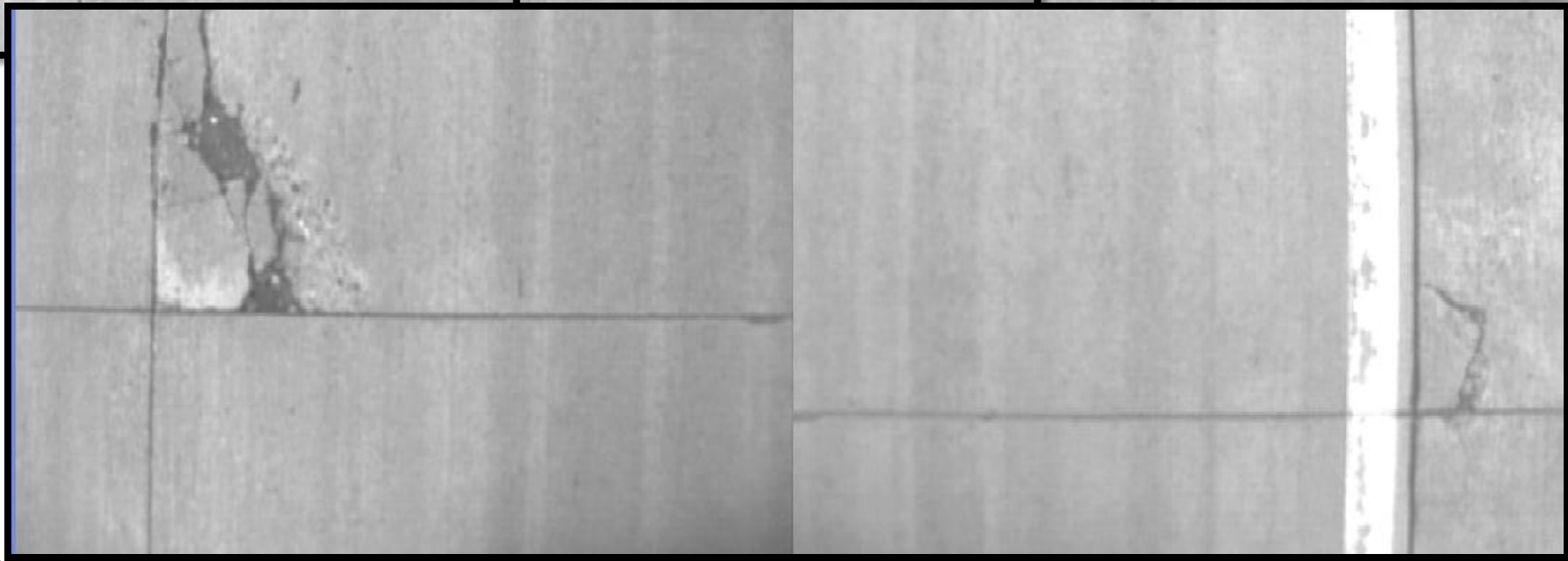
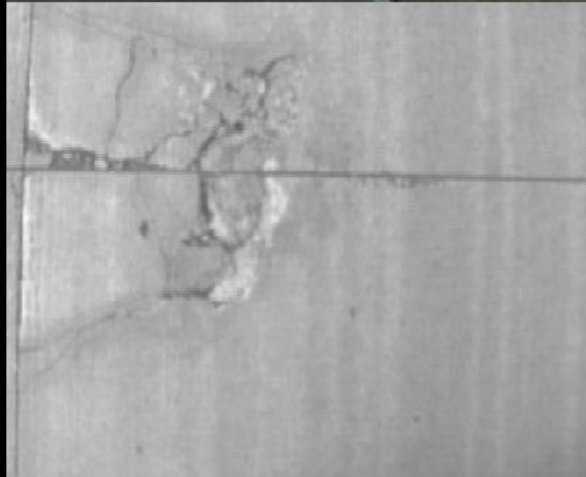
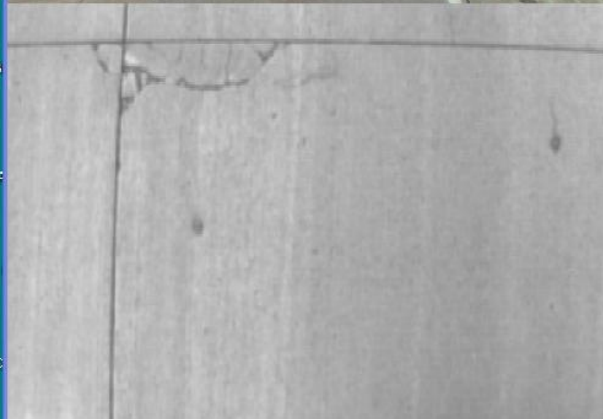


Compressed Basket



Why is a QC Plan Needed?





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MnDOT Requirements

QC Plan for Anchoring Baskets

- Provide a Quality Control Plan in writing to the Engineer for acceptance that provides a method for keeping the dowel basket assemblies anchored to the existing asphalt or bond breaker layer and into the underlying concrete.
- Contractor is required to demonstrate anchoring methods for overlays



MnDOT Requirements

QC Plan for Anchoring Baskets

- The Quality Control Plan shall include the following at a minimum:
 - Proposed type and number of fasteners
 - Dowel basket assembly anchoring plan (ie. Anchored all basket assemblies prior to concrete placement, one lane at a time, anchor all basket assemblies during the concrete placement operation, etc.)
 - Procedure if assemblies do not hold with the proposed method (Plan B)
 - Sampling rate for locating basket assemblies with the MIT-SCAN T2

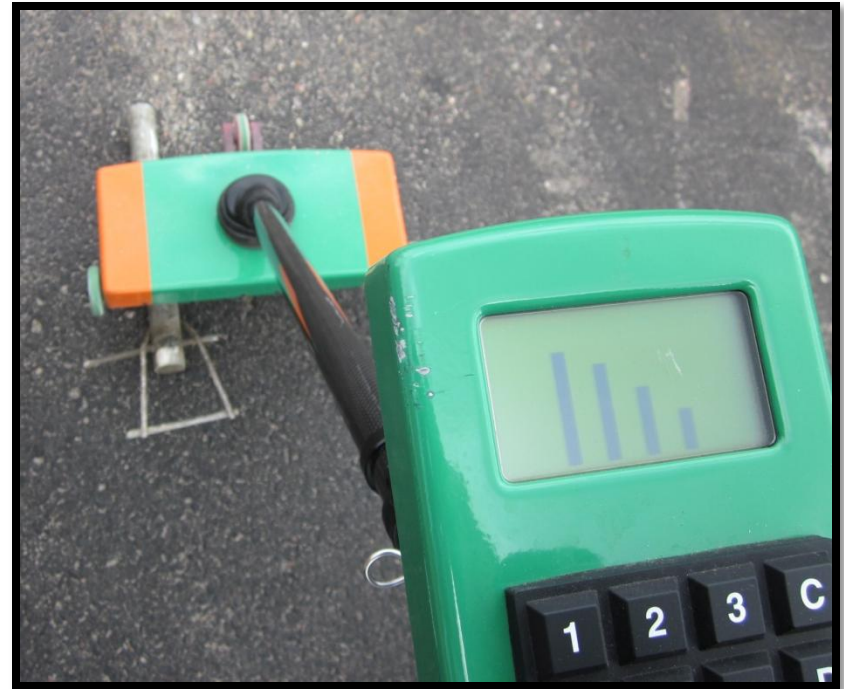
MIT-T2 Spec

- The Contractor shall furnish a MIT-SCAN T2 non-destructive testing device having the ability to measure the location of concrete reinforcement, dowel bars and concrete pavement thickness in a single device.
- Agency and Contractor personnel shall mutually use this non-destructive testing device several times a day during concrete pavement construction.



MIT-T2 Spec

- Agency observations do not relieve the Contractor of the requirement to properly place the concrete reinforcement and dowel bars as shown in the plans.
- In addition, the Department reserves the right to reject pavement in accordance “Conformity with Plans and Specifications” and 1512, “Unacceptable andd Unauthorized Work.”



Coring/Probing Special Provisions

- Reduced coring by 50%
- Contractor Quality Control Probing (QCP),
- Probe Verification Core (PVC),
- Quality Assurance Core (QAC).
- Want additional thickness data with the MIT-SCAN T2
 - 5 projects were measured in 2010
 - Typical difference in any 2 types measurements is approximately 1.5 – 2%
 - Equates to 0.15 to 0.20 inch in pavement thickness (tolerance is 0.10 inch)



Misaligned Tie Bars

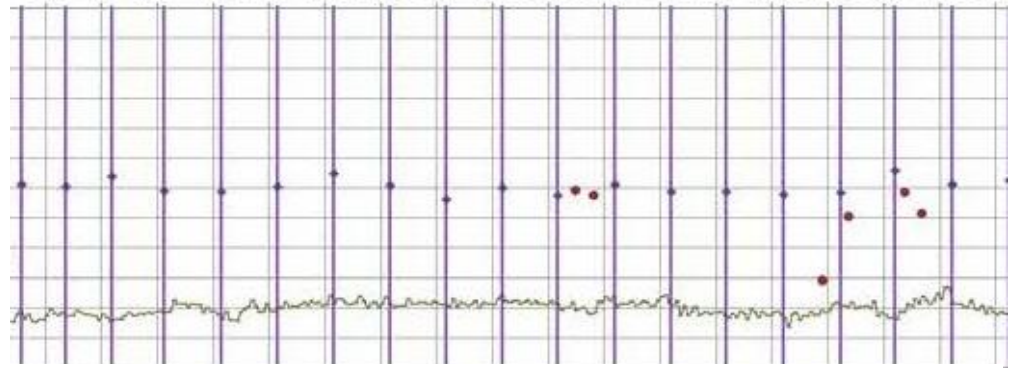


GPR Tie Bar Survey - Between 2 Lanes - on Ramp from Southbound I35W to

GPR running westbound, directly above mid-lane joint

Distance from Bridge Expansion Joint (at west end)

60.0 75.0 90.0 105.0 120.0 135.0 150.0 165.0 180.0 195.0 210.0 225.0 240.0 255.0 270.0 285.0 300.0 315.0

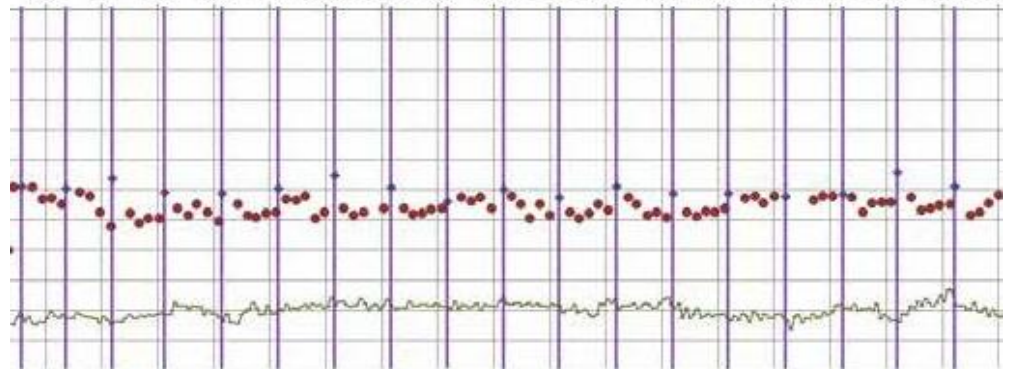


GPR Tie Bar Survey - Between 2 Lanes - on Ramp from Southbound I35W to

GPR running westbound, 1ft north of mid-lane joint

Distance from Bridge Expansion Joint (at west end)

60.0 75.0 90.0 105.0 120.0 135.0 150.0 165.0 180.0 195.0 210.0 225.0 240.0 255.0 270.0 285.0 300.0 315.0



Technical Memorandum No. 11-02-T-02

Centerline Rumble StripEs

- Centerline rumble stripEs will not be required on concrete pavements until April 1, 2014 in order test out various installation methods; but if they are to be installed, the current recommended installation is two 8” wide rumbles on either side of the centerline joint (each 2” away from the joint).



Ground in Centerline Rumble Strips



Recessed Impression for Striping

- Installed in plastic concrete
- Used in several counties
- Plan to use in D1 project in 2012
- Looking for other projects to try it on also

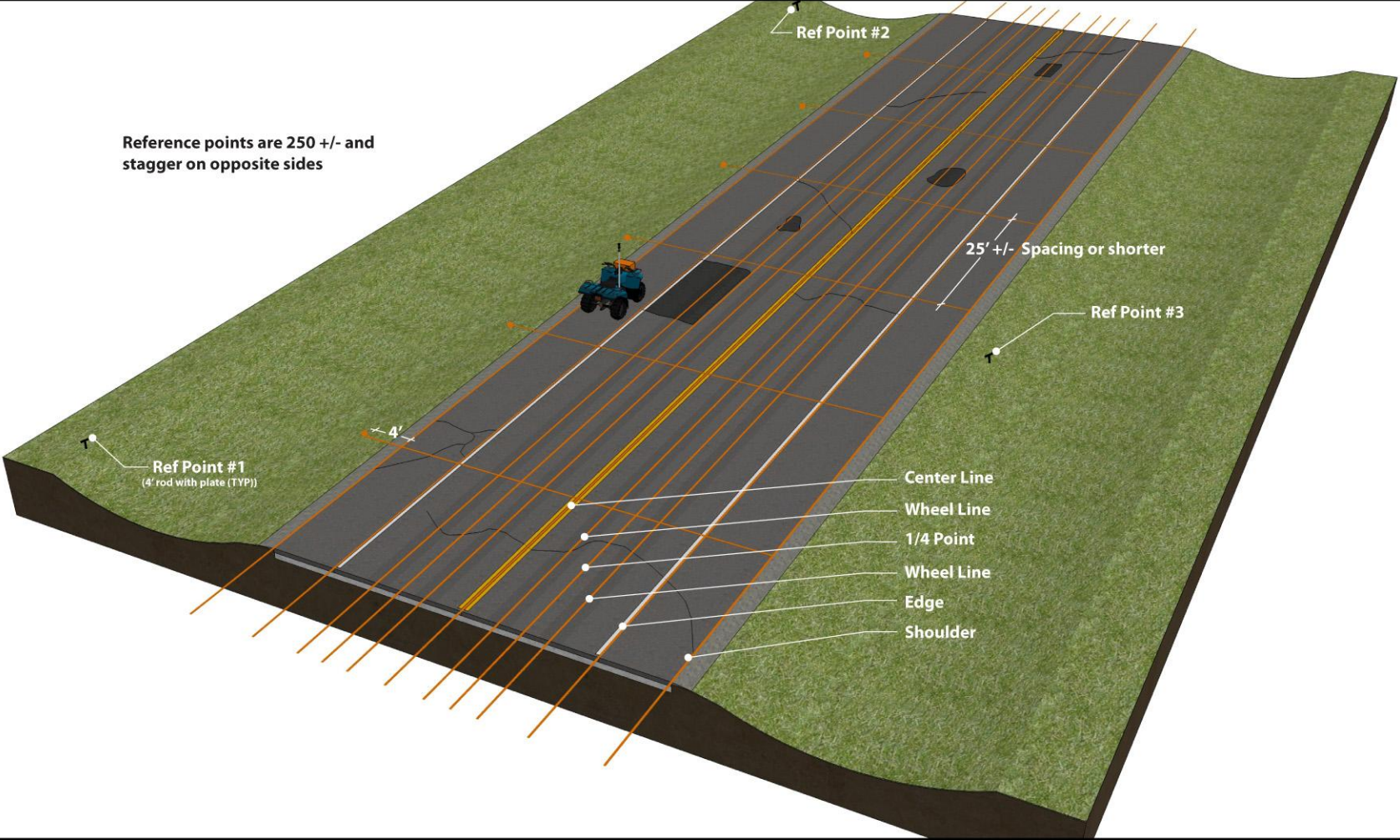


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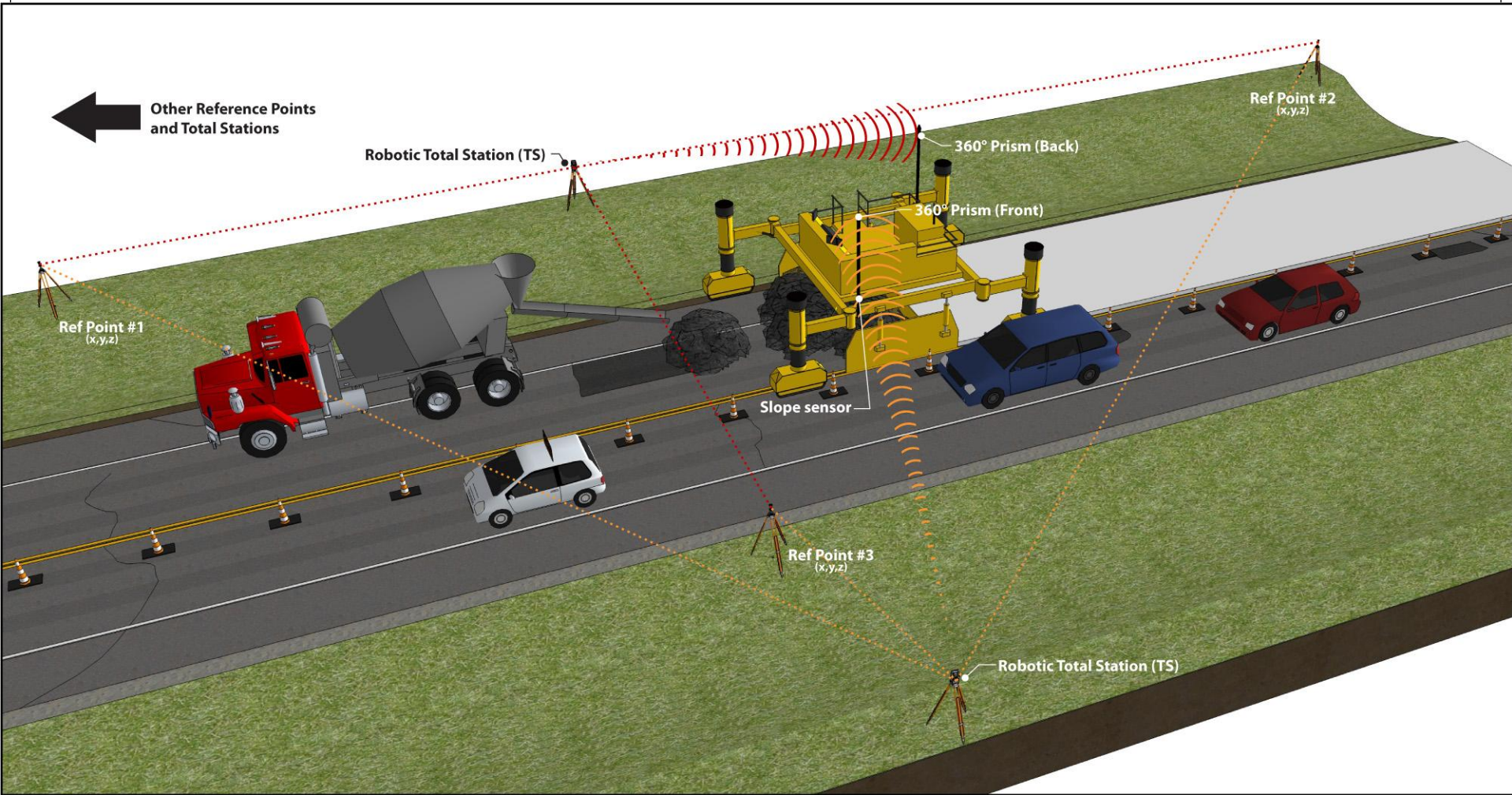
- Benefits
 - Longer striping life...
 - Potential for no joint damage from milling concrete to place striping



Stringless Paving Survey Grid



Stringless Paving



Drag Texture Direction Initiatives

2008

- Longitudinal Broom Drag and Turf Drag
Cells 13 and 14
- Transverse Broom Drag
Cell 53 MnROAD

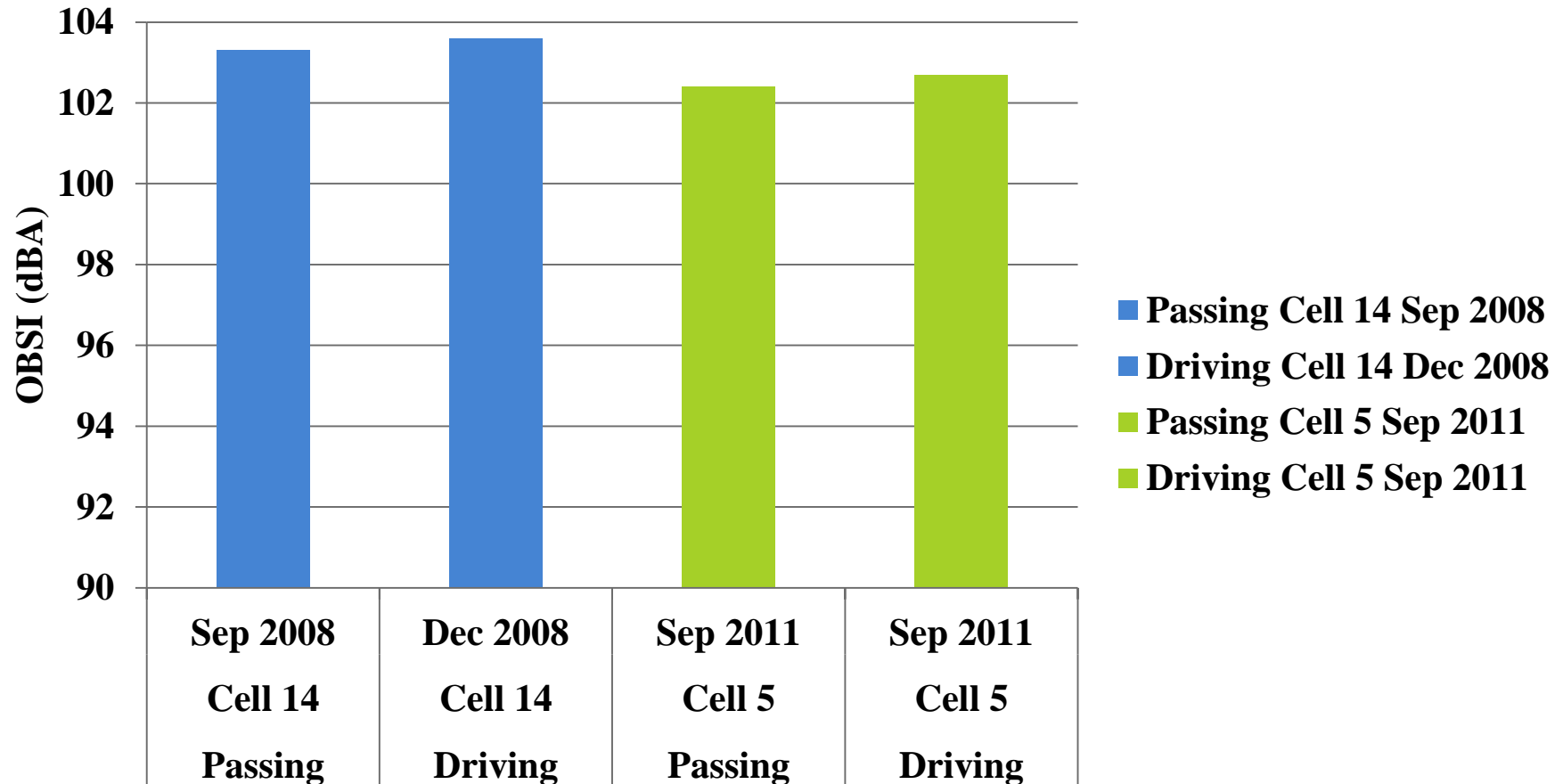
2011

- Cell 5 (East End)
Transverse Drag



TRANSVERSE VS. LONGITUDINAL DRAG

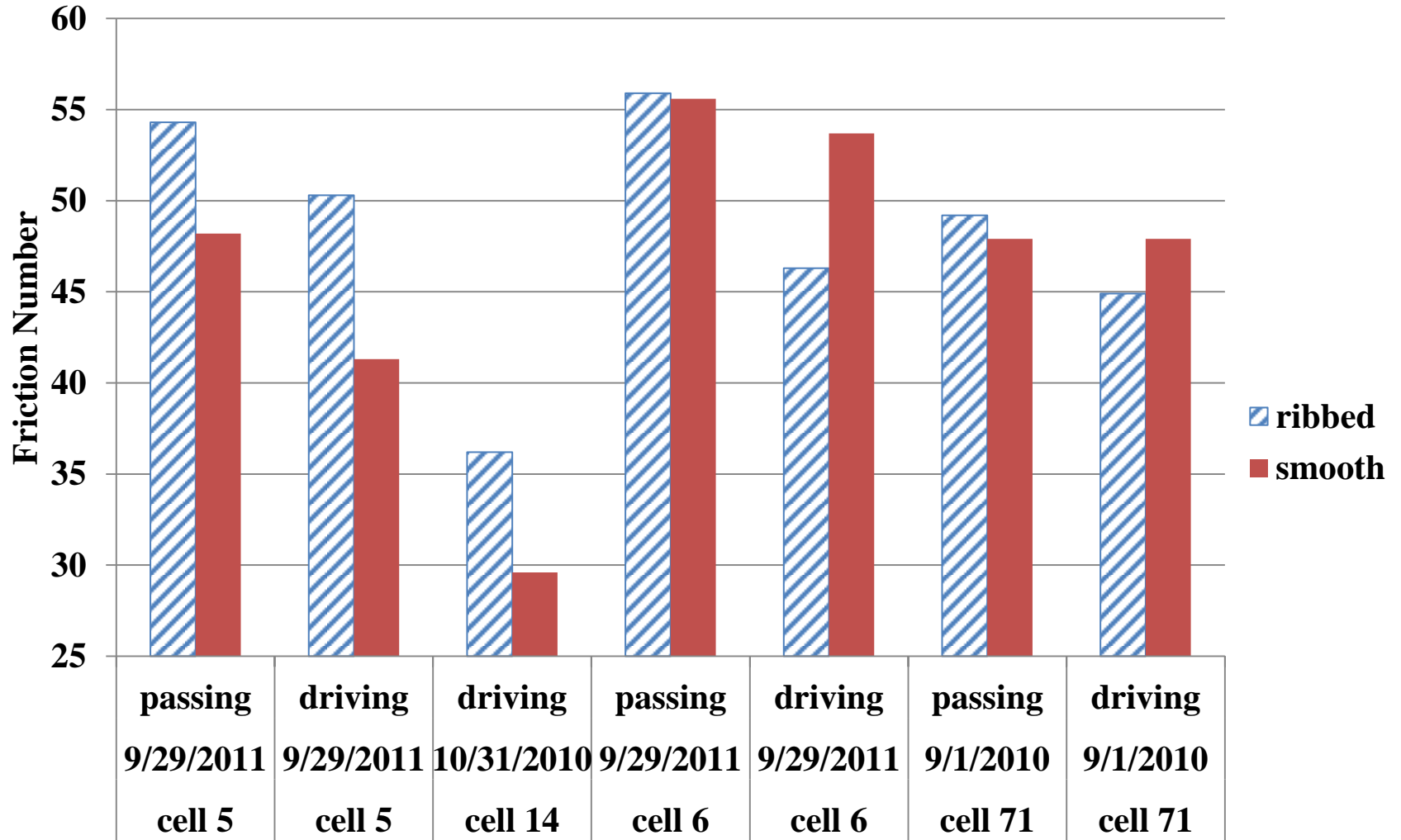
A-wtd OBSI Transverse Drag Vs Longitudinal Drag



Pop outs in cell 14 may have influenced increased OBSI

TRANSVERSE VS LONGITUDINAL TURF, UDG VS LONGITUDINAL TINE

Compare Friction: Cell 5 (Transverse) to 14 (longitudinal)



BEFORE AND AFTER INNOVATIVE GRINDING IN ST CLOUD 2009 & DULUTH 2010

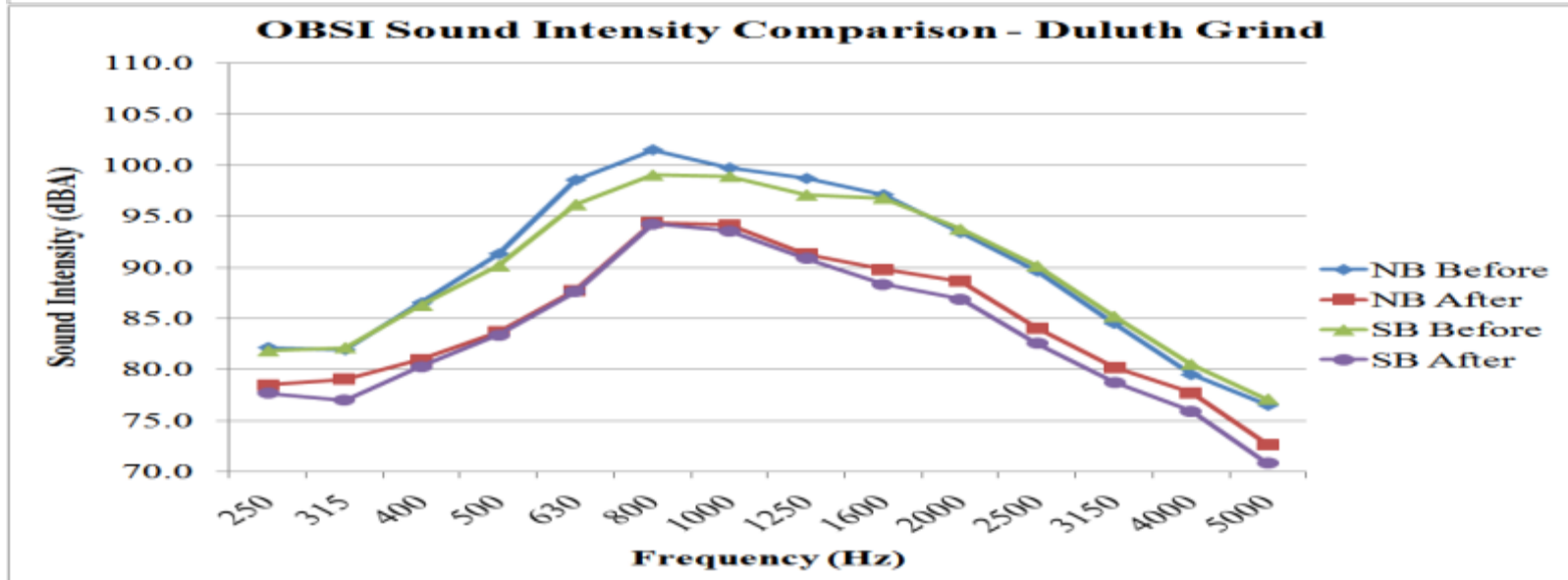
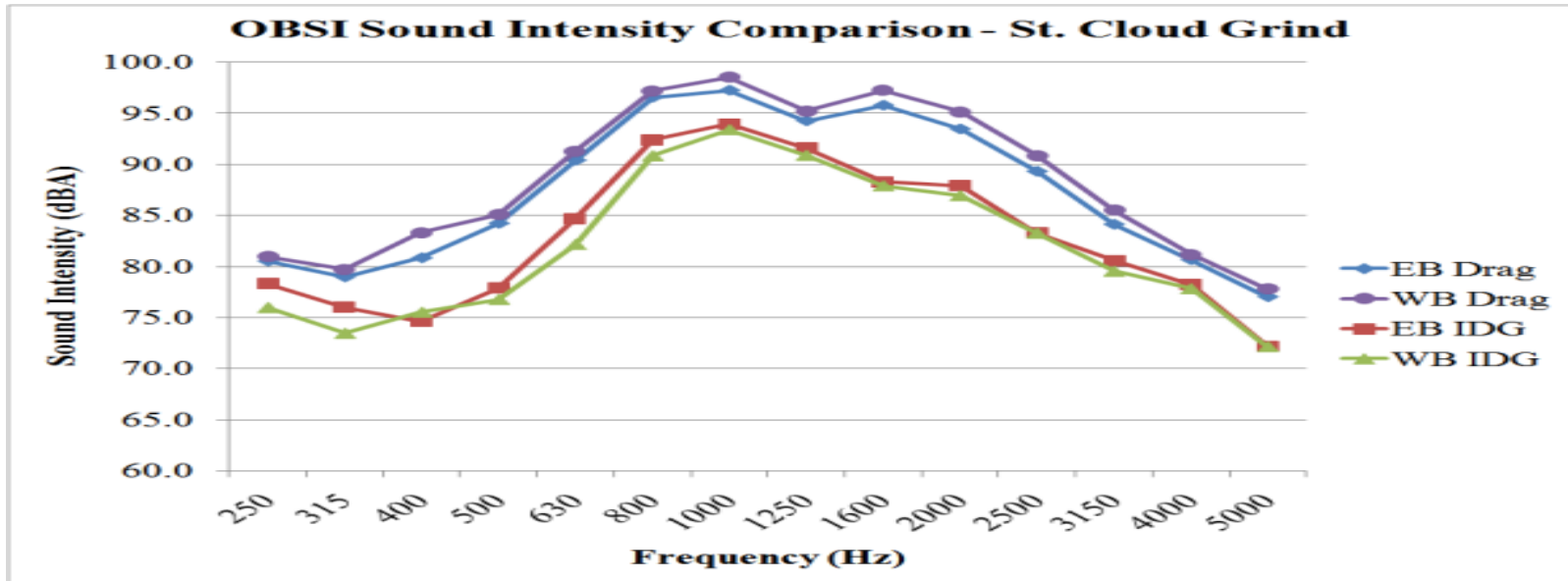


**2010 DULUTH INNOVATIVE GRIND
/ MnROAD CELL 71 QUIET PAVEMENT**



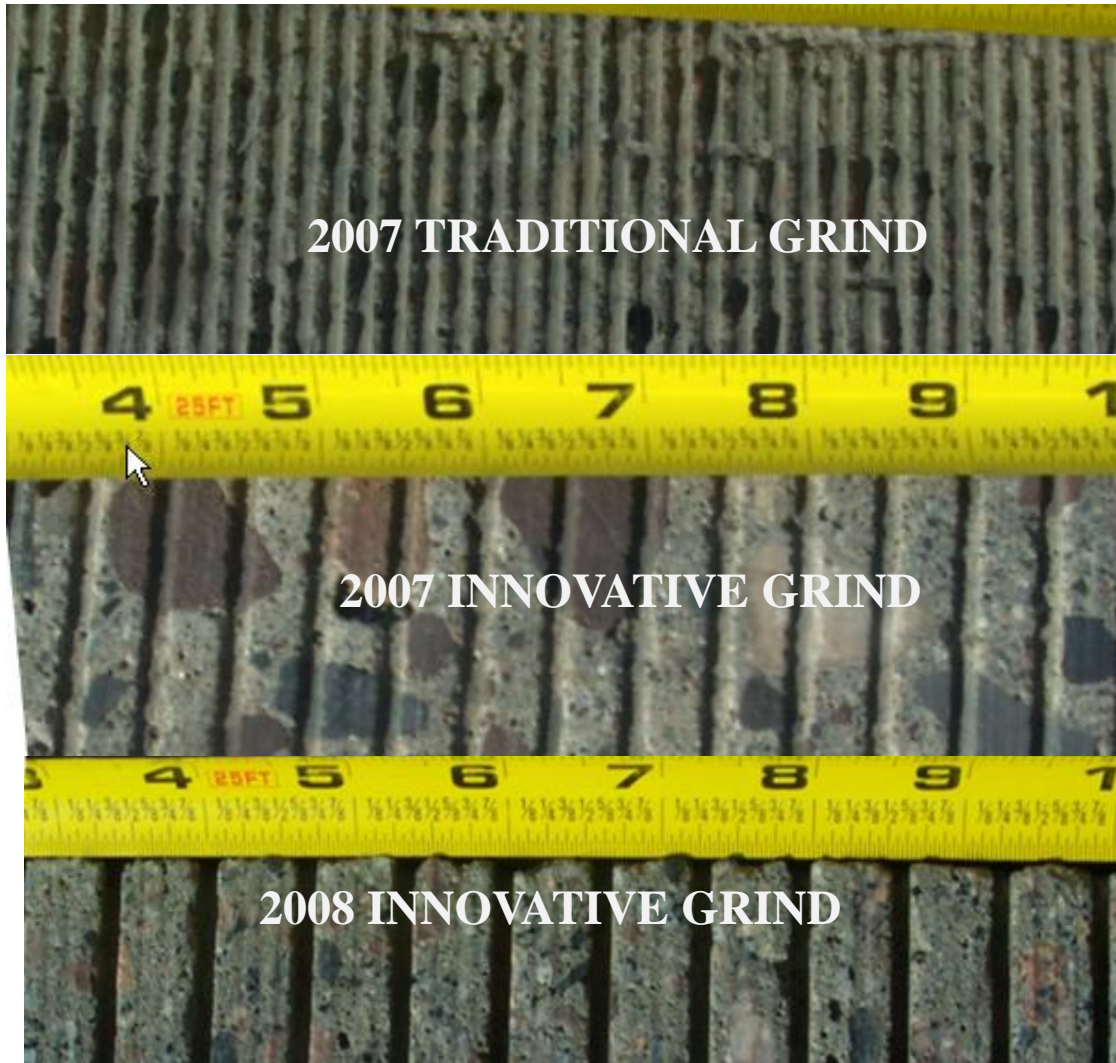
PREVIOUS (TRANSVERSE TINE)

ACOUSTIC IMPROVEMENT: St. Cloud & Duluth Project Texture Designs

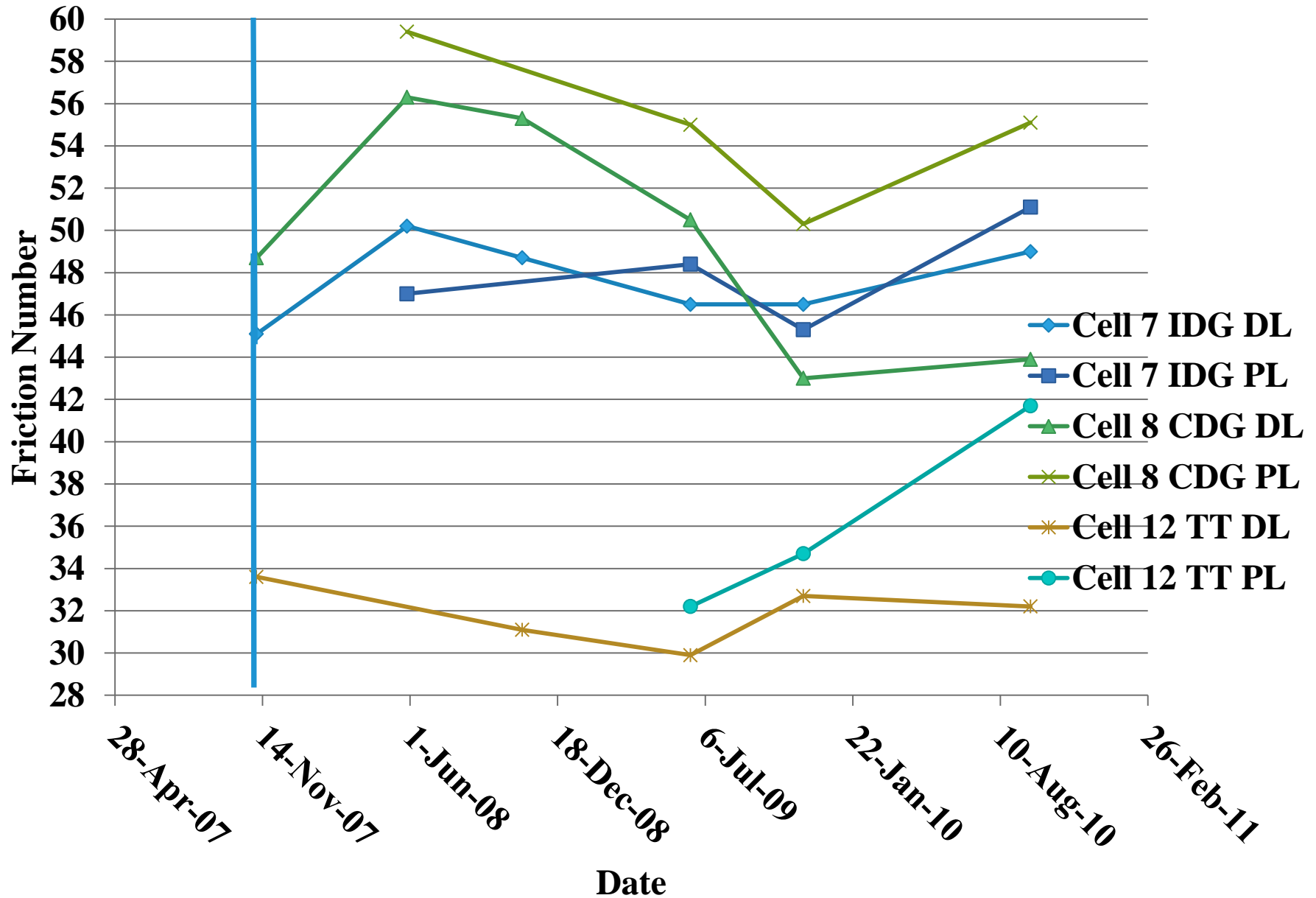


Acoustic improvement occurred in all 3rd Octave Frequencies

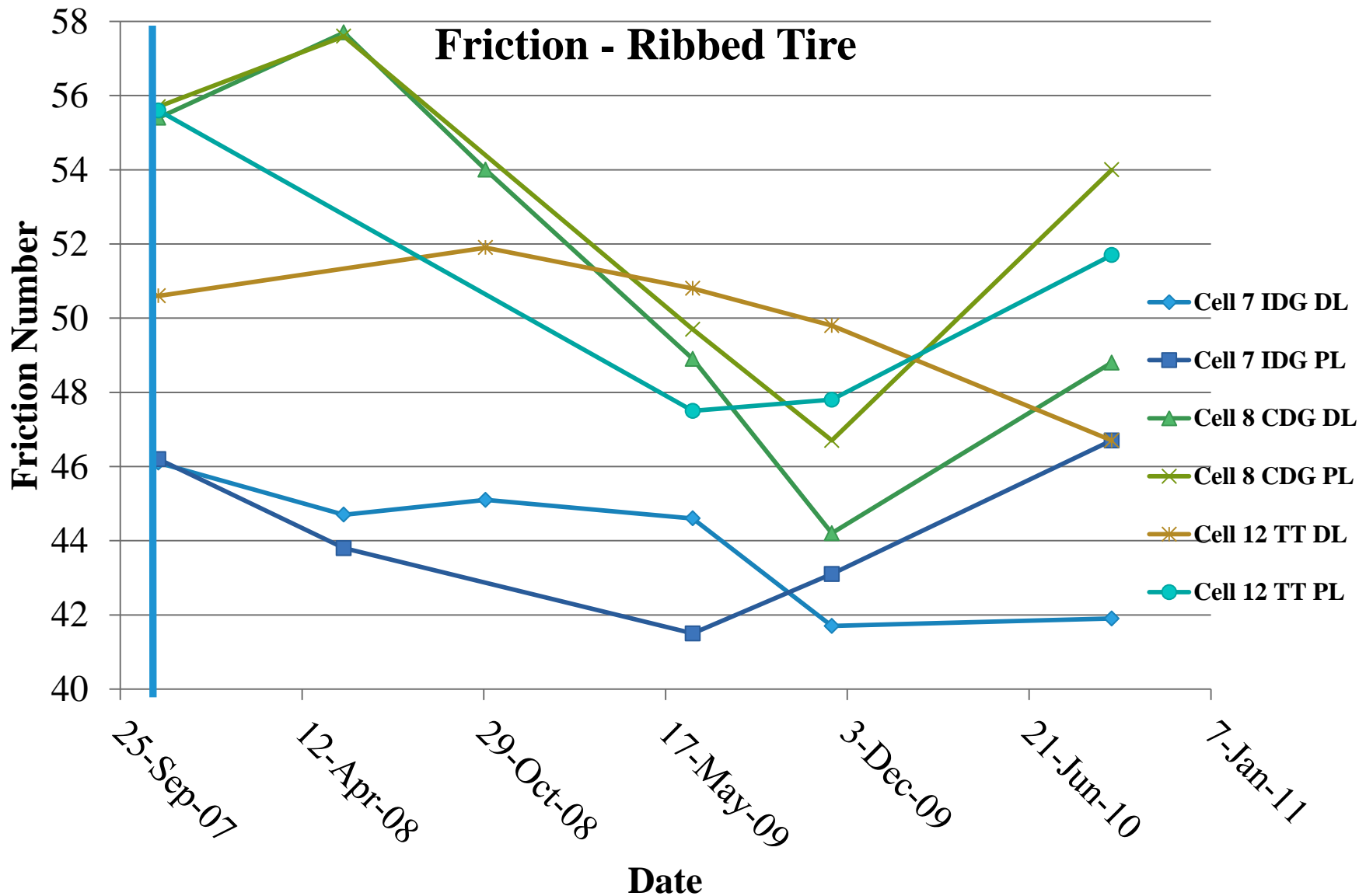
DIAMOND GRIND IMPROVEMENTS



Friction - Smooth Tire



Friction - Ribbed Tire



CONCLUSION

- Transverse Drag does not seem to produce significant acoustic difference from Longitudinal Drag. The benefits derivable from friction optimize both variables in Transverse Drag.
- Replication of Innovative diamond grind benefits with longitudinal tining still seems remote
- Each stage of the diamond grinding development process demonstrated improvement in acoustic properties steadily from concept to deployment.



Preliminary Results of the “Investigation of Benefits of the MNDOT w/cm Specification”

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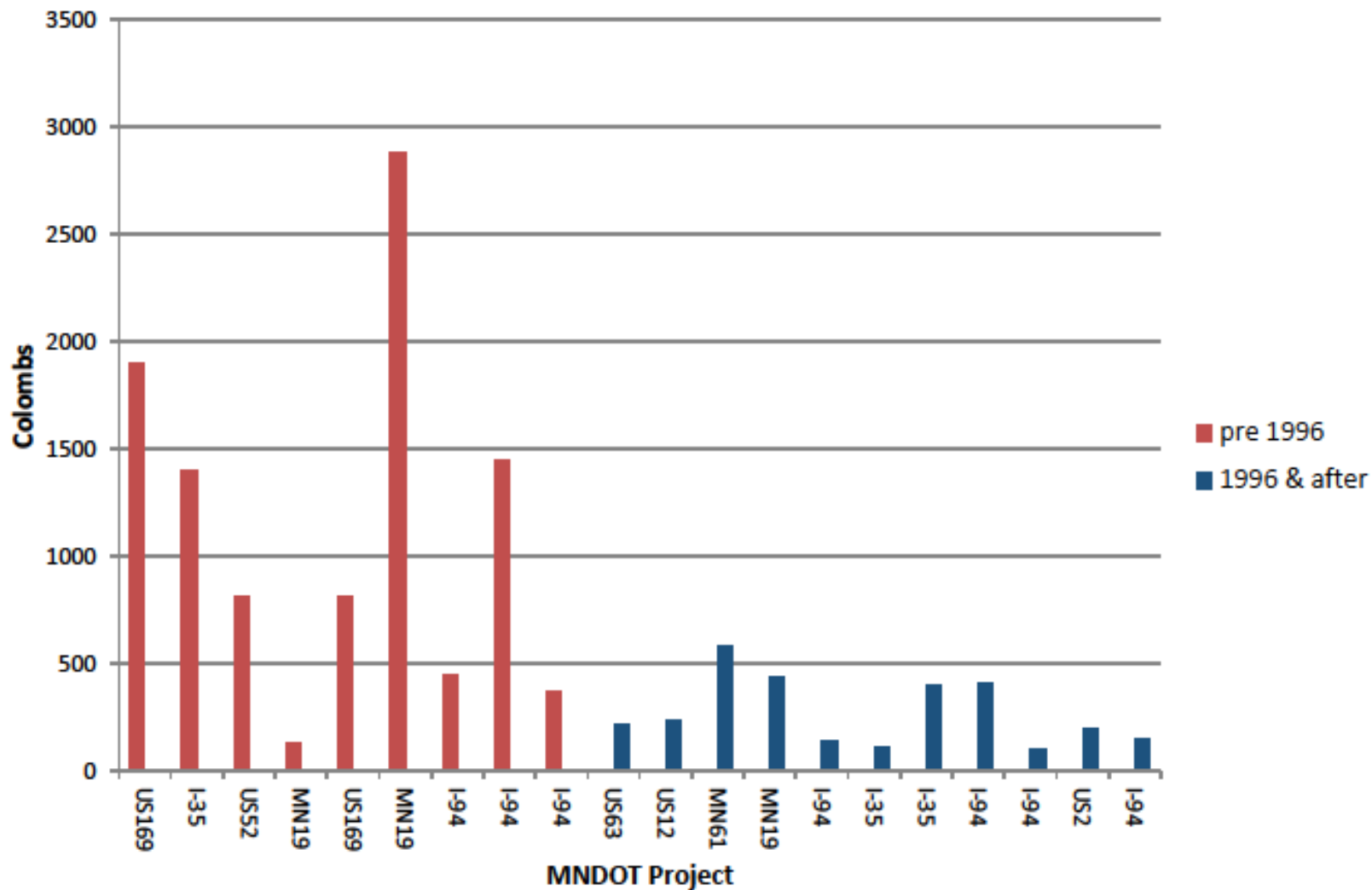
History

- **The ≤ 0.40 w/cm incentive began on the 4 largest paving projects let in the winter and spring of 1996.**
- **In 1997, all major paving projects included the w/cm incentives**
- **Reported previous w/cm's averaged 0.46-0.48 with approx 530lbs cementitious.**

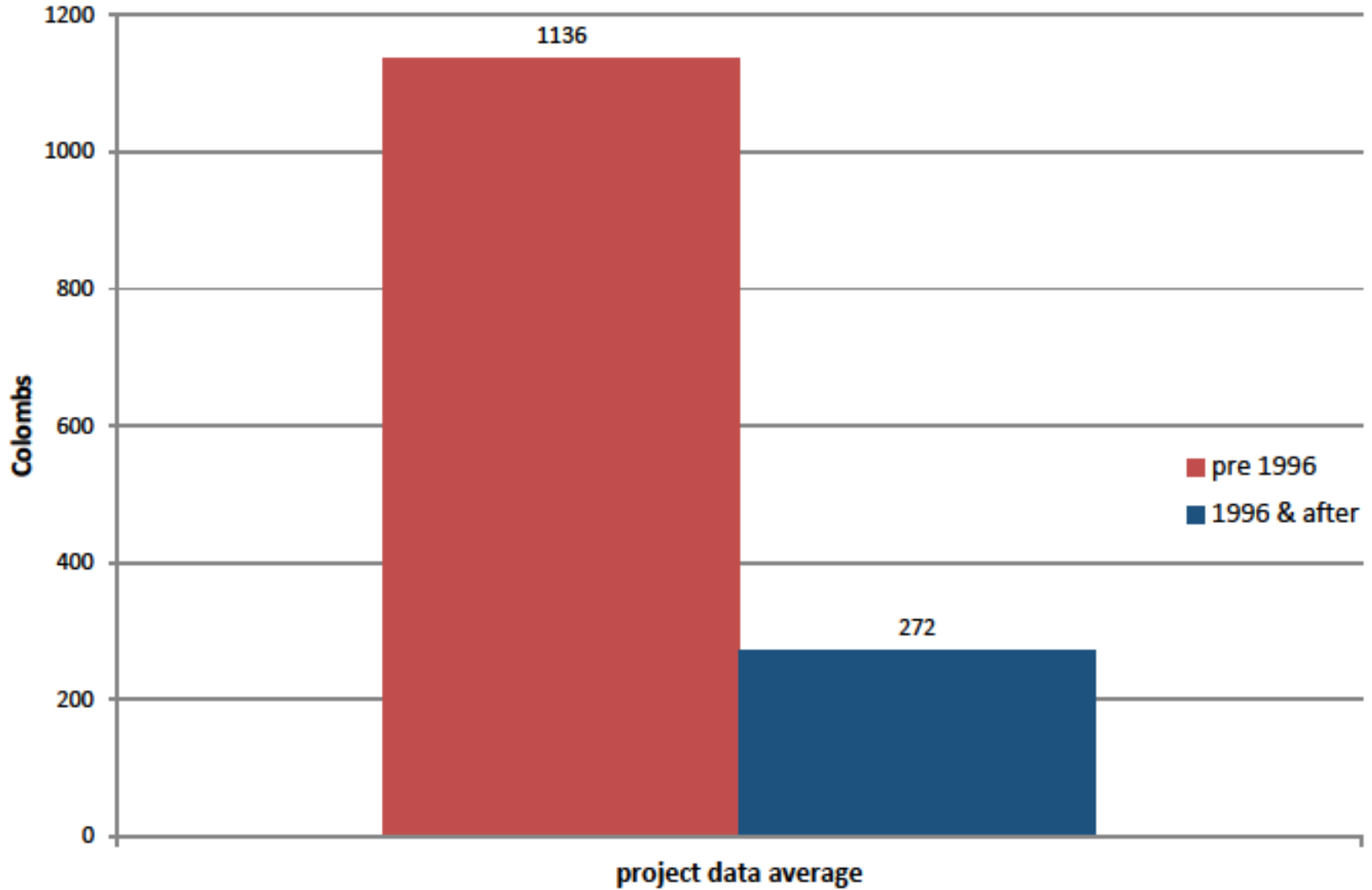
Study

- **Commissioned by MNDOT Office of Materials & Road Research**
- **“Phase 1” included select pavements from Districts 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, & 8**
- **“Phase 2” includes cores from select pavements in D4 and Metro**
- **Rapid Chloride Permeability – Mid panels**
- **Chloride Ion Penetration – Mid panels**
- **Petrography – Joints and Mid panels**

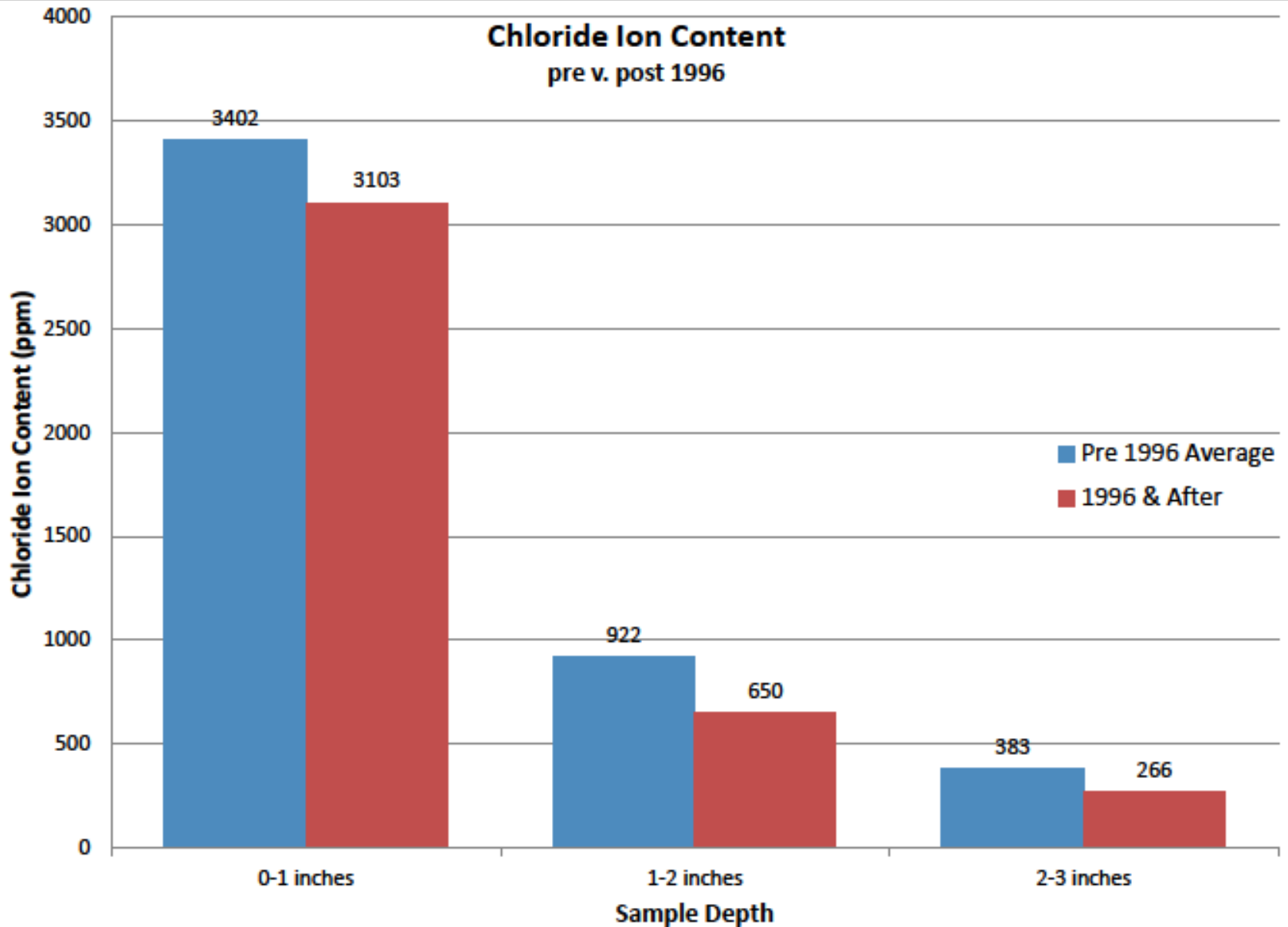
Rapid Chloride Ion Permeability pre v post 1996



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Chloride Ion Content pre v. post 1996



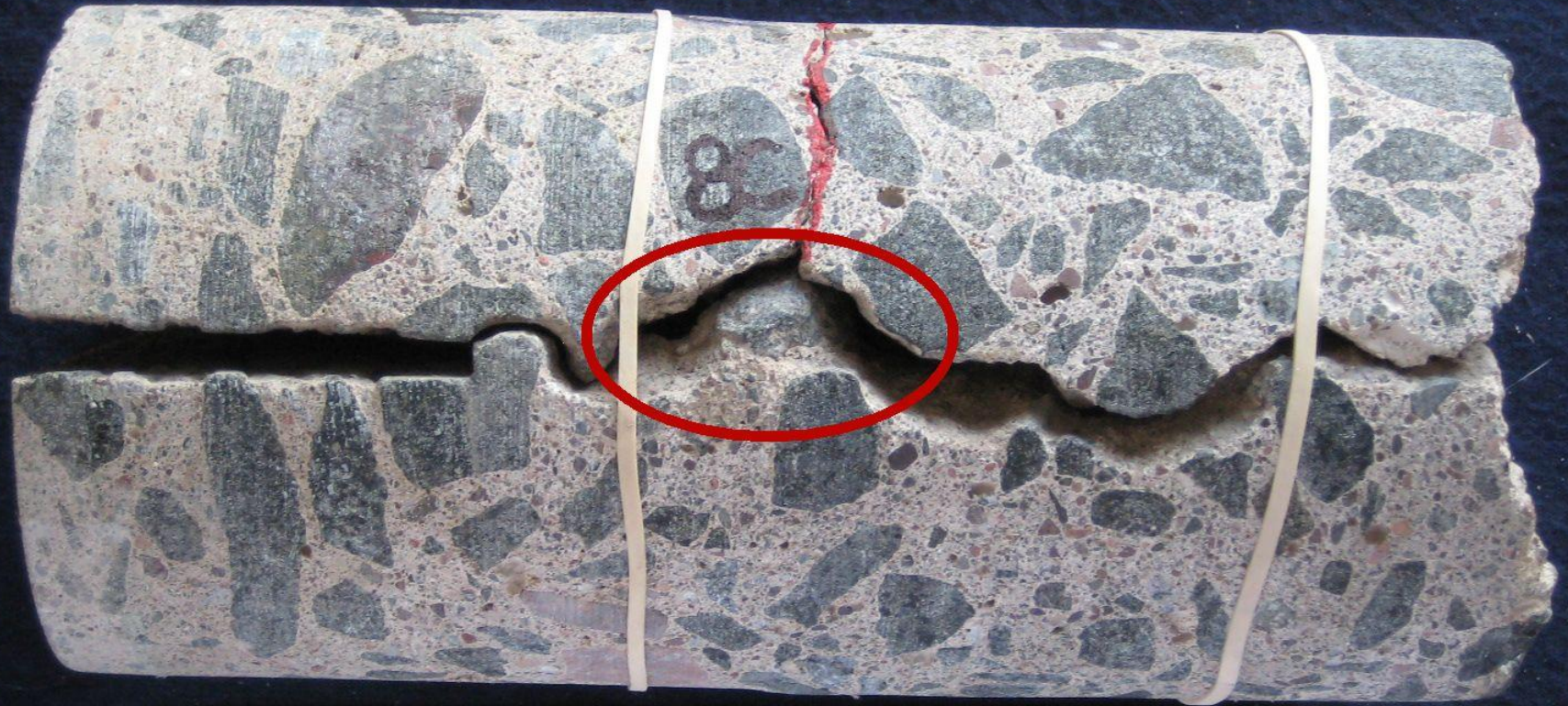
D1 3805-67 (TH61)



Un-sealed

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D1 3805-67 (TH61)



1997



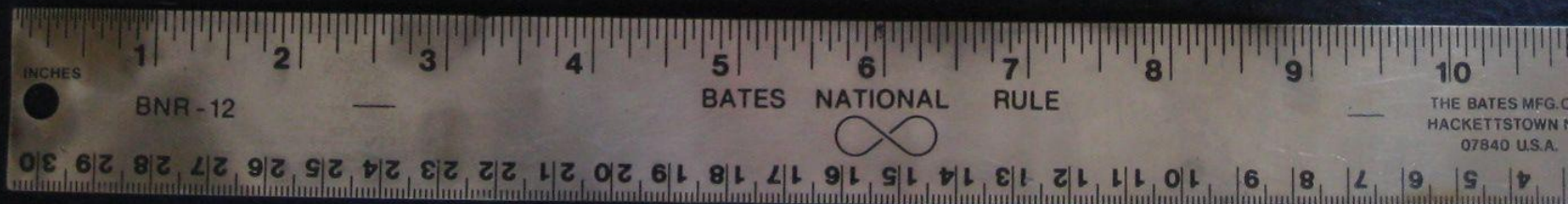
D3 7380-199



De-bonded

1999

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1997



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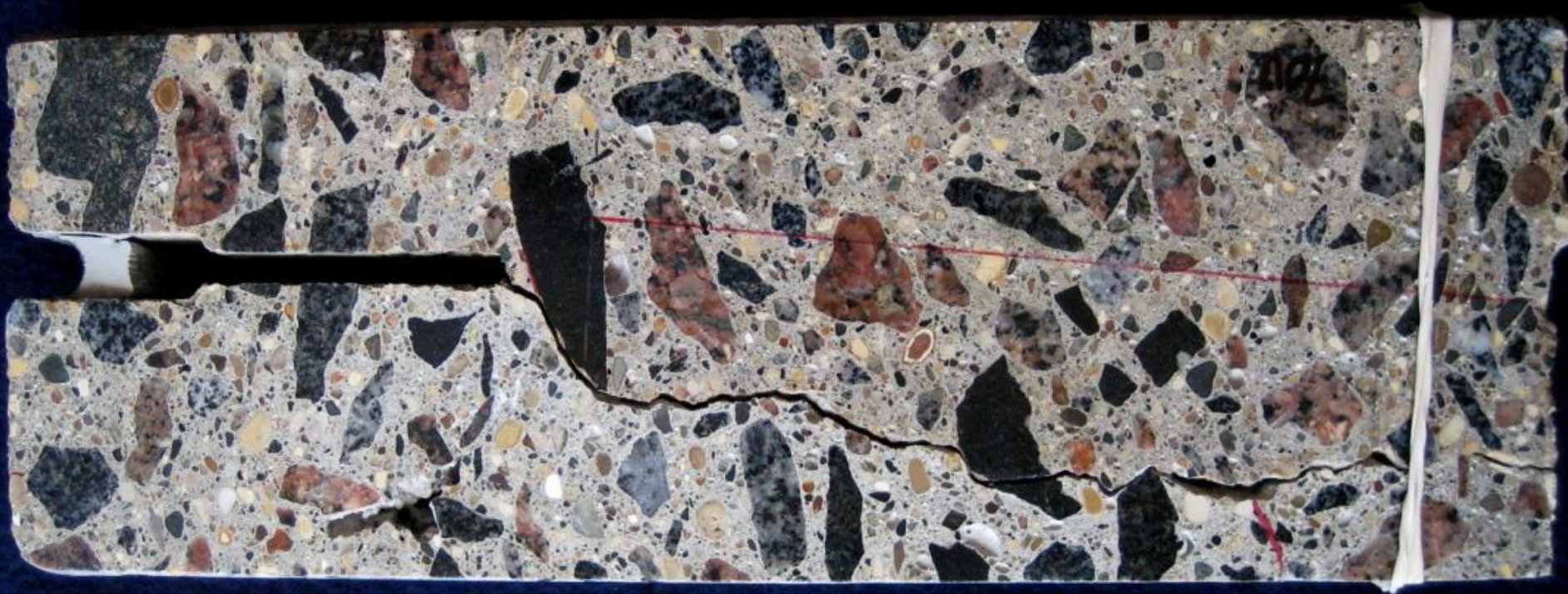
Well bonded

1999

D3 7380-199



1999



D1 0980-127



1992

D1 0980-127



1992



Initial Petrographic Conclusions

- All cores exhibited freeze-thaw resistant air void systems
- All concrete was devoid of obvious batching and placement deficiencies.
- Apart from 1992 US52 Dolostone, all aggregates were hard, sound, and durable.
- Intact Joint Sealant = No distress (certain 97, 99, 2000 projects)

Initial Petrographic Conclusions

- A 1996, 1997, and 2000 concrete exhibited “later” joint activation (<shrinkage)
- Post w/cm cores exhibit less distress and thinner zones of ettringite-filled entrained-sized air voids.

Future Work

- **Start and Finish Phase 2 (D4 and Metro) petrography. I-94 and Hwy55**
- **Research and conclude on the effects of deicer types.**
- **Further research and conclude on joint sealant use/condition vs. concrete joint condition.**

Minnesota County Experience in PCC Paving

Whitetopping, UBOL and New

CPAM Concrete Paving Workshop
March 8, 2012

Anoka – CSAH 18







Anoka - CSAH 22







McLeod - CSAH 2 (1)









McLeod - CSAH 2 (2)



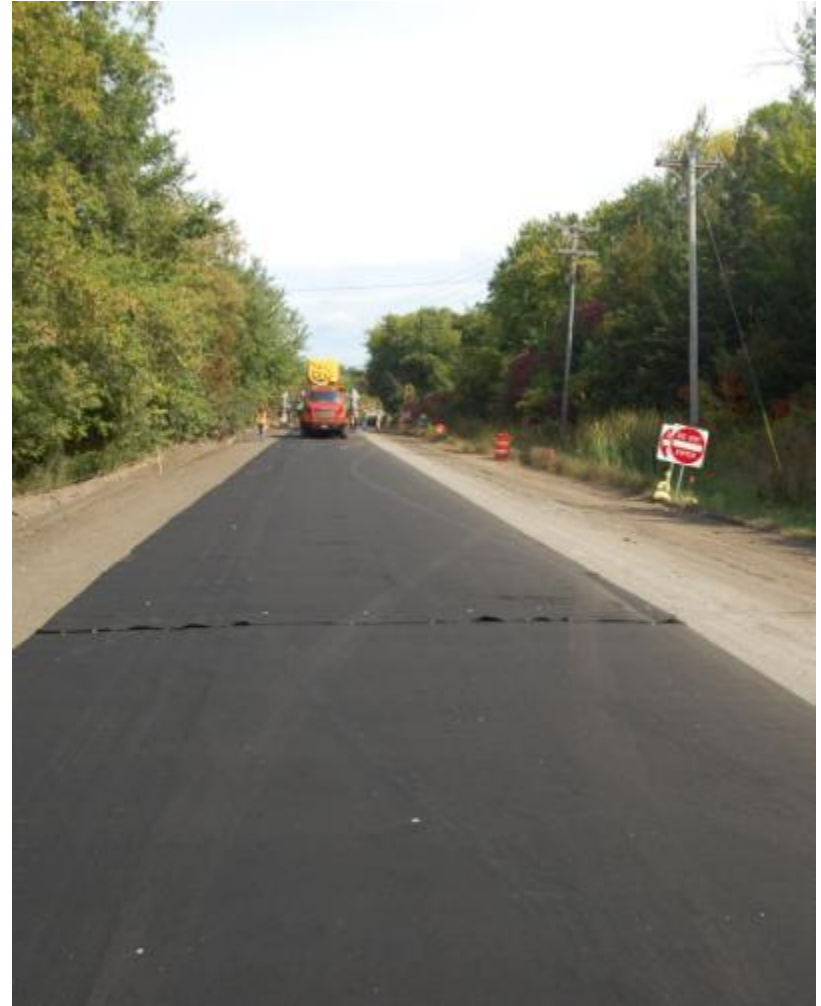


Olmsted – CSAH 10





Scott – CR 66















Questions?

