Rehabilitation Strategies for BCOA

Bonded Concrete Overlay of Asphalt Pavements Mechanistic-Empirical Design Guide (BCOA – ME)





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Rehabilitation options

Isolated distressed areas

Patching

Distressed throughout

- Mill and fill
- Unbonded overlay



PATCHING



Patching

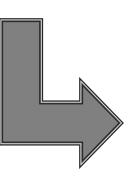
- Pre-repair coring (optional)
 - Establish depth of damaged HMA
- Mill distressed panel
- Jackhammer around outer portion of repair area to create a vertical edge
- 4. Clean debris from milled panel
- 5. Place concrete in repair area
- 6. Re-establish joints
- Seal joints
- Diamond grind



Repair



- 1. Mark areas
- 2. Mill out slab interior

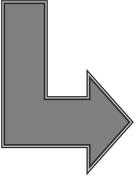


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Repair

- 3. Remove debris
- 4. Break-up perimeter zones
 - Use small jackhammers





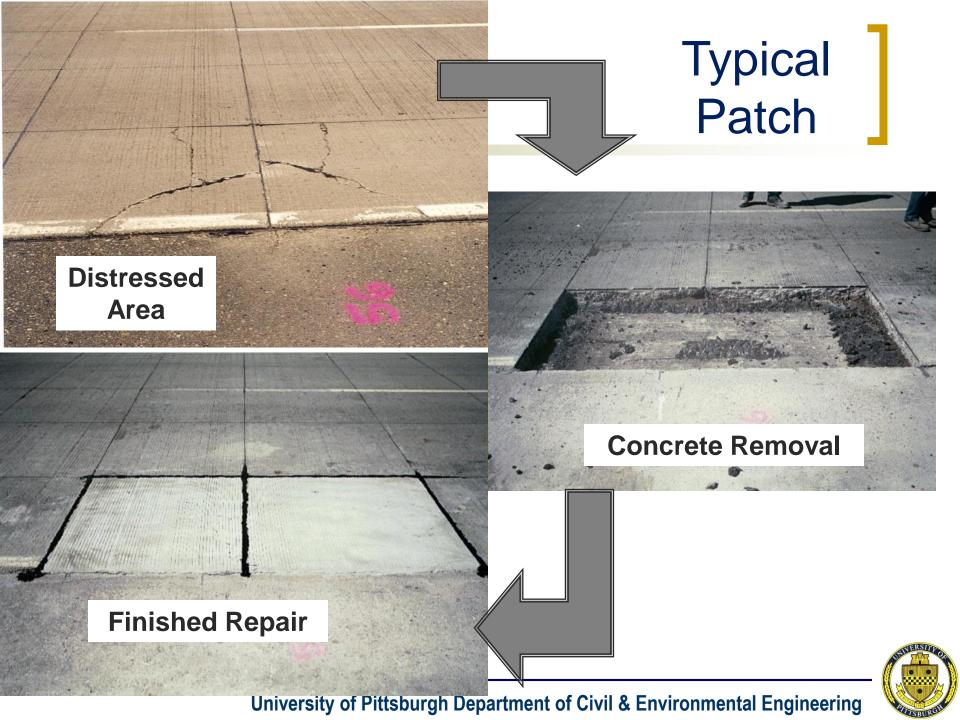


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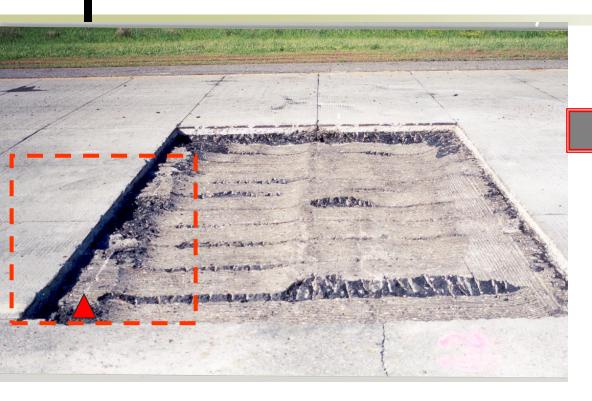
- 5. Clean
- 6. Place concrete
- 7. Finish and cure
- 8. Saw and seal joints





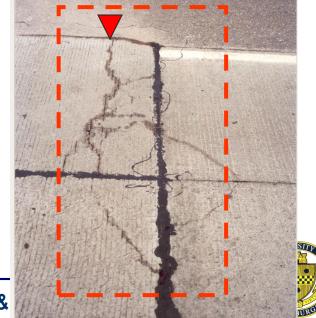


Ensure Uniform Repair Thickness



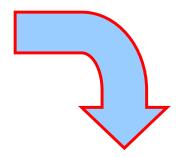
Repair Area





Ensure Uniform Repair Thickness





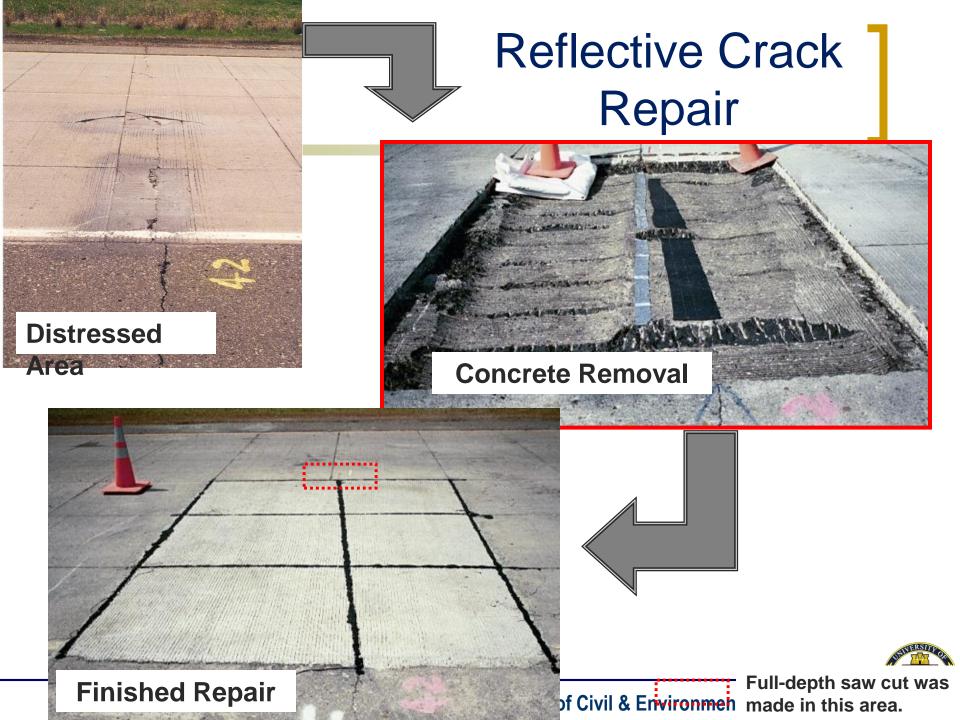


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Reflective Cracking







Helpful Repair Hints

- Core prior to repair to evaluate HMA
- Milling is a fast and efficient method for removing PCC
- Ensure a uniform thickness throughout the repair area
- When repairing a reflect. crack
 - Place debonding material over trans. crack
 - Cut joint full depth locally to prevent propagation of mismatched joints in the repair area



MILL AND FILL



Mill and Fill

- Pre-mill coring
 - Establish depth of damaged HMA
 - Establish depths of lifts within the HMA
- Mill
- 3. Sweep or use compressed air to clean surface
- Mist surface just prior to paving
 - Lowers surface temp.
 - Prevents absorption of water from the PCC mixture
- 5. Saw and seal joints



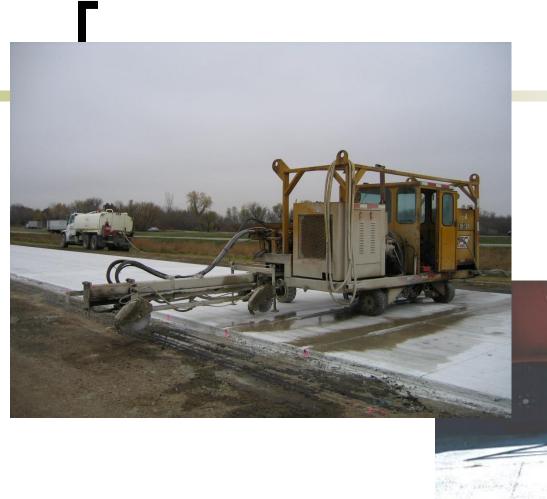


- 1. Mill the surface
- Clean surface (sweep or compressed air
- 3. Pave



Note: No need for forms.





4. Saw and seal joints



UNBONDED OVERLAY



Unbonded overlay

- Sweep surface
- Place debonding interlayer
 - a. HMA
 - b. Fabric
- Mist surface just prior to paving
 - Lowers surface temp.
 - Prevents absorption of water from the PCC mixture
- Pave overlay
- 5. Saw and seal joints



Unbonded overlay





1. Place the debonding interlayer



Unbonded overlay



- 1. Mist interlayer prior to paving
- 2. Paving over the interalyer

