FHWA Pavement Performance Program

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Source: Chris Wagner (FHWA)
2018 FHWA Pavement Performance Program

- Mixture Design
- Structural Design

- Performance Engineering
- Performance Measurement
- Performance Decision Making

- Pavement Data
  - Collection
  - Analysis
  - Quality

- Materials Acceptance
- Asset Management
- Preservation (When/Where)
- Sustainability / LCA
Performance Engineering

Pavement Design

- TPF 5(305) – AASHTO Pavement ME National Users Group Meeting
  - Nashville, TN November 7-8, 2018
  - “The place to be for all things ME” – 35 agencies participating
  - 2016 and 2017 Annual Report
    - https://www.pooledfund.org/Details/Study/549


- Practitioners Guide for ME Design (2019)

- FHWA Research Flex Pave ME design
  - Asphalt ME analysis
  - Links to Performance Related Specs
  - Based on Visco Elastic Continuum Damage
  - October 2020 completion
Pavement ME Design Implementation (Post-2017 Mtg)

Asphalt Pavements and/or Overlays
Performance Engineered Mixture Design

FOR ASPHALT
Performance Engineering

+5 yrs

Link to Performance Modeling (PRS)

1-5 years

Performance Engineered Mixture Design

Present

Volumetrics (ACC) / Strength and Slump (PCC)
Mixture Design

Prevalent current practice:

Volumetrics Phase Diagram

Source FHWA
PEMD Goal

- Increased durability and performance of asphalt and concrete pavements
- Incorporate performance test(s) that address prevalent failure
  - Mix design, production, and ultimately acceptance
- Evaluate performance test(s)
  - Project NCHRP 20-07/Task 406 “Development of a Framework for Balanced Mix Design” – Example of test evaluation process
  - Recycled products in the asphalt mixture are of key importance
  - Consider test(s) that can also be used in pavement design modeling and PRS
**Hamburg Wheel Tracking**

**Empirical/Index**
- Hamburg
- APA
- Texas Overlay
  - Marshal Stability
  - Hveem Stability

**Fundamental/Performance Model**
- Cyclic Fatigue (small specimen)
  - Illinois iFit
  - SCB
  - IDEAL CT

**FHWA PRS System Inputs**
- Bending Beam Fatigue
- Cyclic Fatigue
- Dynamic Modulus
- Stress Sweep
- Disk Shaped Compact Tension
- Flow Number

Source FHWA
AMPT Testing Standards (AASHTO)

Small Scale Specimens

- TP xx (2019) *Preparation of Small Cylindrical Performance Test Specimens Using the SGC and Field Cores*
- TP xx (2019) *Test for Determining the Dynamic Modulus for Asphalt Mixtures Using Small Specimens in the AMPT*
- TP xx (2019) *Test for Determining the Damage Characteristic Curve and Failure Criterion Using Small Specimens in the AMPT Cyclic Fatigue Test*
- TP xx (2019) *Test for Stress Sweep Rutting (SSR) Test Using the AMPT*
- *Thermal Cracking test in development*

Source: Chris Wagner
Test Development/Evaluation Process

1. Develop draft test method and prototype equipment
2. Evaluate sensitivity to materials and relationship to other lab properties
3. Establish preliminary field performance relationship
4. Conduct ruggedness experiment to refine its critical aspects
5. Develop commercial equipment specification and pooled fund purchasing
6. Conduct round-robin testing to establish precision and bias information
7. Conduct robust validation of the test to set criteria for specifications
8. Conduct training
9. Implement into engineering practice

Source: NCHRP Project 20-07/Task 406
Performance Engineering

Mixture Design

Asphalt PEMD
- FHWA Mobile Asphalt Trailer
- TFHRC Performance Test Rodeo
  - Dave Mensching
- FHWA Asphalt Expert Task Group
  - (December 11th, 2018: Bellevue, WA)
  - Richard Duval

Concrete
- FHWA Mobile Concrete Trailer
- PEM Pooled fund TPF-5(368)
  - Mike Praul, Ahmad Ardani
- AASHTO PP 84

Source: FHWA
Performance Measurement

- Pavement Data
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Performance Measurement

TPF-5(299) Improving the Quality of Pavement Surface Distress and Transverse Profile Data Collection and Analysis – Outline

- Rutting, Cracking, Faulting standardization

![Kansas Collection Vehicle: Source FHWA](image_url)

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2D image with pixel data matrix source Oklahoma State Univ.
Summary of Projects

- TPF 5(299)
  - Development of **Standard Data Format** (2D/3D) Pavement Image Data
  - **Calibration, Certification, and Verification** of Rutting Measurements
  - Developing Guidelines for Cracking Assessment for **Use in Vendor Selection Process** for Pavement Crack Data Collection/Analysis Systems and/or Services
  - Jointed Concrete **Pavement Faulting Collection** and Analysis Standards
  - Guidance for **Quality Management of Pavement Surface Condition** Data Collection and Analysis
  - Managed by **Andy Mergenmeier**

- NCHRP
  - Determining Pavement Deformation Parameters and **Cross-Slope from Collected Transverse Profiles**
  - Measuring the Characteristics of Pavement Surface Images and Developing Standard Practices for **Calibration, Certification, and Verification of Imaging Systems**
  - **Standard Definitions for Comparable Pavement Cracking Data**
TPF 5(299) Participation

21 state DOT agencies & FHWA providing funds

Chairman: Kevin McGhee, VTRC

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Pooled Fund Study SharePoint site:
  ◦ https://collaboration.fhwa.dot.gov/default.aspx

New Continuation Project:
http://www.pooledfund.org/Details/Solicitation/1471
Performance Reporting

- Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act effective May 20, 2017
- January 2018 - State DOTs collect data for Interstate pavements that conform to the final rule (IRI, Rutting, Cracking %, Faulting, and Inventory)
- October 2018 – Baseline report and report 4 year targets for Interstate

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Guidelines for Development and Approval of State Data Quality Management Programs (DQMP)

- Data collection equipment calibration and certification
- Certification process for persons performing manual data collection
- Data quality control measures to be conducted before data collection begins and periodically during the data collection program
- Data sampling, review and checking processes
- Error resolution procedures and data acceptance criteria
Performance Reporting Activities

- States Data Quality Management Plan Reviews
  - 15 States reviewed

- DQMP Peer Exchanges
  - Five regional meetings

- NHI-138009 – TPM for Pavements
  - GA, IN, MN, NJ, SD, SC, MT, WA, IL
Asset Management Plans

- **April 30, 2018**, the State DOT must submit to FHWA a State-approved initial TAMP
- **June 30, 2019** current “fully compliant” TAMP
- FHWA Division Office review/decision on **August 31st, 2019**
- **FHWA POC**: Division Office

https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/asset/
Resources

- FHWA Pavement Management & Performance
  - https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/pavement/mana.cfm

- Guidelines for Development and Approval of State DQMP

- FHWA Asset Management
  - https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/asset/

- Transportation Performance Management
  - https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tpm/
A Coordinated Approach to Implementation

FHWA

Industry

Performance Engineered Design, Measurement, and Acceptance

Agencies

Academia