# PAPA Regional Technical Meeting

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### Agenda

- 1. 2023 Asphalt Mix Testing Results
- 2. 2023 Longitudinal Joint Density Performance
- 3. 2024 Planned Construction Projects
- 4. 2024 District Rehabilitation Projects
- 5. 2024 Maintenance Asphalt Tons
- 6. District Use of 9.5 mm, 19.0 mm & 25.0 mm High RAP Mixes for LVR
- 7. District eTicketing Status
- 8. District 6.3 mm & SMA Projects
- District RAP Mix Percentages
- 10. District BMD HWTT/IDEAL-CT Implementation
- 11. District Innovations & Best Practices
- 12. 2023 District Issues Problems
- 13. 2024 District Changes Direction



## 2023 Asphalt Mix Testing

## **Testing:**

- 125 Lots Mixture
   Acceptance by box sample
- 131 Lots Density
   Acceptance by
   pavement cores

### **Retests Requested:**

- # Requested 4
- Retest Results -
  - # passed 2
  - # failed **2**



## 2023 Asphalt Mix Testing

### **Pay Factors:**

- AC Content
  - >100.00%: **92**
  - **–** 100.00%: **5**
  - <100.00%: **20**
- Gradation: No. 200
   Sieve
  - >100.00%: **109**
  - 100.00%: **3**
  - **<100.00%: 5**

### **Pay Factors:**

- Gradation: PCS
  - >100.00%: **90**
  - 100.00%: **1**
  - <100.00%: **23**
- Density
  - >100.00%: **97**
  - 100.00%: **16**
  - <100.00%: **18**



# 2023 Asphalt Mix Testing

#### **Testing:**

- 125 Lots- Mixture Acceptance by box sample
- 131 Lots Density Acceptance by pavement core

#### Failure:

- 2 AC Content failures
- 0 Gradation failures
  - # 200 Sieve n/a
  - # Primary Control Sieve n/a
- 0 Density failures

#### Retests Requested:

- # Requested 4
- Retest Results -
  - # passed 2
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# Performance

	Longitudinal Joint Density Summary								
Year	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018			
Lots Tested	43	25	24	12	39	48			
% Density Range	83.2- 98.7	88.8- 98.0	85.1- 98.2	88.4- 97.4	86.7- 99.0	84.4- 97.2			
% Average Density	93.6	94.3	94.5	93.5	93.0	93.3			
Incentive Lots									
Zero Lots									
Disincentive Lots									
Total \$ for Incentive Lots	264,375	154,000	147,750	61,868	180,250	184,000			
Total \$ for Disincentive Lots	О	0	-15,318	0	-1,200	-8,200			
Delta (Incentive - Disincentive)	264,375	154,000	132,432	61,868	179,050	175,800			

REF: Section 405 Evaluation of Bituminous Pavement Longitudinal Joint Density and Payment of Incentive/Disincentive



## Performance

- Longitudinal Joint Type
  - Which joint type is being utilized most?
    - Tapered (Wedge)
    - We suspect we may get better, or at least equal density with Vertical, however leaving the edge in place over night can potentially cause issues.
  - Are you having any longitudinal joint issues?
    - No issues are being experienced. Avg Jt. Density for the last 25 samples is 92.7%
  - We did a J-Band Pilot on SR906/B10 in 2021. Pilot field views are almost completed. We have not opted to use VRAM on any other projects to date but aren't ruling it out.

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# 2024 Planned Construction Projects

- List Projects With > 1000 tons of Asphalt Paving
  - ECMS#108479, Let Date 4/11/24, SR 19, Washington County, 29,810 Tons
  - ECMS#108641, Let Date 3/8/24, SR1020, Fayette County, 38,935 Tons
  - ECMS#108817, Let Date 4/18/24, SR 4041, Westmoreland County, 48,170 Tons



# 2024 Planned Construction Projects

- List Projects With > 1000 tons of Asphalt Paving
  - ECMS#111238, Let Date 3/14/24, SR 19, Greene County, 12,770 Tons
  - ECMS#116178, Let Date 4/11/24, SR 88, Washington County, 11,240 Tons
  - ECMS#116237, Let Date 2/29/24, SR 188, Greene County, 1,300 Tons



# 2024 Planned Construction Projects

- List Projects With > 1000 tons of Asphalt Paving
  - ECMS#116293, Let Date 7/25/24, SR 70, Westmoreland County, 14,140 Tons
  - ECMS#116490, Let Date 5/9/24, SR 79, Washington County, 40,000 Tons
  - ECMS#118003, Let Date 5/9/24, SR 21, Greene County,
     2,400 Tons



## District Rehabilitation Projects

- Have you bid and/or completed any crack & seat break & seat projects with asphalt structural overlay in the past few years?
  - Bid and completed SR366/20R (ECMS#98449) in 2015. Crack & Seat existing 9" Reinforced Concrete Pavement built in 1972. overlaid with Superpave PG64-22 in one direction and crumb rubber in the other direction.
  - None programmed for 2024 or 2025 to date.



## 2024 Maintenance Asphalt Tons (Estimated)

County	9.5 mm	9.5 mm LVR	12.5 mm	19.0 mm	19.0 mm LVR	25.0 mm	25.0 mm LVR
Fayette Co - 1210	500 tons			6,000 tons		300 tons	
Greene Co - 1220	500 tons			50 tons		50 tons	
Washington Co - 1240	1,000 tons			5,000 tons		3,000 tons	
Westmoreland Co - 1250	5,000 tons			500 tons		500 tons	
TOTAL TONS	7,000 tons			11,550 tons		3,850 tons	

LVR = Low Volume Roads



## District eTicketing Status

- Please discuss your experience with Asphalt eTicketing Projects.
  - Easy to keep track of tickets
  - Lack of access for Contractors and Materials staff
  - Get access for Materials Unit and Contractors (current CT appears to be addressing this).
- Are contractors in your District ready to implement this October? Yes
- Contractors in D-12 will be ready to implement. One Concrete source will not be able to (not automated).

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## District 6.3 mm & SMA Projects

- List of 2024 6.3 mm Thin Lift projects
  - n/a
- List of 2024 SMA Projects
  - ECMS#116293, Let Date 7/25/24, SR 70, Westmoreland Co., 5,300 tons SMA

- Any 2024 or 2025 HiMA SMA Pilot Projects?
  - No



### District RAP Mix Percentages

- Please provide average RAP % for the following mixes:
  - Wearing 25% 442,862 total tons produced
  - Binder 20% 126,797 total tons produced
  - Base 27 % 143,673 total tons produced
  - Average RAP % of all mixes 25% 713,332 total tons
- What are the impediments to increasing RAP% in the mixes?
  - Cost of switching PG grades
  - Logistics of trucking alternate PG grades for different terminals
  - Heating capabilities of plants due to high moisture in RAP



#### District BMD HWTT/IDEAL-CT Implementation

- Please discuss District opinion of owner contractor readiness to implement BMD.
  - We will be ready to implement
- Please discuss any issues, problems, opportunities, successes, etc. you would care to share?
  - The lack of a hard spec to date makes it difficult to know what to tweak to achieve passing/desirable results.



#### District Innovations & Best Practices

- Please discuss any Innovations/Best Practices that you have piloted or recommend.
  - We are using SMA on all interstate projects



#### 2023 District Issues - Problems

- Please discuss any issues, problems, etc. that you had with asphalt paving producers or contractors.
   How did you resolve them?
  - No major issues encountered with contractors



## 2024 District Changes - Direction

- Please list discuss any District changes to policy, specifications, special provisions, etc. that are relevant to the asphalt paving industry.
  - eTicketing
  - HWTT/CT Index
  - Any staff changes since last year?
    - Rob Powell promoted to Assistant District Materials Mgr.

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- Dan Strosnider hired as TCI in Materials Unit
- Vacant TCI position Interviews March 13-14

### Audience Questions/Comments???



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