# NJ I-280 High Performance Thin Overlay

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## Thin Hot Mix Asphalt Overlays in NJ

- Thickness 1.5 inches and less
- Functional Overlays
  - Used to Restore: Ride Quality, Cross Slope, Skid Resistance, Seal the Surface, Marking Contrast, Tire Noise
  - Minimal addition to pavement structure (i.e. OGFC & AR-OGFC)

#### Structural Overlays

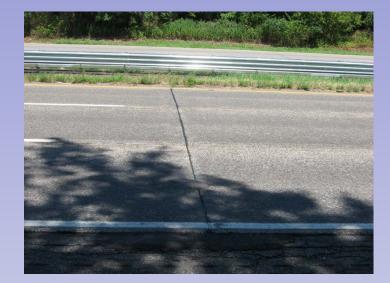
- Increased Rutting and <u>Fatigue</u> Resistance utilizing a thin lift
- Usually difficult rehabilitation situations (i.e. bridge decks, deteriorating PCC, profile restrictions)
- Associated with performance-based specification
- Achieved using high binder mixtures with polymer

### NJDOT's View on WMA

- Reduced Emissions and Fumes
  Reduced Oxidation of the Binder
- Improved Workability
- Extending Paving Season
- Compaction Aid & Improved Density

### NJ I-280 Conditions

- Deteriorated PCCP: cracks, spalls, patches
- High joint deflections
- Heavy traffic volume
- Water entering subbase/subgrade
- Rutts, Longitudinal & Transverse Faulting





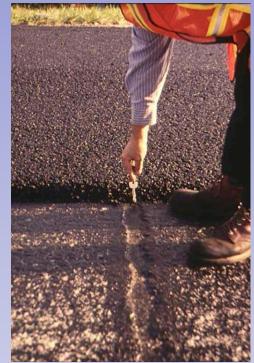
### NJ I-280 Resurfacing

- No funding for major rehabilitation (future rubblization will be limited by structures)
- Pavement Design Strategy:
  - Underseal joints with chemical grout to stabilize vertical deflections and limit water infiltration
  - Apply High Performance Thin Overlay (HPTO) as leveling course and help seal and insulate the surface
  - Asphalt Rubber OGFC (AR-OGFC) for noise reduction, (nearby resident complaints) ride and thermal blanket
  - Total thickness = 1 to 3 inches, limited by barrier curb

## NJDOT Success with Similar Overlays

Rt. 24 – Short Hills

- NJDOT MOGFC-1 placed over micro-milled PCCP
- Project was written into a funding bill "noise reducing HMA pavement"
- Heavy PG64-22 tack coat
- Transverse joints reflected within 2 years and sealed
- Placed 1999; Milled out 2009





# **NJDOT HPTO Specifications**

### High Performance Thin-Overlay (HPTO)

Job Mix Formula Requirements			
Sieve Size	<b>Percent Passing</b>		
3/8"	100		
#4	65 - 85		
#8	33 - 55		
#16	20 - 35		
#30	15 - 30		
#50	10 - 20		
#100	5 - 15		
#200	5 - 8		
Min. % Binder	7.0		

FAA > 45% (AASHTO T304) Fine aggregate of stone sand (no natural sands)

Sand Equivalency > 45% (AASHTO T176)

Field Density 2% to 7% voids (AASHTO T-166)

Volumetric Requirements for Design and Control of HPTO					
Requirem	Required Density (% of quiremMax. Sp. Gr.)		Voids in Mineral	Dust to Binder	Draindown, AASHTO
ents	Ndes (50 Gyrations)	Ndes (100 Gyrations)	Aggregate (VMA)	Ratio	T305
Design	96.5	< 99.0	> 18.0%	0.6 - 1.2	< 0.1 %
Control	95.5 - 97.5	< 99.0	> 18.0%	0.6 - 1.2	< 0.1 %

### **High Performance Thin-Overlay**

### Binder

- PG76-22 (NJDOT Spec)
- RTFO Elastic Recovery > 65% @ 25°C (AASHTO T301)
- Separation Test < 4.5°C after 4 hrs (ASTM D5976)</li>
- Performance Specification
  - Utilize the Asphalt Pavement Analyzer (AASHTO TP 63) for stability check
    - Must supply for mix design verification and control (1<sup>st</sup> Lot and every other Lot thereafter)

### **Asphalt Pavement Analyzer**





- AASHTO TP 63
- 100 lb wheel load; 100 psi hose pressure
- Tested at 64°C for 8,000 loading cycles
- Samples at 5 +/- 0.5% air voids
- APA Rutting < 4 mm to PASS

### So Why WMA for the Thin Lift?

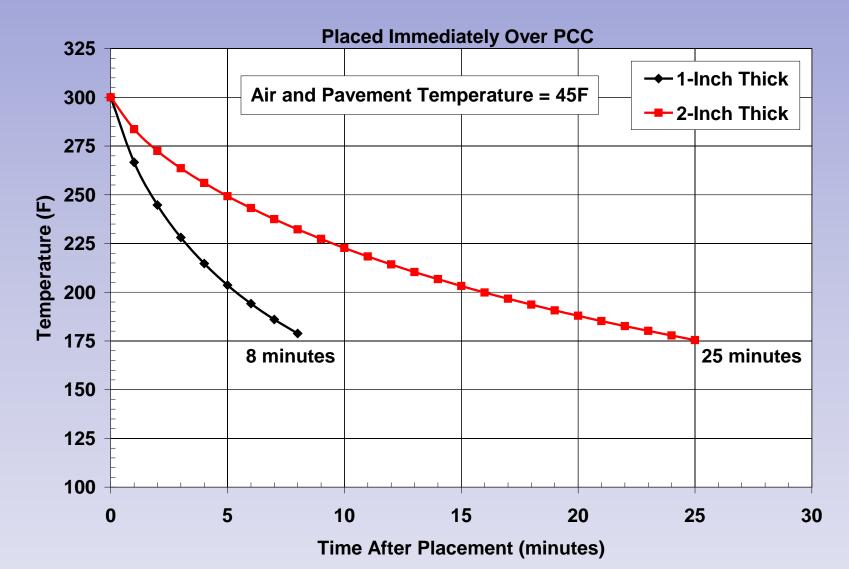
### Why WMA for the Thin Lift HMA?

### Schedule

#### Corrective action:

- undersealing (lift at PCCP joints too much urethane grout)
- Partial depth pcc patch failures, replaced with hot syn. resin
- Many joints required diamond grinding
- Pushed HPTO paving schedule to start in Nov. 2009
- PCC Patch Mat'l and Joint Sealant softening
- Improved Fatigue Resistance
- Reduced Plant Emissions

## <u>General Thin-Lift HMA Cooling</u> (MultiCool 3.0)



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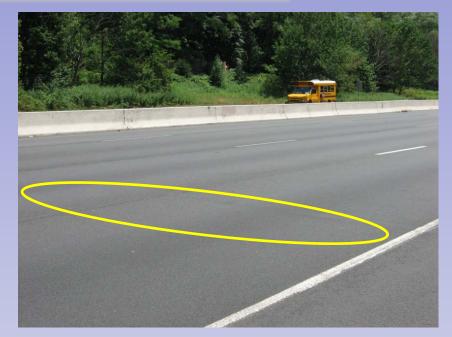
#### Schedule

### PCC Patch and Joint Material

- Low softening point of synthetic resin PCC patch material (230 F) and joint sealant swell at normal HMA compaction temperatures
- Improved Fatigue Resistance
- Reduced Emissions

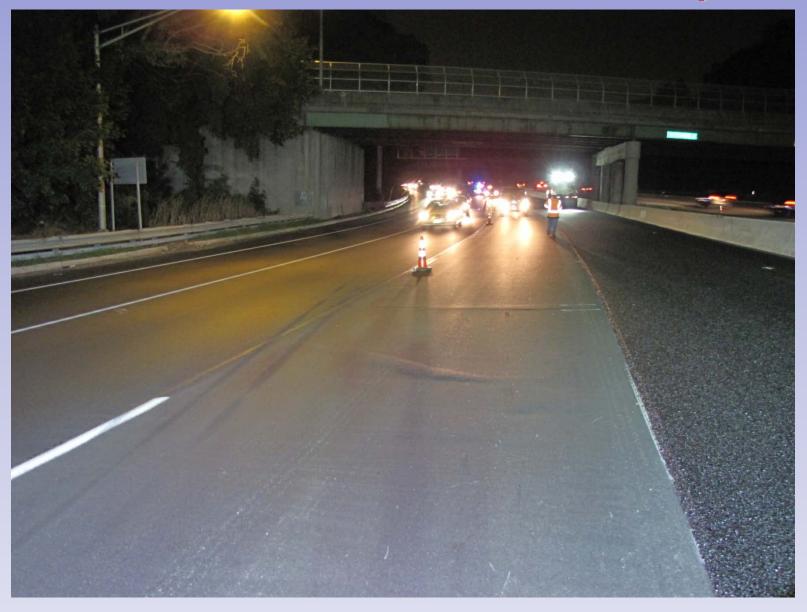
### **Resin Patch Areas on NJ I-280**





#### HPTO left open to traffic from November 2009 to June 2010

### Rt I-280 WB HPTO Patch Bump



### Why WMA for the Thin Lift HMA?

- Schedule more flexible
- PCC Patch and Joint Material
- Improved Fatigue Resistance
  - Reduces oxidative aging
  - Reduces polymer degradation from excessive production temperatures
  - Reduces asphalt absorption in aggregate
- Reduced Emissions

### **Reduced Asphalt Absorption**

Dale Rand, TxDOT

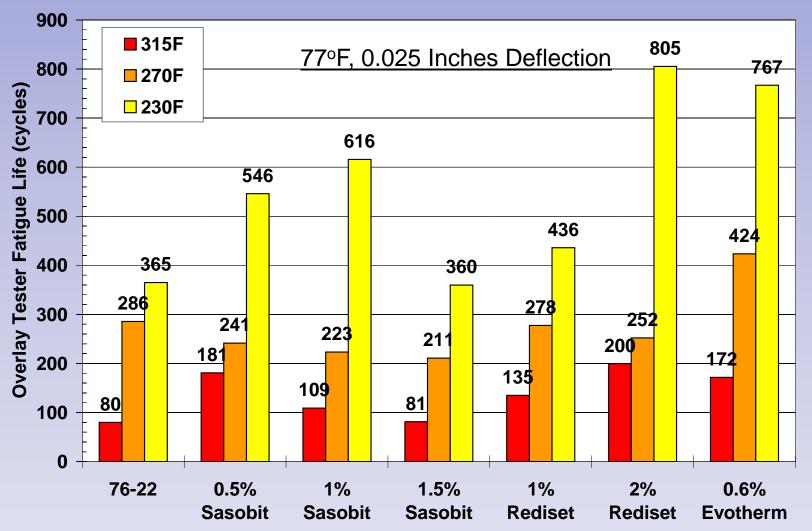


#### **Evotherm**

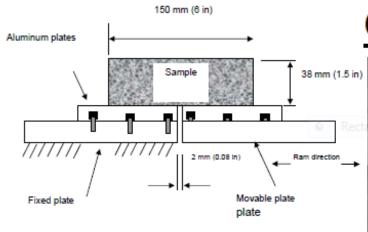
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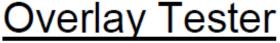
## TTI Overlay Results at Different Mixing Temperatures

#### Lab Produced 12.5mm Superpave Mixture with PG76-22



### TTI Overlay Tester, NJDOT B-10









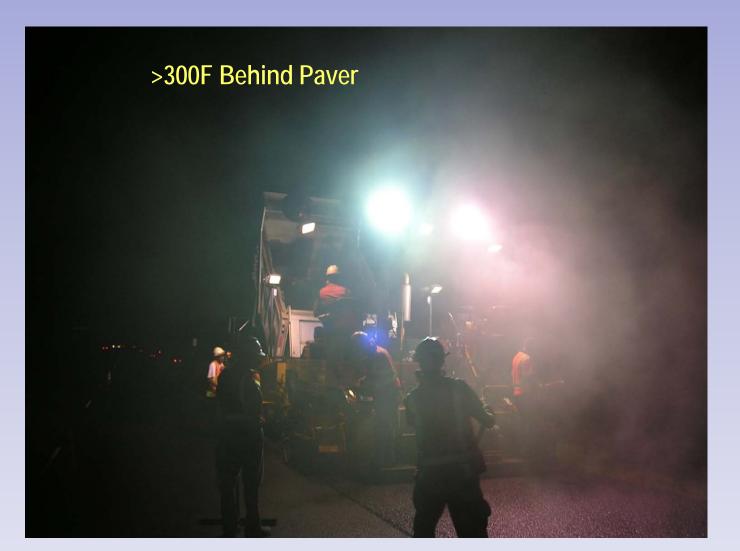
- Sample size: 6" long by 3" wide by 1.5" high
- Loading: Continuously triangular displacement 5 sec loading and 5 sec unloading
- Definition of failure
  - Discontinuity in Load vs Displacement curve

### Why WMA for the Thin Lift HMA?

- Schedule
- PCC Patch and Joint Material
- Improved Fatigue Resistance
- Reduced Emissions
  - Lower production temperatures reduces emissions at plant and paver
  - Main reason for use in the AR-OGFC
    - Significantly reduces rubber odor

### **Reduced Emissions/Fumes**

#### NJ I-78 AR-OGFC (Normal Production Temp.)



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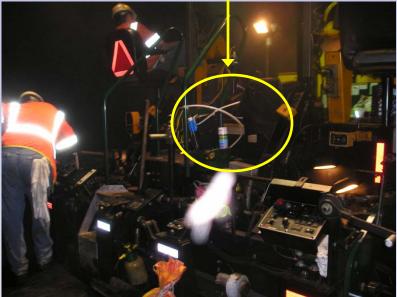
#### NJ I-78 AR-OGFC (Reduced Production Temperature with WMA – Evotherm 3G)



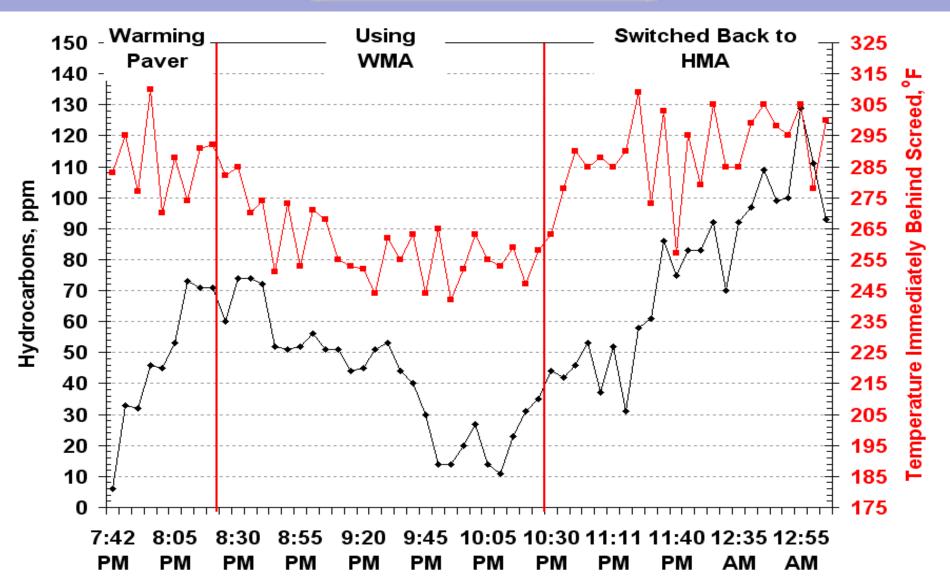
### **Emissions Testing**

- Looked at quantifying emissions reduction at paver with and without WMA
- Used portable emissions tester mounted to railing on back of paver (where workers would stand)





### Example of Typical Emissions at Paver (AR-OGFC on I-78)



### <u>I-280 – WMA HPTO</u>

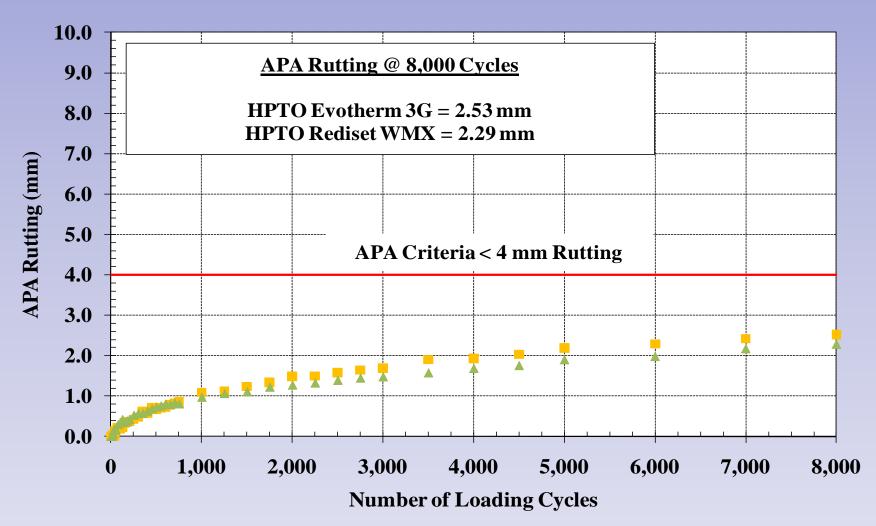
- HPTO paving started November 2009
- Night-time paving
  - Air and PCC surface temps 40 to 50F
- Use of WMA allowed for a little research
  - Evotherm 3G
  - Rediset WMX
- Production temperatures initially at 285F (270F compaction temperature)
  - Still had issues with some patch softening
  - Reduced production temperatures to 270F (255F compaction temperatures)

### Laboratory Mixture Testing

- Asphalt Pavement Analyzer rutting
- Flow Number (AMPT) rutting
- Dynamic Modulus mix stiffness
- Overlay Tester fatigue resistance
- TSR stripping potential

### **Asphalt Pavement Analyzer**

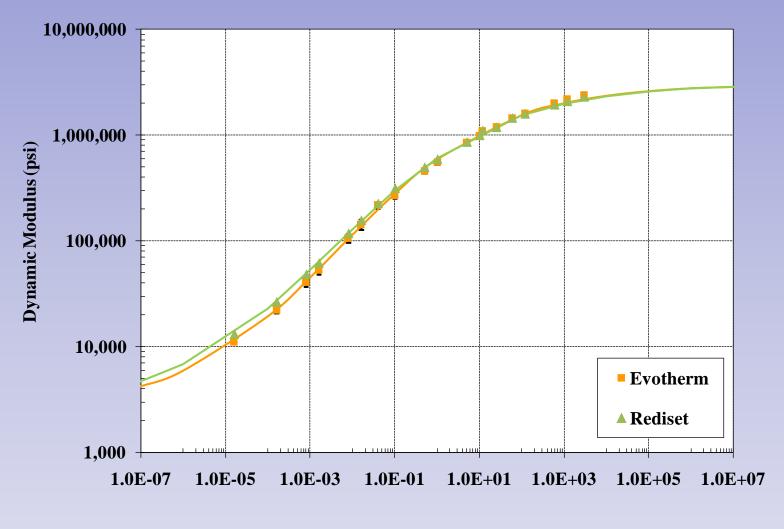
#### 64°C Test Temp.; 100psi Hose Pressure; 100 lb Load Load



### Flow Number (AMPT)

Міх Туре	Sample ID	Flow Number (cycles)	Cycles to Achieve 5% Strain
Evotherm WMA-HPTO	1	795	1,958
	2	539	1,644
	3	692	2,333
	Average	675	1,978
Rediset WMA-HPTO	1	1,256	3,311
	2	1,453	3,573
	3	1,489	3,859
	Average	1,399	3,581

### **Dynamic Modulus**



Loading Frequency (Hz)

### **TTI Overlay Tester Results**

HPTO with Rediset WMX				
Sample ID	Air Voids (%)	Temp (F)	Displacement (inches)	Fatigue Life
# 1	3.91	77 F		162
# 2	3.60			112
# 3	3.60		0.025"	88
# 4	3.60			70
# 5	3.80			169
Average =			120	

HPTO with Evotherm 3G				
Sample ID	Air Voids (%)	Temp (F)	Displacement (inches)	Fatigue Life
# 1	3.93	77 F		293
# 2	3.81			236
# 3	4.36		0.025"	289
# 4	3.81			173
# 5	4.20			244
Average =				247

### **TSR Results**

Evotherm 3G HPTO			
Specimen Type	Indirect Ten	Average	
Specimen Type	Dry	Conditioned	TSR (%)
	161.2	145.8	
AASHTO T283	155.8	160.6	97.5%
Conditioned	158.5	157.2	97.5%
	158.5	154.5	

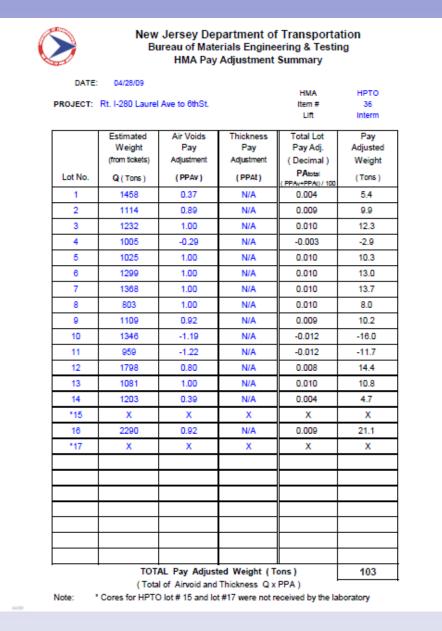
Rediset HPTO			
Specimen Type	Indirect Ten	Average	
Specimen Type	Dry	Conditioned	TSR (%)
	159.9	157.2	
AASHTO T283	151.7	159.1	104.4%
Conditioned	136.1	151.2	104.470
	149.3	155.8	

### NJ I-280 – Completed September, 2010





### **HPTO Field Core Air Void Results**



### **HPTO Thin Lift Results**

- HPTO design 50 gyrations and 3.5% air voids (low volume road design)
- No rutting after months of exposure to record high summer temperatures
- Final 103% payment (bonus) with a 2%-7% density spec in cool weather
- Polymer Modification necessary

### **Summary**

HPTO was used in conjunction with AR-**OGFC to rehabilitate terminal PCCP**  Get 10 more years before reconstruction HPTO exposed to very high traffic loading for over 6 high temp. months Help in resisting reflective cracking and moisture infiltration under PCCP Protected patches and joint sealant Project considered successful by NJDOT and most likely to be used again

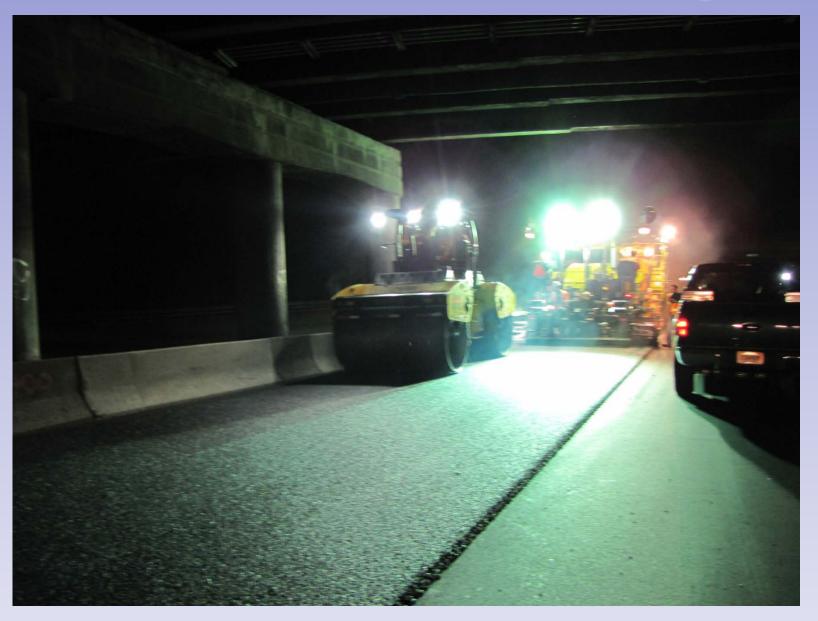
### Rt I-280 AROGFC



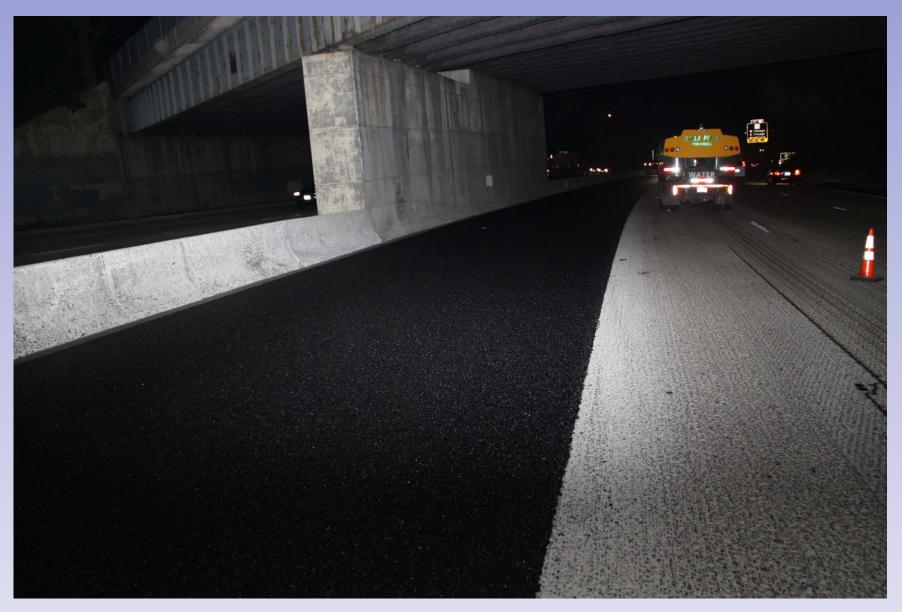
### **Rt I-280 AROGFC on PCCP**



### Rt I-280 AROGFC Under Bridge



### **AROGFC on milled PCCP**



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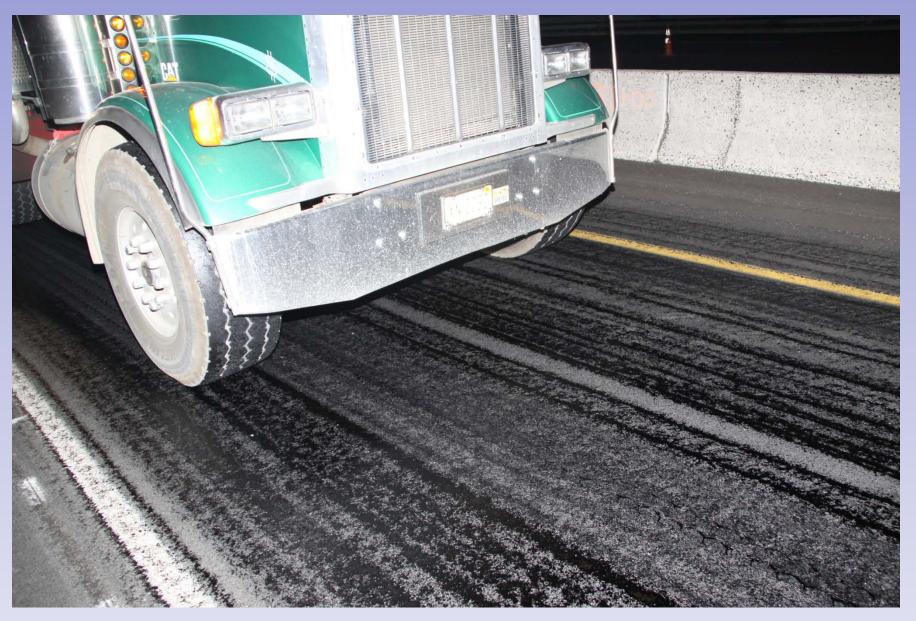
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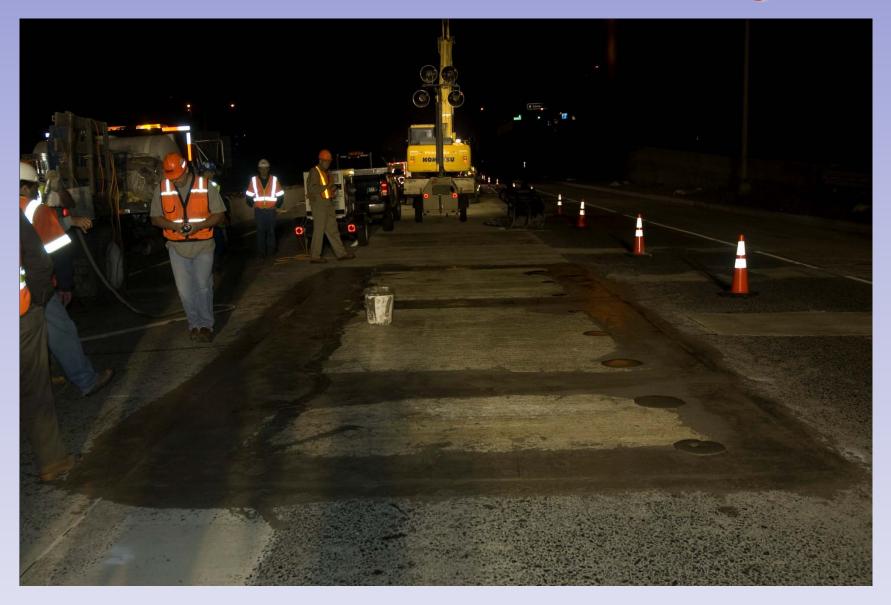
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### Rt I-280 Precast Slab Repairs Highways for Life Showcase



### **Rt I-280 Precast Slab Grouting**



# Thanks for your time!

**Questions?** 

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