What's New in Pavement Preservation?

A look into MnDOT
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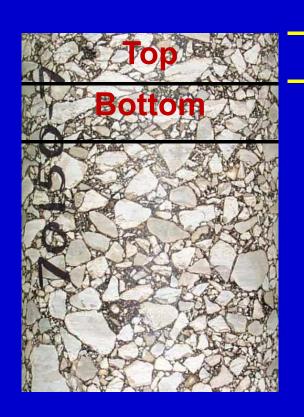
Topics

- When to chip seal
- Fog Sealing
- Micro Milling & PMT
- Micro Surfacing Research
- Texas Under Seal (TUS)

When to Apply Chip Seal

- Built aging study
 - Because 15 years take 15 years
- 3 inch Mill & Fill 1999
 - PG 58-28 binder
 - Chip seal 1 mile section each year starting in 2000
 - Last sections was chip seal 2004

TH56 Cores

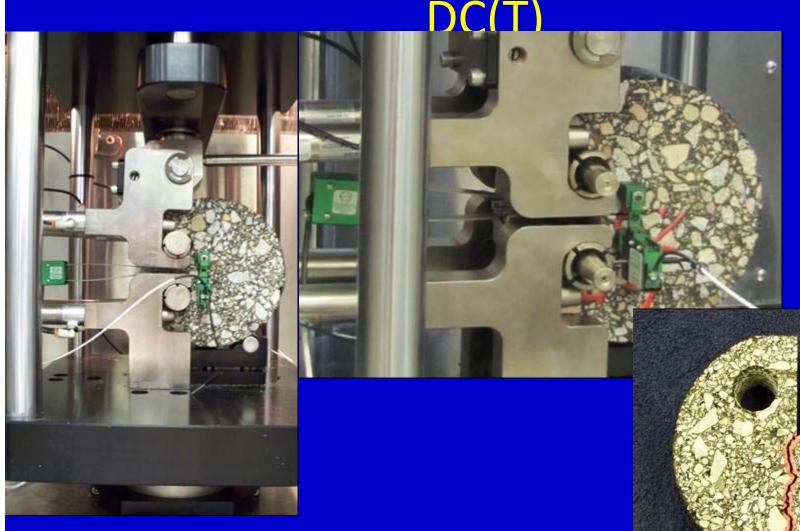


25-mm

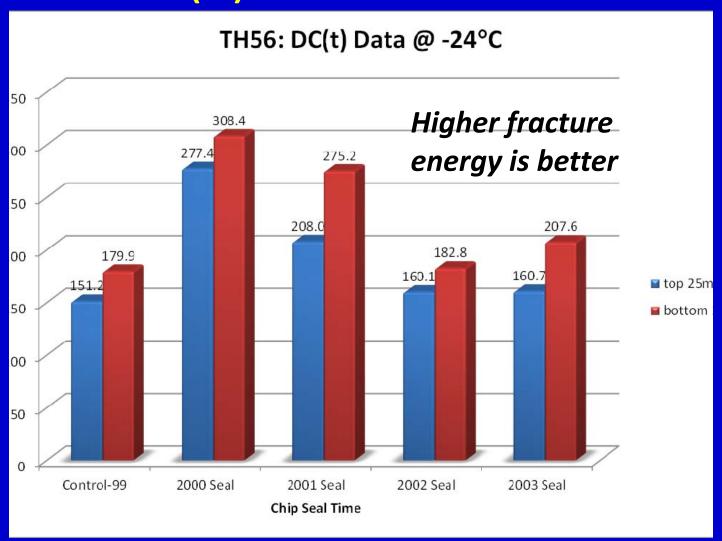
Cores

- Remove chip seal (if any)
- Cut into two 25-mm layers
- Test for fracture energy (cracking potential)
- Recover component asphalt to check aging

Disk-Shaped Compact Tension Test:



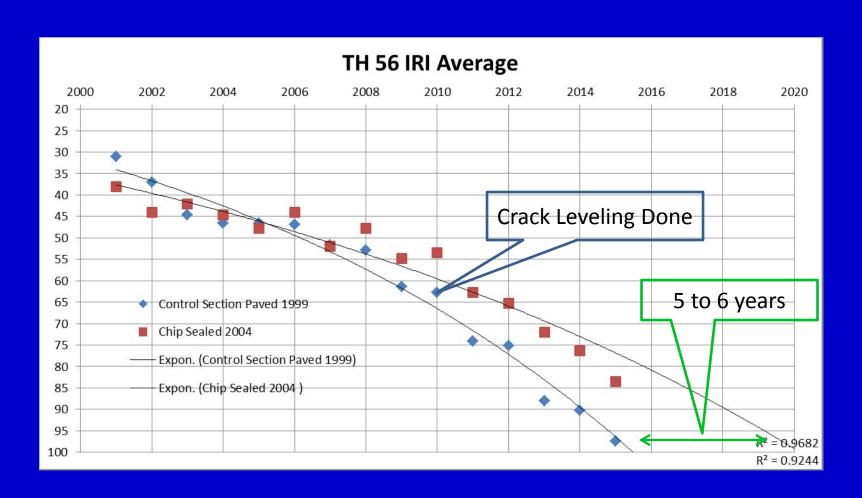
DC(T) Results: TH-56



Asphalt Institute's Findings

- Sealing improves resistance to aging (cracking)
- Sooner is better when sealing
 - Waiting for 3 or more years to seal after construction produced similar results as unsealed pavement related to DCT
 - Sealing after 1 or 2 years showed improvement in resistance to aging (cracking)

MnDOT's Pavement Management Ride Data



Control Section Never Chip Sealed



Last Section Chip Sealed 2004



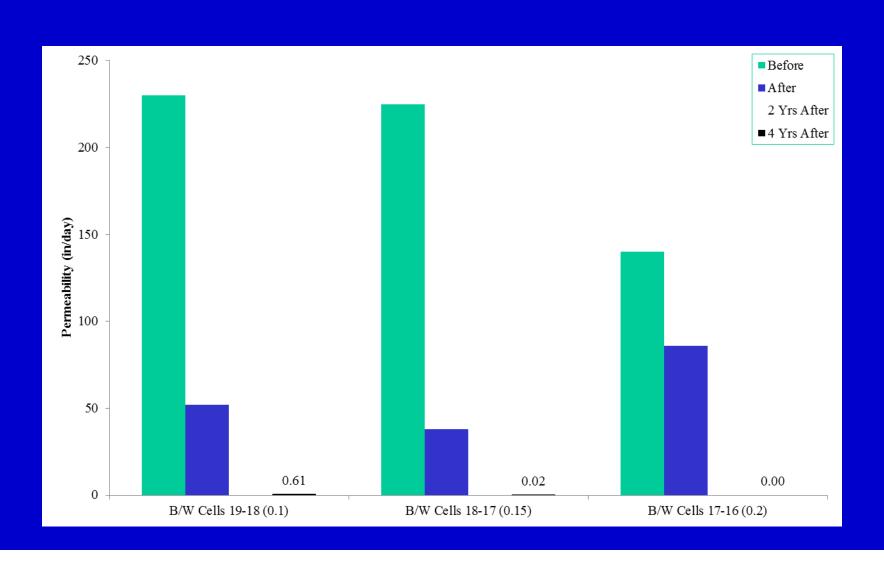
Value of Fog Sealing



Why Fog Sealing Shoulders (Picture taken in 2009)



Fog Sealing still working after 4 years



Micro Milling with PM Treatments



Micro Milling with Chip Seal or Micro Surfacing

- Why?
 - Need lower cost alternative to 1 ½ inch over lay
 - To improve ride
- What are the performance targets
 - Equal to 1½ inch over lay

Micro Milling with Chip Seal or Micro Surfacing

- Quicker than overlay
- Less costly overlay
 - Chip seal 40% of the cost of 1½ inch over lay
 - Micro Surfacing 60% cost of 1 ½ inch over lay

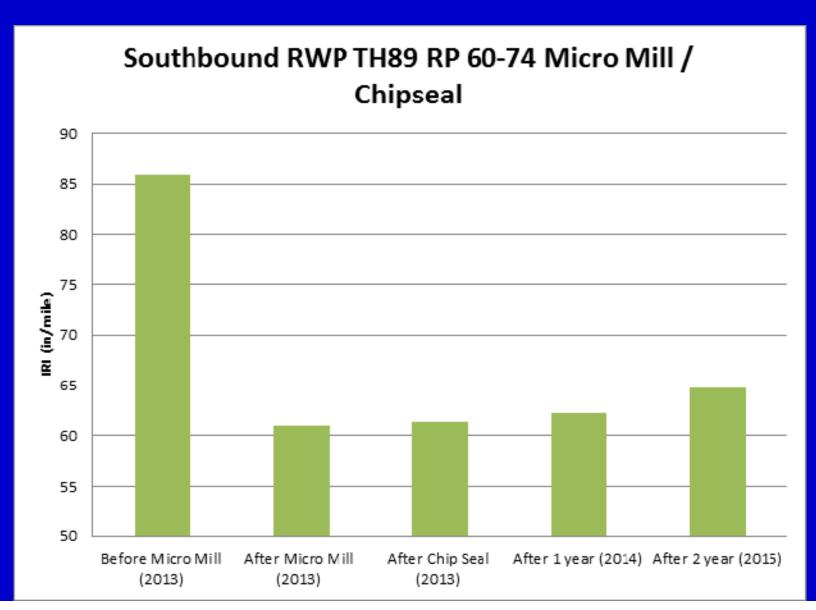
Micro Milling



Micro Milling with Chip Seal



Results for Chip Seal



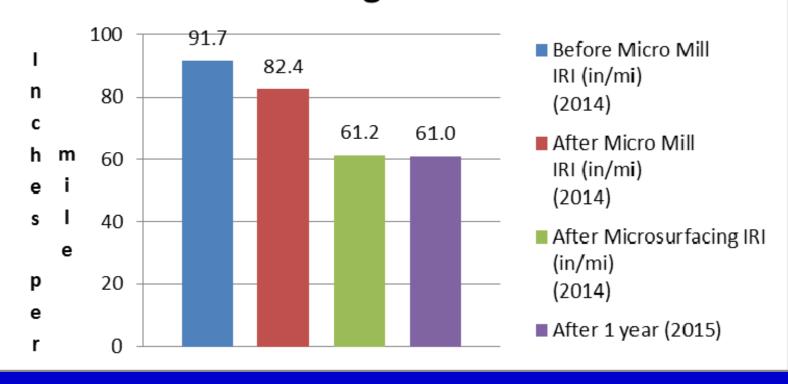
Micro Milling with Micro Surfacing





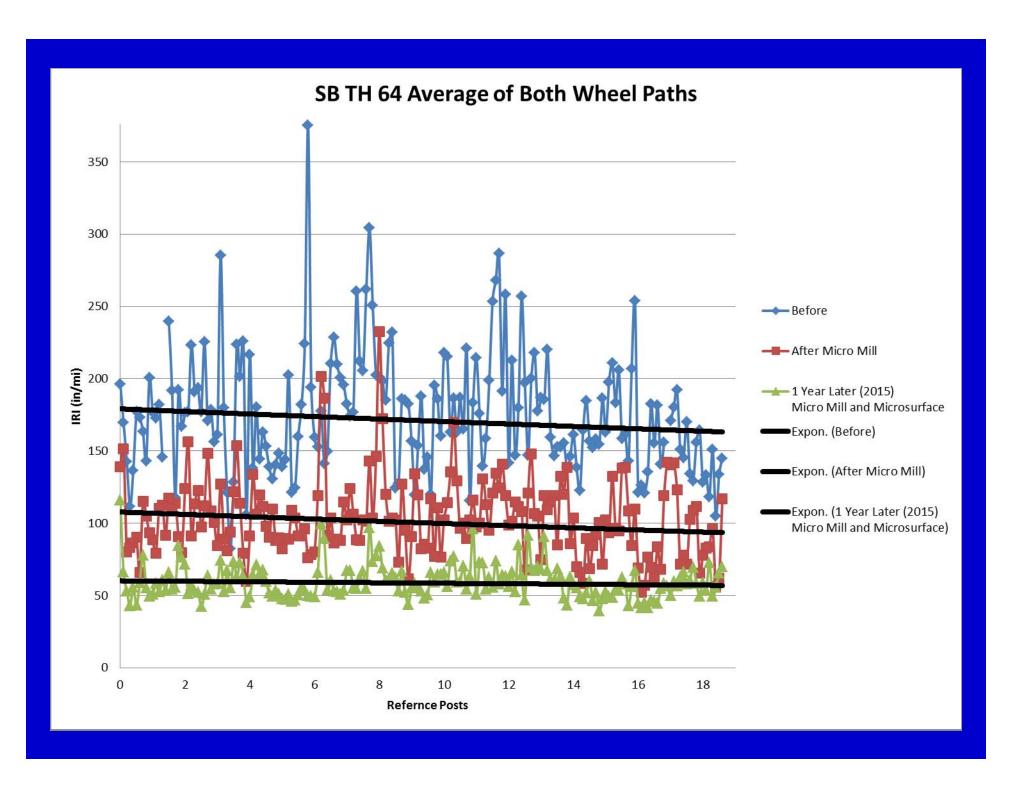
Results using Micro Surfacing

TH 12 Micro Milling & Micro Surfacing Ride Data



TH 64 Pre Condition





Current Condition



Micro Surfacing Research



- How to reduce snow plow damage
- Hard based asphalt PG 64-22 (CQS-1Hp)
- Softer base asphalt PG 58-28 (CQS-1p)
 - 2013 and 14 allowed

- Required in 2015
- Allowed PG 49-34 construction season 2015
 - Two project built successfully so far with PG 49-34
- Have seen less snow plow damage on pavement markings with softer based asphalt

- Smoother surface
- Allow use of SBS modified asphalt in place of latex modifications
 - Contractor/Supplier choice

- Working on higher asphalt content micro surfacing
 - Normal asphalt content 7 to 8%
 - Testing performance of micro with 10 to 12 % asphalt content

- Hypothesis is higher asphalt content will
 - Reduce reflective cracks
 - More durability/longer life

- Results
- No issue with tracking or rutting
- Appears to increase wear resistance
 - Less snow plow chatter marks
- Has greatly reduced # of cracks
- Seem to heal during hot weather

TH 23 Pre-Condition Hard Based Micro Surfacing



TH 23 Current Condition



TH 64 Pre Condition Soft Based Micro Surfacing



Current Condition



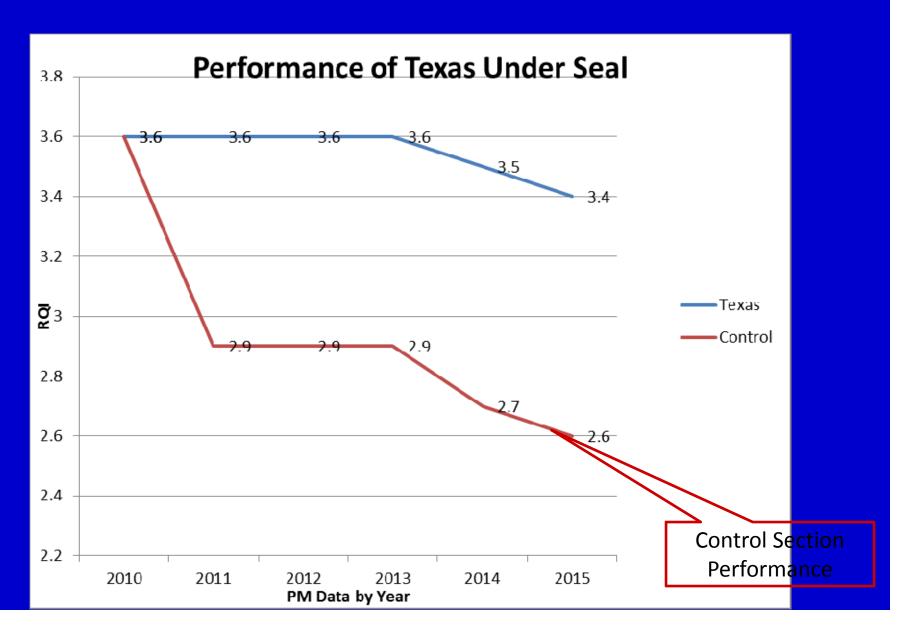
Texas Under Seal



Texas Under Seal

- Chip Seal applied before HMA Overlay
 - Milled surface
 - Non milled surface
- ¾" minus chip
- CRS-2p
- Light on cover aggregate
- Can pave as soon as rolling & sweeping is completed

PM Performance Data



Texas Under Seal

- Why does it perform
 - Acts as stress relief membrane?
 - Super Tack?
 - Have had other tack methods with higher peak strengths
 - Limits water infiltration from base?
- As of end of 2015 construction year 11 projects have been built

Question?

