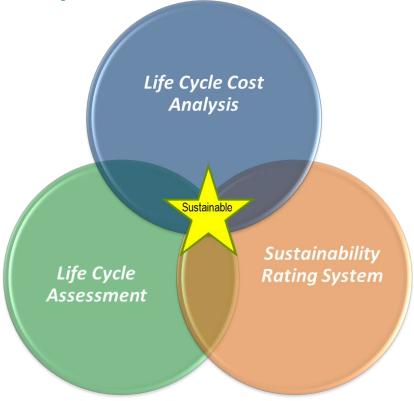


## Tollway Application of Life Cycle Assessment for Flexible Pavements

Illinois Bituminous Paving Conference & North Central Asphalt User Producer Group Feb 03, 2015

## **Sustainability Tools to Measure**





# Rating System Implementation For Qualitative Measurements of Sustainability

- Illinois Tollway rating system will be FHWA's
  - Many systems evaluated for applicability



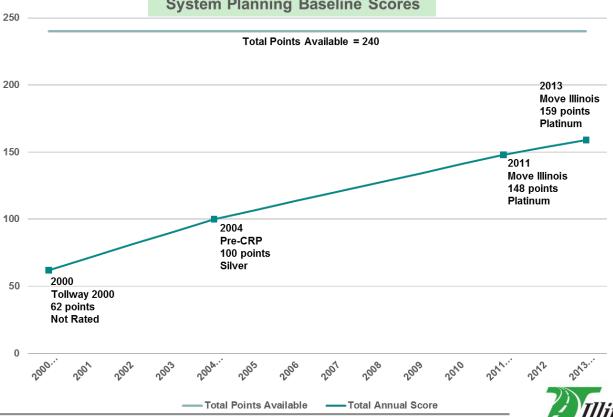
- \$150,000 grant received from FHWA to help implement
- Includes economic, environmental and social impact

Infrastructure Voluntary Evaluation Sustainability Tool (INVEST)

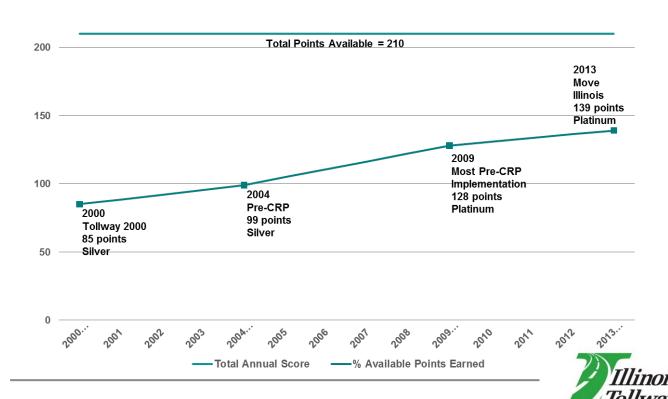
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## Illinois Tollway Project Development Module Baseline Scores for 2013

■ Sharp increase in scoring is expected when comparing year 2000 project scores to 2013 scores.

Scores will be available at the end of 2014.



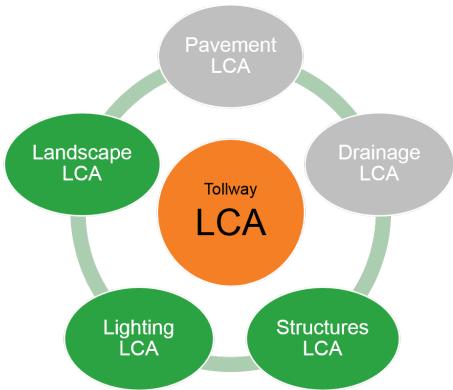
## Life Cycle Assessment Quantitative Measurement of Sustainability

#### Why must we quantify?

- If it is not quantified, it is not valued
  - ☐ Without value, it won't get done
  - ☐ Without value, it cannot be improved upon
  - ☐ Without value, there is no incentive



### **Tollway LCA Tools Being Developed**





### **Preliminary Tollway Case Study – I-90**

\*Conducted by ARA

- Jane Addms MP 69.9 62.3 (1 contract of many)
  - 12" Full-depth HMA (97,986 sq. yds)
  - ☐ 15" Full-depth HMA (70,967 sq. yds)
  - ☐ 6-in HMA Shoulders (105,070 sq. yds)
  - ☐ 9-in HMA Shoulders (13,870 sq. yds)
  - Total asphalt production of 172,000 tons
  - ☐ Prime Coat (28,303 gallons)
- Included Materials & Construction
  - No Maintenance Activities, No Use Phase, No End-of-Life (yet)
- Investigating the effects of implementing improvements from 2000s to 2014 actual project

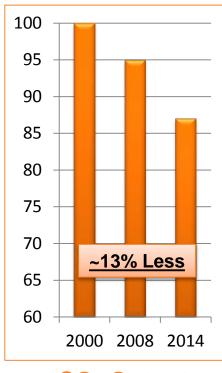


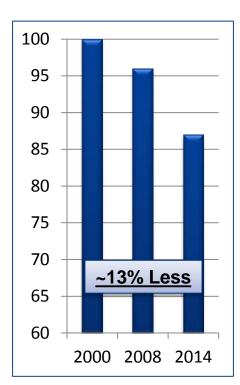
#### The difference in the mixes

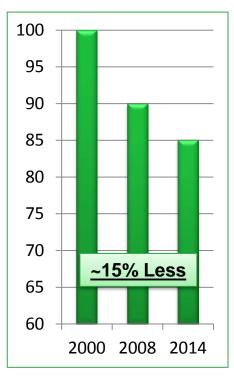
- 2000 Mixes
  - No recycle content
  - SBS-modified binder
- 2008 Mixes (as constructed)
  - SMA surface and binder for mainline
  - ☐ ABR content ranging from 15 to 47 percent
  - ☐ GTR binder
- 2014 Mixes (similar projects)
  - Warm-Mix Asphalt (WMA)
  - ☐ ABR content ranging from 24 to 53 percent
  - Includes RAS



#### The results are remarkable







CO<sub>2</sub> Output

**Energy Required** 

**Single Score** 



#### What does this mean for that I-90 construction

- The environmental impact improvements between 2000 and 2013 construction equate to:
  - $\square$  Burning 934 short tons of coal to produce electricity
  - $\blacksquare$  Electricity use of 172 households for 1 year in IL
  - $\Box$  The production and use of 107,000 gallons of gasoline





#### Thank you