

Specifications Impact from Contractors Point of View

55th Illinois Bituminous Paving
& North Central Asphalt Conference
February 2-3, 2015

Pat Koester

Howell Asphalt Co.

Specifications Impact from Contractors Point of View

- Method Specifications
- QCQA
- ERS
- PFP
- QCP
- QMP

- Method Specification (1930)
 - Lab Requirements
 - 10' x 12' x 7' (144 ft²)
 - 2 – Windows & Workbench with drawers
 - Be able to see Mixing Platform
 - Mix Designs
 - Submitted 1 pound of Asphalt
 - Submit %'s of Ingredients
 - Proportioning at Plant
 - IDOT
 - Density on Road
 - IDOT
 - Cores 90% of “D”
 - R&R if out of Specification

- Method Specification (1990)

- Lab Requirements

- 200 ft²

- Mix Designs

- IDOT
 - Contractor Option

- Proportioning @ Plant

- IDOT

- Density on Road

- IDOT
 - None < 91.0 %

- QCQA (1990's)

- Mix Designs

- IDOT

- Contractor

- Proportioning @ Plant

- Contractor

- Density on Road

- Contractor

- None < 91.0 %

- Responsibility

- Up until the early 90's IDOT was responsible for

- Design's
 - Proportioning @ Plant
 - Density

- QCQA Contractor took responsibility for

- Design's
 - Proportioning @ Plant
 - Density

• Contactor Designs

- Marshall Method (6-14)
 - Type I, II, & III
 - Mixture A & B Binders
 - Mixture C, D, & E Surface
 - Other, BAM
 - » Voids
 - » VMA
 - » Stability
 - » Flow

Contactors Designs

– Superpave (12-40)

- 2 % @ 30 Gyration
- @ 4% Voids

–30

–50

–70

–80

–90

–105

Contactors Designs

- 9.5L Surface / 19.0L Binder
- 4.75 Surface / 9.5 Fine Graded
- 9.5 "C" "D" "E" "F" Surface
- 12.5 "C" "D" "E" "F" Surface
12.5 Binder
- 19.0 Coarse Graded Binder
- 19.0 Fine Graded Binder
- 25.0 Coarse Graded Binders
- SMA

Contactors Designs

HMA Mixtures ^{1/, 2/}

FRAP/RAS Maximum ABR %

Ndesign

Binder/Leveling Binder

Surface

Polymer Modified ^{3/, 4/}

30

50

40

10

50

40

35

10

70

40

30

10

90

40

30

10

Contactors Designs

- Different Aggregates
 - Limestone
 - Dolomite
 - Gravel
 - Trap Rock
 - Slag (Air Cooled / Steel)
 - Sand Stone
 - Concrete
- Different Sources
- Different Asphalt Grades

Contactors Designs

- Virgin Designs
- Recycle Designs
- Asphalt Grades
- RAS

37 74 92 110



Contractor Designs

Hamburg

Rutting Potential

SCB (Semi-Circular Bend)

Cracking (Brittleness Test)

Contractor Designs

Additional criteria

Lengthens Design Process

1-Week

2-Weeks...

QCQA

Voids

2 per Day for 2 days then 1 per Day

Asphalt Content

1 per 1/2 Day

Density

5 Nuc Test across the Mat every 1/2 Mile

Pay – 100 %

ERS

Voids

800 tons

Asphalt Content

800 tons

Density

5 Cores across the Mat every $\frac{1}{2}$ Mile

Pay – 105 %

PFP

Voids

1000 tons

VMA

1000 tons

Density

1 Core Randomly every 0.2 Mile

Pay – 103 %

QCP

Voids

Varies tons

VMA

Varies tons

Density

1 Core Randomly every 0.2 Mile

Pay – 100 %

Pay Calculations

QCQA -100%

ERS 30% Voids – 30% AC Content – 40% Density

PFP 30% Voids – 30% VMA – 40% Density

QCP 30% Voids – 30% VMA – 40% Density

Out of Spec Material (QCQA)

Art. 1030.05 (f) Acceptance by the Engineer. Final acceptance will be based on the following.

- (1) Validation of the Contractor's quality control by the assurance process.
- (2) The Contractor's process control charts and actions.
- (3) Department assurance tests for voids and density.

If any of the above is not met, the work will be considered in non-conformance with the contract.

Out of Spec Material (ERS) (PFP) (QCP)

Acceptance by the Engineer. All of the Department's tests shall be within the acceptable limits listed below:

Table 4

Acceptable Limits	
Parameter	Acceptable Range
Field VMA	-1.0 – +3.0 % ^{1/}
Voids	2.0 – 6.0 %
Density: IL-19.0, IL-25.0, IL-9.5	90.0 – 98.0 %
IL-4.75, SMA	92.0 – 98.0 %
Dust / AC Ratio	0.4 – 1.6 ^{2/}

1/ Based on minimum required VMA from mix design

2/ Does not apply to SMA

In addition, the PWL for any quality characteristic shall be 50 percent or above for any lot. No visible pavement distress shall be present such as, but not limited to, segregation, excessive coarse aggregate fracturing or flushing.

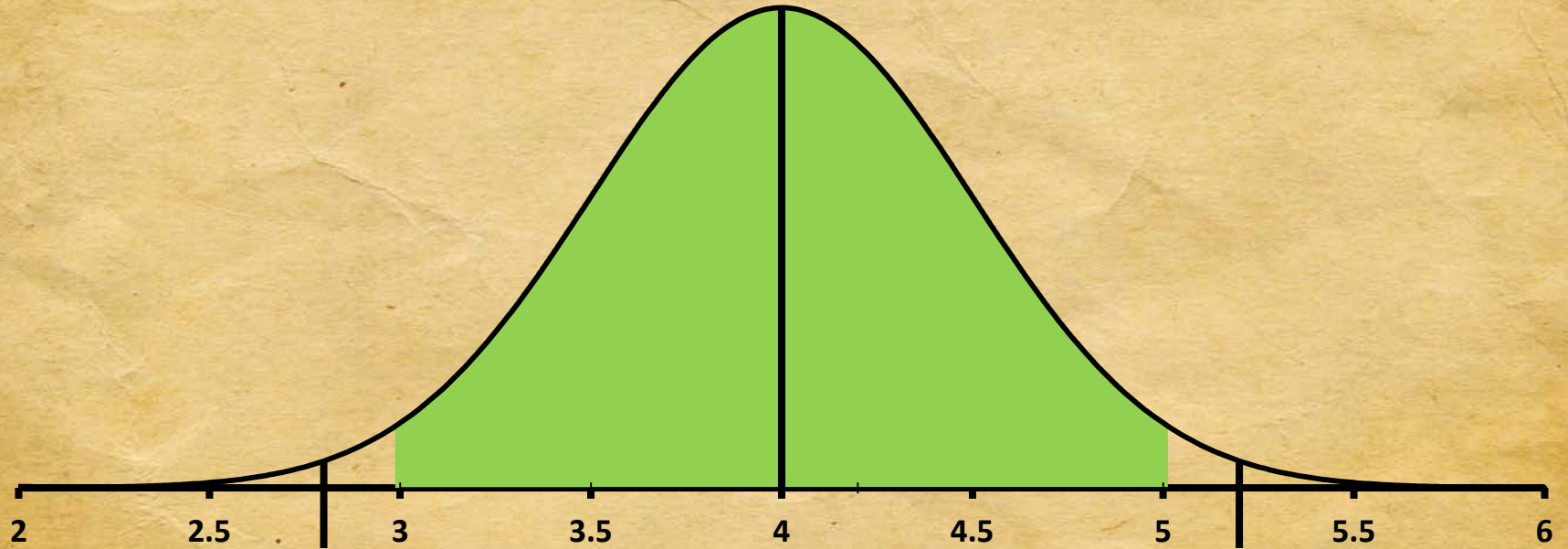
Out of Spec Material (ERS) (PFP) (QCP)

Table 4

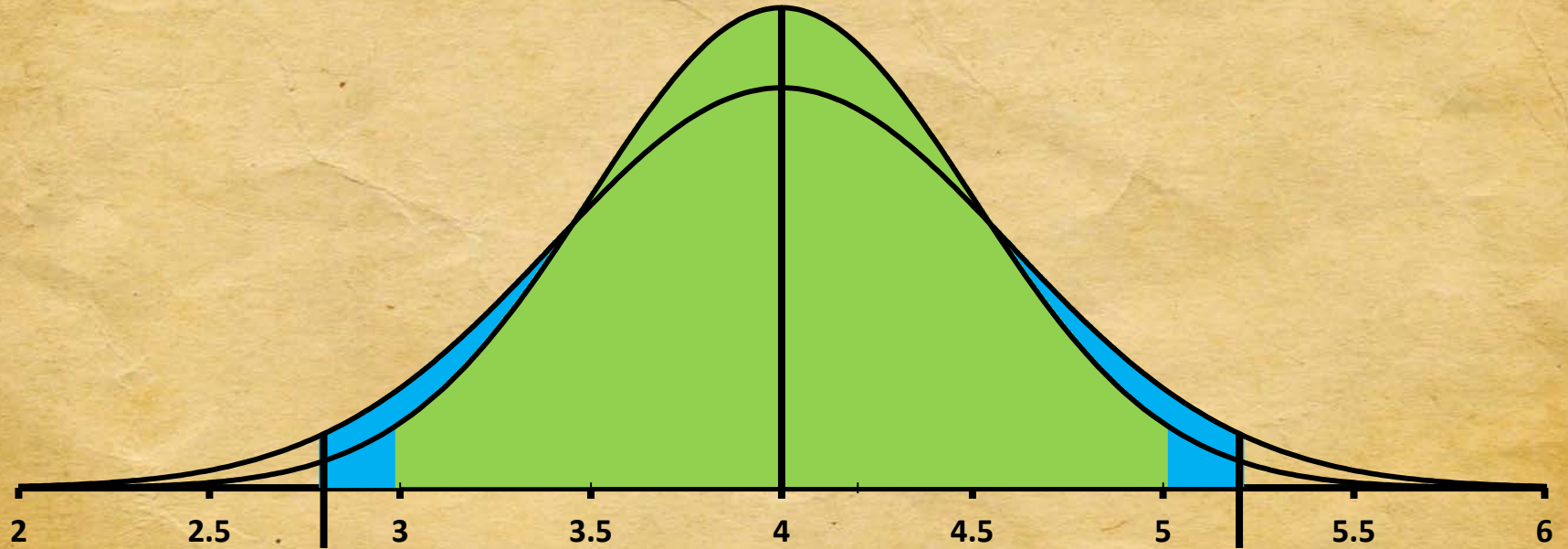
Acceptable Limits

Parameter	Acceptable Range
Field VMA	-1.0 – +3.0 % ^{1/}
Voids	2.0 – 6.0 %
Density: IL-19.0, IL-25.0, IL-9.5	90.0 – 98.0 %
IL-4.75, SMA	92.0 – 98.0 %
Dust / AC Ratio	0.4 – 1.6 ^{2/}

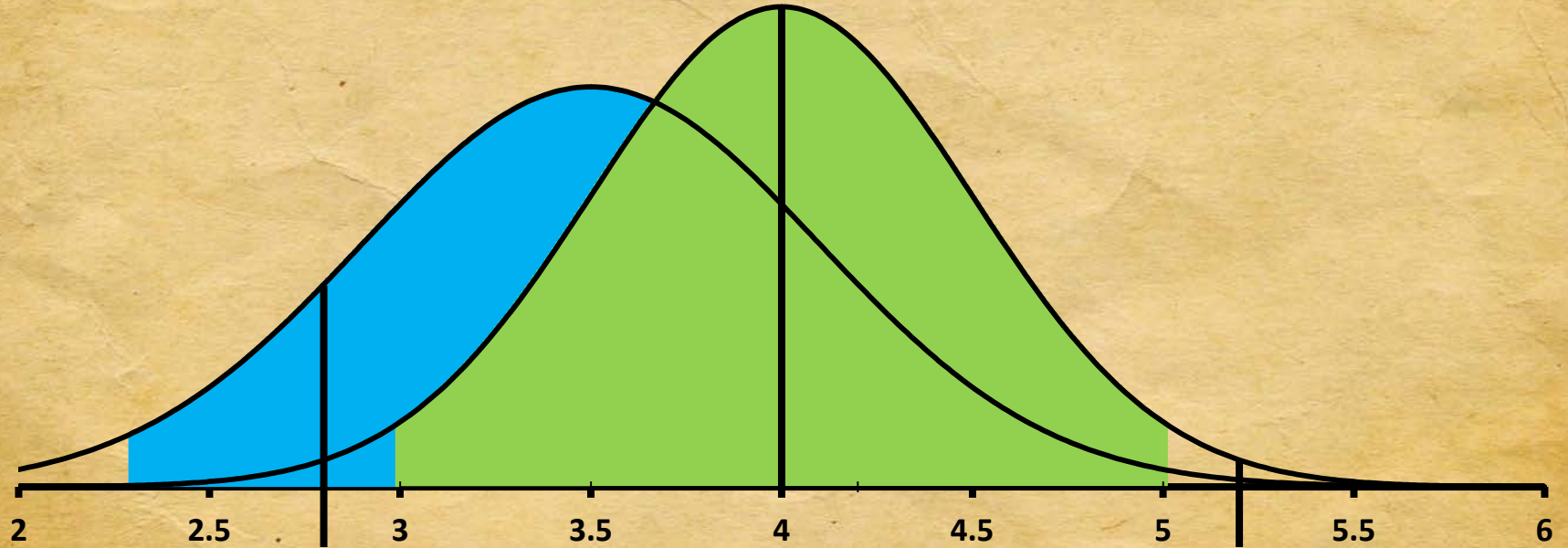
Designs / Production / Voids



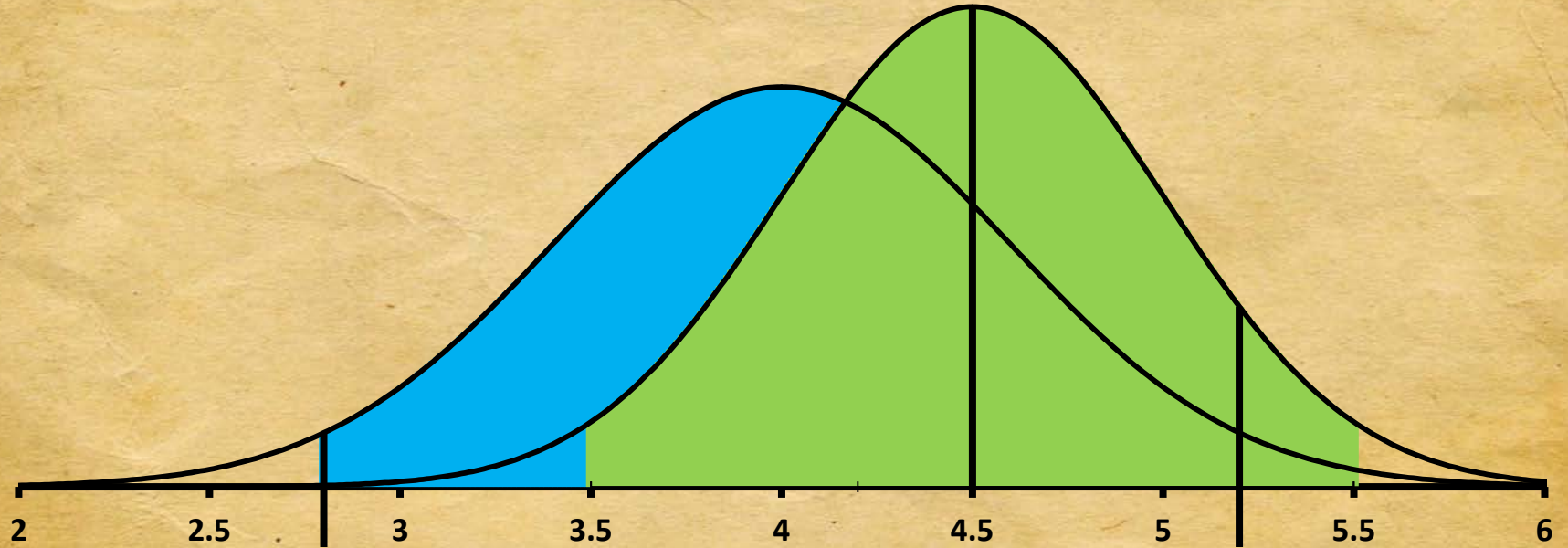
Designs / Production / Voids



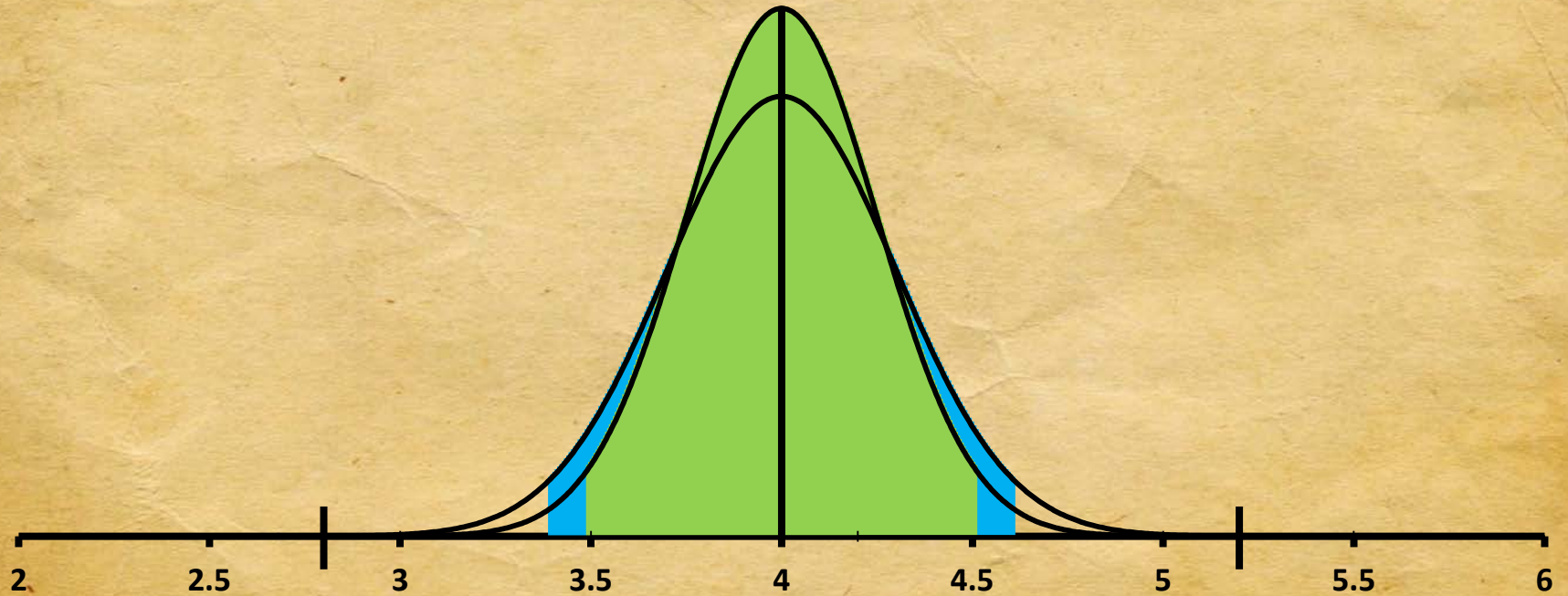
Designs / Production / Voids



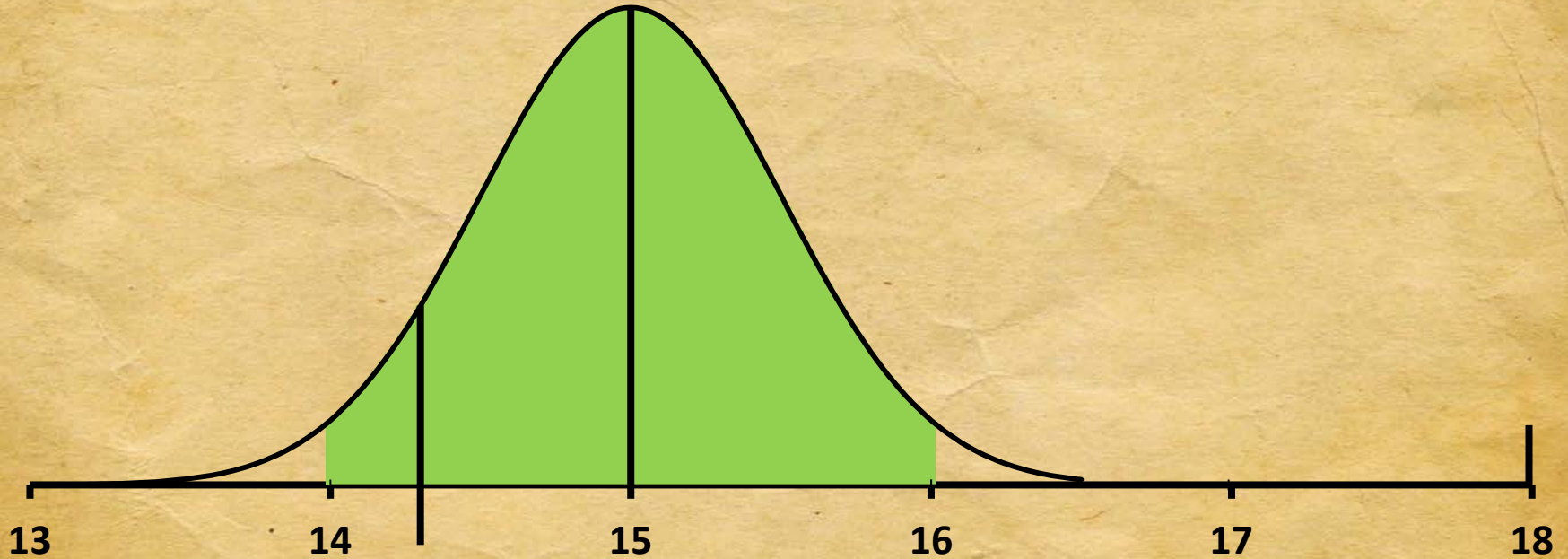
Designs / Production / Voids



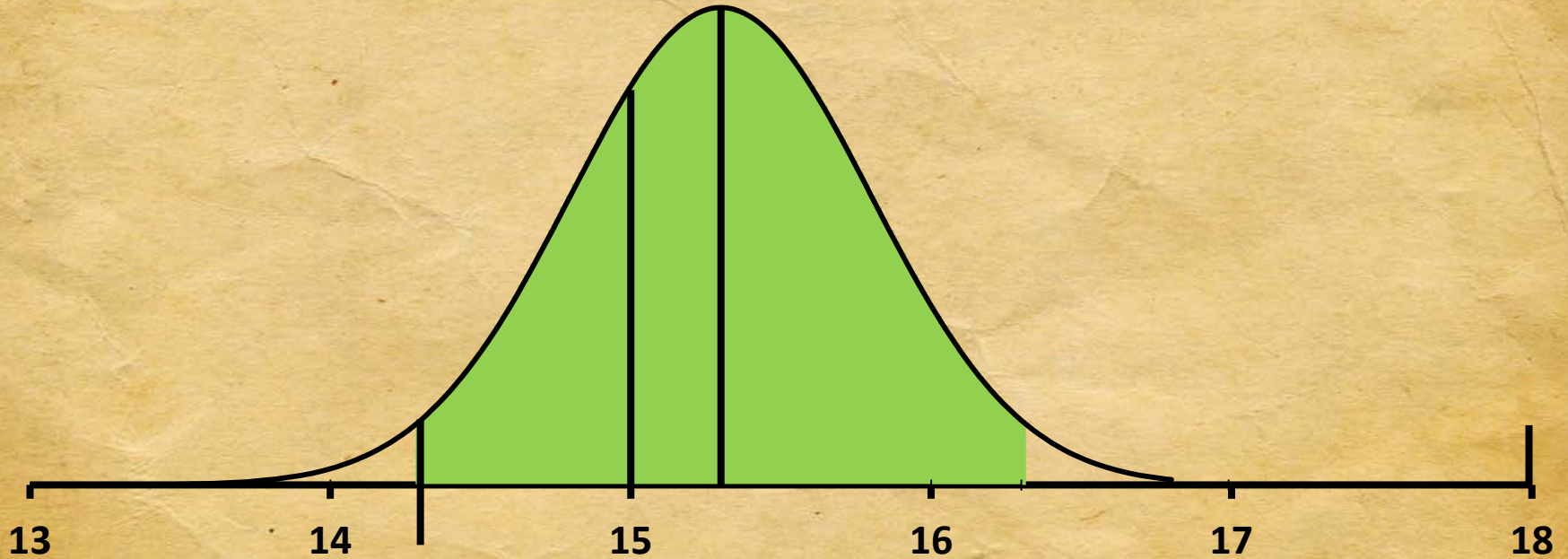
Designs / Production / Voids



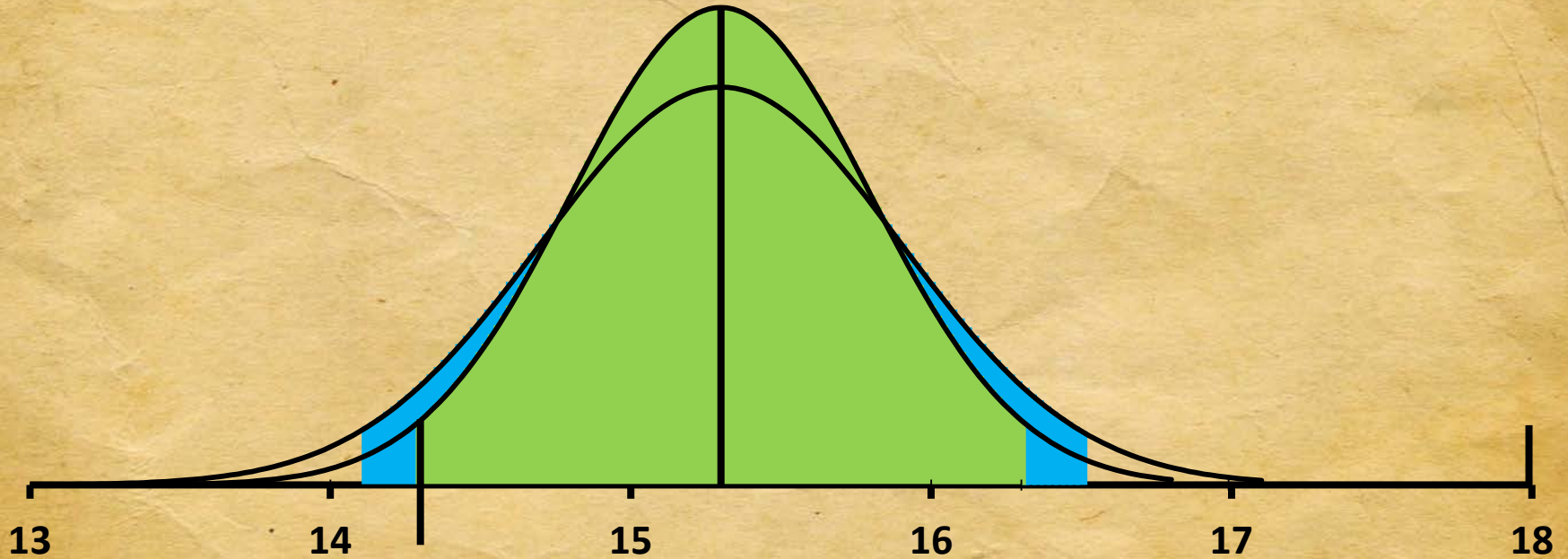
Contactors Designs / Production



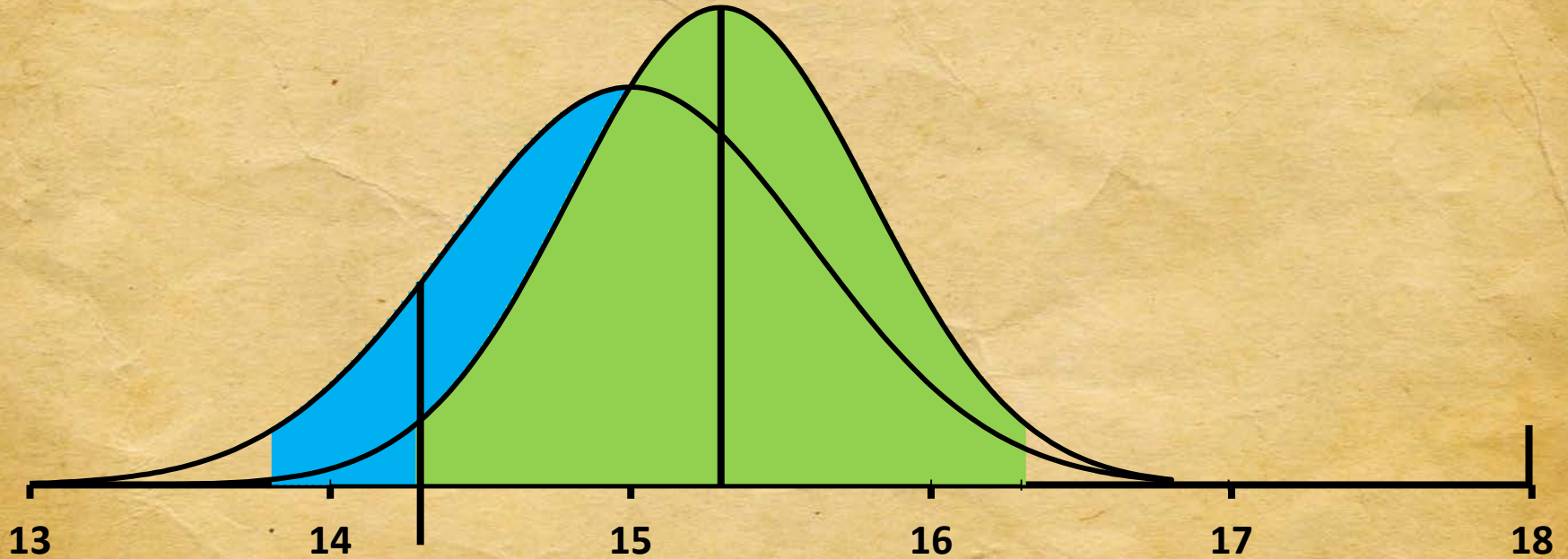
Contactors Designs / Production



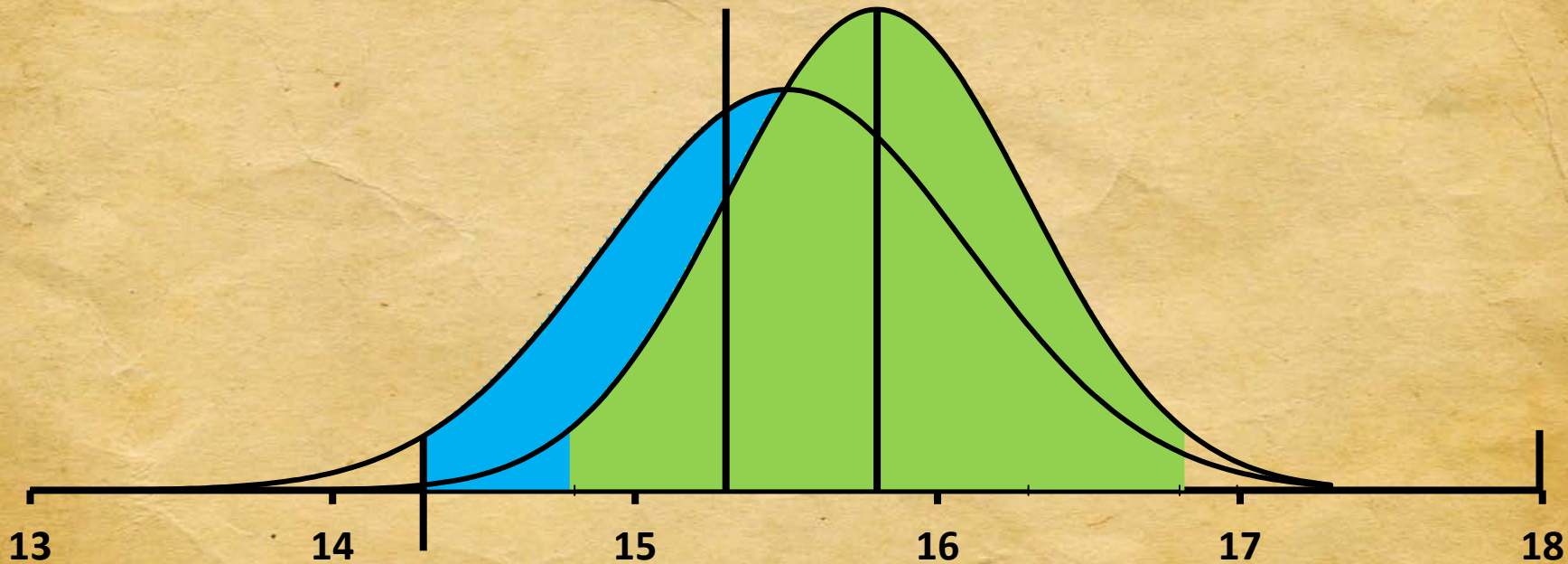
Contactors Designs / Production



Contactors Designs / Production



Contactors Designs / Production



Out of Spec Material

- Take into account location
 - Base Conditions
 - Location of Material in Pavement structure
- Narrow down Out of Spec Material
- Only remove what is necessary
- Accept Credit

Out of Spec Material

- HMA Surface Cse N70 “C” - \$80
- Remove - \$15 - 20,000
- Replace - \$60 - 70,000
- R&R - \$75 – 90,000

Contactors Production

- Production of HMA is a High Volume Process
 - Taking Aggregates at a High Rate
 - 150 – 500 tph
 - Acceptable variance of Master Bands within AGCS ± 8
 - Relates to ± 4 on PCS
 - 4% Δ PCS \approx 0.6 to 2% Δ Voids & VMA





AUG 28 2002







1

2

3

4

5

6

7

ASTECC

Contactors Quality Control & Production

- Additional Equipment & Controls on Plants
- Additional Materials at Plants
- Additional Testing Equipment
- Additional Personnel

- All Adds cost

Contactors Quality Control & Production

Future:

Fewer Design

Better Control

Better Quality

Less Risk

Lower Cost

Specifications Impact from Contractors Point of View

Thank You for Your Time