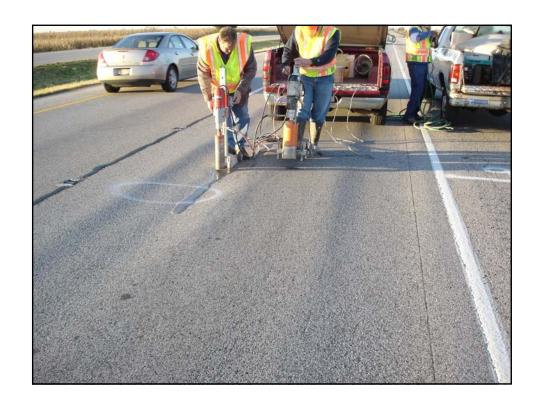
# HMA IL 19.0 BINDER FINE GRADED

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### **POLYMER HMA IL 19.0 CG**

In mid 1990's D-5 elected to remove all non-polymer binder lifts in the D.L. and replace with Polymer HMA IL 19.0 CG mixes

In 2009/10 District evaluated performance of the Polymer HMA IL 19.0 CG mixes using the Hamburg Wheel and volumetric testing.

Time under traffic varied from 6–10 years. Testing indicated that the mixes are performing well in lab as well as in place with no rutting.

Based on Hamburg Wheel testing, surface mix more stable than CG binder mixes.

### IS THERE A BETTER OPTION?

### **POLYMER HMA IL 19.0 FG**

- In November 2009, District 5, BMPR & Industry developed a special provision for HMA Binder Course IL 19.0 FG.
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  Bill Pine, Heritage Research Group Research Engineer

First project: Both FG and CG IL 19.0 mixes

In addition, the mix designs would be tested in the Hamburg Wheel to insure the FG was as stable as the CG mix.

	HMA BINDER COURSE, IL 19.0 FG			
High ESAL, MIXTURE COMPOSITION (% PASSING)				
Sieve	IL 19.0 mm (Coarse Graded)		IL 19.0 mm (Fine Graded)	
Size	min	max	min	max
1 1/2 in (37.5 mm)				
1 in (25 mm)		100		100
3/4 in (19 mm)	82	100	90	100
1/2 in (12.5 mm)	50	85	69	89
3/8 in (9.5 mm)				
# 4 (4.75 mm)	24	40	45	60
# 8 (2.36 mm)	20	36	30	45
# 16 (1.18 mm)	10	25	20	35
# 50 (300 µm)	4	12	8	15
# 100 (150 μm)	3	9	6	9
# 200 (75 μm)	3	6	3.5	5.5
Ratio Dust/Asphalt Binder		1.0		1.0
VMA	13.0		13.5	
Density Ndesign <u>&gt;</u> 90	93.0 - 96.0 %		93.0 - 96.0 %	
	50 % Manufactured Sand FA 20		67 % Manufactured Sand FA 20, 21 or 22	

## POLYMER HMA IL 19.0 FG DISTICT 5 EXPERIENCE

In 2010: District included both a CG & FG Polymer HMA, IL 19.0 mix on I-57 north of Tuscola. (17,000 tons FG)

#### Conclusions:

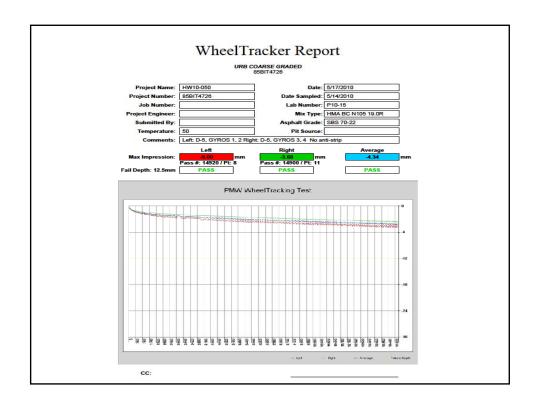
Cost comparison – FG 1.10/ton > CG; FG 2.65/ton < Surf

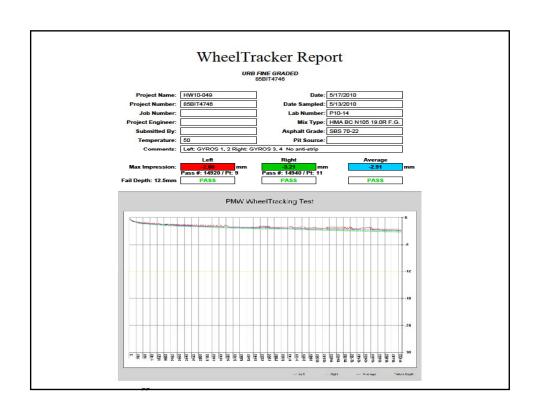
Density - CG - SJT 93.4%; Mat 93.5%; CLJT 93.0%

FG - SJT 95.1%; Mat 95.3%; CLJT94.7%

F.G. AVG 1.5 -1.8% higher density with fewer passes

Stability - Hamburg Wheel, production







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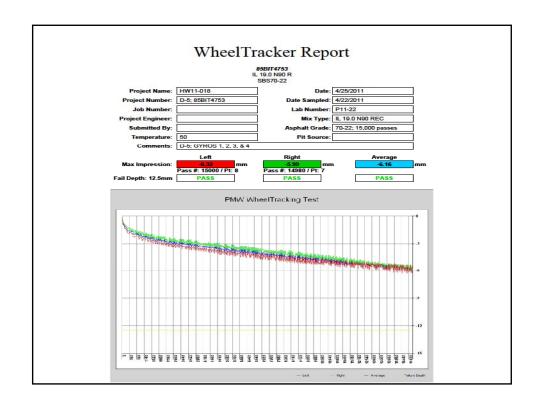
In 2011: Substituted for CG mix originally included in the contract. I-72 from Macon County line to White Heath Road. (49,000 tons FG)

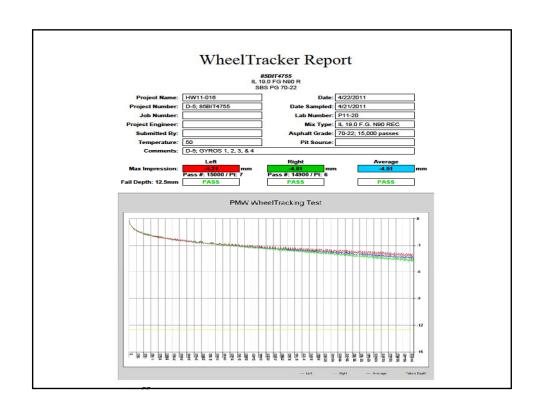
#### Conclusions:

Cost comparison – FG = CG; FG \$4.00/ton < Surf Density – FG easier to achieve than adjacent CG section Stability – Hamburg Wheel production

Permeability – Illinois Center for Transportation

Constructability – Reduced rolling pattern; higher mat and joint density





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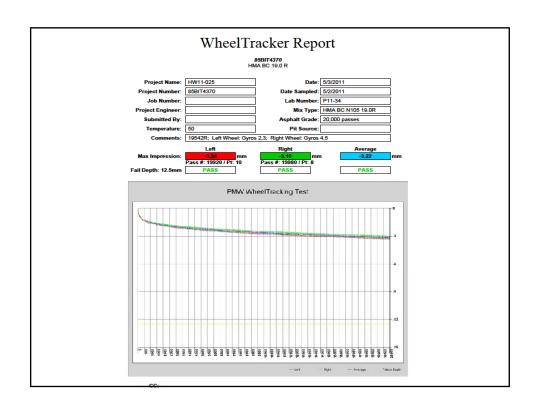
In 2011: FG Polymer HMA, IL 19.0 mix on I-74 in McLean County from US 51 to Downs. (19,000 tons FG) Pay for Performance Spec.

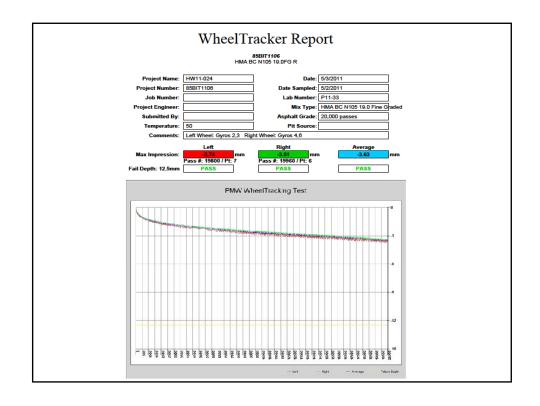
#### Conclusions:

Cost comparison – FG \$2.23/ton > CG; FG \$2.54/ton < Surf

Density - PFP vs QC/QA Testing, 100.7% Pay

Stability - Hamburg proven in design and production





### **POLYMER HMA IL 19.0 FG**

District 5 plans to solely use HMA Binder Course, IL 19.0 FG.

Our experience (~85,000 tons) with the FG IL 19.0 mix has shown:

Segregation is minimized and basically a non issue

Density is easier to achieve

Less permeable

Requires less compactive effort

Increase production and improve smoothness

Less expensive than a surface mix

More durable than CG Binder, may be the "perpetual binder"

## **QUESTIONS**

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