#### 2022 ILLINOIS BITUMINOUS CONFERENCE



# PRESERVING OUR NATION'S TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATES & TRENDS

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#### **QUICK FACTS ON NCPP**

# NATIONAL CENTER FOR PAVEMIENT PRESERVATION (NCPP) at MSU

- Established in 2003 through collaborative efforts of MSU, FHWA, and FP2 Inc.
- Mission is to provide outreach, education, & research needed to advance state of preservation practice and knowledge.
  - ✓ Initially dealt with pavement preservation
  - ✓ Today, portfolio includes:

Pavement and bridge

Equipment

Pavement Preservation Certification Program.



#### QUICK FACTS ON NCPP (con't)







Currently also administering pavement and bridge preservation technical services programs (TSP-2) and the equipment management technical services program (EMTSP) for AASHTO.







**Principal Mission:** Serve as clearinghouse for information on preservation measures that enhance transportation infrastructure performance and extend their service life.

**Endgame:** Advance the state of the practice and knowledge for preserving our nation's transportation infrastructure.

#### **TSP2** Regional Preservation Partnerships

#### Bridge:









#### Pavement:











#### **TSP2 Task Forces / Working Groups**

From time to time, Task Forces or Working Groups may be formed to perform other actions which promote the objectives of the Partnership.

- Emulsion Task Force (ETF)
- ➤ Concrete Task Force (CTF)

The Task Forces, their activities, and deliverables, are listed on the TSP•2 website.



#### TSP2 Regional Preservation Partnerships (Con't)

#### **■ NCPP Overarching Objective:**

- >Ensure mission of TSP•2 program effectively and efficiently achieved.
  - Provides technical, logistics, & administrative support.
  - Facilitates regional partnership activities,
  - Provide effective interactive websites,
  - Offers other assistance as needed or requested.



#### TSP2 Regional Preservation Partnerships (Con't)

Outreach: Facilitate Exchange of Preservation Information

#### 4 Regional Partnerships

- Monthly Teleconference Meetings
  - Business
  - Technical Presentations/Discussion
    - Innovative Products/Practices
    - Preservation Challenges
    - Best Practices
- Annual Regional Meetings
- National Preservation Conference
  - Every 4 years (or so . . .)



#### **2022 Annual Regional Pavement Partnership Meetings**

SEPPP - Southeast Pavement Preservation Partnership Jekyll Island, GA - March 28-30

NEPPP - Northeast Pavement Preservation Partnership Portsmouth, NH - May 3-5

MPPP - Midwest Pavement Preservation Partnership St. Louis, MO - September 12-14

RMWPPP- Rocky Mountains West Pavement Preservation Partnership, Albuquerque, NM - September 27-29,





#### 2023 National Pavement Preservation Conference



Four Concurrent Technical Tracks Covering a Variety of Preservation Topics
 Networking Opportunities with Fellow Practitioners and Exhibitors

#### PRESERVING OUR NATION'S TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE

#### **CONTEXT & QUICK FACTS**

- > Transportation Infrastructure is essential to:
  - Commute to work,
  - ✓ Obtain/deliver goods and services,
  - ✓ Visit with family and friends,
  - ✓ Travel both for leisure and work, etc.

#### **QUICK FACTS**

- Some statistics, from the 2020 USDOT Transportation Statistics Annual Report <sup>(1)</sup>:
  - Connects 7.9M businesses with customers, suppliers, and workers.
  - Served 327M residents and 80M visitors.
  - Transportation assets valued at about \$8.3 trillion

    Public highways & streets accounted for ~ 45% or \$3.7 trillion

    Other publicly owned transportation, such as airports, seaports, and transit structures, accounted for \$861 billion.



#### QUICK FACTS (con't)

- >The National Highway System consists of about 4.2 million center-line or 8.8 million lane-miles and more than 617K bridges.
- >Close to 70% of the roadways are Local roads.
- About 1% of total system-miles are highways handling more that ¼ of total traffic volumes.
- >273.6 million motor vehicles drove a total of more than 3.2 trillion miles
- ✓ Commercial vehicles (trucks & buses) use accounted for about 10% of VMT



#### **Pavement Preservation**

Programs and Activities using a network level, long-term strategy that includes integrated, cost-effective set of practices that extend pavement life, improve safety, and meet road user expectations.







#### WHY PRESERVATION?

- >Fundamental need to preserve transportation assets.
- Public agencies mission to provide a safe, efficient, resilient, and durable infrastructure.
- >Ultimately, it is about economics:
  - ✓ Significant reduction in construction and management costs.
  - Fewer traffic delays and negative impact on traveling public.
  - Time-efficiency and cost-effectiveness to optimizing service.
- >It is better for the Environment as well:
- ✓ It typically uses up to 80% less of natural non-renewable resources.
- $\checkmark$  Extending pavement life through preventative strategies can reduce greenhouse gasses by up to 2%  $^*$ .

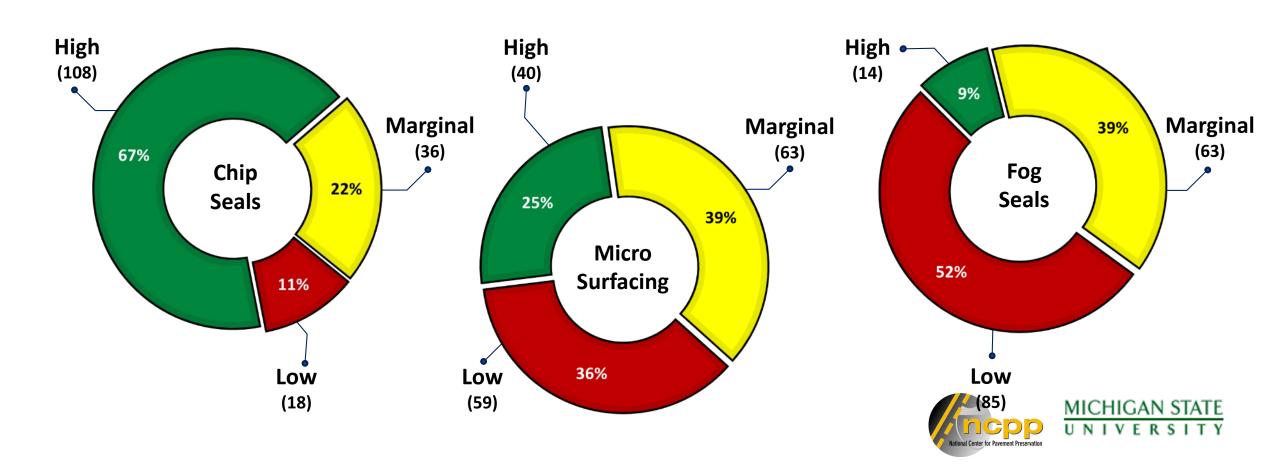


#### WHY PRESERVATION? (con't)

- In addition, with the implementation of performance measures through *MAP-21* and the *Fast Act*, states are required to develop a risk-based asset management plan to improve or preserve the condition and the performance of their transportation assets.
  - Held accountable for the condition of their transportation infrastructure.
  - Preservation is the most cost-effective approach to improve and maintain the state of good network condition.
- In light of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), the need to preserve our investment and ensure a resilient transportation infrastructure has never been greater.



### State of Knowledge of Emulsion-based Treatments (Based on 162 Responses)



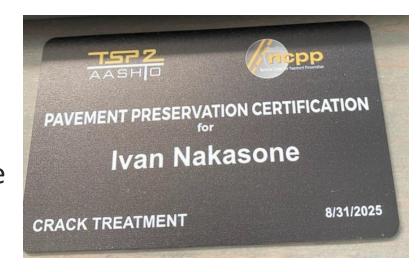
#### Pavement Preservation – Trends & Updates

- For several years, the TSP2 Regional Pavement Preservation Partnerships have been working with their member states to increase awareness, adoption, and use of Pavement Preservation programs.
- >4 major focus areas:
  - ✓ Certification and Lab Accreditation
  - ✓ Updated Specifications
  - √ Focused Training and Education
  - Research and Testing of Materials and Processes



#### Certification

- NCPP collaborated with its stakeholders to develop a certification program that combines education and testing. It covers:
  - ✓ Individuals Agency and Contractor
  - ✓ Contractor
  - Agencies
- > Separate certification for contractor and agency personnel.
- > Testing can be completed in-person at a proctored site or on-line.
- > Spanish-version available.
- > First group of individuals was certified in 2016.

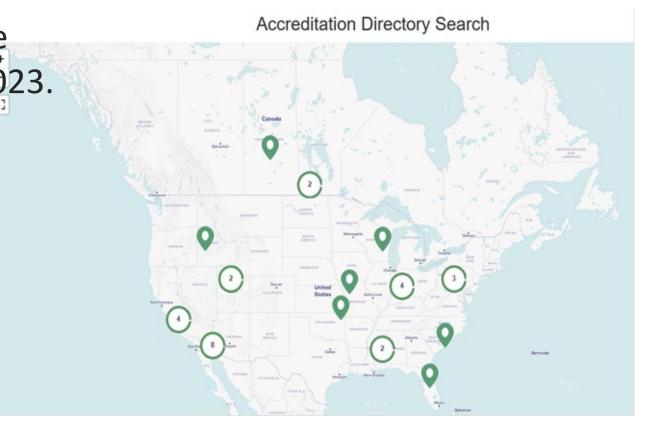




#### **AASHTO:resource - Lab Accreditation**

> 32 Labs have been accredited since 2016. More are in the queue for 2023.

Working with AASHTO:resource (formerly AMRL) to develop accreditation standards for slurry surfacing design labs.





#### **New Specifications**

- > AASHTO Specifications and Construction Guides approved and published in 2022 for:
  - Micro surfacing, Chip Seals and Fog Seals.
  - Diamond Grinding.
- Additional Specifications are in development for other treatments.
- Draft QA/QC Guides for Chip Seal and Slurry Systems are at the review stage for publication.
- Polymer Modified Slurry Seals
  - Recently approved, this new Specifications and construction guide bridge the gap between standard Slurry Seal and Micro surfacing.
- On-going efforts to harmonize AASHTO and ASTM standards



#### **Ongoing Research**

#### **NCAT/MnROAD** - Pavement Preservation Group Study

- > To quantify service-life extension and condition-improving benefits of different pavement preservation treatments on low-volume and high-volume roads in both northern and southern climates.
- Test Sections have been placed at various locations in Alabama and Minnesota.
- Most of the preservation treatments are out-performing expectations after 10-years of service.

More information can be found at: <u>Pavement Preservation (auburn.edu)</u>



#### **Ongoing Research**

#### Micro Surfacing Sampling and AC Content Determination

#### **Objectives**

- Develop a field sampling procedure
- Test method to determine the asphalt binder content in a slurry surfacing system.

Research is complete and under review. Expect publication in 2023.

Illinois DOT – Asphalt Content in Micro surfacing Mixtures



#### Ongoing NCHRP Projects

- »NCHRP 9-62 Rapid Tests and Specifications for Construction of Asphalt-Treated Cold Recycled Pavements.
- »NCHRP 14-43 Construction Guide Specifications for Cold Central Plant Recycling and Cold In-Place Recycling
- »NCHRP 14-44 Construction Guide Specifications for Slurry Seals, Scrub Seals, and Tack Coats. Andrew Braham
- NCHRP 14-48 Construction Guide Specifications for Pavement Treatments -Sand Seals and Ultra-thin Bonded Surface Treatments.
- »NCHRP 10-144 Developing Performance and Safety Specifications for Rejuvenating Seals.
- »NCHRP 10-124 Development of Field Test to Determine Actual Percent Embedment of Chip Seal Aggregate.

### NCHRP 20-44(26) Implementing Guide Specifications for the Construction of Chip Seals, Micro Surfacing, and Fog Seals

#### Backround

- ✓ Initial Construction Guide Specifications developed through NCHRP 14-37.
- √ These specifications adopted as AASHTO Provisional Standards.

#### Project Objective

Develop and execute a dissemination and implementation plan to generate awareness of these Construction Guides.



#### IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

#### Implementation effort consists of 5 tasks:

- 1. Information Dissemination
- 2. Outreach
- 3. Training
- 4. Demonstrations
- 5. Final Report



#### **Educational Opportunities**

#### RoadResource.org

All things Pavement Preservation from PPRA (Pavement Preservation and Recycling Alliance).

#### Website includes:

Detailed Information on 18 Preservations treatments.

Network Optimization Calculators that help prove the benefits of preservation using YOUR data.

Treatment Selection based on:

**Distress** 

**Pavement Criteria** 



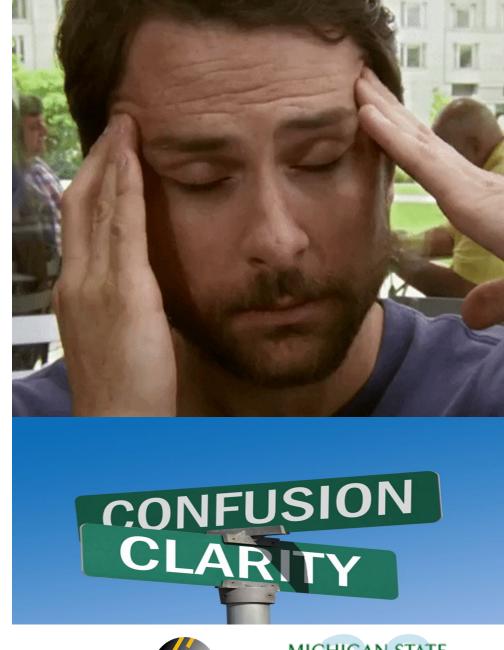


#### **Educational Opportunities**

Development of university level class modules on pavement preservation.



# Other Governmental Initiatives





# Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) (aka Bipartisan Infrastructure Law or BIL)

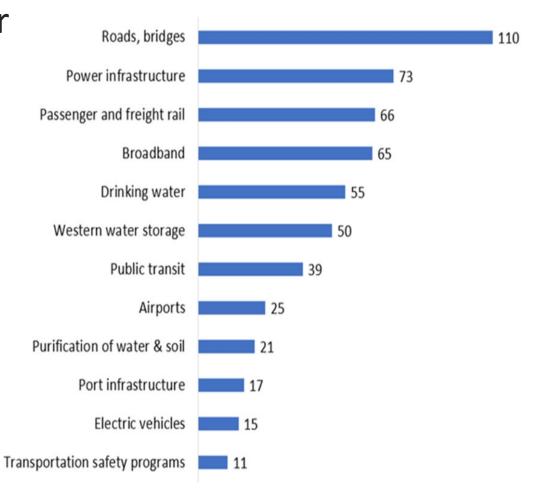
- > Signed into law Nov 15, 2021
- > Scheduled to go into effect May 14, 2022
  - ✓ 6 months waiver issued New implementation Nov. 10, 2022
  - Numerous requests to delay further
- > IIJA total budget: \$1.2 Trillion total
  - > Original bill \$547 billion
  - ➤ Amended bill 1.2 trillion
  - > Roads & Bridges~ 10%





#### Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (\$ Billion)

- Roads/Bridges: \$110 Billion over five years
  - √ 35% increase over baseline spending for roads
  - √ 39% of that will be distributed through discretionary grants
  - Additional research funding to current research programs





#### Total estimated infrastructure bill allocations / State

Indiana – \$8.8B	Nebraska – \$3B	South Carolina – \$6.1B
lowa – \$5.1B	Nevada – \$4B	South Dakota – \$2.8B
Kansas – \$3.8B	New Hampshire – \$2B	Tennessee – \$8B
Kentucky – \$6.5B	New Jersey – \$13.5B	Texas - \$35.4B
Louisiana – \$7.3B	New Mexico – \$3.7B	Utah - \$4B
Maine - \$2.4B	New York - \$26.9B	Vermont – \$2.2B
Maryland – \$7.4B	North Carolina – \$10.4B	Virginia – \$10.1B
Massachusetts – \$9.3B	North Dakota – \$2.6B	Washington – \$8.6B
Michigan – \$10.8B	Ohio - \$12.8B	West Virginia – \$4.4B
Minnesota – \$6.8B	Oklahoma – \$5.8B	Wisconsin – \$7.3B
Mississippi – \$4.5B	Oregon - \$5.4B	Wyoming – \$2.6B
Missouri – \$9B	Pennsylvania – \$17.8B	
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#### Bill allocations for local agencies

Local agencies have the opportunity to access funds through:

- Competitive grants
- Sub-allocations based on the state's population
- Federal formulas



#### PRESERVATION & RESILIENCY/SUSTAINABILITY

- > Growing emphasis on making infrastructure more sustainable and resilient.
- Preservation essential to sustainability and resiliency of our transportation infrastructure
- Proper and appropriate timing of preservation treatments key to optimizing sustainability and resiliency benefits
  - Extending pavement service life
  - Lessens amount of new construction or reconstruction
  - Less material mining, acquisition, processing, and hauling
  - Reduces congestion and impact to traveling public due to construction delays
    - Ultimately reducing vehicle greenhouse gas emissions.
    - FHWA issued guidance clarifying that sustainable pavements and construction materials are eligible/preferred for funding as part of its Carbon Reduction program



#### **Buy Clean Provision**

Federal Sustainability Plan and Executive Order 14057 established a Buy Clean Task Force and initiative to promote use of low-carbon, made in America construction materials

The Buy Clean Task Force is charged with developing recommendations on policies and procedures to include:

- ✓ Identifying materials as well as pollutants to prioritize for consideration in Federal procurement and federally-funded projects;
- ✓ Increasing the transparency of embodied emissions through supplier reporting, including incentives and technical assistance to help domestic manufacturers better report and reduce embodied emissions; and,
- ✓ Launching pilot programs to boost federal procurement of clean construction materials.



#### **Buy Clean Provision**



- > State and local agencies to establish targets on:
  - Declining carbon dioxide targets and
  - On-road reductions as part of their performance measures.
- Funding, at some level will be directly tied to environmentally friendly construction processes.
- Inflation Reduction Act passed recently set \$250 million for assistance in developing Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) for construction materials.



#### **Buy Clean Provision**

\$4.5 billion allocated to the General Services Admin, Department of Transportation, & Environmental Protections Agency.

- Designate construction materials & products that produce sustainably lower levels of greenhouse gases
- Incentives for low carbon materials
- Prioritize purchase of materials that have lower levels of GHG emissions



#### **Build America-Buy American Act (BABA)**

#### **Application of Buy America Preference**

- SEC. 70914 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)
- (a) IN GENERAL. Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the head of each Federal agency shall ensure that none of the funds made available for a Federal financial assistance program for infrastructure, including each deficient program, may be obligated for a project unless <u>all of the iron, steel, manufactured</u> <u>products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States.</u> (emphasis added)



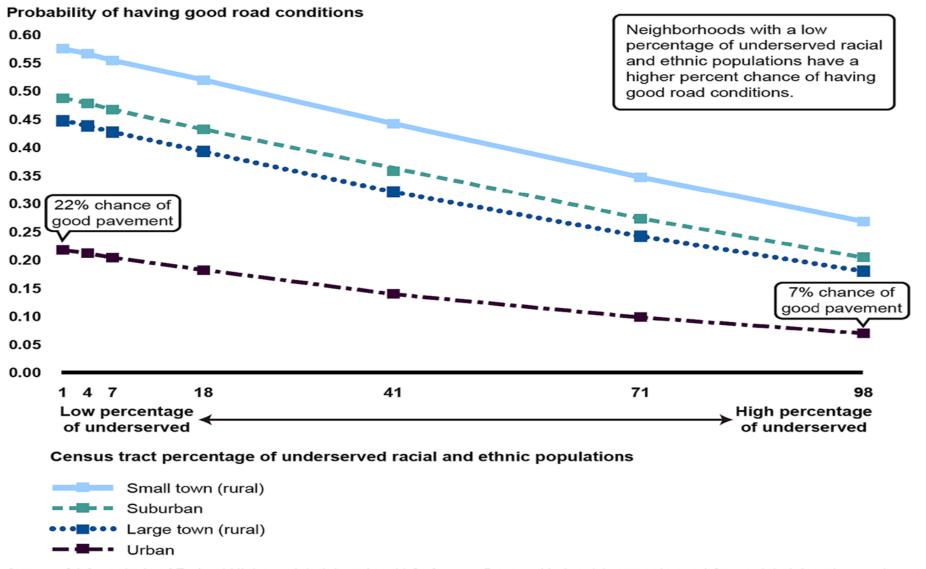


#### **Equity & Pavements**

- Conditions of pavements tend to be worse in Communities with Higher Percentages of Underserved Racial and Ethnic Populations, Communities with Higher Rates of Family Poverty, and Urban Areas
- FHWA urged to better-examine pavement condition in local, rural
   & urban areas where improvement is needed.
- US Department of Agriculture department released \$71 million in grants in pursuit of 'equality and justice'



## **Equity & Pavements**



Source: GAO analysis of Federal Highway Administration, U.S. Census Bureau, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and U.S. Department of Agriculture data. | GAO-22-104578





"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

Aristotle