

# How to Design Concrete Parking Lots - ACI 330R-08

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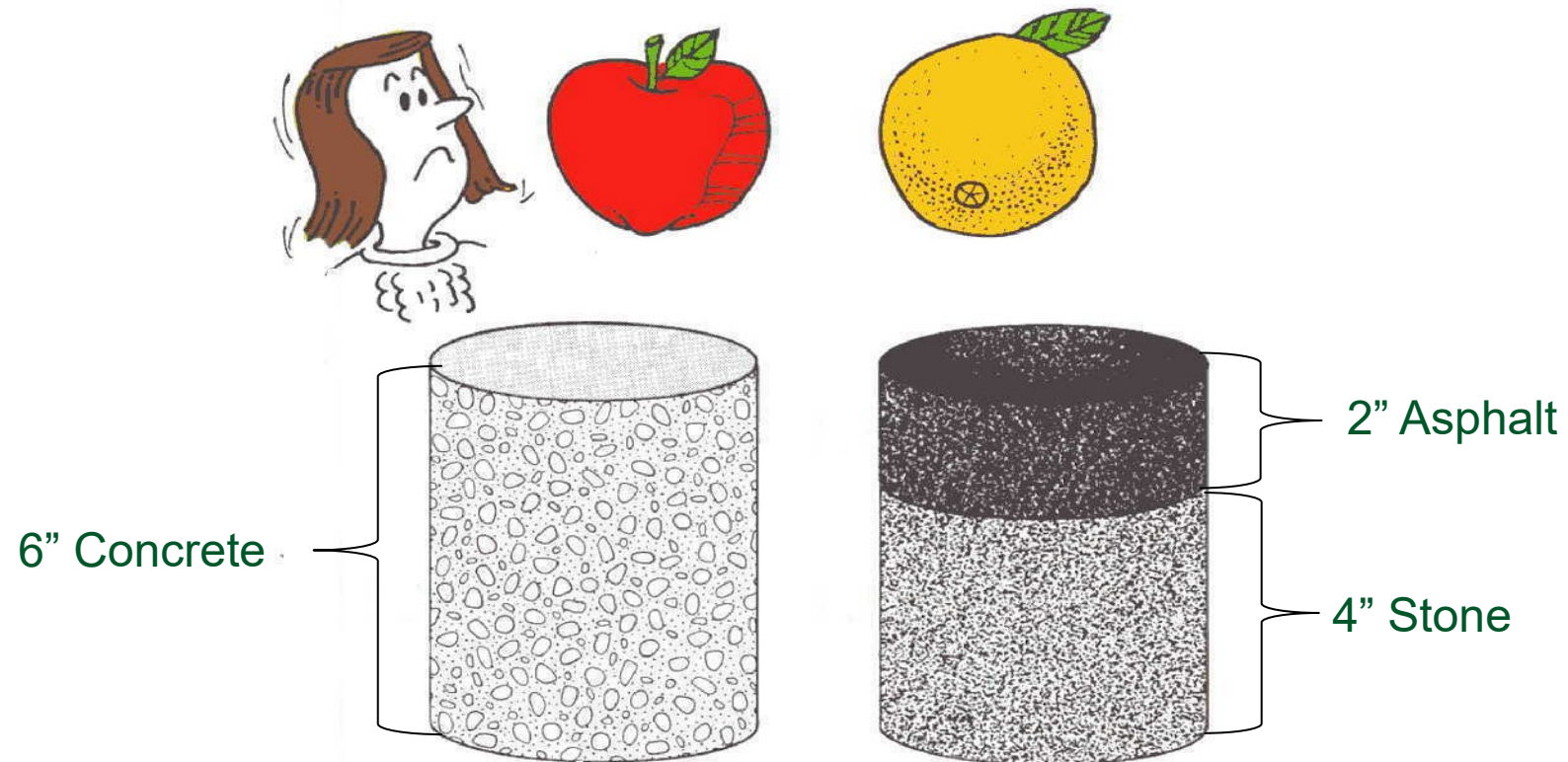
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# These are NOT equal!



# Problems with Under-designing Pavements

*“Under-designing roads can mean more expensive repairs for local towns and counties in the long run.”*

Cornell’s Dr. David Orr, PE.

“When an agency does not prepare a specific pavement design, what ends up getting built is often times underbuilt. ***While they might have saved some money at the time of building, the cost comes back to bite when the road then needs to be rebuilt earlier than expected.***”

Reference: Rutgers Center for Advanced Infrastructure and Transportation



# What do engineers currently use to design concrete pavements?

Nothing...we only design asphalt pavements

What we've always used

Whatever the Geotechnical Engineer recommends

If it works for the DOT, it's good for me

AASHTO Design Guide – '72, '86, '93

IDOT Pavement Design

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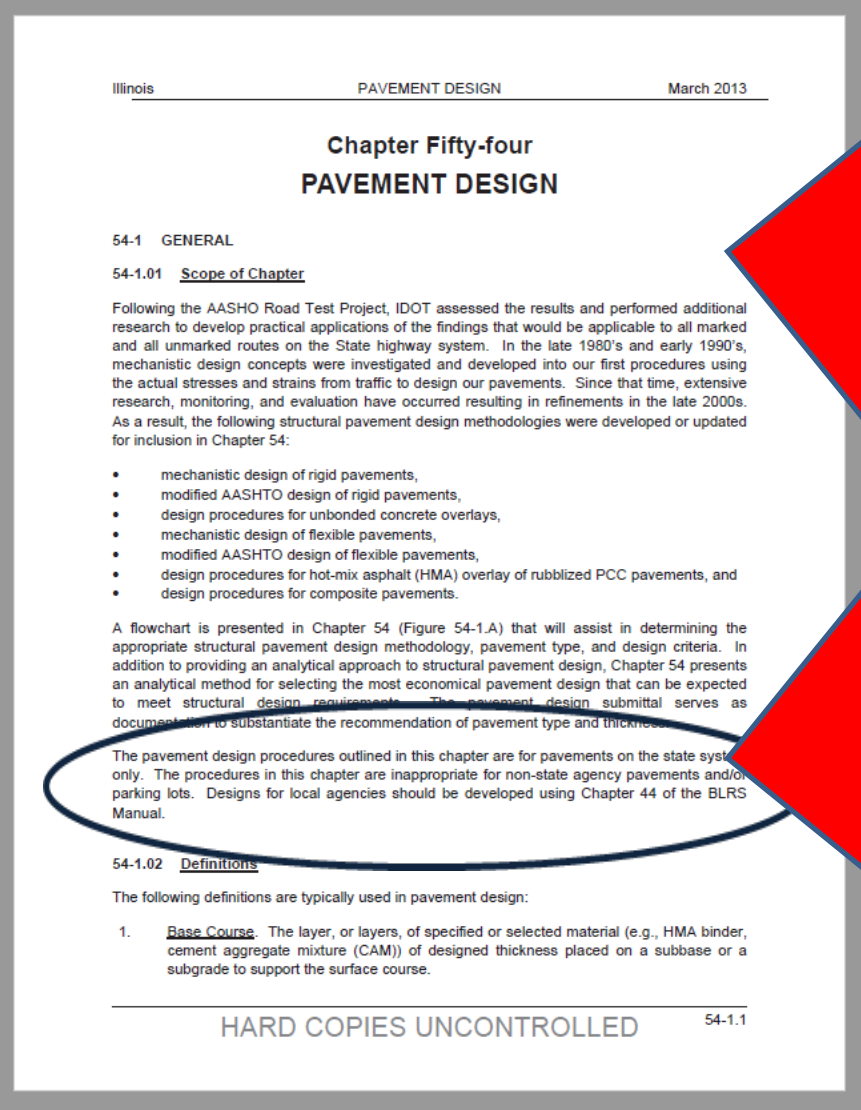
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# First Page...



• “The pavement design procedures outlined in this chapter are for pavements on the state system only.”

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# IDOT Mechanistic Design Method

## 54-1.03 Pavement Design Methodologies

### 54-1.03(a) Mechanistic

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Mechanistic pavement design procedures are applicable to JPCP designs with nominal 15-ft panels and full-depth HMA designs with HMA surface and binder. The procedures use the actual stresses, strains, and deflections experienced by the pavement to determine its expected fatigue life. Factors that are considered in mechanistic designs include:

- design HMA strain,
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- subgrade support ratio (SSR),
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- degree of PCC edge support,
- degree of PCC base erosion,
- PCC joint spacing, and
- PCC stresses.

See Section 54-1.02 for definitions of these factors.

An Excel spreadsheet which will perform the mechanistic pavement design calculations is available on the IDOT website.

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- specific times and rates of application of the test traffic,
- construction techniques employed, and



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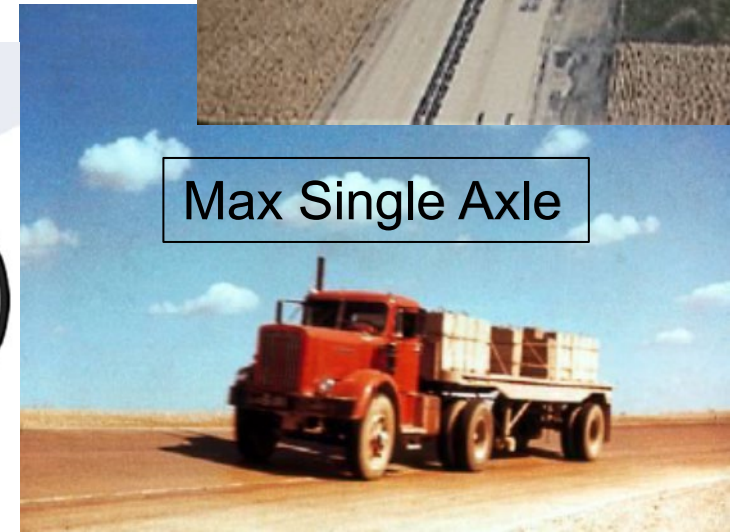
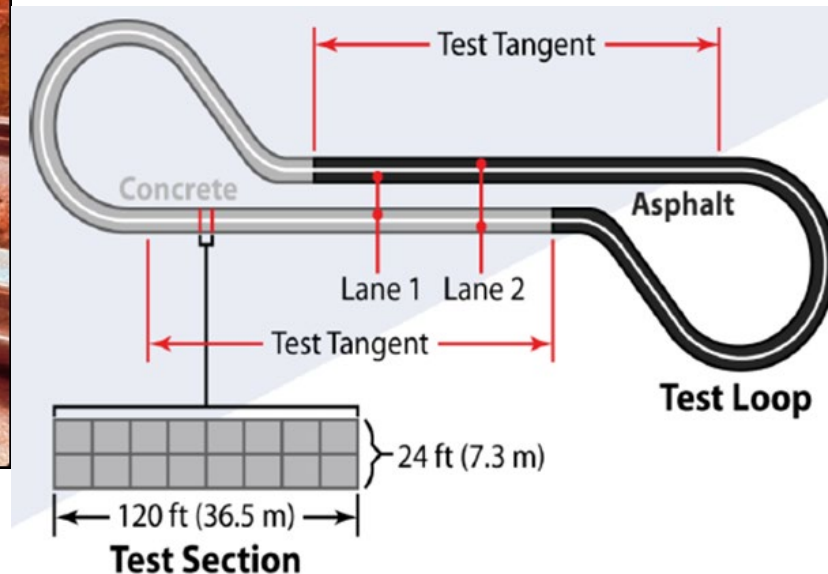
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- climatic cycles experienced during construction and testing of the experimental facility.”

# AASHTO 93 Design Guide

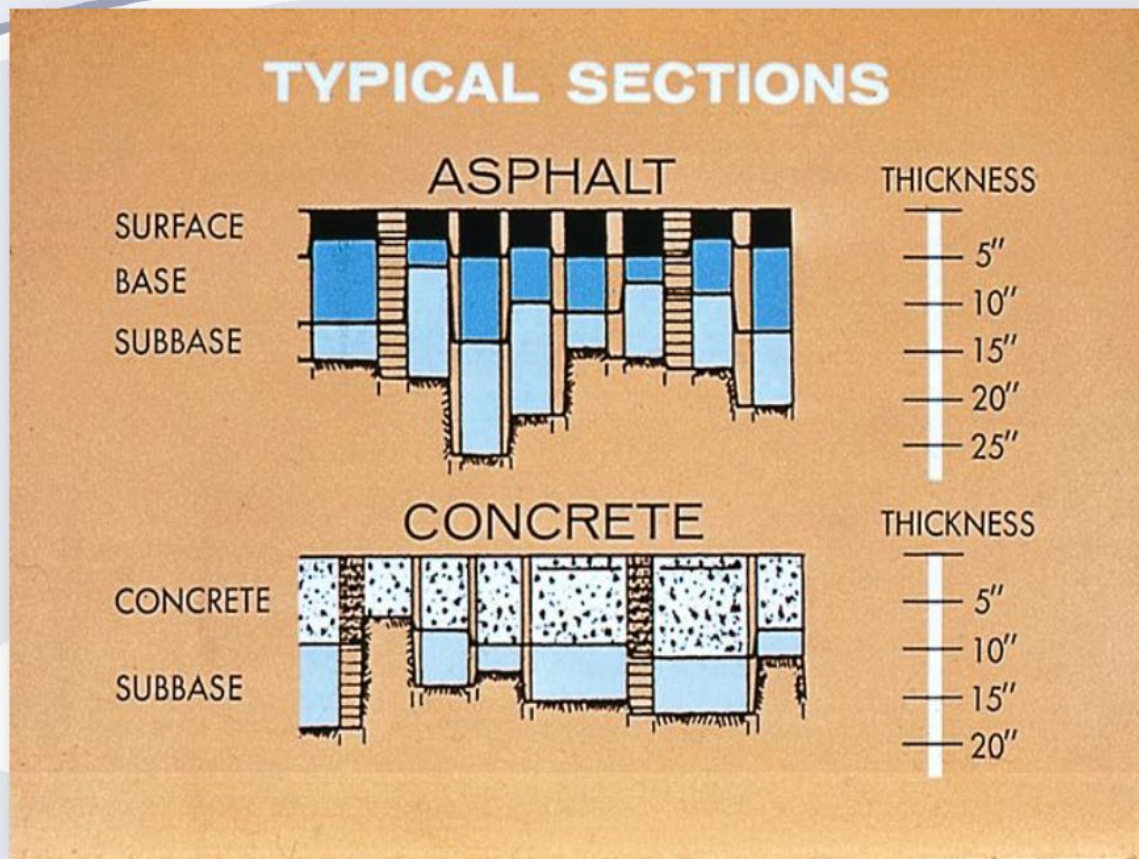
# Source of Much of What We Know About AASHTO Pavement Design

- AASHO Road Test (1958-1960)
- Ottawa, Illinois - 1.1 Mil Reps
- Wholly empirical
- Included 368 concrete and 468 asphalt sections
- Focus was highway pavement



# Test Sections or *Guessed Sections*

## Necessary Thickness was Guessed!

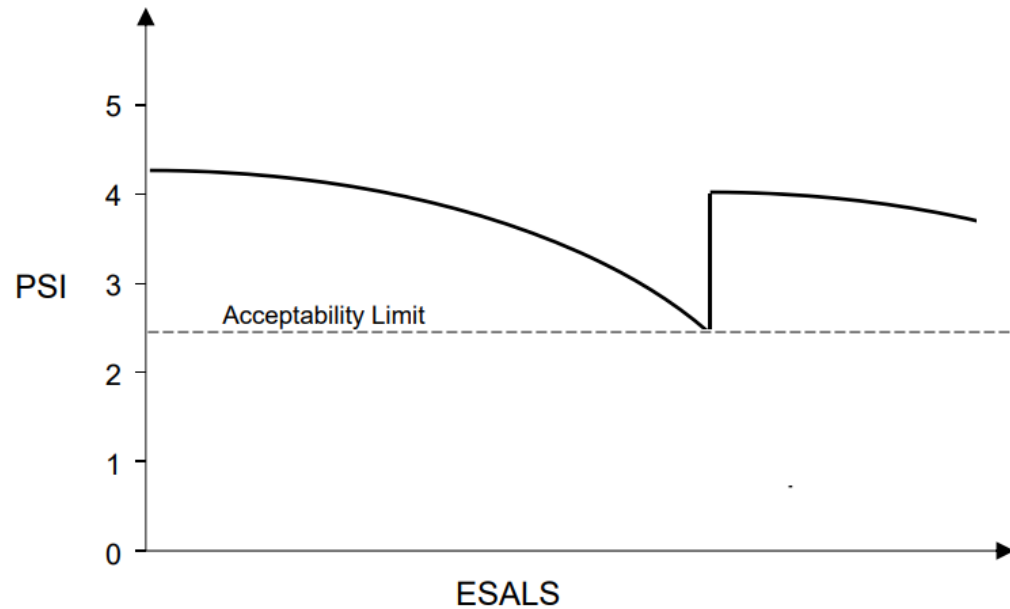


**Subgrade = Clay Soil**

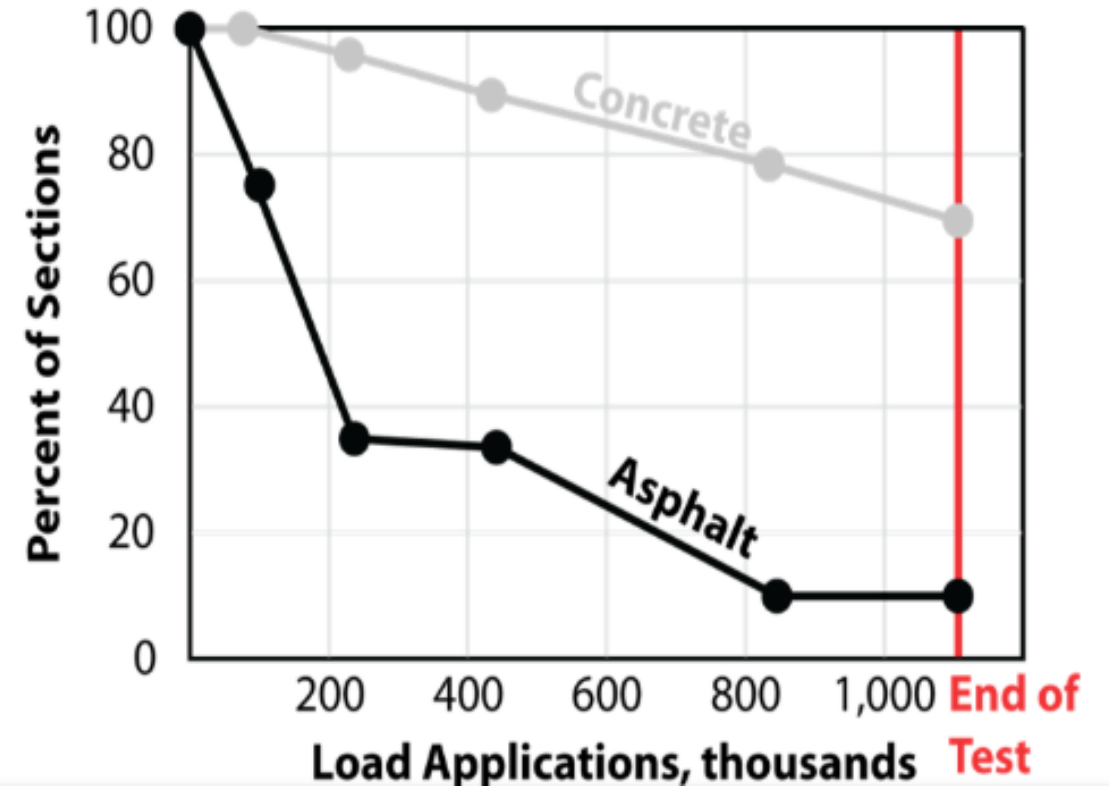
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# Serviceability Index

## Pavement Performance

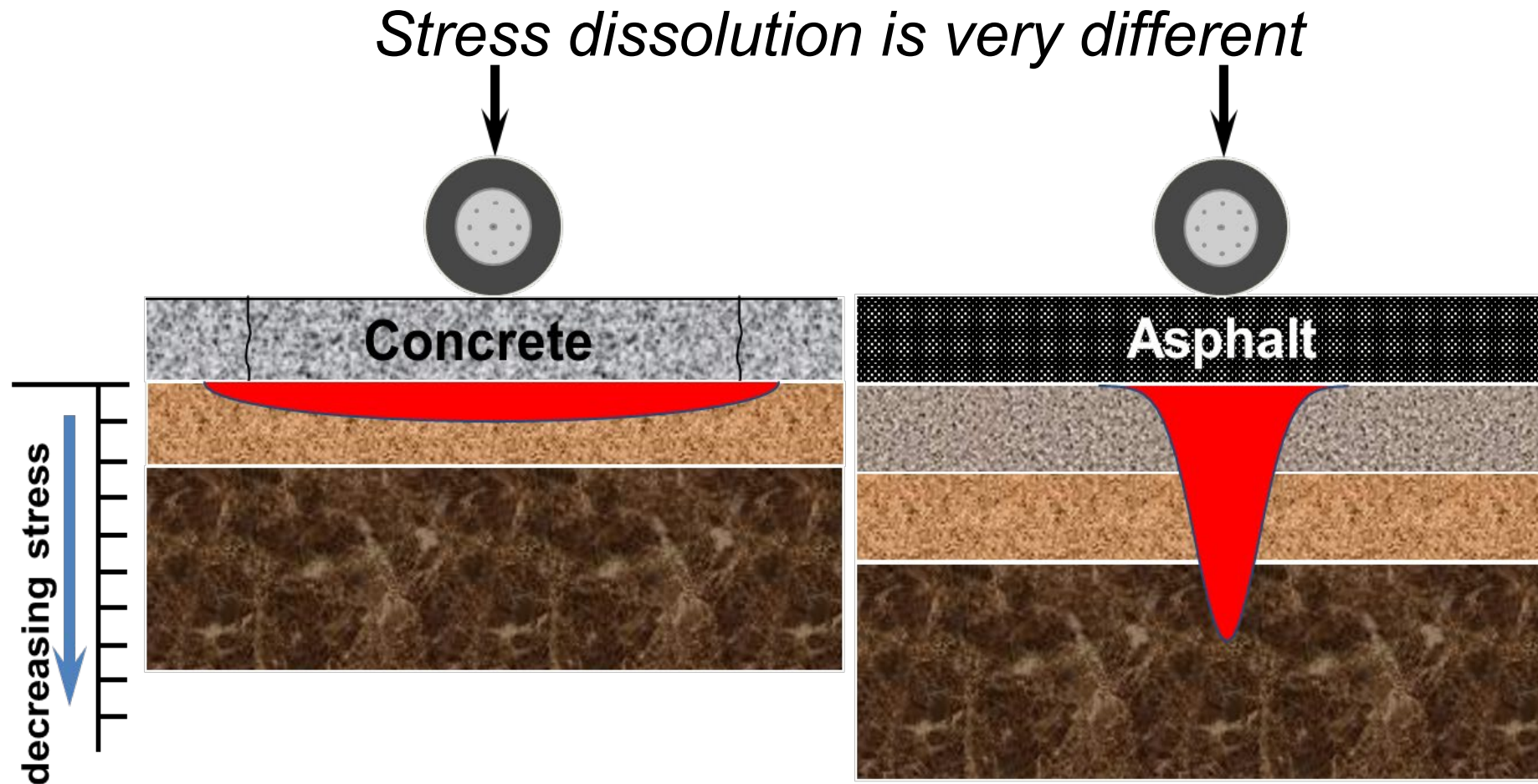


## PERCENT SURVIVING WITH PSI ABOVE 2.5





# Design Elements



# Design Tools

$$SN = a_1D_1 + a_2m_2D_2 + a_3m_3D_3 + \dots a_im_iD_i$$

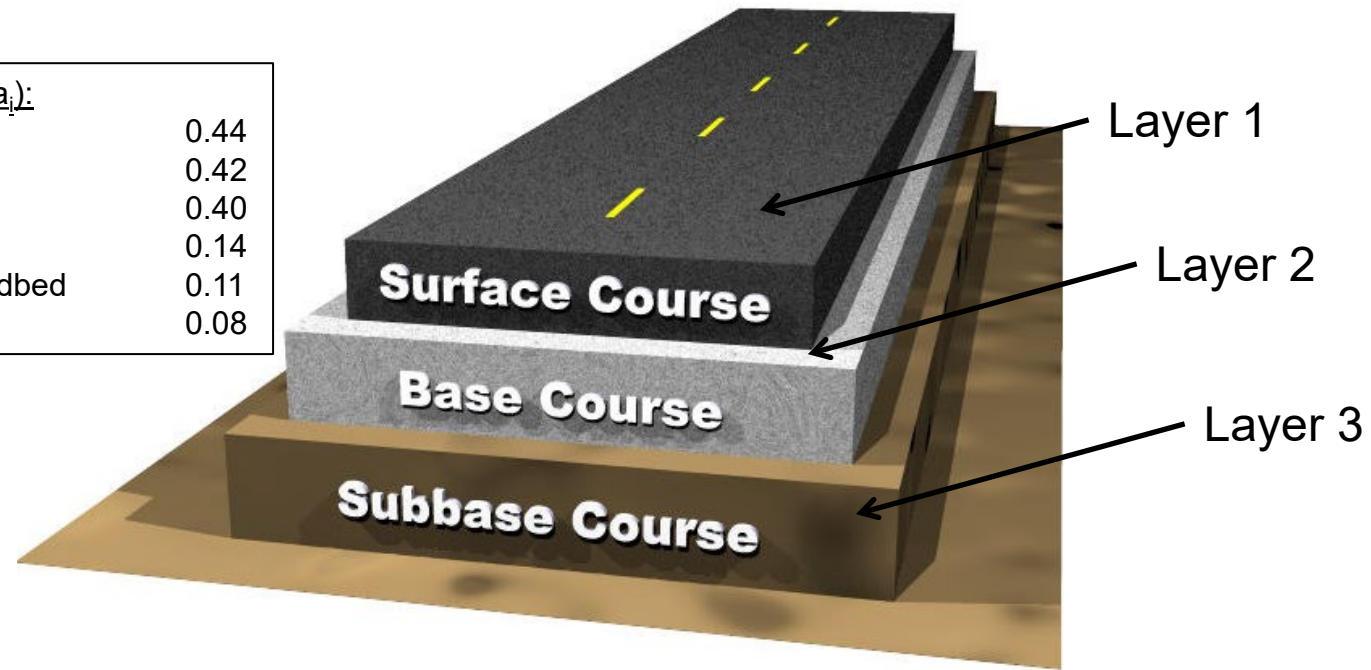
Where:

$a_i$  = structural coefficient representing the relative strength of the pavement layer.

$m_i$  = drainage coefficient representing the ability of the layer to drain.

$D_i$  = layer thickness, in.

<u>Typical Coefficient Values (<math>a_i</math>):</u>	
Asphalt Surface	0.44
Asphalt Binder	0.42
Asphalt Base	0.40
Crushed Stone Base	0.14
Lime/Cement Modified Roadbed	0.11
Rock Roadbed	0.08



# 1986-93 JPCP AASHTO 93 Equation

Standard Normal Deviate

Traffic

Overall Standard Deviation

**Thickness**

Change in Serviceability

$$\text{Log}(ESAL) = Z_R * s_o + 7.35 * \text{Log}(D + 1) - 0.06 + \left[ \frac{\text{Log} \left[ \frac{\Delta PSI}{4.5 - 1.5} \right]}{1 + \frac{1.624 * 10^7}{(D + 1)^{8.46}}} \right]$$

Terminal Serviceability

Modulus of Rupture

Drainage Coefficient

$$+ (4.22 - 0.32 * p_t) * \text{Log} \left[ \frac{S'_c * C_d * (D^{0.75} - 1.132)}{215.63 * J * \left[ D^{0.75} - \frac{18.42}{(E_c / k)^{0.25}} \right]} \right]$$

Load Transfer

Modulus of Elasticity

Modulus of Subgrade Reaction

**WHAT DO DESIGNERS FOCUS ON?**

# AASHTO Road Test

- All transverse joints were doweled at the same spacing - JPCP @ 15 ft and JRCP @ 40 ft
- AASHTO equation does not address joint spacing
- AASHTO 93 rigid pavement design equation is very sensitive to the joint load transfer coefficient
  - *J Factor for undoweled pavements is simply a guess and based on **very conservative extrapolation***
- Improve load transfer in thinner pavements using short joint spacing
- One of the main reasons we highly encourage **NOT** using AASHTO 93

# There's Another Way

Question:

What should engineers use to design concrete pavements for local roads and parking lots?

**ACI 325**

**&**

**ACI 330!**

# *What is ACI 325 & 330?*



## Committees within American Concrete Institute

- Leading Industry Experts & Engineers
- Complete and Concise for Design and Construction
  - ✓ **ACI 325.12R-02 (Reapproved 2013): Guide for Design of Jointed Concrete Pavements for Streets and Local Roads**
  - ✓ **ACI 330R-08: Guide for Design and Construction of Concrete Parking Lots**
  - ✓ **ACI 325.9R-15: Guide for Construction of Concrete Pavements**

# Overview of ACI 330R-08

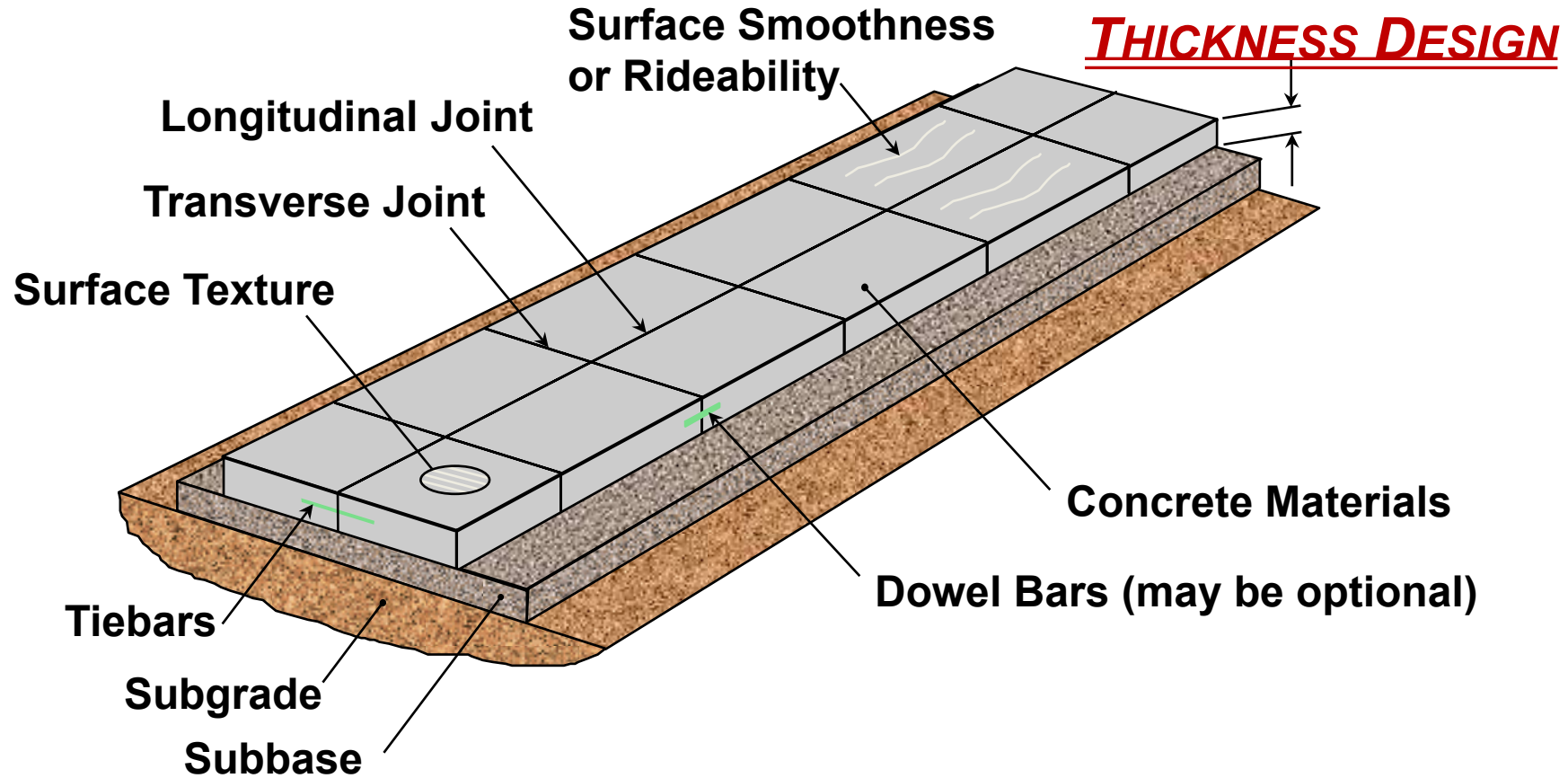
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# Design Elements





# Pavement Design Using ACI 330

# Concrete Pavement Design

## PCA Design Method

- Two failure modes considered:
  - Fatigue failure due to slab flexure
  - Erosion failure due to foundation compression
- Edge loads produce the worst stresses
  - Fatigue based on tensile stress due to edge loads
- Corner loads produce the worst deflections
  - Erosion based on deflections due to corner loads

# Key Terminology

$k$  – modulus of subgrade

ADTT – average daily truck traffic

MOR – modulus of rupture / flexural strength

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$k$  – modulus of subgrade or

*CBR* – California Bearing Ratio ( $R$  and  $SSV$ )

**Table 3.1—Subgrade soil types and approximate support values (Portland Cement Association 1984a,b; American Concrete Pavement Association 1982)**

Type of soil	Support	$k$ , psi/in.	CBR	$R$	SSV
Fine-grained soils in which silt and clay-size particles predominate	Low	75 to 120	2.5 to 3.5	10 to 22	2.3 to 3.1
Sands and sand-gravel mixtures with moderate amounts of silt and clay	Medium	130 to 170	4.5 to 7.5	29 to 41	3.5 to 4.9
Sand and sand-gravel mixtures relatively free of plastic fines	High	180 to 220	8.5 to 12	45 to 52	5.3 to 6.1

Notes: CBR = California bearing ratio;  $R$  = resistance value; and SSV = soil support value. 1 psi = 0.0069 MPa, and 1 psi/in. = 0.27 MPa/m.

# Key Terminology

**Table 3.2—Modulus of subgrade reaction  $k^*$**

Subgrade $k$ value, psi/in.	Sub-base thickness			
	4 in.	6 in.	9 in.	12 in.
	Granular aggregate subbase			
50	65	75	85	110
100	130	140	160	190
200	220	230	270	320
300	320	330	370	430
	Cement-treated subbase			
50	170	230	310	390
100	280	400	520	640
200	470	640	830	—
	Other treated subbase			
50	85	115	170	215
100	175	210	270	325
200	280	315	360	400
300	350	385	420	490

\*For subbase applied over different subgrades, psi/in. (Portland Cement Association 1984a,b; Federal Aviation Administration 1978).

Note: 1 in. = 25.4 mm, and 1 psi/in. = 0.27 MPa/m.

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## ADTT – average daily truck traffic

**Table 3.3—Traffic categories\***

1. Car parking areas and access lanes—Category A		
2. Shopping center entrance and service lanes—Category B		
3. Bus parking areas, city and school buses		
Parking area and interior lanes—Category B		
Entrance and exterior lanes—Category C		
4. Truck parking areas—Category B, C, or D		
Truck type	Parking areas and interior lanes	Entrance and exterior lanes
Single units (bobtailed trucks)	Category B	Category C
Multiple units (tractor trailer units with one or more trailers)	Category C	Category D

\*Select A, B, C, or D for use with Table 3.4.

# Key Terminology

MOR – modulus of rupture  
or  
flexural strength

\*Concrete Industry uses compressive strength (f'c)

4,000 psi compressive ~ 600 psi flexural



# ACI 330R-08 Guidelines – Table 3.4

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	C (ADTT = 100)	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.5	6.0	6.5	6.5	7.0	6.5	7.0	7.5	7.5
	C (ADTT = 300)	6.0	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	7.0	7.5	7.0	7.5	7.5	8.0
	C (ADTT = 700)	6.0	6.5	6.5	7.0	6.5	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5
	D (ADTT = 700)	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0

# ...and Average Daily Truck Traffic (ADTT)

		<i>k</i> = 500 psi/in. (CBR = 50, R = 86)				<i>k</i> = 400 psi/in. (CBR = 38, R = 80)				<i>k</i> = 300 psi/in. (CBR = 26, R = 67)			
		MOR, psi:	650	600	550	500	650	600	550	500	650	600	550
Traffic Category	A (ADTT = 1)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5
	A (ADTT = 10)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.5	4.5	4.5
	B (ADTT = 25)	4.0	4.5	4.5	5.0	4.5	4.5	5.0	5.5	4.5	4.5	5.0	5.5
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	C (ADTT = 700)	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.5	5.5	6.0	6.5	6.5
	D (ADTT = 700)	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
		<i>k</i> = 200 psi/in. (CBR = 10, R = 48)				<i>k</i> = 100 psi/in. (CBR = 3, R = 18)				<i>k</i> = 50 psi/in. (CBR = 2, R = 5)			
		MOR, psi:	650	600	550	500	650	600	550	500	650	600	550
Traffic Category	A (ADTT = 1)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.5	4.5	5.0	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.5
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	B (ADTT = 25)	5.0	5.0	5.5	6.0	5.5	5.5	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.5	7.0
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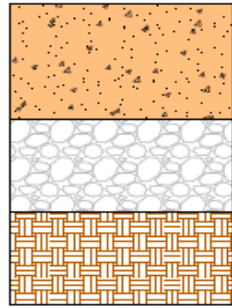
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Traffic Category	A (ADTT = 1)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5
	A (ADTT = 10)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.5	4.5	4.5
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Traffic Category	A (ADTT = 1)	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.5	4.0	4.5	4.5	5.0	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.5
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	C (ADTT = 700)	6.0	6.5	6.5	7.0	6.5	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.0	7.5	8.0	8.5
	D (ADTT = 700)	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	9.0	9.0	9.0	9.0

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## PAVEMENT SECTION ① - Parking Lot Drive Lanes: car, pickup truck, and SUV with NO garbage or delivery trucks

### CONCRETE SECTION

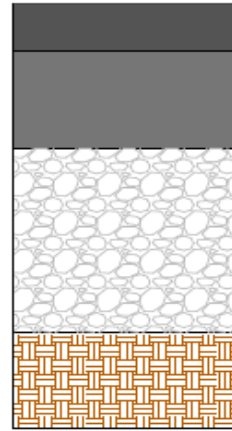


5.5" CONCRETE PAVEMENT

4" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

### ASPHALT SECTION A



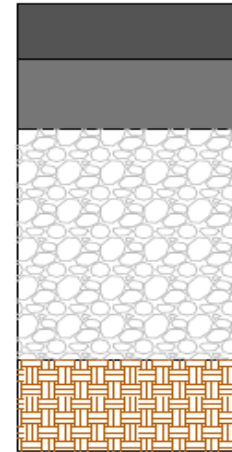
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5" ASPHALT BINDER

8" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

### ASPHALT SECTION B



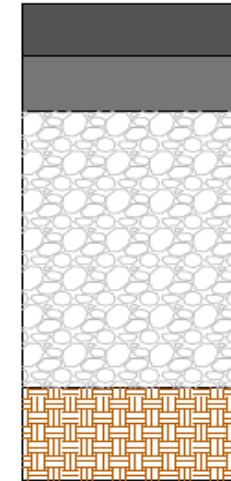
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4" ASPHALT BINDER

10" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

### ASPHALT SECTION C



2" ASPHALT SURFACE

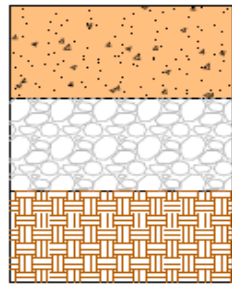
4" ASPHALT BINDER

12" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

## PAVEMENT SECTION ② - Parking Spaces Only: car, pickup truck, and SUV with NO garbage or delivery trucks

### CONCRETE SECTION

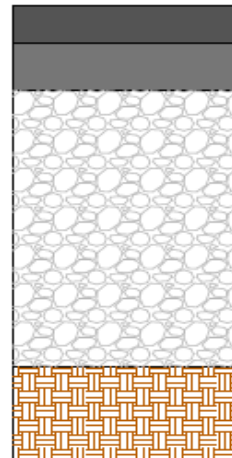


4.5" CONCRETE PAVEMENT

4" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

### ASPHALT SECTION A



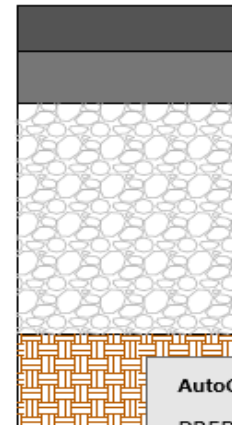
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12" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

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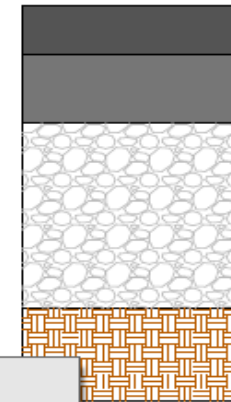
2" ASPHALT SURFACE

3.5" ASPHALT BINDER

10" AGGREGATE BASE

AutoCAD SHX Text  
PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

### ASPHALT SECTION C



2.25" ASPHALT SURFACE

4" ASPHALT BINDER

8" AGGREGATE BASE

PREPARED SUBGRADE SOILS

PAVEMENT SECTION COMPARISON 2

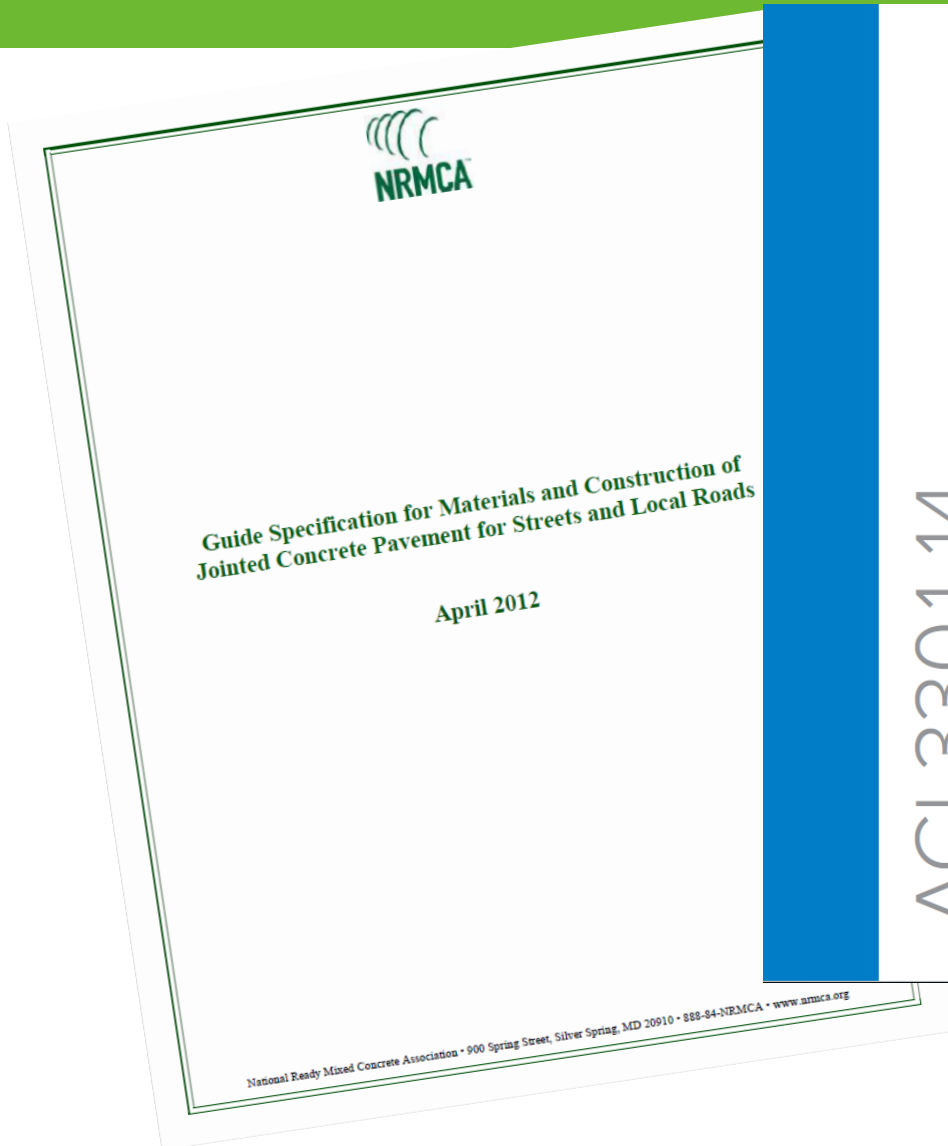
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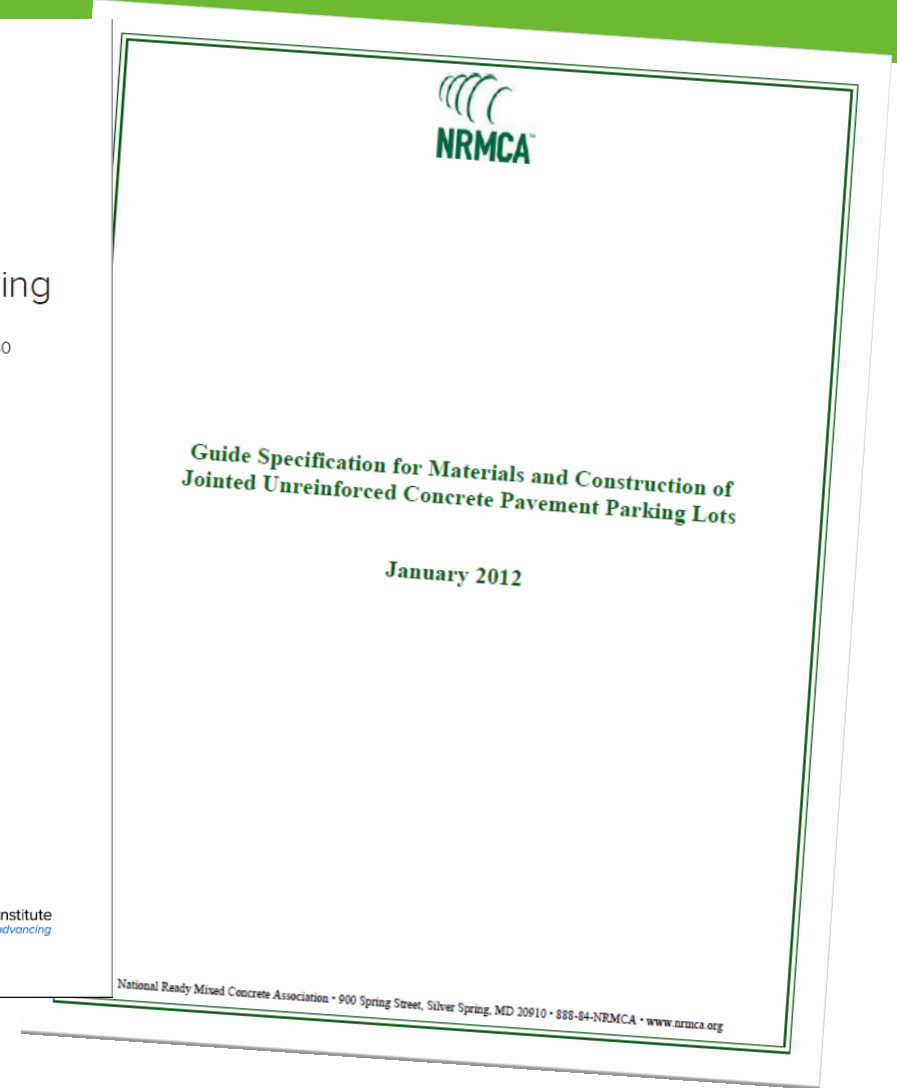
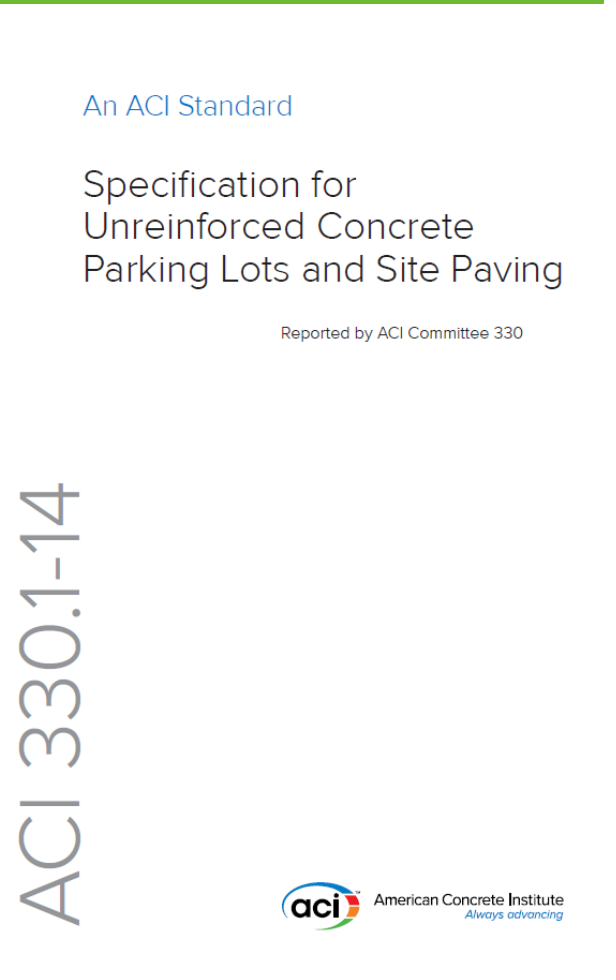
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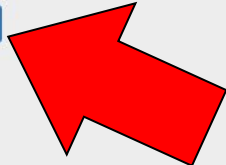
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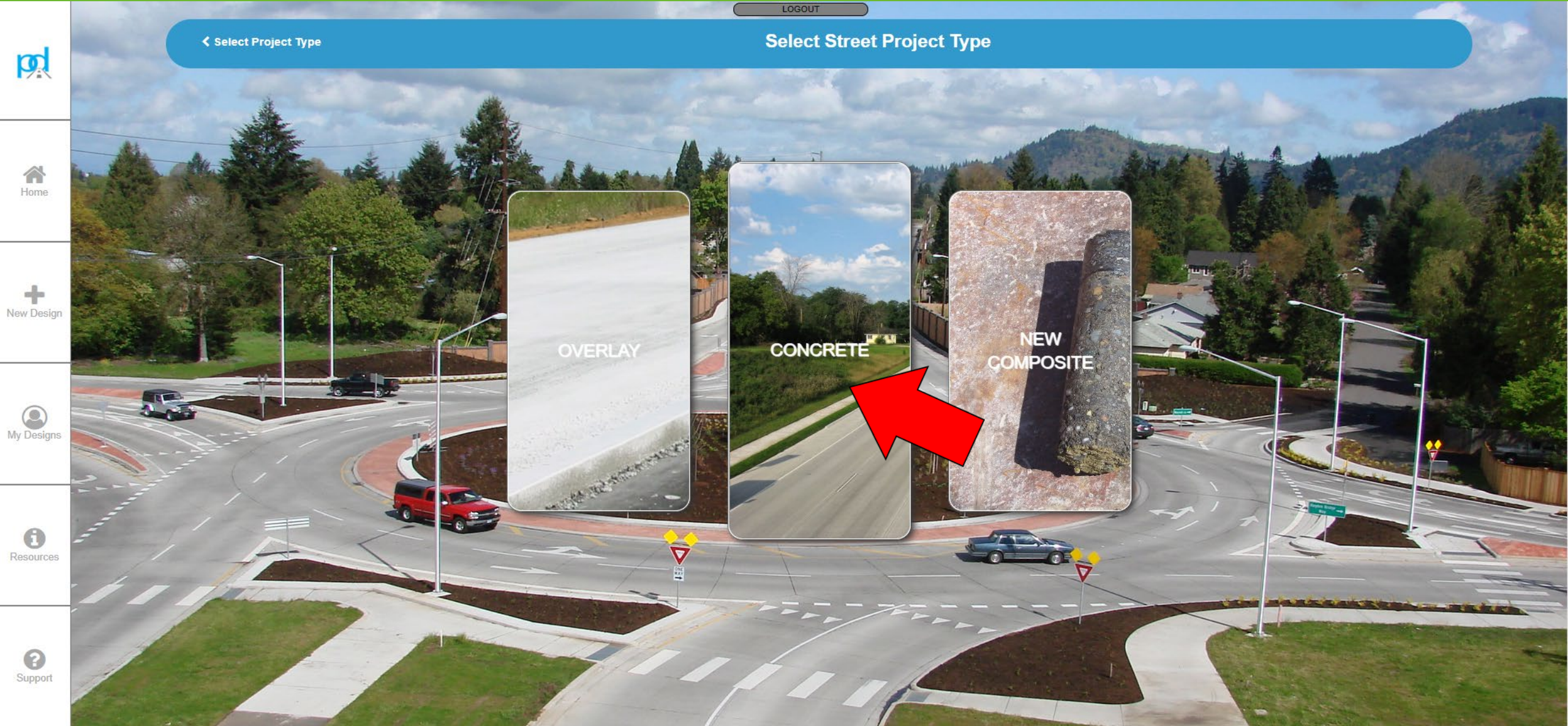
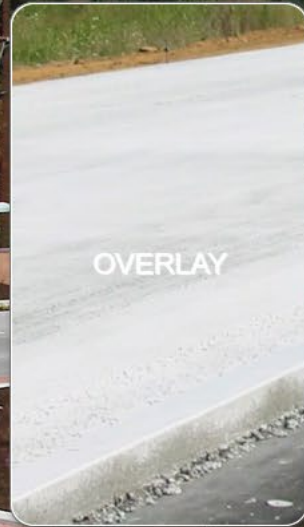


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1 PROJECT LEVEL 2 PAVEMENT STRUCTURE 3 SUMMARY

Units **US** METRIC

Project Type: Street **Concrete**

TRAFFIC

Residential

Design Life: 20 (Years)

User Defined Traffic Info

Trucks/Day: 5

Traffic Growth Rate: 1 (% per year)

Directional Distribution: 50 (%)

Design Lane Distribution: 100 (%)

GLOBAL

Reliability: 85 (%)

% of Slabs Cracked at End of Design Life: 15 (%)

CALCULATED TRAFFIC RESULTS

Avg Trucks/Day in Design Lane over the Design Life: 3

Total Trucks in Design Lane over the Design Life: 20,106

TRAFFIC SUMMARY DETAILS

AXLE LOAD (kips)	Single		Tandem		Tridem	
	AXLES/1000 TRUCKS	AXLE LOAD (kips)	AXLES/1000 TRUCKS	AXLE LOAD (kips)	AXLES/1000 TRUCKS	AXLE LOAD (kips)
22	0.06	36	4.19	52	0	
20	4.23	32	69.59	46	0	
18	15.81	28	66.48	40	0	
16	38.02	24	39.18	34	0	
14	56.11	20	57.1	28	0	
12	124	16	75.02	22	0	
10	204.96	12	139.3	16	0	
8	483.1	8	85.59	10	0	
6	732.8	4	31.9	4	0	
4	1693.31	0	0	0	0	

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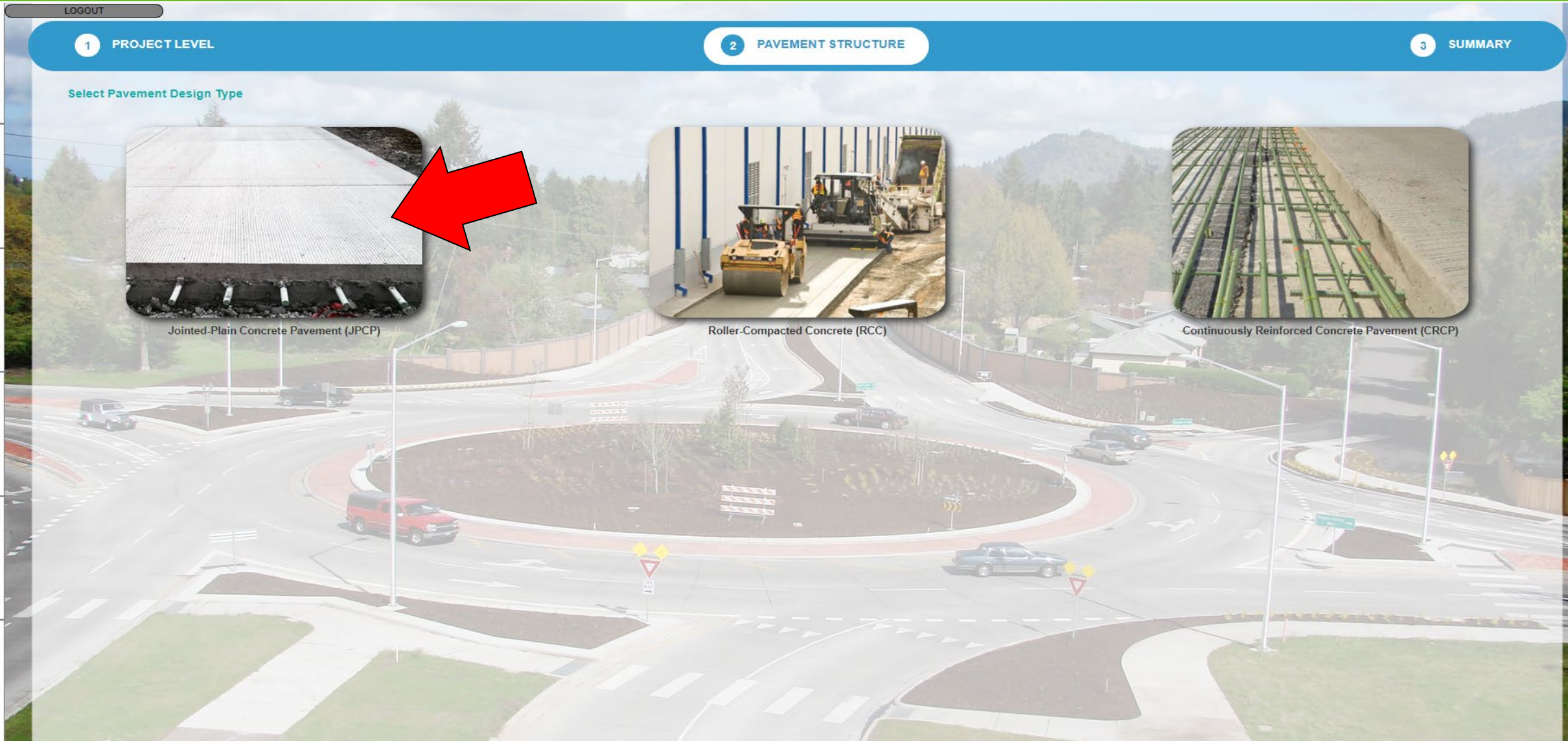
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Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement (CRCP)

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Project Type: Street Concrete JPCP

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**SUBGRADE**

CBR (California Bearing Ratio)

CBR VALUE 3 %

Calculated MRSG Value 4,118 psi

**CONCRETE**

28-Day Flex Strength 650 psi

3rd Point Loading 28-Day Flex Strength 4,000,000 psi

Modulus of Elasticity 4,000,000 psi

Macrofibers in Concrete Yes No

Edge Support Yes No

**STRUCTURE**

Subbase Layers 1

Layer Type Resilient Modulus Layer Thickness

JOINTED PLAIN CONCRETE SURFACE

Granular Base 25,000 psi 4 in

**SUBGRADE**

Calculated Composite K-Value of Substructure

Select

psi/in

K-Value of

psi/in

**SUBGRADE**

Subbase Layers 1

Layer Type Resilient Modulus Layer Thickness

CONCRETE SURFACE

Choose Layer

- Cement-Treated Base (CTB)
- Full-Depth Reclamation
- Lean Concrete Base (LCB, Econcrete)
- Hot-Mix or Warm-Mix Asphalt Base
- Bituminous Stabilized Base
- Cement Stabilized Subgrade
- Lime Stabilized Subgrade
- Granular Base

K-Value of Substructure Override

psi/in

Project Level

SAVE DESIGN SUMMARY

**SUBGRADE**

- Known M
- CBR
- R- Value

**STRUCTURE**

Choose Layer

- Cement-Treated Base (CTB)
- Full-Depth Reclamation
- Lean Concrete Base (LCB, Econcrete)
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- Cement Stabilized Subgrade
- Lime Stabilized Subgrade
- Granular Base

Project Type: Street Concrete JPCP

Calculated Minimum Thickness

Doweled

Undoweled

4.51 in

4.51 in

Recommended Design Thickness

Doweled

Undoweled

4.75 in

4.75 in

Maximum Joint Spacing

Doweled

Undoweled

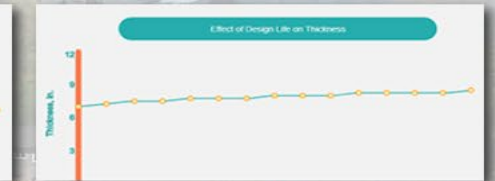
11 ft

11 ft

Analysis and Guidance

SENSITIVITY CRACKING EROSION LOAD TRANSFER JOINT SPACING

DOWELED UNDOWELED



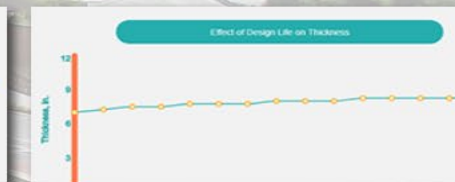
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Flexural Strength

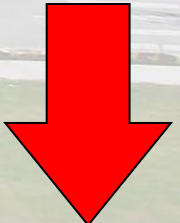
Design Life



Reliability



% Slabs Cracked





Project Description

Project Name: Sample      Owner:      Zip Code:  
 Designer's Name:      Route:  
 Project Description:

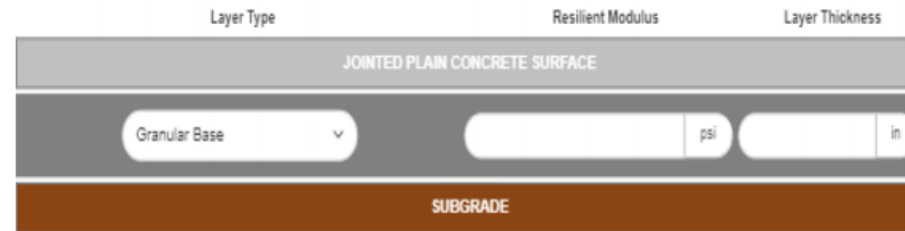
Design Summary

	Doweled	Undoweled		Doweled	Undoweled
Recommended Design Thickness:	4.75 in	4.75 in	Maximum Joint Spacing:	11 ft	11 ft
Calculated Minimum Thickness:	4.51 in	4.51 in			

Pavement Structure

**SUBBASE**

User-Defined Composite K-Value of Substructure: 130 psi/in



**CONCRETE**

28-Day Flex Strength: 650 psi      Edge Support: Yes  
 Modulus of Elasticity: 4000000 psi      Macrofibers in Concrete: No

**SUBGRADE**

CBR: 3 %  
 Calculated MRSG Value 4,118 psi

Project Level

**TRAFFIC**

Spectrum Type: Residential  
 Design Life: 20 years

**USER DEFINED TRAFFIC**

Trucks Per Day: 5  
 Traffic Growth Rate %: 1 % per year  
 Directional Distribution: 50 %  
 Design Lane Distribution: 100 %

**GLOBAL**

Reliability: 85 %  
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Design Method

The PCA design methodology from StreetPave, was used to produce these results.

# Design Software

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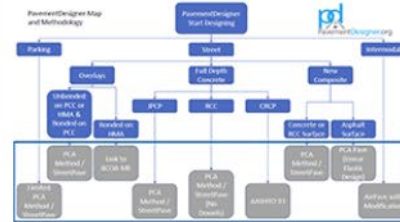


### Pavement Designer Intro Video

A quick video introduction to the features of PavementDesigner.org.

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### PavementDesigner PavementDesigner Concrete Map and Methodology

A sitemap listing the solutions contained within PavementDesigner, along the methodologies used and the process flow.

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### JPCP Tutorial

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# Concrete Pavement Thickness\*

<b>CBR=3 w/4-inch agg. base</b>	<b>CAT D Semi- Trailers</b>	<b>CBR=3</b>
<i>k=130</i>	<i>600 psi</i>	<i>k=100</i>
55	6.0	35
115	6.5	75
260	7.0	150
650	7.5	320
1,950	8.0	725
>10,000	8.5	2,000

## \*Assumptions:

- 20-year design life
- 85% reliability
- 15% slabs cracked at the end of design life
- no dowels
- no industrial vehicles

# ACI 330 position on subgrade/subbase

“A well-prepared, uniform subgrade at the correct elevation is essential to the construction of a quality pavement.”

“The subgrade should have a dense, firm, and uniformly smooth surface when concrete is placed on it.”

“Granular aggregate subbases are not normally used for concrete parking lots.”

# Do you *need* an aggregate base layer?

May warrant consideration if:

Construction platform is needed

Subgrade is very poor quality

Heavy truck traffic & load transfer concerns

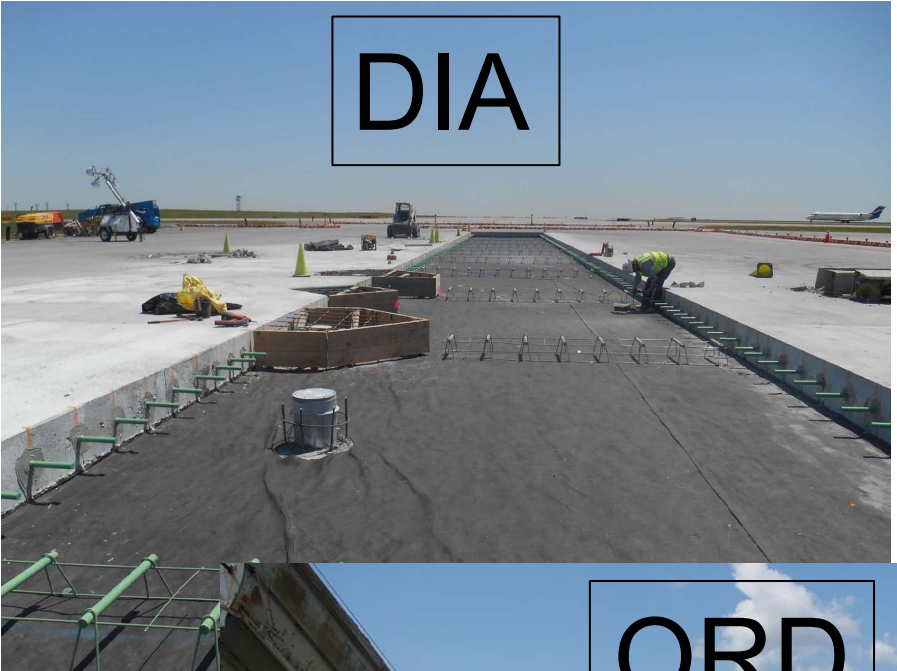
Pumping of subgrade is likely

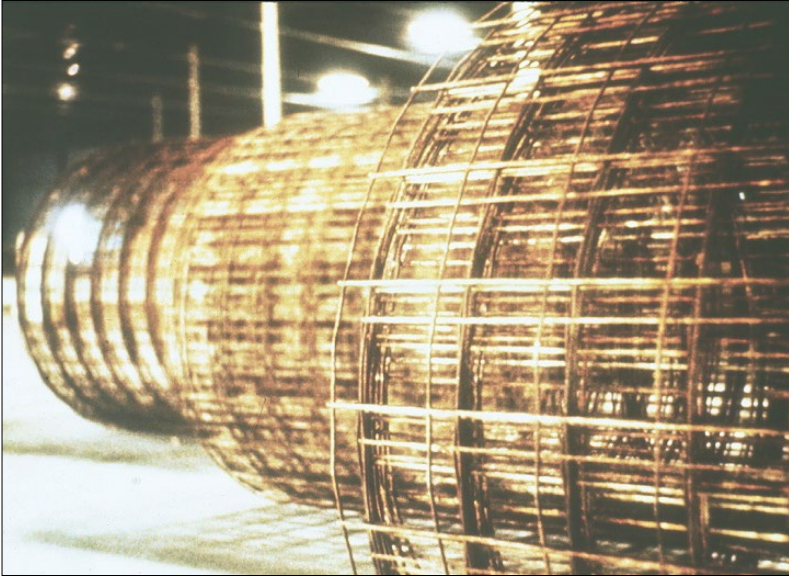
Can result in higher  $k$  value for design and slightly thinner concrete section

# Do you *need* steel in your mat?



# Airport Pavements are Unreinforced Concrete





# Secondary Steel Reinforcement

- Does not make concrete stronger!
- Does not stop concrete from cracking!
- Holds concrete together when it cracks





# Proper placement of secondary steel reinforcement

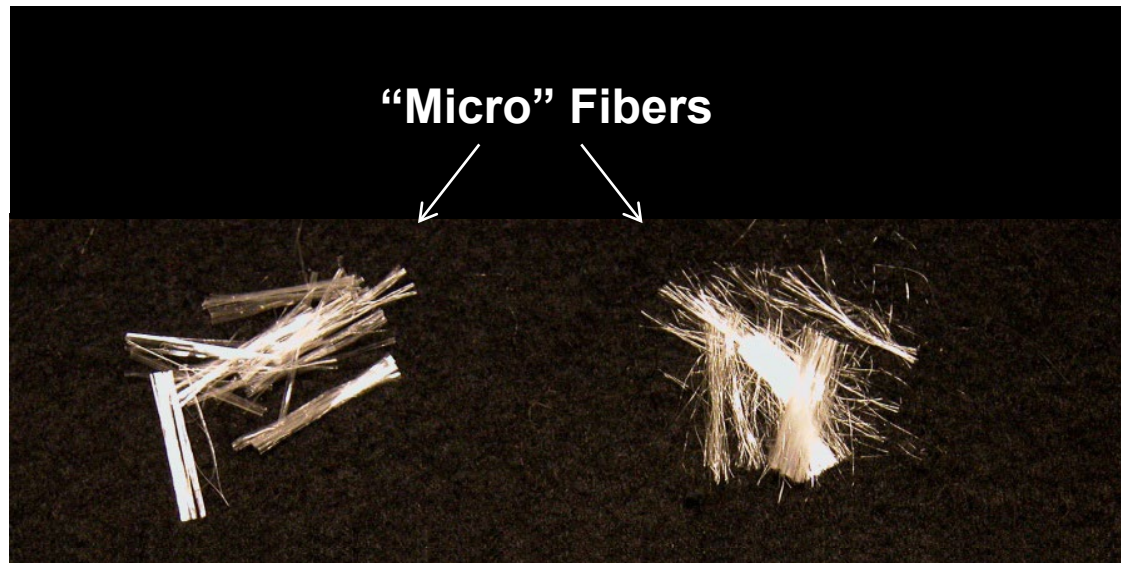
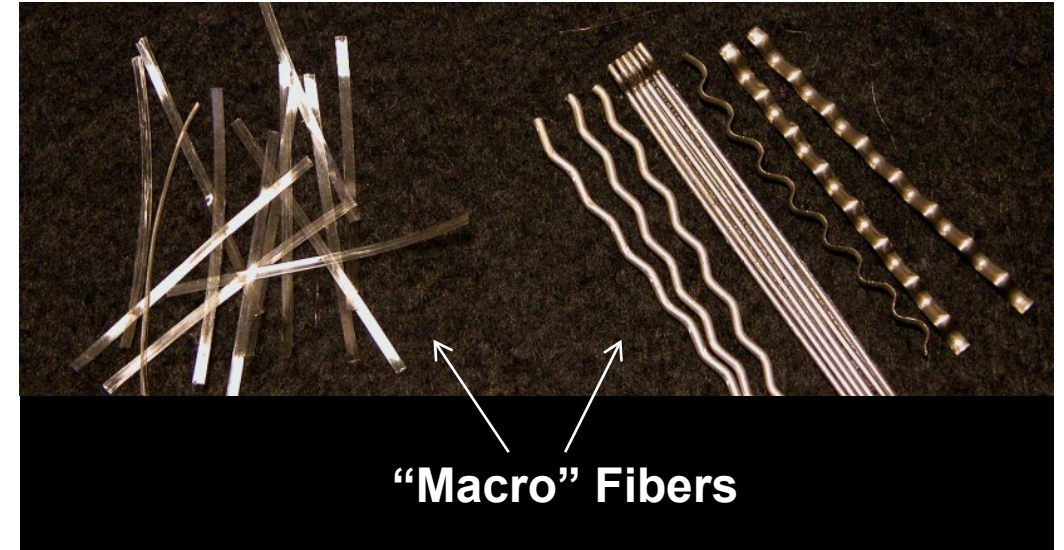


When used, the purpose of secondary steel reinforcement is to keep cracks from opening. To do this, it must be located above the mid-thickness.



# What about Fibers?

Steel & Macro Fibers (0.008-0.03")  
Secondary Reinforcement



Micro Fibers (<0.004")  
Plastic Shrinkage Crack Control

# Objectives of Jointing

- Control the location, width, and appearance of expected cracks
- Facilitate construction
- Accommodate normal slab movements
- Provide load transfer where needed
- Minimize performance implications of any random (unexpected) cracks



# Recommended Spacing of Control Joints

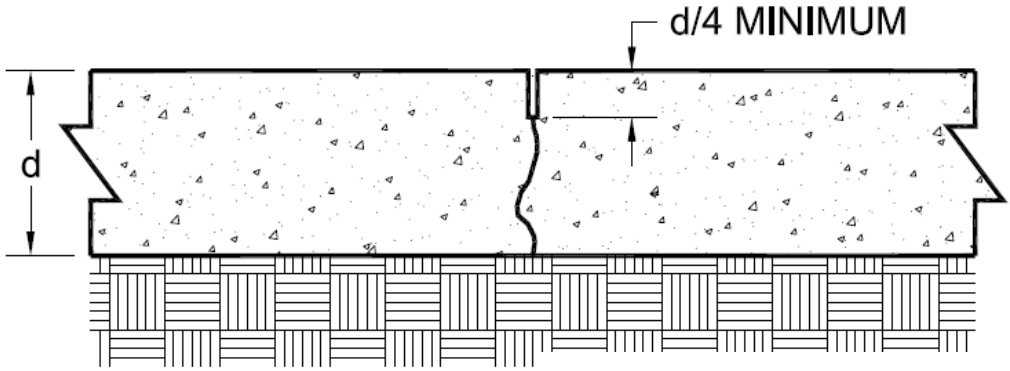


24-30 times the thickness

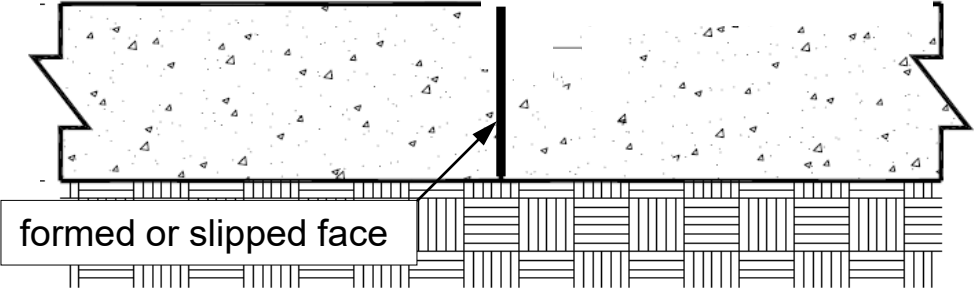
<u>Thickness (inches)</u>	<u>Spacing (feet)</u>
4	8-10
5	10-12
6	12-15
7	14-15
8+	15

Some designs may call for closer joint spacing due to load transfer considerations.

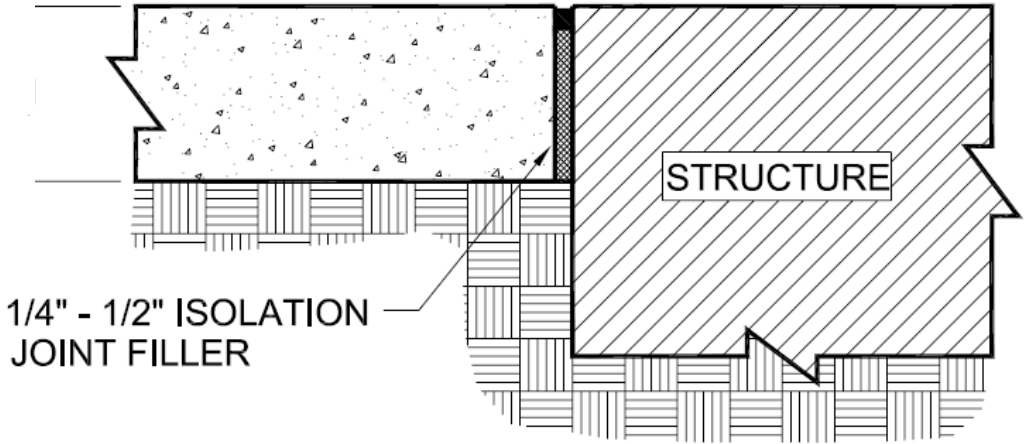
# Types of joints in concrete pavement



Control joint

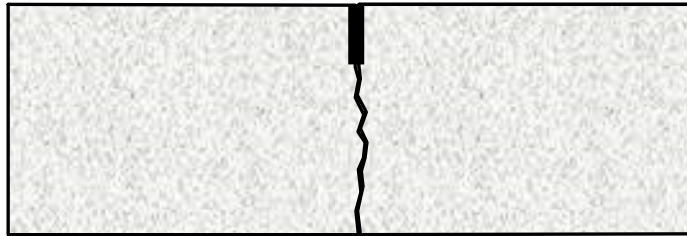


Construction joint

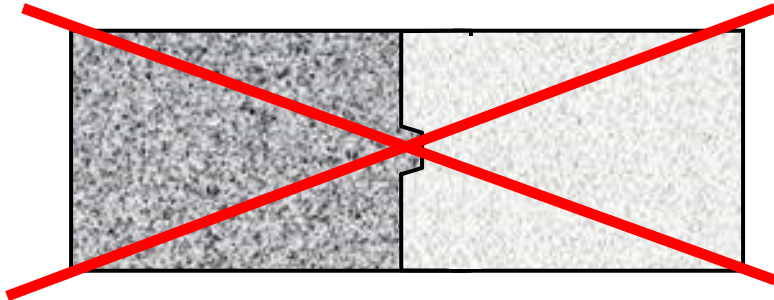


Isolation joint

# Load Transfer Joint Details: Pavements <7"



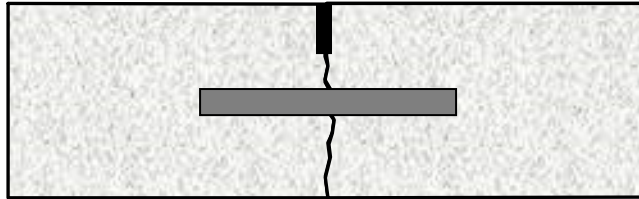
Aggregate Interlock



Keyways

# Load Transfer Joint Details:

Pavements >7"



Round Dowels

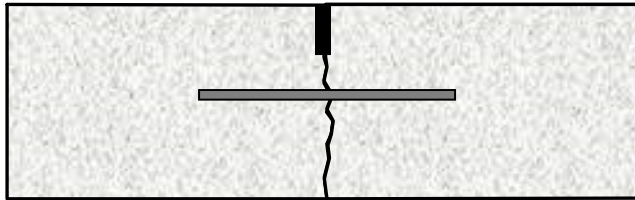
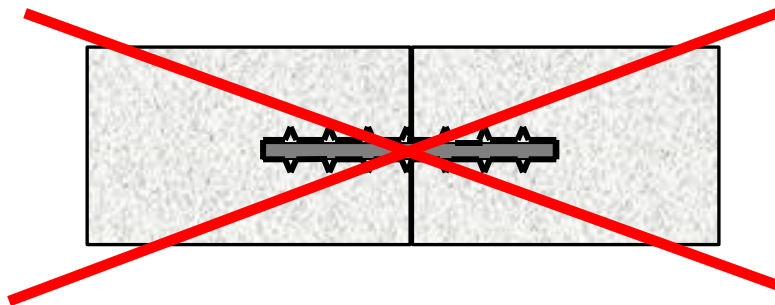
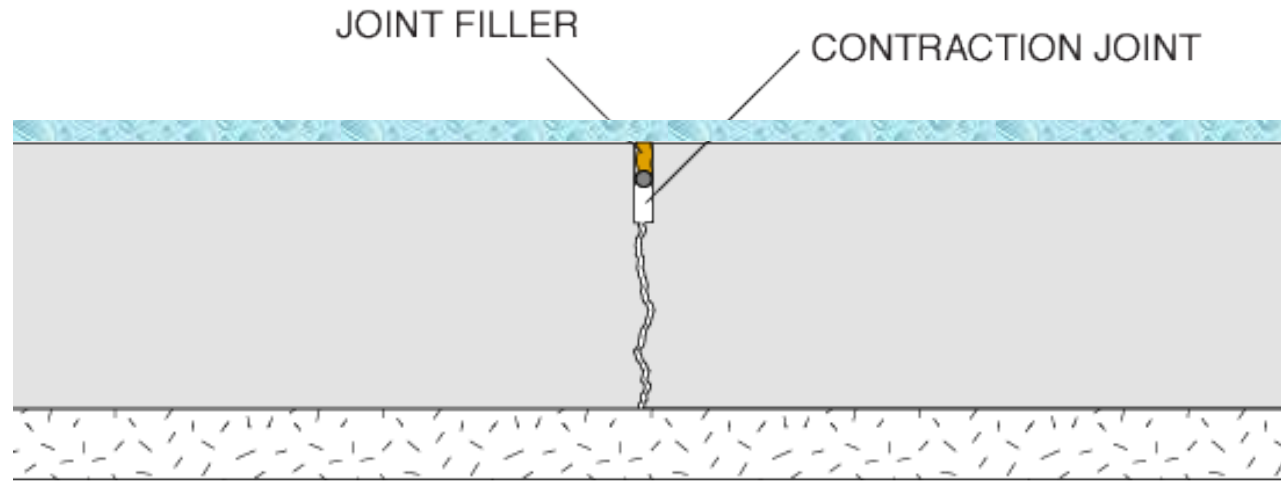


Plate Dowels



Tiebars  $\neq$  Dowels!  
(not used for load transfer)





Purpose is to prevent infiltration  
of water and solids into joint

Most effective  
to reduce  
joint width

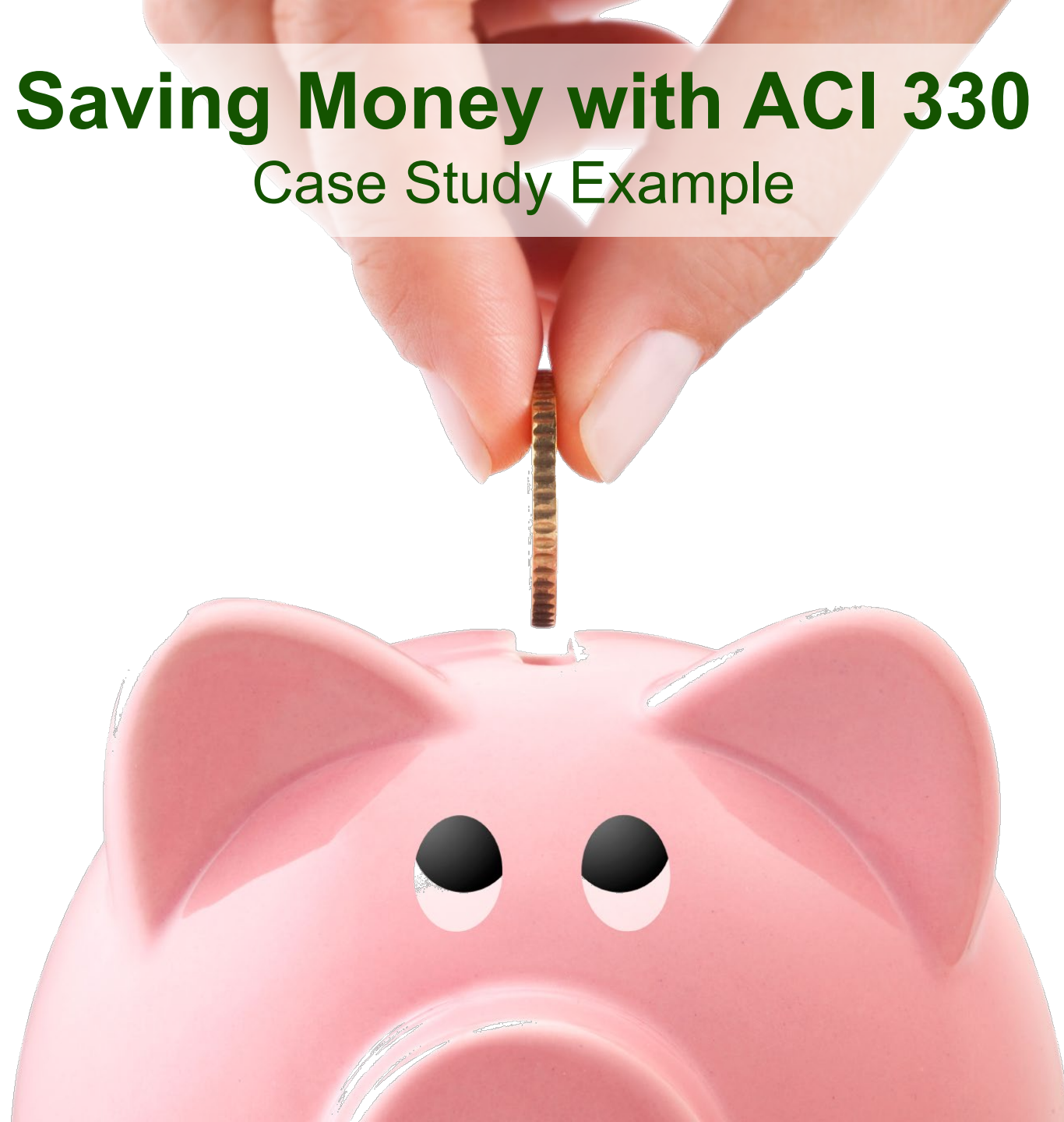
1/4 of depth  
recommended;

1/3 of depth  
preferred



# **Saving Money with ACI 330**

Case Study Example



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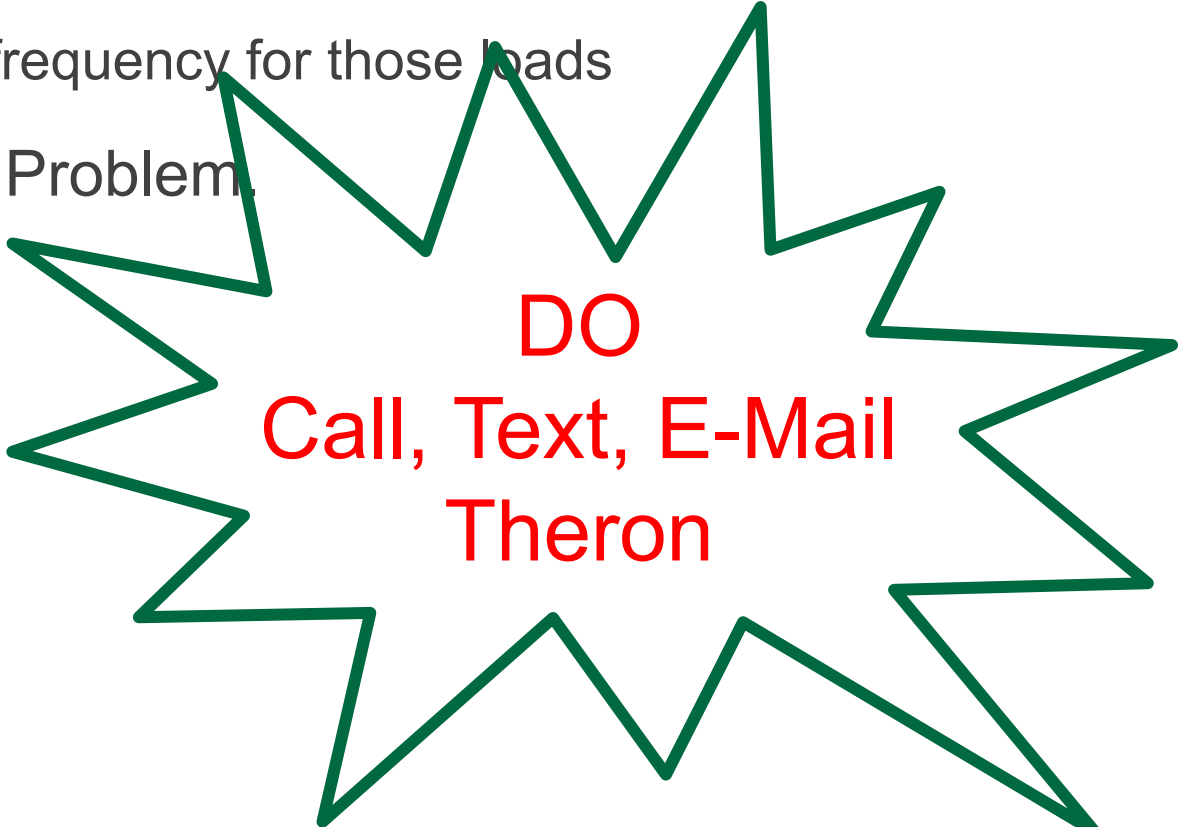
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Savings to the owner over traditional concrete design:  
Undisclosed (reported to be 6-figures!)

# TO DO or NOT TO DO

- **Don't** copy and paste pavement design that have been used on other projects
  - Each project is unique
  - Ask your client about traffic type and design frequency for those loads
- **Don't** have a geotechnical Report...No Problem.
  - USDA Website
  - Make a CONSERVATIVE Assumption
- **Don't** have traffic data...No Problem.
  - ESTIMATE
  - You're probably right
  - You can always change it



**DO**  
**Call, Text, E-Mail**  
**Theron**



It's not all concrete...*ALL* the time

**PAVE  AHEAD**  
DURABLE. SUSTAINABLE. **CONCRETE.**

# Give Them a Choice...



Always  
Specify  
Concrete

It Spurs  
Competition!!!





# Key Take Aways

Concrete pavement *has a place*

Concrete pavement is *durable*

Concrete pavement can be *cost effective*

Concrete pavement thickness design is *much easier than I thought an hour ago...*

Concrete pavement questions...**contact Theron Tobolski.**

# We're here to help...Questions?...Thank You

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# Questions???

