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A. INTRODUCTION

The New England Transportation Consortium (NETC) is a cooperative effort of the transportation agencies of the six New England States, the six New England state land grant universities and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Through the Consortium, the states pool professional, academic and financial resources for transportation research leading to the development of improved methods for dealing with common problems associated with the administration, planning, design, construction, rehabilitation, reconstruction, operation and maintenance of the region’s transportation system. The Consortium’s activities are currently being managed by the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth (UMass-D), with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) acting as the Lead Agency.

The program is intended to supplement, not to replace, ongoing state and federal research activities and other national programs such as the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP). To this end, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), establishing NETC has been consummated by the six New England state transportation agencies.

The following goals were established for NETC in order to focus the resolve of participating state transportation agencies and universities:

- Implementation of a three-pronged program for the New England region consisting of research and development; technology transfer; and education and training.
- Development of improved methods for dealing with common transportation problems.
- Providing an important source of trained professionals for employment in the Region.

NETC membership now extends to the following agencies: ConnDOT; Massachusetts Department of Transportation; Maine Department of Transportation; New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT); Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT); Vermont Agency of Transportation (VAOT); and, FHWA.

Each of the member state transportation agencies has designated a state university to participate with the state transportation agency in developing and conducting the transportation research program. The following universities have been designated as member universities: University of Connecticut, University of Maine, University of Massachusetts System, University of New Hampshire System, University of Rhode Island, and University of Vermont.

NETC was first established, and work began, in 1986 and, over the years, has undergone a transformative process wherein the management and administrative processes have been under the governance of various governmental and non-governmental organizations. With each change in leadership, the experiential and institutional lessons that have been learned were incorporated into the administration of the program. And so, at the current...
time, the collective experience of over two decades is now addressed and incorporated in the administration of the NETC program.

In 1984, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), the state transportation agencies of five New England states (Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont), the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) and FHWA initiated the first transportation pooled fund (TPF) study, administered by RIDOT, to determine the feasibility of establishing a regional consortium. In 1985, the same group of organizations initiated a second TPF study, again administered by RIDOT, to develop a work program. From 1986 to 1995, various research projects were funded through the NETC program in five funding blocks called “Rounds”.

RIDOT was the Lead Agency for the first two pooled fund studies. For the five Rounds, state funds were transferred to AASHTO, the Lead Agency (i.e., Administrative Agency), through FHWA, and a single contract was effected between AASHTO and MIT, the Coordinator. MIT would then enter into a no-overhead contract with the selected university for a particular research project.

In 1994, ConnDOT stated its intention to participate in NETC and offered to act as Lead Agency. During Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 1994, FHWA assumed the Lead Agency designation to facilitate the transition process. MIT and AASHTO exited NETC, effective FFY1994. ConnDOT entered NETC, effective FFY1995, and has been the Lead Agency since then. Currently, the Lead Agency designation is being transitioned from ConnDOT to VAOT.

B. 2010 HIGHLIGHTS

1. THE FOLLOWING NETC-FUNDED TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH PROJECTS, VALUED AT $1,257,373, WERE ACTIVE AT NEW ENGLAND STATE UNIVERSITIES IN 2010:

   a) UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT: $267,751
      - Dr. Ramesh Malla: “Sealing of Small Movement Bridge Expansion Joints - Phase II: Field Demonstration and Monitoring” - $75,000
      - James Mahoney:
        1) “Recycling Asphalt Pavements Containing Modified Binders” - $82,751
        2) “Establish Default Dynamic Modulus Values for New England” - $110,000

   b) UNIVERSITY OF MAINE: $100,000

   c) UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST: $100,000
d) UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS DARTMOUTH: $203,451
   - Dr. Walaa Mogawer:
     1) “Relating Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement Density to Performance” - $103,524
     2) “Fix It First: Utilizing the Seismic Property Analyzer and MMLS to Develop Guidelines for the Use of Polymer Modified Thin Lift HMA vs. Surface Treatments” - $99,927

e) UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE: $401,171
   - Dr. Jennifer Jacobs: “Estimating the Magnitude of Peak Flows for Steep Gradient Streams in New England” - $120,000
   - Dr. Jo-Sias Daniel:
     1) “Determining the Effective PG Grade of Binder in Recycled Asphalt Pavement Mixes” - $130,876

f) UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND: $185,000
   - Dr. Jyh-Hone Wang: “Employing Graphic-Aided Dynamic Message Signs to Assist Elder Drivers’ Message Comprehension” - $60,000
   - Dr. Sze Yang: “Measurement of Adhesion Properties Between Topcoat Paint and Metalized/Galvanized Steel with ‘Surface-Energy Measurement Equipment” - $125,000

2. TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER:
   a) MASSDOT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM: The NETC Coordinator presented an overview of the NETC research program to the Research Symposium held at the MassDOT headquarters in Boston, MA on June 14, 2010. The presentation emphasized how the Consortium is uniquely organized to develop solutions to regional transportation issues through research and to bring those solutions to decision makers in New England’s State Transportation Agencies.

   b) REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: The NETC Coordinator’s office responded to the following requests:
      - Vermont Agency of Transportation: Findings from NETC research projects on: ‘Bridges, Signs & Guardrails’; ‘Road Construction & Maintenance’; and ‘Materials’.
      - Nason Jacobson Associates, Chester, CT: Construction drawing of the NETC 4-Bar Bridge Rail.
      - Victaulic Co. (Piping Systems): Contacts at the New England state Departments of Transportation regarding storm water drainage piping systems.
c) NETC RESEARCH PROJECT REPORTS, TECHNICAL PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS:

- **Research Project Reports:** Findings from the following research projects were distributed to: New England’s State Transportation Agencies and State Universities, The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials’ Region 1 Research and Advisory Committee, The National Technical Information Service, and the US Department of Transportation’s National Transportation Library:
  - NETC 02-1: “Relating Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement Density to Performance”
  - NETC 04-4: “Determining the Effective PG Grade of Binder in RAP Mixes”
  - NETC 05-6: “Employing Graphic-Aided Dynamic Message Signs to Assist Elder Drivers’ Message Comprehension”

- **Technical Papers and Presentations:**
3. OTHER:

   a) **NEW LEAD AGENCY:**
      - Progress continued on the transition of the responsibility for the Consortium’s Lead Agency from ConnDOT to VAOT.
C. PROGRESS OF ACTIVE PROJECTS

PROJECT NUMBER: 02-1

PROJECT TITLE: Relating Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement Density to Performance

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Walaa S. Mogawer, PI, UMass Dartmouth; Rajib Mallick, Co-PI, Worcester Polytechnic Institute; Jo Sias Daniel, Co-PI, University of New Hampshire

STATUS: Completed


ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: N/A

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
The objective of the proposed study is to determine relationship between pavement density and performance through testing of pavements at different levels of in-place density with accelerated pavement loading equipment and environmental simulation. Another objective is to use the obtained relationship to determine pay adjustments for different densities.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
UMass Dartmouth addressed comments from the project technical committee and finalized the report for this project.

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:


PROJECT NUMBER: 02-6 (Phase 2)

PROJECT TITLE: Sealing of Small Movement Bridge Expansion Joints - Phase II: Field Demonstration and Monitoring

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Ramesh B. Malla, PI, and Montgomery Shaw, Co-PI, University of Connecticut

STATUS: Continuing

AGREEMENT TERM: 8/1/2008 – 7/31/2011

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 7/31/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
The main objective of this NETC 02-6 (Phase 2) project is to test the behavior of the silicone foam sealant under various in-field conditions, make any necessary changes, and evaluate its performance while on an operating highway bridge in order to determine its cost effectiveness and durability. The project involves pre-field laboratory testing, field installation, post installation monitoring, report preparation, and specification preparation.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
The accomplishments of Phase 2 encompass both laboratory testing, field installation/application and post-installation field monitoring of the silicone foam sealant developed in Phase 1 of this project in bridge expansion joints. The data collected from these laboratory tests were used to assess the sealant’s ability to bond to asphalt, steel, and polymer concrete substrates. In addition to the laboratory tests, the sealant was installed in expansion joints on four (4) bridges located throughout New England. The bridges were located in Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and New York. The foam sealant was installed using an application method that was developed in the laboratory using a simulated expansion joint. The sealed bridge expansion joints were monitored for over a year. The laboratory tests, field application and monitoring of the silicone foam sealant are briefly described below.

1. Laboratory Tests and Evaluation of Sealant Materials: The following tests performed in the lab have been completed for both the silicone foam and Wabo solid sealants:

   - Tension Test
     Two types of tension tests were performed: pull-to-fail and load/unload. For these tests, 8 specimens - 4 using the foam and 4 using the solid - were made using each of the following substrates; asphalt, steel, and polymer concrete. For the pull-to-fail test each specimen was cured for 21 days at room temperature (23°C), after which they were placed in an Instron
tensile tester, model 1011. This machine was used to pull the two substrate blocks apart at a crosshead velocity of 10 mm/min until failure.

For the load/unload test the specimens were also cured for 21 days at room temperature (23°C). This time, however, the specimens were pulled at a crosshead velocity of 10 mm/min up to 300% strain and then unloaded until they reached zero strain. This loading and unloading process was repeated for another 4 cycles for a total of 5 cycles.

- **Repair – Retrofit Test**
  It is possible that the sealant could be damaged after it has been applied to a bridge expansion joint in the field. Thus, it is important to determine if a damaged sealant can be repaired simply by adding a fresh mixture of sealant to the damaged section. To evaluate this situation, a “repair” test was devised and performed. Test specimens were made where each of the samples had a cured sealant, foam (using the crosslinker from Gelest, Inc. 2008 or solid, on the surface of the bonding area. The specimens were then sealed with new (freshly made) sealant. The test units were made with the following characteristics: 4 samples of new foam sealed to old (previously cured/used) foam, 4 samples of new solid to old foam, 4 samples of new foam to old solid, 4 samples of new solid to old solid. A pull-to-fail tension test was performed on each sample at a crosshead velocity of 10 mm/min.

- **Oven – Aged Bond Test**
  An oven-aged bond test was performed on the sealants to evaluate the effects of extreme changes in temperature on the bonding capabilities of the sealant as it cures. Tests were done on specimens with steel, asphalt and polymer concrete substrates. For each bonding substrate, eight test specimens - four for the foam sealant and four for the solid sealant - were prepared. These specimens were cured for 7 days at room temperature (23°C), and then they were placed in an oven for 7 days at 70 °C. After the oven aging, the specimens were placed in an insulated box and held at −29 °C for 4 h using dry ice. After this cooling period, the test units were tested by loading them at a crosshead velocity of 6 mm/min until they reached 300% strain. The specimens were removed from the machine and left out on a table for 4 h to regain their original length. The specimens were then put in the dry ice at −29 °C for 4 h again, tested, and allowed to recover. The process of freezing, testing, and recovery was repeated for 5 cycles. This test procedure follows substantially the ASTM D 5893-96 standard.

- **Salt Water Immersion Test**
  A salt water immersion test was performed on test specimens to evaluate the effects of prolonged exposure to salt water on the material and bonding of the foam and solid sealants to different substrates. For this test also two types of substrates, asphalt and steel, were used. For each substrate 8 specimens were made, 4 with foam (using crosslinker from GE Bayer) and 4
with solid. The specimens were allowed to cure for 7 days at room temperature (23°C), and then placed in a bucket of saturated salt water for 14 days. During this time period, the salt water was kept at a temperature of 45°C. After the 2 weeks of submersion, the specimens were removed from the water, allowed to dry for 4 h, and tested. A pull-to-fail tension test was performed on the samples using a crosshead velocity of 10 mm/min.

- Modulus Over Time Test
  The amount of time that the sealant has cured may have an effect on the strength of the sealant. To test this effect, laboratory specimens were made by bonding the foam and solid sealants to asphalt and steel substrates. For each type of substrates used, 8 specimens were made, 4 with the foam and 4 with the solid. The specimens were extended to 100% strain at 10 mm/min and then unloaded completely. The first was done on the sealants right after they were allowed to cure for 3 h. Subsequently, this loading and unloading was repeated on the same specimens at several other time intervals, including 6 hours, 18 hours, 24 hours, and then once every day for the next 42 days.

- Freeze – Thaw Test
  Tests were performed to evaluate how freezing the sealant will affect its performance. 3 sets of specimens were made with the foam, and 3 other sets were made with the solid sealant. Each set required the sealing of samples for multiple cure rate times: 1 hour, 2 hour, and 3 hour. For each of these curing times 4 samples were made with the foam sealant and 4 samples were made with the solid sealant (64 samples total for each set). The type of substrate used did not matter, but for this particular test a concrete substrate was used. After the samples were allowed to cure for their designated amount of time, each set was subjected to different tests. The first set of samples were soaked in water for 10 days, after which a pull to fail tension test was performed, extending the samples at 10mm/min (Submerse). The second set of samples were soaked in water for 7 days, placed in a freezer for 3 days at -20°C, and pulled to failure in the Instron machine at 10mm/min (Submerse - Freeze). The third set were soaked for 7 days, placed in the freezer for 3 days, taken out of the freezer and allowed to thaw for 2 hours, and then pulled to failure at 10mm/min (Submerse - Freeze - Thaw).

- Water Ponding Test
  The foam sealant needs to be tested to see if during storm whether or not the material will permit water from leaking through to the underside of a bridge. To evaluate this, a ponding test was conducted. Taking plastic cylinders, each measuring 4 inches in diameter, Styrofoam stoppers were placed 5.5 inches below the top of the container. The foam was poured on top of the stoppers, which after foaming measured 1 inch in thickness. Finally, water was filled to the surface of the cylindrical container, creating a water depth of 4 inches. The surface of the water was 0.5 inches below the top of the cylinder. The top of the container was, then, covered. A major concern
about using the sealant is how the sealant will react to external factors, like rain, during its initial stage of curing. Therefore, prior to adding water, the sealants were allowed to cure for just 1 hour or 2 hours. Four test units were made for the foam sealant cured for 1 hour prior to ponding, and four other units were made with foam cured for 2 hours prior to ponding. Over the course of the next 7 days the submerged sealant was monitored to see if water was leaking through to the bottom of the cylindrical container. Figure 8 is a schematic of the apparatus used in the water ponding test.

- **Cure Rate Test**

  For the cure rate test, a set of samples using asphalt and steel substrates were made with both the foam and solid sealants. Unlike the modulus over time test where one set of samples were made and pulled to 100% strain at specific time intervals, the cure rate test required a set of samples to be made for each specified cure time. After a particular sample set reached its designated cure time, it was tested by pulling until the sealant failed internally or at the bonding interface with the substrate. 8 specimens - 4 using the foam and 4 using the solid - were made using asphalt and steel. Specimens were made with the following cure rate intervals: 3 days, 7 days, 10 days, 14 days, 21 days, 28 days, 35 days, and 42 days.

2. **Sealant Application Procedures and Joint Sealing in that Laboratory:** Using the simulated expansion joint set up in the laboratory (Fig. 1), various types of applicator tools (Fig. 2) were used to try and seal the joint. With each of these tools the sealant material would be pressed out manually into the expansion joint. These application devices required all the materials to be mixed in a separate container and then poured into the applicator. This method created a problem. Once the materials are mixed together to create the sealant the reaction is immediate. To pour the materials into one container, mix them, pour them into an applicator gun, and then apply it to the joint is too long of a process. What was decided on was simply pouring the mixed sealant components into the joint via a bucket that was flexible. The application procedure called for specific measuring of each material needed (WABO white, WABO gray, crosslinker, water, platinum catalyst), which depended on the size of the expansion joint. The materials were put into a bucket, mixed together using a mixer that was attached to a drill, poured into the expansion joint, and leveled off. The application procedure is described below:

- **Obtain the necessary materials**
  - Chemicals (WABO white, WABO black, crosslinker, distilled water, and platinum catalyst
  - Syringes to hold crosslinker, distilled water, and platinum catalyst
  - Closed Cell Backer Rod
  - Tool to adjust depth of backer rod
  - Tool to level poured sealant at a specific depth
  - Plastic mixing container
  - Battery powered drill
- Mixer to attach to drill
- Spatula
- Cooler with ice

- Pre-measure the volume of each material given the known dimensions of the expansion joint to be filled.
- Pack all the chemicals in a cooler with ice. When the materials are mixed while cool the reaction is slowed. For every decrease of 10°C the reaction of the chemicals when mixed together decreases by one half. This will give more time to apply the sealant before the major foaming reaction takes place. This is especially important when the application of the sealant is performed in hot temperatures.
- On site, place the closed cell backer rod into the expansion joint. Press the backer rod down to a specific depth below the bridge surface using a tool specifically designed for this process. For this particular procedure, the top of the backer rod was placed 1 inch below the surface.
- Pour the WABO white, WABO black, distilled water, and platinum catalyst into the plastic mixing bucket. Using the drill and attached mixer thoroughly mix these four materials together. The crosslinker is left out of this step because of its high reactivity to the water. It would be best that the water is dispersed evenly throughout the entire mixture before the crosslinker is added.
- Add the crosslinker. Mix all the materials one last time.
- Pour the mixed sealant material into the expansion joint.
- To ensure the sealant is at the proper depth before it begins to foam, another person needs to follow behind the person applying the silicone foam with a leveling tool.

3. **Field Installation of Sealants in Bridge Joints:** With the help of the NETC Project Technical Committee members, four bridges one in each of the 4 New England states (Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and New York) were identified for field installation of the silicone foam expansion joint sealant developed in the Phase 1 of this NETC 02-6 project. On each bridge, the application procedure was demonstrated to the Departments of Transportation from the 4 New England States. The expansion joints on these bridges were sealed using the silicone foam sealant and the WABO, two part solid silicone sealant for comparison. Given below are the bridges where the expansion joints were sealed:
- The bridge on Mansfield Ave. spanning Route 6, west bound in Mansfield, CT (Fig. 3) was sealed on August 17, 2009. Figures 4, 5, and 6 are pictures taken from the joint sealing operation. Figure 7 shows the setup the two sealants used in the expansion joint. Figure 8 shows the dimensions of the bridge.
- The bridge on E. Thetford Rd. spanning the Connecticut River in Lyme, CT (Fig. 9) was sealed on September 16, 2009. Figures 10 and 11 are pictures taken from the joint sealing operation. Figure 12 shows the setup the two sealants used in the expansion joint. Figure 13 shows the dimensions of the bridge.

- The Pascoag River Bridge on Route 102 in Burrillville, RI (Fig. 14) was sealed on October 21 & 22, 2009. Figure 15 is a picture taken from joint sealing operation. Figure 16 shows the setup the two sealants used in the expansion joint. Figure 17 shows the dimensions of the bridge.

- The bridge in New York on Route 22 in Dover Plains, NY (Fig. 18) was sealed on November 6, 2009. Figures 19 and 20 are pictures taken from the joint sealing operation. Figure 21 shows the setup the two sealants used in the expansion joint. Figure 22 shows the dimensions of the bridge.

4. **Post-Installation Field Monitoring of Bridge Joint Sealants:** After the sealing, each bridge expansion joint was monitored visually over the period of 14 months. During the field monitoring any damage to the foam and solid sealants were recorded. The monitoring. Figures 23 to 30 display pictures taken from these field monitoring trips to the bridges. The foam sealant was observed to perform well except at few spots where there were already damage in the joint header and other special circumstances.
Figure 1. Schematic of Simulated Expansion Joint

Figure 2. Sealant Applicator Options Consisting of (a) a Grease Gun and (b) a Modified Pressure Applicator
Figure 3. Candidate Bridge in Mansfield, Connecticut

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Figure 5. Sealing of the Bridge Joint in CT – August 17, 2009
Figure 6. Sealant in the Connecticut Bridge Joint – August 17, 2009

Figure 7. Schematic of Elevation showing the staggering of the joint sealant on the Connecticut Bridge

Figure 8. Top schematic view of the expansion joint on the Connecticut Bridge along with the joint and bridge dimensions
Figure 9. Candidate Bridge in Lyme, New Hampshire

Figure 10. Candidate Bridge in NH – September 16, 2009

Figure 11. Sealed Expansion Joint in NH – September 16, 2009
Figure 12. Schematic of Elevation showing the staggering of the joint sealant on the New Hampshire Bridge

Figure 13. Top view schematic of the expansion joint on the New Hampshire Bridge along with the joint and bridge dimensions
Figure 14. Candidate Bridge in Burrillville, Rhode Island – October 21, 2009

Figure 15. Sealed Rhode Island Bridge Joint – October 22, 2009

Figure 16. Schematic showing the staggering of the joint sealant on the Rhode Island Bridge Joint.
Figure 17. Top schematic view of the expansion joint on the Rhode Island Bridge along with the joint and bridge dimensions.

Figure 18. Candidate Bridge in Dover Plains, NY – November 6, 2009

Figure 19. Cleaning of New York Expansion Joint – November 6, 2009
Figure 20. Sealing of New York Expansion Joint – November 6, 2009

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**REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:**


PROJECT NUMBER: 03-6

PROJECT TITLE: Fix It First: Utilizing the Seismic Property Analyzer and MMLS to Develop Guidelines for the Use of Polymer Modified Thin Lift HMA vs. Surface Treatments

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Walaa S. Mogawer, PI, UMass Dartmouth; Jo Sias Daniel, Co-PI, University of New Hampshire

STATUS: Continuing

AGREEMENT TERM: 10/1/2009 – 9/30/2011

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 9/30/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

- Define and compare thin lift overlay maintenance mixes and surface treatments currently used in the New England States.
- Evaluate the thin lift overlay maintenance mixes and surface treatments currently used in the New England States and compare to those currently used worldwide.
- Determine the current New England DOT procedures for picking rehabilitation methodologies.
- Perform and evaluate non-destructive testing to better determine the optimum time to apply surface treatments or thin lift overlay mixes to the existing pavements in order to properly prioritize rehabilitation projects.
- Evaluate the benefits and drawbacks of using PMA thin lift mixes versus surface treatments with lab testing.
- Evaluate the cost comparisons between PMA thin lift mixes and surface treatments.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:

1. Thin lift mixtures prepared with six binders (modified and unmodified) using two sources of aggregates (crushed stone and gravel) were fabricated and delivered to UNH for evaluating the thermal cracking characteristics of the mixtures.

2. The low temperature cracking of the aforementioned mixtures were measured using the Asphalt Concrete Cracking Device (ACCD) at UMass Dartmouth.

3. The University of New Hampshire (UNH) began evaluating the thermal cracking characteristics of the thin lift mixtures prepared with six binders (unmodified and polymer modified) using two sources of aggregates. UNH is testing these mixtures in accordance with AASHTO T322 “Determining the Creep Compliance and Strength of Hot-Mix Asphalt (HMA) Using the Indirect Tensile Test Device” and the low temperature cracking properties of the mixtures are being determined from an analysis program (LTStress).
4. Commenced evaluation of the cracking characteristics of the thin lift mixtures using the Texas Overlay tester in accordance with Texas Specification Tex-248-F.

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010: None
PROJECT NUMBER: 04-1 (Phase 2)

PROJECT TITLE: Recycling Asphalt Pavements Containing Modified Binders - Phase 2

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): James Mahoney, Connecticut Transportation Institute, University of Connecticut

STATUS: Continuing


ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 3/31/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
Phase 2
The objectives of the second Phase of this project will attempt to address incompatibilities that may arise when RAP is used in a new HMA pavement that contains a virgin modified asphalt binder. This Phase of the project will also provide guidance as to the proper amount of RAP that can be added to the HMA without causing problems. In addition, the interaction of polyphosphoric acid modified virgin asphalts and the aggregates in the RAP will also be tested to determine if there is a negative impact on the HMA mixes performance.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
The research team completed the testing and data analysis for this project.

A draft final report was submitted to the technical committee in October.

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:

PROJECT NUMBER: 04-3

PROJECT TITLE: Estimating the Magnitude of Peak Flows for Steep Gradient Streams in New England

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Jennifer Jacobs, PI, Thomas Ballestero, Co-PI, University of New Hampshire and Richard Vogel, Co-PI, Tufts University

STATUS: Completed

AGREEMENT TERM: 10/1/2009 – 9/30/2010

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: N/A

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The main objective of this research is to develop a set of regional regression relationships to predict flood flows for steep slope watersheds from basin characteristics. The regression relationships will be developed using standard USGS regional hydrologic methods. We propose to identify target watersheds in the New England region and to develop a database of physical basin parameters and historical streamflow necessary for the statistical analysis. Regression analyses will be conducted to identify explanatory variables and to develop regression relationships for average daily flow and 2-, 10-, 25-, 50-, and 100-year peak flow recurrence interval events. As appropriate, the New England states will be divided into subregions.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:

The contract extension request was approved. The final regression analysis and documentation was completed. Major accomplishment was the development of peak flow regression equations for New England steep watersheds (Table 1). The final report was submitted, reviewed, and published.
Table 1. Regression equations and their accuracy for estimating peak flows for steep, ungaged, unregulated drainage basins in New England. Steep is defined as a main channel slope that exceeds 50 ft per mile. [Q is peak flow, in cubic feet per second; A is drainage area, in square miles; P is mean annual precipitation in inches]

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REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:

PROJECT NUMBER:  04-4

PROJECT TITLE:  Determining the Effective PG Grade of Binder in RAP Mixes

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S):  PI:  Jo Daniel, University of New Hampshire; Co-PI:  Walaa Mogawer, UMass Dartmouth

STATUS:  Completed


ANTICIPATED COMPLETION:  N/A

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
The main objective of this research is to develop a method to determine or estimate the binder grade in mixtures designed with RAP from the properties of the mixture itself.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
This project was completed and the final report submitted in 2010.

The objective of this research project was to develop a method to determine or estimate the binder grade in mixtures designed with RAP from the properties of the mixture itself. Three different RAP percentages (10%, 25%, 40%) were evaluated for a 12.5 mm Superpave mixture. A PG 64-28 virgin binder was used. Additionally, testing was done on virgin mixtures with PG 58-28, PG 70-22, and PG 76-22 binders. Dynamic modulus, creep compliance, and strength tests were run in the indirect tensile mode for the various mixtures. The Hirsch model was used to back calculate the binder |G*| values from the measured mixture dynamic modulus values. Partial |G*| master curves were measured on the extracted binder from each mixture and the recovered binder was also PG graded.

Several methods of estimating the effective PG grade of the binder were evaluated. Empirically based methods of interpolating values of measured mixture properties are straightforward, but require an extensive amount of testing in the laboratory. The relationship between material properties and PG grade must be established for each type of mixture (gradation, asphalt content).

The most promising methods for determining the effective PG grade of the mixture use the Hirsch model to back calculate binder |G*| from the measured mixture dynamic modulus. Some difficulties exist in determining the high temperature PG grade because of the large difference in temperatures between the dynamic modulus testing and PG grading temperatures. However, recovered and virgin binder information can be used to compare with the back calculated |G*| from the mix to estimate the effective high temperature PG grade. The low temperature PG grade can be estimated from mixture testing only because the range of temperatures for PG grading corresponds to the dynamic modulus testing temperatures.

Recommended Procedure for Estimating PG Grade

Based on the results of the research conducted in this project, the research team
recommends the following procedure for estimating the PG grade of mixtures containing RAP:

1. Perform complex modulus testing on at least three replicate specimens.
   Recommend that temperatures from -20°C to 30°C be used to develop master curves and obtain desired shift factors. This may require modification of current AMPT devices to test at lower temperatures.

2. To estimate high temperature PG grade:
   a. Obtain $|G^*|$ master curve for virgin binder
   b. Obtain $|G^*|$ master curve for extracted and recovered mixture binder
   c. Back calculate $|G^*|$ using the measured dynamic modulus and the Hirsch model
   d. Compare back calculated $|G^*|$ to virgin and recovered values to estimate the effective high temperature PG grade

3. To estimate low temperature PG grade for fatigue:
   a. Back calculate $|G^*|$ using the measured dynamic modulus and the Hirsch model
   b. Use the Rowe method to determine the phase angles from the back calculated $|G^*|$ master curve
   c. Shift master curves to determine temperature at which $|G^*| \sin \delta = 5000$ kPa

4. To estimate low temperature PG grade for thermal cracking:
   a. Use linear viscoelastic theory to convert complex modulus to creep compliance
   b. Calculate creep stiffness of mixture
   c. Use Hirsch relationship to calculate creep stiffness of binder
   d. Calculate S-value and m-value for each mixture as a function of temperature
   e. Calculate temperature at which $S=300$ MPa and $m=0.300$
   f. Determine effective low temperature PG grade

**Recommendations for Further Research**

Further research is required on different types of RAP mixtures and different virgin PG grades to verify and refine the procedures developed as part of this research project. In particular, it is important to perform testing on plant produced mixtures to capture what truly happens to these mixtures in the field. Future testing should focus on the low to intermediate temperature testing as this is the biggest concern with the addition of aged RAP binder in the mix.
REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:


PROJECT NUMBER: 05-1

PROJECT TITLE: Development of Supplemental Resistance Method for the Design of Drilled Shaft Rock Sockets

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Thomas C. Sanford, University of Maine

STATUS: Continuing


ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 3/31/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
The objective of this study is to produce a drilled shaft design method for evaluating the now unused side shear or end bearing to supplement the AASHTO allowable load. The magnitude of unused side shear or end bearing corresponding to the AASHTO allowable load will be the magnitude that occurs at the same shaft movement as the allowable load. This method should reflect different rock socket geometry and different rock properties typical of New England. The method should be based on past load tests and be robust and easy-to-use.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
A finite element model was developed for a drilled shaft in hard rock. The model had the capacity to simulate an Osterberg test. This model was calibrated against six Osterberg tests that had been screened from a large pool of tests. The screened tests were in hard rock in the Northeast (primarily in New England) and had supporting data available. After the model was calibrated, the displacement response to loading was conducted on a range of shaft depths, diameters, and rock quality. A design method to include both side shear and end bearing for a given displacement of the shaft was developed for both an analytic approach and for an Osterberg test. The draft report documenting the method and findings has been essentially completed.

The rock quality (discontinuities) in hard rock has a significant effect on the end bearing displacement under loading and thus affects the end bearing capacity to be used for design. Also the dimensions of the socket have a large effect on the relative percentage of end bearing mobilized in the design load for a given displacement. The tolerable displacement of the shaft at the top of rock has been typically designed in the past for 3 to 4 mm but has ranged up to 11 mm. Most of the displacement occurs during construction. Concrete shaft capacity above the rock in overburden can be a limiting factor for shafts founded in hard rock. The compression of concrete in deeply drilled shafts can be a significant factor in the overall displacement of the top of the shaft during loading. With poor quality hard rock (many fractures), bearing capacity limits for the end can still be an issue.
REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010: None
PROJECT NUMBER: 05-5

PROJECT TITLE: Measurement of Adhesion Properties Between Topcoat Paint and Metallized/Galvanized Steel with Surface Energy Measurement Equipment

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Sze C. Yang, PI, and K. Wayne Lee, Co-PI, University of Rhode Island

STATUS: Continuing


ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 8/22/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

1. Compare the adhesion properties of NEPCOAT-approved topcoat paint over metallizing to topcoat paint over galvanizing using specialized “surface-energy” measuring lab methods. As a control the adhesion properties of topcoat paint over zinc primer painted steel substrates will also be measured.
2. Investigate various factors affecting the adhesion of topcoat paint over galvanizing.
3. Report and recommend practices which produce the best adhesion of NEPCOAT-approved topcoat paints over metalized and particularly galvanized steel surfaces.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:

Summary:

We completed the pull-off strength adhesion tests (ASTM D 4541) and the tape test (ASTM D 3359) for previously prepared 52 composite test panels according to the work plan for this project.

The contact angle data of the liquid paints on an additional 13 test panels without organic coatings were analyzed. We observed 4 different types of paint droplet/surface interactions based on the initial droplet shape and the change of the liquid/solid contact angle as a function of time. These data inform us of the propensity of wetting and the spreading/absorption of a particular liquid primer by a roughened zinc surface. When we compare the wetting and spreading tendencies of a liquid primer/surface with the measured pull-off strength of the cured paint/surface a systematic correlation has emerged. The data shows that the better wetting and the faster spreading of the primer liquid droplet, the stronger is the adhesion of the dried coating on the zinc surface.
1. **Completed the adhesive strength tests of the coated test panels prepared in the last quarter of work:**

   A total of 104 pull off tests were performed on 52 painted test panels according to ASTM D4541 standard. A total of 104 tape tests were done according to ASTM D 3359. The results were tabulated and the photographs of the pull-off spot on the painted test panels were studied.

2. **Surface contact angle analysis:**

   We performed statistical analysis of the contact angle data obtained in the last working quarter (May to Aug, 2010). We found systematic trends within the data set. An analysis of these data is attached to this report as Appendix A to document and to analyze the measured contact angles of the liquid primer as a function of time after a droplet of the freshly formulated epoxy primer is touching the roughened zinc surfaces.

3. **Correlations between the trends observed in the contact angle analysis and the pull-off strength data.**

   We compared the trends found in the contact angle data and the trends in the pull-off strength data found for the same primer/substrate pairs. There is a significant correlation that supports the following two hypotheses: (1) A better wetting of the substrate (evidenced by low initial contact angles) leads to a stronger primer-to-zinc surface bonding. (2) A faster spreading of the liquid paint on the roughened surface leads to a stronger paint bonding to the substrate. The data, the analyses, and the implications of this result are described in the attached Appendix A.

**REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:**

PROJECT NUMBER: 05-6

PROJECT TITLE: Employing Graphic-Aided Dynamic Message Signs to Assist Elder Drivers’ Message Comprehension

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): J. H. Wang, University of Rhode Island

STATUS: Completed

AGREEMENT TERM: 10/1/2009 - 9/30/2010

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: N/A

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
- Review and evaluate existing research and literature related to the use of graphic-aided DMSs and the effects of such uses on elder drivers.
- Examine the feasibility of employing graphics in DMS messaging to assist drivers’ comprehension of the message with a particular focus on elder drivers.
- Compile and or develop a library of graphic-aided text messages if such use were determined to be both feasible and beneficial.
- Make recommendations to identify, re-design, or create elderly friendly dynamic message signs that are effective for the driving population as a whole.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
- The final report of this project was submitted to NETC in October 2010. Seventy hard copies of the approved report were sent to NETC in January 2011.

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
A presentation was given to the Rhode Island DOT on November 16, 2006.


PROJECT NUMBER: 05-8

PROJECT TITLE: Evaluation and Implementation of Traffic Simulation Models for Work Zones

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): John Collura, University of Massachusetts Amherst

STATUS: Completed


ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: N/A

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
1) assess the strengths and limitations of readily available computer based simulation models designed to evaluate the impacts of alternative work zone strategies; 2) make recommendations for the use of such simulation models on roadway reconstruction and rehabilitation projects in New England and New York State; and 3) conduct the necessary technology transfer activities in order to ensure that the results of this project are disseminated and provided directly to potential simulation model users, including transportation engineers and planners in New England and New York State.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
All tasks were completed.

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:


PROJECT NUMBER: 06-1


PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Jo Sias Daniel, PI, University of New Hampshire; Ghassan R. Chehab, Co-PI, Pennsylvania State University

STATUS: Continuing

AGREEMENT TERM: 10/1/2009 - 9/30/2011

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 9/30/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:
- Determine the design and data collection methods, material tests, and testing equipment currently in use by each state.
- Identify the Level 2 and Level 3 design guide inputs for which regional or local values are required.
- Provide state specific recommendations on implementation of the MEPDG including changes in data collection & measurement, equipment needs, training, and anticipated benefits.
- Provide specific recommendations for regional and local calibration of the MEPDG by identifying appropriate field test & monitoring sites, data to be collected, and perform local calibrations if appropriate field data is available.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
- Comparisons of sensitivity analysis using M-E PDG ver. 1.0 and ver. 1.1 software (level 3 and 2) for NH and CT

![Figure 1. Effect of Traffic Growth Rate on Top-Down Cracking in NH](image-url)
• Thermal Cracking comparisons using M-E PDG ver. 0.91 and ver. 1.1 software for NH, ME and CT

Ver. 1.0
Figure 2. Thermal Cracking in NH

Ver. 1.1

• Completed Vermont M-EPDG sensitivity analysis for Level 2 and Level 3 to determine the impact of all key inputs on predicted pavement performance like: alligator fatigue cracking, rutting, transverse cracking distresses and smoothness IRI, and the effects of:
  a) AADTT’s
  b) Traffic growth rates
  c) Traffic operational speeds
  d) Traffic truck class distributions
  e) HMA layer thickness
  f) HMA binder grades
  g) HMA 3/8” and ¾” mix gradations
  h) HMA effective binder contents
  i) HMA air voids contents
  j) Mix and Aggregate coefficient of thermal contraction (CTC’s) values
  k) Base types/modulus
  l) Subgrade types/modulus
  m) Climate
  n) Ground water table levels
Figure 3. Effect of Climate on Top-Down Cracking in VT

Figure 4. Effect of Operational Speed on Subtotal AC Rutting in VT
### Table 1. VT Sensitivity Analysis Results Level 3

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- Initial meeting with the VT AOT officials and discussion about the M-E PDG implementation plans for Vermont – August, 2010

- Initial meeting with Eric Thibodeau – NH DOT and discussion about the M-E PDG implementation in NH State – August, 2010

- Initial contact and a phone conference with the ME DOT officials regarding their issues and future plans for the M-E PDG implementation – September, 2010

- Initial contact with Rick Bennett and Wes Yang from the NYS DOT regarding their issues and future plans for the M-E PDG implementation – October, 2010

- Completed NY State M-E PDG sensitivity analysis for Level 3
  - NY State DOT doesn’t want to participate in the project

- Initial contact and a phone conference with Kate Wilson-Hoffman – RI DOT regarding their issues and future plans for the M-E PDG implementation – November, 2010

- Initial contact with Edmund Naras – MA DOT to discuss the implementation plan – December, 2010

- Sensitivity Analysis of pavement performance using M-E PDG and JMP Graphical ANOVA software.
Figure 5. Interaction Profile example for Fatigue (alligator) cracking

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:


PROJECT NUMBER: 06-3

PROJECT TITLE: Establishing Default Dynamic Modulus Values for New England

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): James Mahoney, PI, University of Connecticut

STATUS: Continuing

INITIAL AGREEMENT DATE: 7/1/2008 – 4/30/2010

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: 3/31/2011

PROJECT OBJECTIVES: RESEARCH OBJECTIVE:
The objective of this research is to test commonly used HMA mixtures throughout New England to determine their respective moduli. The results of this testing will be:

• Used to determine if there is a significant difference between dynamic modulus values for materials from throughout the region.
• Used to compare the dynamic modulus of lab produced mixes and plant produced mixes.
• Compared against the master curves derived by performing the reduced testing as outlined by Bonaquist and Christensen. This will reduce the number of temperatures as well as the number of frequencies tested. If this process correlates well with the full set testing master curves, it will reduce the amount of time required to conduct the testing.
• Compared against the predicted moduli obtained by using the Witczak Predictive Model and the Hirsh Model. If there is a strong correlation between the tested and predicted values then this would provide a reasonable value for the dynamic modulus for most HMA designs in the 2002 Pavement Design Guide.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
The research team has completed the testing and data analysis.
The research team has submitted a draft final report to the technical committee.

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
PROJECT NUMBER:  06-5

PROJECT TITLE: The New England Winter Severity Index

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S): Samuel Miller, PI, Plymouth State University; Brendon Hoch, Co-PI, Plymouth State University

STATUS: Terminated

AGREEMENT TERM: N/A

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION: N/A

PROJECT OBJECTIVES: RESEARCH OBJECTIVE: The objective of this study is to develop winter severity indices for the New England region. Anticipated tasks include identifying appropriate and manageable number of weather regions within New England, developing winter severity indices using statistical concepts, developing standard methods to utilize the indices and provide recommendations on maintaining and improving indices.

PROGRESS/ACCOMPLISHMENTS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010: N/A

REPORTS/PAPERS PUBLISHED, PRESENTATIONS MADE RELATING TO THIS PROJECT FROM THE START OF THE PROJECT THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010:
## D. FINANCIAL STATUS OF PROJECTS ACTIVE DURING 2010

### D.1 FINANCIAL STATUS OF ACTIVE PROJECTS:

#### Table 1: Financial Status of Projects Active During 2010

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582,777.07

**Coord./Admin. of NETC: Calendar Year 1995 Bdgt. = $73042**

58,761.32

FINAL

524,015.75

**Continued Projects:**

- Construction Costs of New England Bridges-Phase II
  - Tire Chips as Lightweight Backfill-Phase II: Full-Scale Testing
  (Supplemental Funding)
  - Bridge Rail Crash Test - Phase II: Sidewalk-Mounted Rail
  - New England Vehicle Classification and Truck Weight Program

- **Member Obligations 1994 = 6 X $75,000**

525,000.00

852,636.18

**"95" Project Series:**

95-1: Use of Tire Chips/Soil Mixtures to Limit Pavement Damage of Paved Roads

75,000.00

FINAL/CLOSED

777,636.18

95-2: Suitability of Non-Hydric Soils for Wetland Mitigation

39,867.70

FINAL/CLOSED

737,768.48

95-3: Implementation and Evaluation of Traffic Marking Recesses for Application of Thermoplastic Pavement Markings on Modified Open Graded Mixes

120,812.12

FINAL/CLOSED

616,956.36

95-5: Buried Joints in Short Span Bridges

61,705.61

FINAL/TERM

555,250.75

95-6: Guidelines for Ride Quality Acceptance of Pavements

106,124.00

FINAL/CLOSED

449,126.75

**Member Obligations 1995 = 7 X $75,000**

525,000.00

852,636.18

**Coord./Admin. of NETC: Calendar Year 1996; Bdgt. = $75,000**

69,123.85

FINAL

495,043.72

**Member Allocations 1997 = 6 X $75,000**

450,000.00

945,043.72

**Coord./Admin. of NETC: Calendar Year 1997; Bdgt. = $82,494**

77,244.35

FINAL

867,799.37

**"94" Project Series:**

94-1: Structural Analysis of New England Subbase Materials and Structures

110,057.38

FINAL/CLOSED

339,069.37

94-2: Nondestructive Testing of Reinforced Concrete Bridges Using Radar Imaging Techniques

224,901.80

FINAL/CLOSED

114,167.57

**Member Obligations 1996 = 6 X $75,000**

450,000.00

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69,123.85

FINAL

495,043.72

**"94" Project Series:**

94-3: Procedures for The Evaluation of Sheet Membrane Waterproofing

67,002.00

FINAL/CLOSED

800,797.37

94-4: Durability of Concrete Crack Repair Systems

72,036.04

FINAL/TERM

728,761.33

**"96" Project Series:**

96-1: SUPERPAVE Implementation

60,139.25

FINAL/CLOSED

668,622.08

96-2: Optimizing GPS Use in Transportation Projects

27,008.81

FINAL/TERM

641,613.27

96-3: Effectiveness of Fiber Reinforced Composites as Protective Coverings for Bridge Elements, etc.

135,000.00

FINAL/CLOSED

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9,551.06

FINAL

497,062.21

**Coord./Admin. of NETC: Calendar Year 1998; Bdgt. = $73,021**

80,422.65

FINAL

416,639.56

Refund Check (No. 15-663337), for CY '98 Management of NETC, from UConn OSP; Ref. 7/19/00 letter to J. Sime from J. Devereux, UConn OSP

336.00

416,975.56

**Member Obligations 1998 = 6 X $75,000**

450,000.00

866,975.56

**"97" Project Series:**

97-1: A Portable Method for Determining Chloride Concentration on Roadway Pavements

96,669.50

FINAL/CLOSED

770,306.06

97-2: Performance Evaluation & Economic Analysis of Durability Enhancing Admixtures, etc.

108,318.73

FINAL/CLOSED

571,319.54

97-3: Determining Properties, Standards & Performance of Wood Waste Compost, etc.: Allocations to ConnDOT for Constr. Costs of Test Site (Approved 1/21/99 Ballot)

10,700.00

FINAL

516,765.60

T2 (per 12/2/97 Adv. Committee Mtg.) for 1998 = $5,000

0.00

459,269.89

Travel Tech. Comm. (Aug. 98 tel. poll) for 1998 = $5,000

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As of December 31, 2010

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**Member Obligations 2006 = 5 x $100,000 (no ME DOT allocation)**

500,000.00 | FINAL | 687,105.52 |

**Note:** Maine 2006 Obligation as of 11/06/06 per Peabody 11/30/06

**email Coord./Admin. Of NETC Calendar Year 2006 = 131,814**

100,718.92 | FINAL | 686,386.60 |

**"06" Project Series:**

06-1: New England Verification of NCHRP-1-37A Mechanistic-Empirical Pavement Design Guide With Level 2 & 3 Input | 150,295.00 | 536,091.60 |


06-2: Infrastructure Management Systems Enhancement and Integration to Support True Integrated Management Decision-Making | 536,091.60 |

06-3 Establish Default Dynamic Modulus Values for New England | 110,000.00 | 426,091.60 |

06-4 Preventative Maintenance and Timing of Applications | 200,000.00 | 226,091.60 |

06-5 Winter Severity Indices for New England | 73,639.62 | FINAL/CLOSED | 152,451.98 |

**Note:** Project terminated at June 30 Adv. Comm. Mtg.

**Member Obligations 2007 = 600,000**

600,000.00 | FINAL | 752,451.98 |

**Coord./Admin. Of NETC Calendar Year 2007 = 136,061**

122,644.79 | FINAL | 629,807.19 |

**"07" Project Series:**

07-1 In-Place Response Mechanisms of Recycled Layers Due to Temperature and Moisture Variations | 150,000.00 | 479,807.19 |

07-2 Exploring the Potential of Intelligent Intersections Deployment in New England | 100,000.00 | 379,807.19 |

07-3 Determining Optimum Distance for a Lane Drop Downstream from a Signalized Intersection | 100,000.00 | 279,807.19 |


**Member Obligations 2008 = 600,000**

600,000.00 | FINAL | 879,807.19 |

**NY DOT Obligation (72,000+8,000)**

80,000.00 | FINAL | 959,807.19 |

**Coord./Admin. Of NETC Calendar Year 2008 = 134,998**

131,509.90 | FINAL | 828,297.29 |

08-2 Evacuation Modeling to Assist Hazard Management and Response in Urban and Rural Areas of New England | 160,000.00 | 668,297.29 |

08-3 Best Management Practices for the Invasive Polygonum Cuspidatum (Japanese Knotweed) Along Transportation Corridors | 140,000.00 | 528,297.29 |

08-4 NETC Research Implementation Survey & Synthesis (Rev. from $35,000 to $60,000 NETC Adv. Comm. Mtg 5/21/09) | 60,000.00 | 468,297.29 |

**60,000 NETC Adv. Comm. Mtg 5/21/09**

08-5 NET/C/UTC Transportation Research Challenge: Commute Rideshare, etc. | 50,000.00 | 418,297.29 |

02-6 Phase II Sealing of Small Mvmnt Bridge Expan Joints - Field Inst. & Mntrng | 75,000.00 | 343,297.29 |

08-6 Interaction Between Salinity, Soil Quality and Amendments in Roadside Plantings | 75,000.00 | 268,297.29 |

**Member Obligations 2009 = 600,000**

600,000.00 | FINAL | 868,297.29 |

**NYSDOT Obligation**

50,000.00 | FINAL | 918,297.29 |

**Coord./Admin. Of NETC Calendar Year 2009 (Approved) = 139,309**

131,157.45 | FINAL | 787,139.84 |

08-1 Applying the Highway Safety Manual in New England | 120,000.00 | 667,139.84 |

09-1 Active Structural Control of Cantilevered Support Structures: Phase 1 | 150,000.00 | 517,139.84 |

Phase 2 | 100,000.00 | 417,139.84 |

09-2 Effective Establishment of Native Grasses on Roadsides | 90,000.00 | 327,139.84 |

09-3 Advanced Composite Materials: Prototype Development and Demonstration | 48,847.00 | See Note 3 | 278,292.84 |
### D.2 NETC FUND BALANCE

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**Notes:**
1. Member FFY allocations are obligated between October 1 and December 31
2. A credit of $6,599.70 for NETC's overpayment to UConn for CY 2004 NETC Management was applied, by UConn, to the Indirect Cost for project 02-5. Therefore although the total expenditures of the project were $26,279.69 the amount paid by NETC was $19,679.99
3. Per minute of NETC Adv. Comm. Mtg. 5/12/08: "It was agreed that since the encumbered amount for NETC 05-7 was incorrectly shown in the Fund Balance Report (April 30, 2008) as $70,000 and the correct amount is $100,000, the amount of funding to be allocated for the third ranked problem statement for the FFY 09 research program (NETC 09-3) would be set at the amount of the revised unencumbered fund balance remaining (at that time) after the allocation of funds for NETC 09-1 and NETC 09-2, i.e., $48,847."
E. REPORTS, PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

E.1 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:

E.2 ANNUAL REPORTS:
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 1995,” March 1996, NETCR3
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 1996,” January 1997, NETCR4
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 1997,” January 1998, NETCR9
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 1998,” January 1999, NETCR10
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 1999,” January 2000, NETCR21
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2000,” August 2001, NETCR27
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2001,” December 2002, NETCR40
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2002,” November 2003, NETCR41
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2003,” September 2005, NETCR55
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2005,” August 2006, NETCR61
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2006,” April 2007, NETCR68
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2007,” February 2008, NETCR70
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2008,” April 2009, NETCR75
“Annual Report For Calendar Year 2009,” April 2009, NETCR79

E.3 REPORTS, PAPERS, AND PRESENTATIONS 1988-1994:


E.3 NETC REPORTS, PAPERS, AND PRESENTATIONS 1988-1994 (cont’d):


E.3  NETC REPORTS, PAPERS, AND PRESENTATIONS 1988-1994 (cont’d):

“Regional Rail Planning In New England,” Martland, C.P. Little, and Alvaro, A.E., MIT, August 1993. (Accepted for publication 1994)


E.4 REPORTS, PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS 1995-2010:

Project No. Title

N/A Construction Costs Of New England Bridges

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

N/A Tire Chips As Lightweight Backfill For Retaining Walls, Phase II: Full-Scale Testing

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

“Civil Engineering Uses for Tire Chips,” Humphrey D.N. A six-hour short course presented to the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality, the Maine Dept. of Transportation, the Texas Engineering Extension Service, the Manitoba Tire Stewardship Board, the Alberta Tire Recycling Management Board, and the Arkansas Department of Pollution Control and Ecology.


Tire Chips As Lightweight Backfill For Retaining Walls, Phase II: Full-Scale Testing (cont’d):

Papers and Presentations (cont’d):


“Highway Applications of Tire Shreds,” Humphrey, D. A 7-hour short course presented to the RI DOT, April 1999.

New England Vehicle Classification And Truck Weight Program, Phase I

Reports:

New England Vehicle Classification And Truck Weight Program, Phase I (cont’d):
Reports (cont’d):


Papers and Presentations: None

Bridge Rail Crash Test, Phase II: Sidewalk-Mounted Rail
Reports:


Papers and Presentations: None
94-1 Structural Analysis Of New England Subbase Materials And Structures

Reports:
“Structural Analysis of New England Subbase Materials and Structures,”
Lee, K.W., Huston, M.T., Davis, J., Vajjhalla, S., June 30, 2001,
NETCR26.

Papers and Presentations:
“Structural Analysis of New England Subbase Materials and Structures,”
Davis, J. Presented at the Rhode Island Transportation and Civil

“Structural Analysis of New England Subbase Materials and Structures.”
Presented at the Northeast Graduate Student Symposium on Applied
Mechanics, University of Rhode Island, April 26, 1997.

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Presented at the Rhode Island Transportation and Civil Engineering
Forum, University of Rhode Island, October 15, 1997.

“Structural Analysis of New England Subbase Materials and Structures,”
Davis, J., Huston, M., and Lee, K.W. Presented at the 1998 Annual
Transportation Research Board Meeting.

“Structural Properties of New England Subbase Materials of Flexible
Pavements.” Presented at the 5th International Conference on the Bearing

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Pavements.” Presented at the 5th International Conference on the Bearing
Capacity of Roads and Airfields on July 8, 1998.

“Characterization of Subbase Materials of Flexible Pavements With and
Without Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement,” Lee, K.W., Davis, J., and
Vajjhalla, S. Presented at the 1999 World Congress for Korean Scientists

“Characterization of Subbase Materials of Flexible Pavements With and
Without Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement,” Lee, K.W., Davis, J. and
Vajjhalla, S. Presented at the 12th Rhode Island Transportation Forum,
University of Rhode Island, October 15, 1999.
Nondestructive Testing of Reinforced Concrete Bridges Using Radar Imaging Techniques

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


Nondestructive Testing of Reinforced Concrete Bridges Using Radar Imaging Techniques (cont’d):
Papers and Presentations (cont’d):


94-3  Procedures For The Evaluation Of Sheet Membrane Waterproofing:
Reports:
“Procedures for the Evaluation Sheet Membrane Waterproofing,”
Korhonen, C.J., Buska, J.S., Cortez, Edel R., and Greatorex, Alan R.,

Papers and Presentations: None

94-4  Durability Of Concrete Crack Repair Systems:
Reports:  None

Papers and Presentations:
“Durability of Concrete Crack Repair, Projects,” Robinson, J. Presented at
the University of Rhode Island Graduate Seminar Series, Kingston, RI,
November 19, 1997.

“Durability of Concrete Crack Repair System,” Tsiatas, G. and Robinson,
J. Presentation to representatives of the Chemical Grouting Division of
Kajima Corporation (Japan), University of Rhode Island, College of
Engineering, October 26, 1999.

95-1  Use Of Tire Chip/Soil Mixtures To Limit Frost Heave And Pavement
Damage Of Paved Road
Reports:
“Use of Tire Chip/Soil Mixtures to Limit Frost Heave and Pavement
Damage of Paved Roads,” Brian, K.L., and Humphrey, D. N., June 2000,
NETCR12.

Papers and Presentations:
“Laboratory and Field Measurement of the Thermal Conductivity of Tire
Chips for Use as Subgrade Insulation,” Humphrey, D., Chen, L.H. and
Eaton, R. A paper submitted to the Transportation Research Board for
presentation at the session on “Properties of Unconventional Aggregates”
at the Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board, Washington,
D.C., January 1997.

“Highway Applications of Tire Shreds," Humphrey, D. A 7-hour short
course presented in each of the six New England States, 1998.

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Chen, L.H., Lawrence, B. A paper presented at the 10th International
Conference on Cold Regions Engineering: Putting Research into Practice,
held in Hanover, NH, August 16-19, 1999.
95-2 **Suitability Of Non-Hydr ic Soils For Wetland Mitigation**

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

95-3 **Implementation And Evaluation Of Traffic Marking Recesses For Application of Thermo-Plastic Markings On Modified Open Graded Mixes**

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


95-5 **Buried Joints In Short Span Bridges**

Reports: None

Papers and Presentations:

95-6 **Guidelines For Ride Quality Acceptance Of Pavements**

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None
96-1 Implementation of Superpave
Reports:
“Superpave Implementation,” Mahoney, James, Stephens, Jack E., September 1999, NETCR18.

96-3 Effectiveness Of Fiber Reinforced Composite As Structural And Protective Coverings For Bridge Elements Exposed To Deicing Salt Chlorides
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


“Recent Advances in Fiber Composites,” Seminar Series, University Cataleuna, Spain, June 28, 1999.


Effectiveness Of Fiber Reinforced Composite As Structural And Protective Coverings For Bridge Elements Exposed To Deicing Salt Chlorides (cont’d):

Papers and Presentations (cont’d):


A Portable Method To Determine Chloride Concentration On Roadway Pavements

Reports:


Papers and Presentations: None

Performance Evaluation And Economic Analysis Of Combinations Of Durability Enhancing Admixtures (Mineral And Chemical) In Structural Concrete For The Northeast U.S.A

Reports:


Papers and Presentations:

“Performance Evaluation of Durability Enhancing Admixtures (Mineral and Chemical) in Structural Concrete,” Sund, D., Report in Partial Fulfillment of Master of Science in Civil Engineering Degree, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, September, 1999.
Performance Evaluation And Economic Analysis Of Combinations Of Durability Enhancing Admixtures (Mineral And Chemical) In Structural Concrete For The Northeast U.S.A (cont'd):

Papers and Presentations:


Determining Properties, Standards And Performance Of Wood Material As An Erosion Control Mulch And As A Filter Berm

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

Early Distress Of Open-Graded Friction Course (OGFC)

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

Bridge Rail Transitions – Development and Crash Testing

Reports:
Design documents for the NETC 2-Bar Curb-Mounted and 4-Bar Sidewalk-Mounted Bridge Rail Transitions are available from the NETC Coordinator.

99-1 Bridge Rail Transitions – Development and Crash Testing (cont’d):
Papers and Presentations:


99-2 Evaluation of Asphalitic Expansion Joints
Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

99-3 Development Of Priority Based Statewide Scour Monitoring Systems In New England
Reports:


Papers and Presentations: None

99-4 Quantifying Roadside Rest Area Usage
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:
Results from the rest-area research were included in a presentation by the PI: “The Efficacy and Use of Continuous Shoulder Rumble Strips: Engineering a Solution,” presented at the November 20-21, 2002 National Summit to Prevent Drowsy Driving, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC, November 21, 2002 (taped by C-SPAN. Summit also covered by CNN Live Today, CNN Live on Location, CBS Early Show, National Public Radio’s Market Place, and national radio network coverage by ABC, CBS, and AP as well as two stories by nationally syndicated health columnist Jane Brody of The New York Times).
Analytical and Experimental Investigation Of The Effects Of Concrete Removal Operations On Adjacent Concrete That Is To Remain

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


“Effect of Demolition on Remaining Part of Concrete Bridge, Numerical Analysis Vs. Experimental Results.” Presented and published in the proceedings of Internationales Kolloquium über die Anwedungen der Informatik in Architectur und Bauwesen, Germany, June 2000

“The Effect of Bridge Rehabilitation on the Remaining Structural Parts.” Presented and published in the proceedings of the ASCE conference at Stanford University, August 2000.

Ground-Based Imaging And Data Acquisition Systems For Roadway Inventories In New England - A Synthesis Of Practice

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None
00-2  Evaluation Of Permeability Of Superpave Mixes

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


00-3  Design, Fabrication and Preliminary Testing of a Composite Reinforced Timber Guardrail

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:  None

00-4  Portable Falling Weight Deflectometer Study

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:  None

00-5  Guardrail Testing Modified Eccentric Loader Terminal (MELT) at NCHRP 350 TL-2

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:
Dean Alberson, Texas Transportation Institute, Principal Investigator presented the results of the crash tests conducted on the MELT guardrail terminal to the Association of General Contractors/American Road Transportation Builders Association/American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials Task Force 13 meeting in Seattle, Washington, April 2002.
00-6 Effective Visualization Techniques for the Public Presentation of Transportation
Reports:


Papers and Presentations: None

00-7 A Complete Review of Incident Detection Algorithms and Their Deployment: What Works and What Doesn’t
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:
“Use of Driver-Based Data for Incident Detection,” Parkany, Emily, Submitted to the 7th International Conference on Applications of Advanced Technologies in Transportation Engineering (AATT), Boston, August 2002.

00-8 Performance and Effectiveness of a Thin Pavement Section Using Geogrids and Drainage Geocomposites in a Cold Region
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:
01-1  Advanced Composite Materials for New England’s Transportation Infrastructure: A Study for Implementation and Synthesis of Technology and Practice

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

01-1  Advanced Composite Materials in New England’s Transportation Infrastructure - Technology Transfer Phase I: Selection of Prototype

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

01-2  Development of a Testing Protocol for QC/QA of Hot Mix Asphalt

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

01-3  Design of Superpave HMA for Low Volume Roads

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:
01-6  Field Evaluation of a New Compaction Monitoring Device
Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

02-1  Relating Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement Density to Performance
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


02-2  Formulate Approach for 511 Implementation in New England
Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

02-3  Establish Subgrade Support Values for Typical Soils in New England
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

02-5  Determination of Moisture Content of Deicing Salt at Point of Delivery
Reports:
“Determination of Moisture Content of Deicing Salt at Point of Delivery,”

Papers and Presentations:  None

02-6  Sealing of Small Movement Bridge Expansion Joints
Reports:
“Sealing of Small Movement Bridge Expansion Joints,” Malla, R.B.,

Papers and Presentations:
“Silicone Foam Sealant for Bridge Expansion Joints,” Malla R. B., Shaw
M. T., Shrestha M. R., Boob S., McMat 2005 Mechanics and Materials
Conference Baton Rouge, Louisiana, June 1-3, 2005.

“Experimental Evaluation of Mechanical characteristics of Silicone Foam
Sealant for Bridge Expansion Joints,” Malla R. B., Shaw M. T., Shrestha
M. R., Boob S.,  2005 Society for Experimental Mechanics Annual
Conference Portland, Oregon, June 7-9, 2005.

“Development and Experimental Evaluation of Silicone Foam Sealant For
Small Bridge Expansion Joints,” Matu Shrestha, M.S. Thesis, Dept. of
Civil & Environmental Engineering, University of Connecticut, Storrs,
CT, September 2005.

“Laboratory Evaluation of Weathering and Freeze-Thaw Effects on
Silicone Foam Bridge Joint Sealant,” Shrestha, M.R., Malla, R.B., Boob,
S. and Shaw, M.T., Paper #369, Proceedings, SEM 2006 Annual
Conference and Exposition (St. Louis, MO, June 04-07, 2006), SEM,
Bethel, CT, June 2006, 8p (CD ROM).

“Development and Laboratory Analysis of Silicone Foam Sealant for
Bridge Expansion Joints,” Malla, R., Shaw, M., Shrestha, M., and
Brijmohan, S., Journal of Bridge Engineering, ASCE, Reston, VA, July
2006.
02-6 Phase 2  
Sealing of Small Movement Bridge Expansion Joints - Phase II: Field Demonstration and Monitoring
Reports: None

Papers and Presentations:


02-7
Validating Traffic Simulation Models to Inclement Weather Travel Conditions with Applications to Arterial Coordinated Signal Systems
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


02-8 Intelligent Transportation Systems Applications to Ski Resorts in New England

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

03-1 Ability of Wood Fiber Materials to Attenuate Heavy Metals Associated with Highway Runoff

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

03-2 Field Studies of Concrete Containing Salts of an Alkenyl-Substituted Succinic Acid

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


03-3 Phase 1 Feasibility Study of an Erosion Control Laboratory in New England

Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None
03-3 Phase 2 Design Considerations for a Prototype Erosion Control Laboratory in New England
Reports:

Papers and Presentations: None

03-4 Measuring Pollutant Removal Efficiencies of Stormwater Treatment Units
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


03-5 Evaluation of a Field Permeameter as a Longitudinal Joint Quality Indicator
Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


03-7 Basalt Fiber Reinforced Polymer Composites

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


“Investigation of Basalt Fiber Composite Aging Behavior for Applications in Transportation,” Q. Liu, M. T. Shaw, R. S. Parnas, A.M. McDonnell, Polymer Composites.


04-1 Phase2 Recycling Asphalt Pavements Containing Modified Binders - Phase 2

Reports: None

Papers and Presentations:

Driver-Eye-Movement-Based Investigation for Improving Work-Zone Safety

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

“Understanding and Quantifying Driver Response,” Muttart, J.W., Texas Association of Accident Reconstructionist Specials, Houston, TX, February 17 & 18, 2006.


04-3  Estimating the Magnitude of Peak Flows for Steep Gradient Streams in New England

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:

04-4  Determining the Effective PG Grade of Binder in RAP Mixes

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:  None

04-5  Network-Based Highway Crash Prediction Using Geographic Information Systems

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


05-5  Measurement of Adhesion Properties Between Topcoat Paint and Metalized/Galvanized Steel with Surface Energy Measurement Equipment

Reports:  None

Papers and Presentations:
**Employing Graphic-Aided Dynamic Message Signs to Assist Elder Drivers’ Message Comprehension**

**Reports:**

**Papers and Presentations:**


**Warrants for Exclusive Left Turn Lanes at Unsignalized Intersections and Driveways**

**Reports:**

**Papers and Presentations:**
“A Decision Support System for Predicting the likely Benefits of Left-turn Lane Installation,” Ranade, S., Sadek, A.W. and Ivan, J., 2007, TRB Annual meeting, Paper No. 07-0992; January 2007; Transportation Research Record, 2023:28-36, 2007. This paper received the Best Paper Award from the Committee on Operational Effects of Geometrics at the 2008 Annual Meeting.

05-8 Evaluation and Implementation of Traffic Simulation Models for Work Zones

Reports:

Papers and Presentations:


06-1 New England Verification of NCHRP 1-37A Mechanistic-Empirical Pavement Design Guide with Level 2 & 3 Inputs

Reports: None

Papers and Presentations:
