

Sustainable Pavements

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FHWA Sustainable Pavements Program

Goals:

- Support the US DOT goals for sustainable transportation
- Increase the body of knowledge regarding “sustainability” aspects of **asphalt** and **concrete** materials in pavement design, construction, and maintenance.
- Increase the use of “sustainable” technologies and practices in pavement design, construction, and maintenance.

Current Program Framework

1. Establishment of a Sustainable Pavements Technical Working Group (TWG)
- 2. Development of Reference Documents on Sustainable Pavements and Materials**
3. Evaluation and Assessment of Existing Tools
4. Evaluation and Assessment of Sustainable Techniques
5. Technology Transfer and Deployment

Development of Reference Documents

- **Develop guidelines for the design, construction, preservation, and maintenance of sustainable pavements utilizing asphalt and concrete materials.**
 - Educate practitioners on what sustainability means for pavements and materials.
 - Encourage practitioners to adopt sustainable practices.

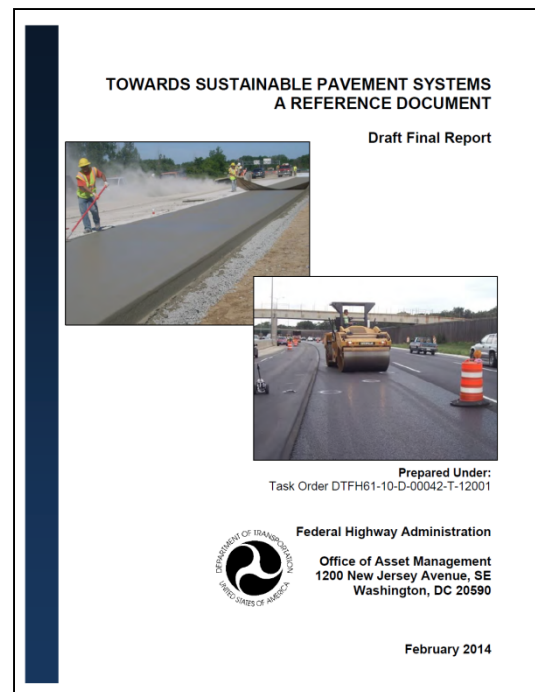


Towards Sustainable Pavement Systems: A Reference Document

1. Introduction
2. Concepts of Pavement Sustainability
3. Sustainable Materials for Paving
4. Design of Sustainable Pavements
5. Construction of Sustainable Pavements
6. Use Phase Considerations
7. Maintenance / Preservation / Rehabilitation Practices
8. End of Life for Sustainable Pavements
9. Sustainable Pavements in Liveable Communities
10. Assessing Pavement Sustainability
11. Concluding Remarks

1. Introduction

- What is Sustainability?
- Sustainability and Pavement Engineering



2. Concepts of Sustainability

- **Defining Sustainability**
- **The Role of Pavements in Sustainability**
- **Pavement Life Cycle**
- **Measuring Sustainability**

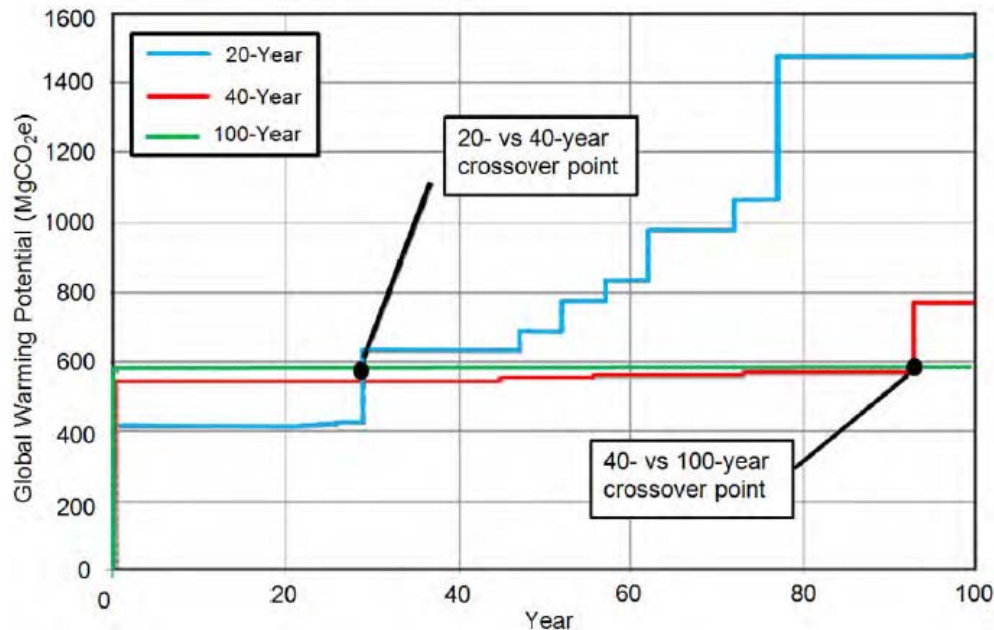


3. Sustainable Materials for Paving

- **Aggregates**
- **Asphalt Materials and Mixtures**
- **Hydraulic Cement Materials and Mixtures**
- **Other Materials**
 - **Steel, Reinforcing Fibers, etc.**

4. Design of Sustainable Pavements

- Process for Consideration of Sustainability in Pavement Design
- Sample Sustainable Design Strategies

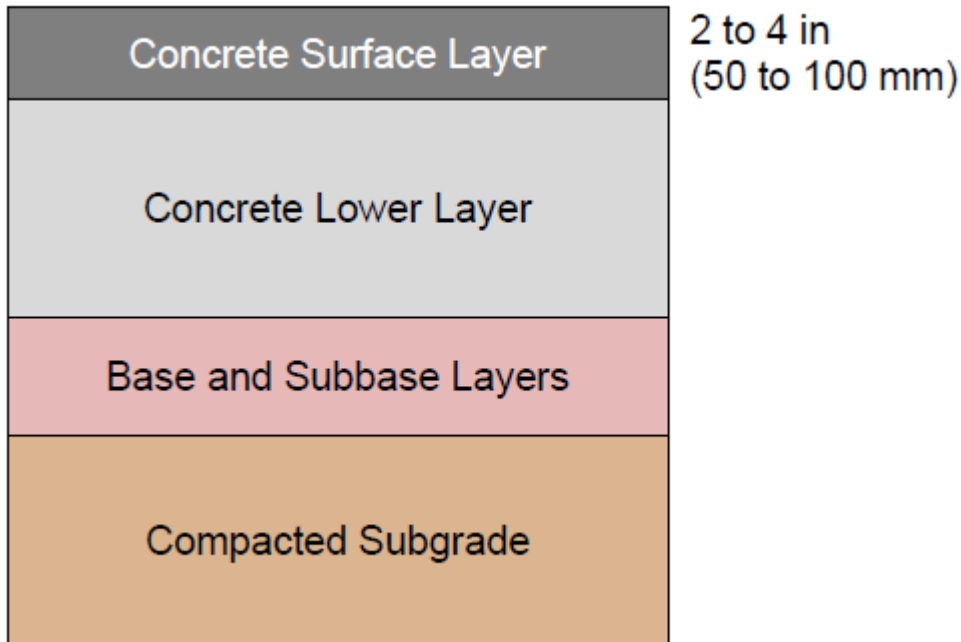


Sustainable Design Considerations

- Long-life pavement
- Design for local materials
- Maximize recycled materials
 - RAP, RAS, RCA
- Fast track construction
- Permeable pavements
- Enhance pavement smoothness



Concrete Pavement Design: Two-Lift Pavement to Maximize Recycled Materials



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5. Construction of Sustainable Pavements

- **Sustainability of Pavement Construction Operations**
 - **Equipment fuel usage**
 - **Quality Assurance**
- **Strategies for Improving Sustainability of Asphalt Pavement Construction**
- **Strategies for Improving the Sustainability of Concrete Pavement Construction**

Quality is Key

- The bottom line...

Proper construction is vital

From a stable subgrade to a smooth surface we can use best practices to improve sustainability



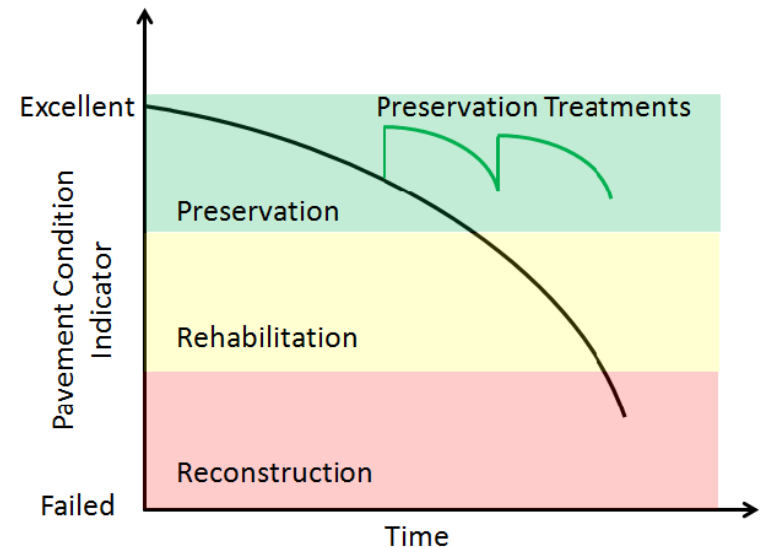
6. Use Phase Considerations

- **Vehicle Fuel Consumption and Pavement Characteristics**
- **Tire-Pavement Noise**
- **Addressing Stormwater Runoff through Permeable Pavement Surfaces**
- **Pavement Thermal Performance and the Urban and Global Climate**
- **Lighting**



7. Maintenance/Preservation/Rehabilitation Practices

- **Pavement Preservation and Sustainability**
- **Asphalt-Surfaced Pavement Maintenance and Preservation Treatments**
- **Concrete-Surfaced Pavement Maintenance and Preservation Treatments**



8. End of Life for Sustainable Pavements

- **End of Life Considerations for Asphalt Pavements**
- **End of Life Considerations for Concrete Pavements**

**Fractionated Recycled Asphalt
Pavement (RAP) for use in new
concrete pavement**



9. Sustainable Pavements in Liveable Communities

- **Larger System Goals and Metrics**
- **Strategies for Improving Sustainability**



10. Assessing Pavement Sustainability

- Life Cycle Cost Analysis
- Life Cycle Assessment
- Sustainability Rating Systems



Publication



Thank you

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