Concrete Paving Field Inspection Inspector's Workshop

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PCC Paving Field Inspection

- Why are we here?
- How do we achieve quality for PCC paving?
- Got a project....Now what?
- What is concrete?
- What kinds of equipment are used?
- What happens before you start paving?
- What happens when you're finally paving?
- What is the inspector's role?
- What about all of the other road building stuff?
- What do you look for in urban paving?
- What paperwork?



Instructor



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Q: HOW DO WE ACHIEVE QUALITY FOR PCC PAVING?

A: "Making sure the quality of a product (concrete paving) is what it should be..."
- Philip Crosby



How do we achieve quality for PCC paving?

- What is quality?
- Who cares?
- How do we get it?





What is quality?

- How do you define quality?
 - ➤ "Conformance to requirements"
 - > "The customer deserves to receive exactly what we have promised to produce." -- Crosby
- What is the result of quality for a pavement?
 - ➤ Long-lasting pavement
 - ➤ A good riding surface

Standard Specifications for Highway Construction



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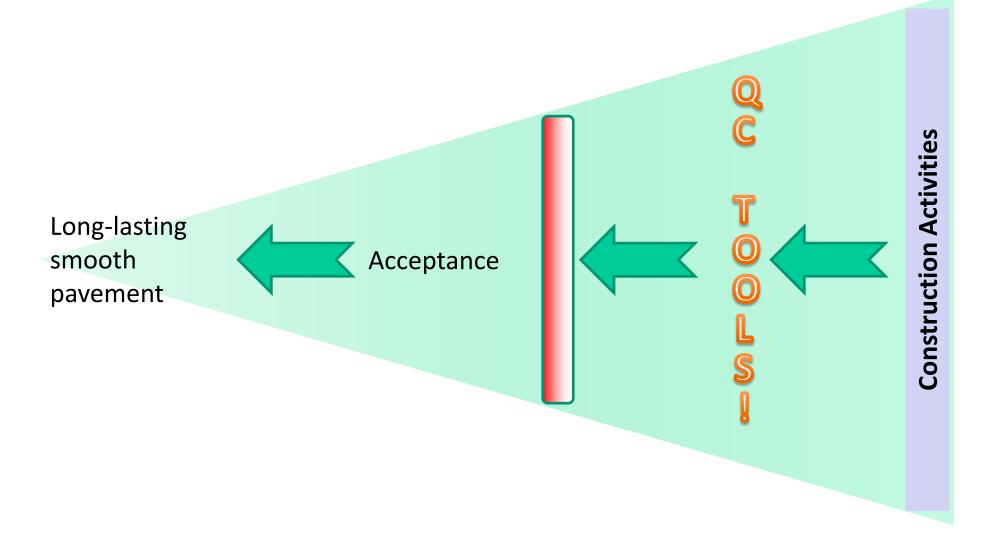
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What is quality?





Who cares?

The Contractor

- Reputation
- Incentives vs. Disincentives
- Rework = Lost \$\$





Who cares?

The Owner

- Better working environment
 - ➤ Project partners are qualified
 - ➤ Contractor knows how the Agency will accept/pay for the product
 - ➤QC Plans remove some of the daily stress
- Get the product you are paying for
 - ➤ Cost effective
 - >Low maintenance
 - **≻**Smooth
 - ➤ Durable



How do we get it?

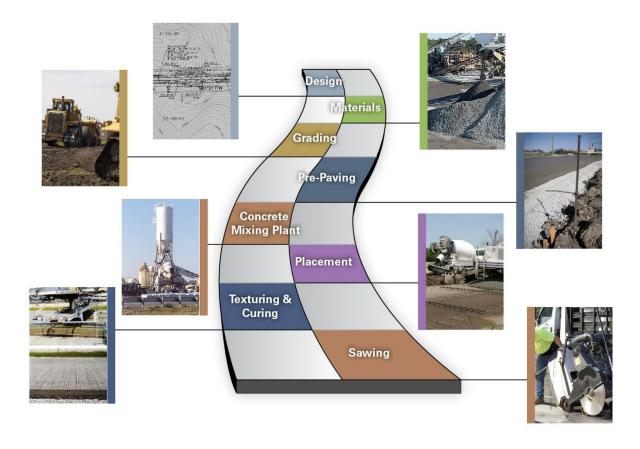
How do the following people affect quality?

- Designer/Specifier
- Agency Inspector
- QC Technician
- Loader Operator at the concrete plant
- Truck Driver
- Paver Operator
- Concrete Finisher
- Texture/Cure Machine Operator
- Sawing Crew
- Sealing Crew





How do we get it?





How do we get it?





How do we achieve quality for PCC paving?

- Understand what quality is.
- Recognize who cares?
- Know how we get it.



