19mm High RAP WMA Binder Leveling Course

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Why High RAP Mixes?

- PennDOT focus on low volume roadway network
- RoadMap initiative \$70 million dedicated funding
- Excess RAP in urban areas
- Alternative to Dept. 100% cold recycled mix program







Deputy Secretary Direction

- Focus on binder/leveling course
- Up to 50% RAP in WMA
- Modify mix design requirements to simplify and speed mix approvals
- Looking for cost savings on low volume roadways
- <5000 ADT, <750 trucks (aggressive)
- ASAP (March issue, before July '18)





High RAP Task Force

- Joint effort between PAPA and Department
- PennDOT Garth Bridenbaugh, Tim Ramirez, Neal Fannin, Andy Firment, Steve Koser, Larry Ligon, Kim Martin
- PAPA Gary Hoffman, Tom Abbey, Martin Libertini, John Savastio, Greg Brouse, Jeff Frantz (folks w/ experience in High RAP)





Specification Development

- Binder evaluation looked at historic LTS RAP results for average binder grades
- Final spec 3 tiers
 - Up to 15% RAP (follow 409 spec)
 - >15% to 30% RAP, PG 64-22
 - >30% to 50% RAP, PG 58-28
 - Contractor option to test for binder grade at >30% RAP





Binder Data From 40 RAP Stockpiles

	HIGH TEMP	LOW TEMP
AVERAGE	84.5	-18.8
STD DEV	5.07	7.62
MAX	96.0	-11.2
MIN	75.9	-24.6





Mix Volumetrics

- 50 gyrations
- Lower air voids for higher RAP contents
- Air voids Final spec 3 tiers
 - Up to 15%, 4.0% air voids (normal)
 - >15% to 30% RAP, 3.5 to 4.0% air voids
 - >30% to 50% RAP, 2.5 to 3.2% air voids







Mix Gradation

- Due to leveling nature of application, wanted a fine graded 19 mm mix
- Final spec 32% min. passing #8 sieve
- Modified F/A ratio for >30% to 50% to allow up to 1.3



Project Use and Acceptance

- Mix acceptance by certification
- Density acceptance by optimum rolling pattern
- Samples may be lifted for information
- 2 ½" minimum average depth
- Must apply a surface over (no SRL)





Implementation

 May 7, 2018 Use Guidelines issued for **ECMS** contracts

STANDARD SPECIAL PROVISION

Detail

Index or Category: Provisional Specification Related

District: CO Sequence ID: 4111

Version: A

Provision Name: c0411 ITEM 4411-0010 SUPERPAVE ASPHALT MIXTURE DESIGN, WMA BINDER COURSE

(LEVELING), - HIGH RAP

Usage Information

Measurement: English-IP

Edit Body: No Include on all projects: No

Edit Header: No Include on all federally funded projects: No

Edit Project Specific Details: No Include on all 100% State funded projects: No Instructions for Usage: For use on projects with 100% State Funds Only.

Not for use on NHS

Use in accordance with the letter titled" Use Guidelines for 19.0 mm Warm Mix Asphalt High RAP Mixtures for Low Volume Roadways" dated May 7, 2018 found in ECMS file cabinet

Status: Pending

408 Section: 411

Effective From: 05/07/2018 **To**: 01/01/2199

District 10 initial use

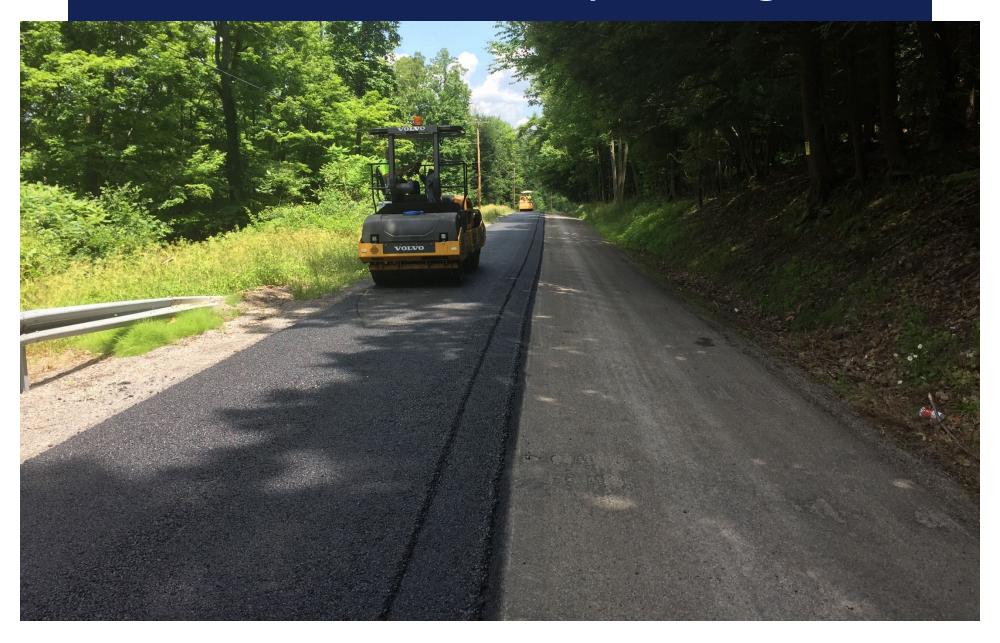
- District 10 Jefferson County project bid in May 2018 - bid two alternates high RAP vs. up to 15% RAP
- High RAP alternate \$4 lower per ton

Jefferson Co "Paving" results 12,000 Ton						
Low Bid Supplier	Version 1 -	over 15% Rap	Version 2	- 15%	% Rap mix	
Glenn O. Hawbaker, Inc.	\$44.45/ton	\$ 533,400.00	\$48.45/ton	\$	581,400.00	
Jefferson Co "Mill and Fill" results 16,200 Ton						
Jefferson Co "Mill a	nd Fill" ı	results 16	5,200 To	n		
Jefferson Co "Mill a		results 16 over 15% Rap	5,200 To Version 2		% Rap mix	
			•		% Rap mix 752,490.00	

Jefferson County Paving



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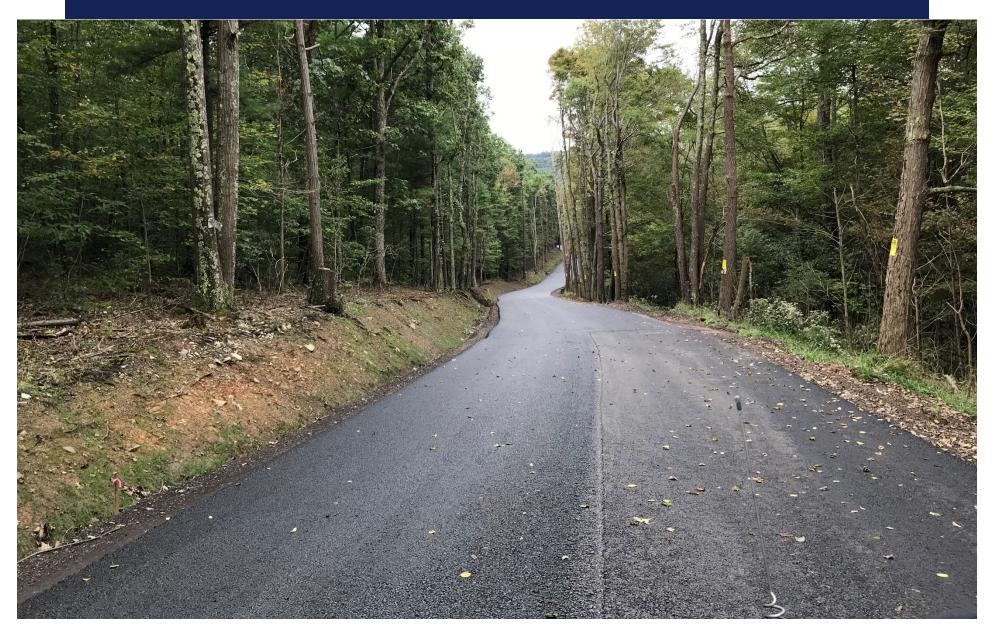
2018 19mm High RAP Usage

District	Supplier Company	Tons	
9	Keystone Lime	17,603.01	
10	Glenn O. Hawbaker	30,702.15	
11	Lindy Paving	26,558.75	
	statewide total	74,863.91	





Somerset County SR 2017



PennDOT Early Feedback

- Mix looked adequately "rich" on site
- Achieved compaction quickly
- Density cores for information and gauge correlation 95% to 96% range (D10)
- PennDOT happy with early taste of product
- Initial cost savings are encouraging





Cost Comparison*

2018 Cost Comparison - High RAP 19mm vs Regular 19mm			
High RAP 19 mm (3 Counties)	Statewide Average 19 mm		
\$45.19/ton delivered	\$52.96/ton delivered		

^{*} Based on sampling of 2018 maintenance bid awards with quantities >1000 tons







9.5mm & 25.0mm Efforts

- 9.5mm CT to be issued soon
- 25.0mm PAPA Developed Spec to be submitted to APQIC







Tips for bidding

- Make sure to use SSP, this takes into account all of the mix design issues
- Check for other SP's dealing with mix design or high RAP that might conflict
- Remember that "regular" mixes up to 15%
 RAP still meet this special provision also







ECMS Project Use

- 45,450 tons bid in ECMS (as of 1/7/2019)
- 6 projects (D1, D10 and D11)
- Material production to occur in 2019



