# Barriers for Expansion of RAP/RAS Usage in Oklahoma

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#### RAP/RAS Usage in Oklahoma

- Past
- Present
- Future
  - Barriers for Expanded Usage
- FHWA Perspective

#### Past RAP Usage

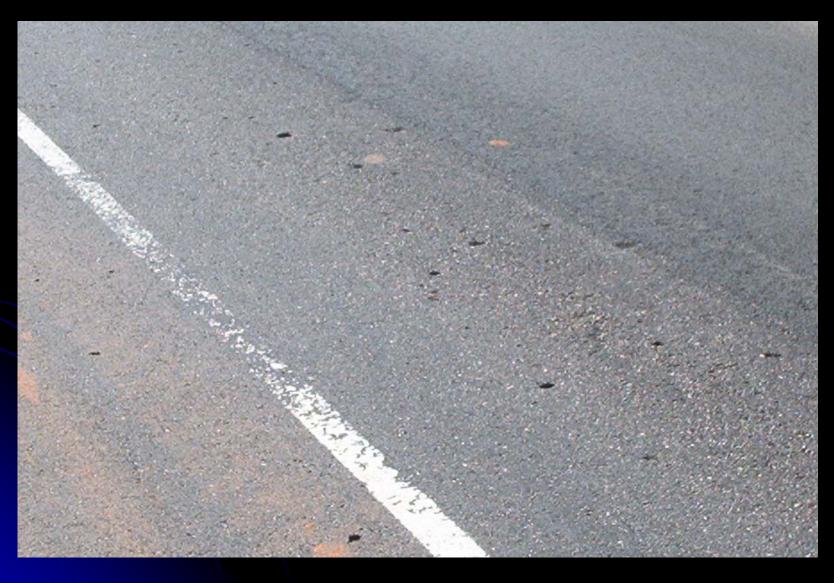
- 1988 Standard Specifications
  Section 708.04c
- Maximum 40% With AC-20:
  - Not Allowed in Surface Course
  - Limits Governed by Penetration of Abson Recovered Binder

#### Past RAP Usage

- 1991 Supplement Standard
  Specifications Section 708.04c
- Maximum 25%
- Plan Limits Govern
- RAP in Surface Courses Only With<1,000 ADT</li>

#### Past RAP Usage

- Crush and Screen to 95% Passing 2"
  Sieve
- Insoluble Residue (OHD L-25):
  - 0% Unless Known
- Natural Sand and Gravel Limits
  Reduced by Amount in RAP









#### Present RAP Usage

- 2009 Standard Specifications
  Section 708.04c
- Plan Limits Govern
- RAP in Surface Courses Only With < 0.3M ESALS</li>
- Superpave Mixtures Only

#### Present RAP Usage

- Max. Percent by Binder Grade
  - ●PG 64-22 OK 25
  - ●PG 70-28 OK 15
  - ●PG 76-28 OK 15
- Shoulder 25
- Temporary (detours) 35

#### Present RAP Usage

- FRAP Fine and Coarse RAP
  - Fine − Passing Sieves 5/8", 1/2", 3/8"
  - Coarse Passing 1 1/2" Sieve to Fine
- Insoluble Residue (OHD L-25):
  - 0% Unless Known
- Natural Sand and Gravel Limits
  Reduced by Amount in RAP

### Future RAP Usage

- Oklahoma University Research Increase RAP Percentages
- Allow RAP in all Surface Course Lifts?
- Some Divisions Use No RAP

### Future RAS Usage

- Some Oklahoma Contractors
  Interested in RAS
- Some Have Done it in NeighboringStates
- Develop Specifications

# Barriers for Expanded Usage



## Barriers for Expanded Usage

- Scary:
  - Cost or Save \$\$\$'s
  - New / Changes
  - Quality or Value
  - Availability of RAS
  - Lack of Specifications for RAS
  - Lack of Upper Management Support

### Barriers for Expanded Usage

- Communication and Education
  - Prepare Educational Materials and Specifications
  - Internal –Meet with Upper Management
  - External FHWA and OAPA Support

### Summary

- Past / Present / Future
- Barriers for RAP/RAS Expansion:
  - Who Upper Management
  - What New Processes
  - Where Localized
  - Why Improve Quality, Decrease Cost, Green

#### Resources For More Information

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#### FHWA- Perspective

- Oklahoma Division- Recognizes Benefit and Encourages Recycling
- Great Partnership with Stakeholders
- Participation in Pavement Improvement
  Committees- Technical Task Groups
- Resources Sharing- Technical Support

#### FHWA Perspective- Barriers

- QC
- Past Bad Experiences
- RAP- For Maintenance Work
- Availability of Good Quality Aggregates-Crude Oil Prices
- Fear- Known & Unknown

# FHWA- Perspective Future

- Opportunities for Us
- RAS
- Overall-Satisfied with the Progress