Using RAP In Florida



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Florida

- Population: Over 15.9 million
 - 4th Largest State in the US
 - Increases by 1,200 people per day
- Roadways: 114,000 miles
- State Highway System
 - 12,000 miles of roadway
 - 44,000 lane miles
 - Carries 66% of all traffic in state





Florida

- Florida Department of Transportation
 - \$3 billion construction budget
 - Approximately 500 Construction contracts/year
 - Approximately 5.2 million tons hot mix asphalt (HMA) placed per year
 - Total amount of HMA statewide = 19 million tons









- 1977: Palm Beach County
 - Rubin Construction
 - 28,000 tons HMA base w/25% RAP
 - RAP from another project
 - Batch plant (bypassed drier)
- 1978: Bay County
 - Florida Asphalt Paving Company
 - US-98 Panama City
 - Milled 1"
 - Leveling course w/30% RAP
 - Factory modified batch plant









- 1979: Marion County
 - Okaloosa Asphalt
 - US-441
 - Recycled structural mix
 - 65% RAP + 35% Local Sand
 - Asphalt Emulsion Rejuvenator
 - 35,000 tons
 - Drum Mix Plant



Remember...there a two types of Research

- Academic Research:
 - Tons of data; limited conclusions
- State Agency Research:
 - Limited data; tons of conclusions





Performance of early projects is excellent after six months! Let's implement!









- 1980: Recycled HMA specifications developed as a standard practice
 - Used on selected projects that were considered good candidates for milling
 - Contractor given ownership of RAP
 - Allowed up to 60% RAP in mix
 - FDOT monitored mix viscosity
 - All other construction specifications the same
 - FDOT Provided Pavement Composition Report



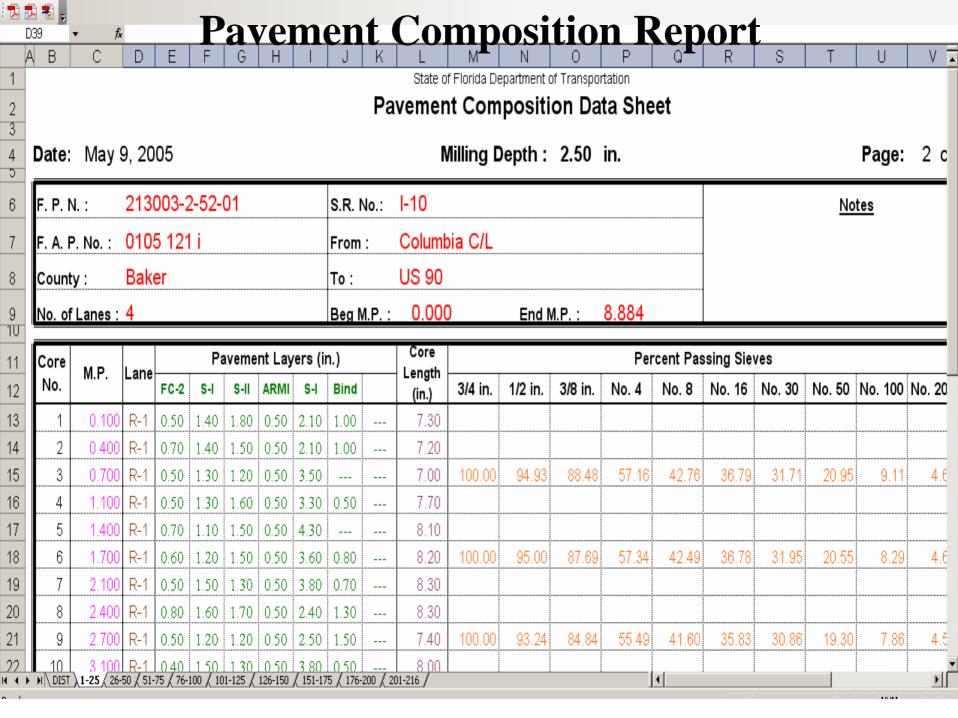
Pavement Composition of Existing Pavement Report

FAP No. 1001-041-P SR 25 County Hendry From Km.P. 6.336 to Km.P. 21.337 From M.P. 3.937 to M.P. 13.258 NB & SB Traffic and Passing Lanes (4) Viscosity AVERAGE RANGE Viscosity @ 60°C (pa·s) 445 - 11.861 3,620 36,200 Viscosity @ 140°F (Poises) 4,450 - 118,610 **Asphalt Content** Penetration @ 25°C (0.1 mm) 14 - 45 27 5.1 - 6.7Asphalt Content (%) 6.0 Gradation - Percent Passing 25 mm (1")100 100 19 mm (3/4")99 - 100 100 98 - 100 99 12.5 mm (1/2") Gradation 9.5 mm (3/8") 85 - 94 90 4.75 mm (No. 4) 57 - 71 $2.00 \, \mathrm{mm}$ (No. 10) 44 - 57 49 425 µm (No. 40) 28 - 35 31 180 µm 13 - 22 16 (No. 80) 75 µm (No. 200) 5.5 - 8.5 6.8 Total Pavement Thickness (mm) 85 - 291 140 Thickness Evaluated (nm) Top 60 Total Pavement Thickness (in.) 3.35 - 11.46 5.51

Top 2.25

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Thickness Evaluated (in.)







- Mid 1980's: FDOT experienced rutting problems...
 - Low in-place air voids/high dust
- Reduced maximum P-200 at design
- Implemented better controls of P-200 during production
- Began monitoring air voids during production
- Resulted in a reduction of RAP usage
 - RAP has high P-200





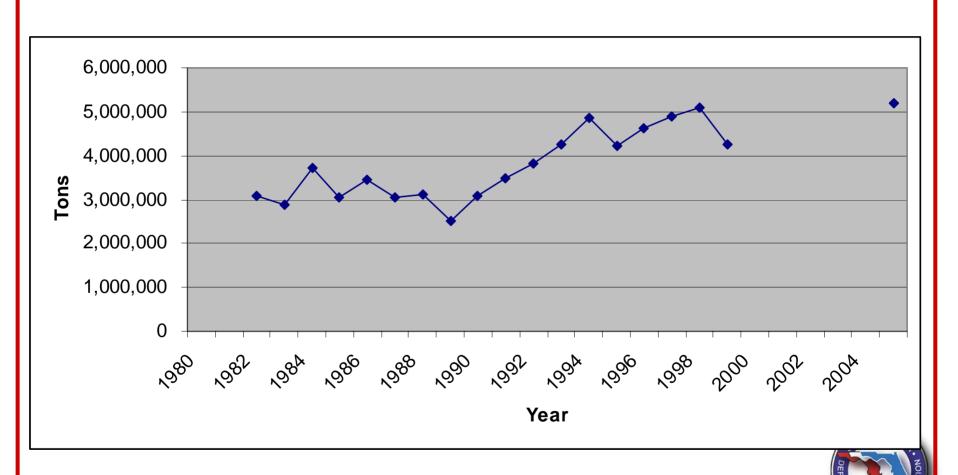


- Late 1990's: FDOT implemented Superpave.....
 - RAP usage declined further in order to meet
 VMA criteria
- Mid 2000's: FDOT increased use of polymer modified asphalts
 - Max 15% RAP

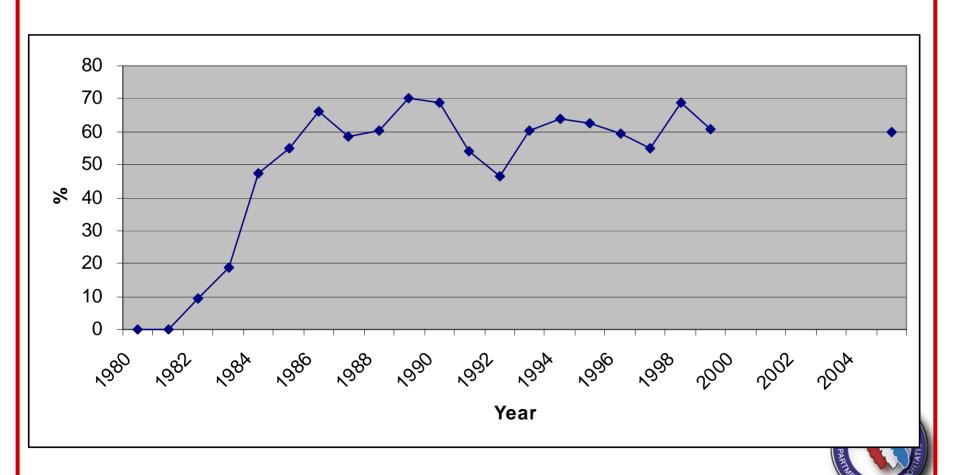




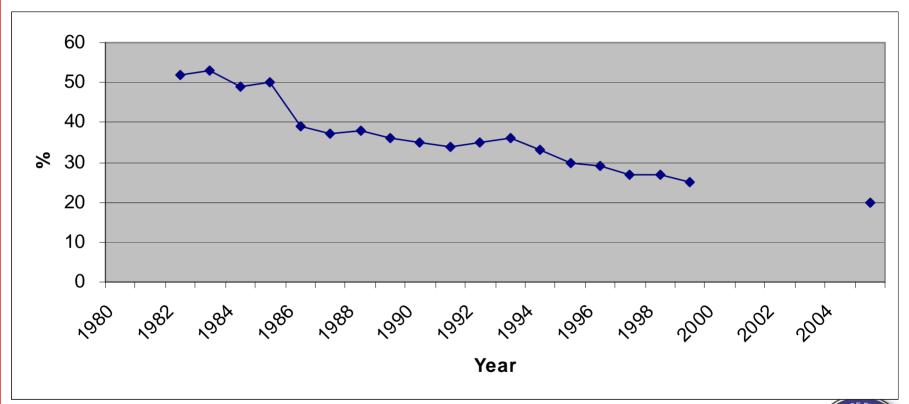
Total HMA



Percentage of HMA Mixes Containing RAP



Average RAP Content





Benefits of Recycling

- Saves money!
- Conserves resources
 - Aggregate & Binder
- Conserves energy
- Allows milling as a standard practice, without generating waste material





Milling

- Removes old/distressed pavement
- Eliminates costly shoulder work
- Maintains drainage features





Financial Savings

Current costs of aggregate, binder and hot mix asphalt are at an all time high!

• Binder: 1.72 \$/gal (401 \$/ton)

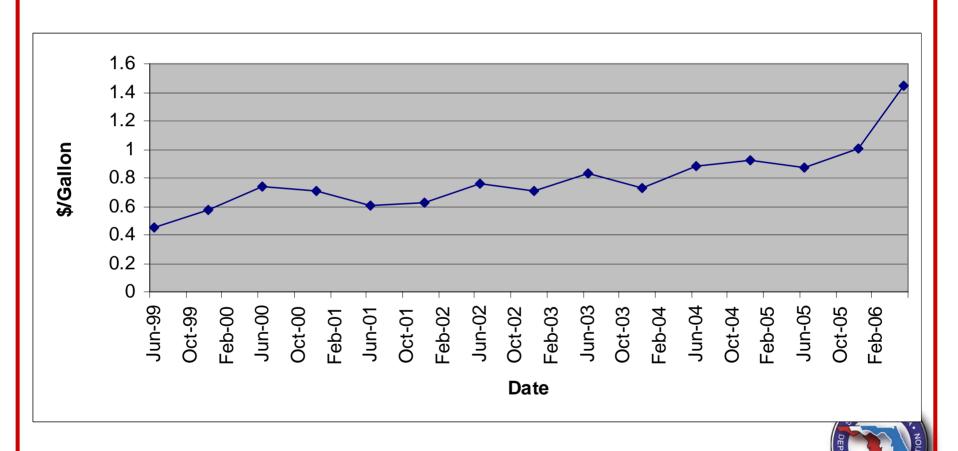
• Aggregate: 18 – 23 \$/ton

• HMA: >90 \$/ton





Cost of Asphalt Binder in Florida



Conservation of Resources

- 2005:
 - 5.2 million tons HMA
 - 60% of HMA mixes contained RAP
 - Average RAP content = 20%
 - Used 624,000 tons of RAP

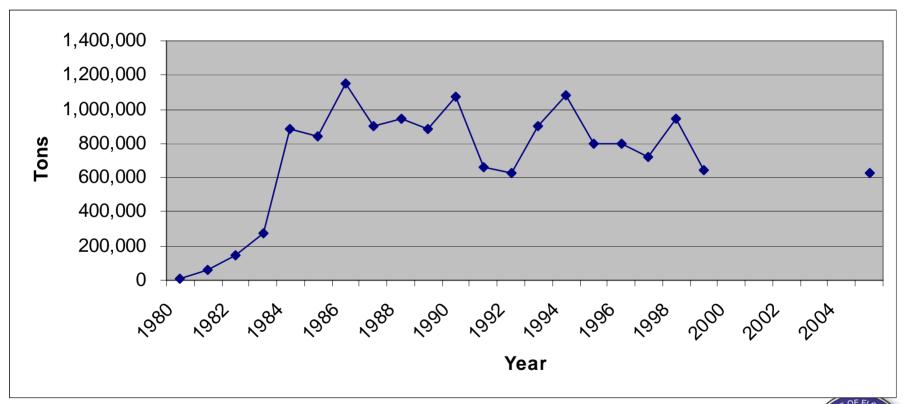


Conservation of Resources

- Typical RAP Contains:
 - 5.5% binder
 - 94.5% aggregate
- Example:
 - Resources conserved in 2005:
 - 589,680 tons aggregate
 - 34,320 tons binder
 - 8 million gallons

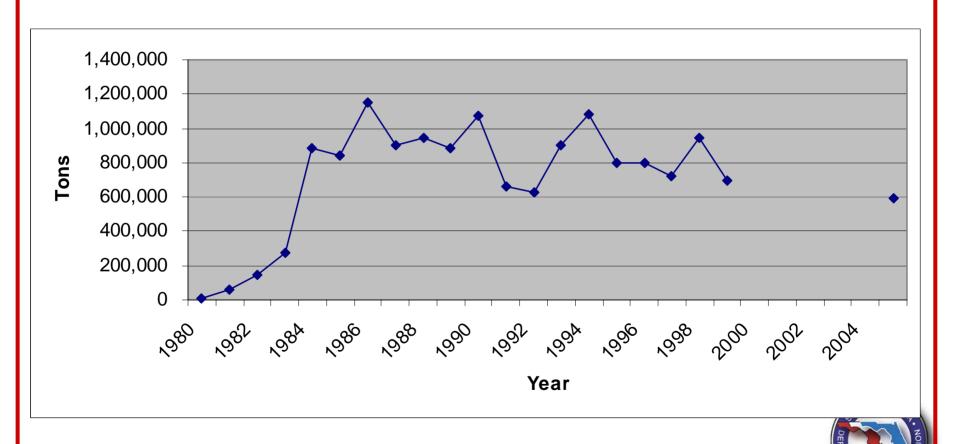


RAP Usage

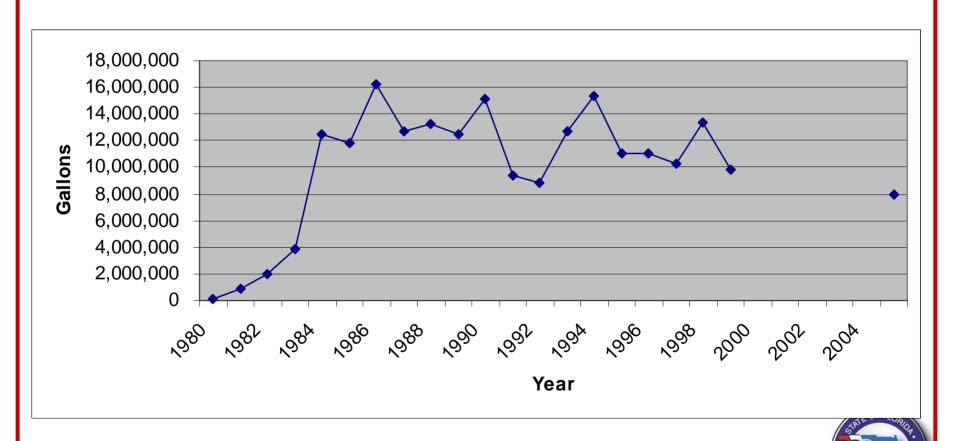




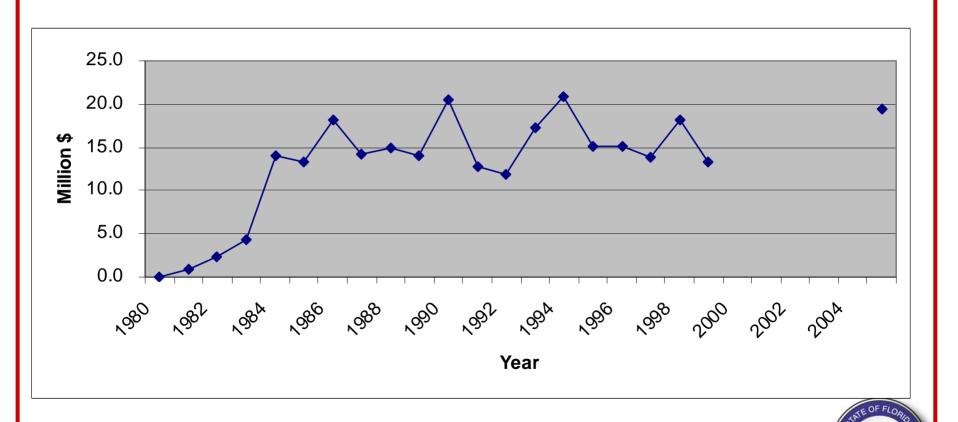
Aggregate Savings



Binder Savings



Savings in Materials Costs



Conservation of Energy

- It is estimated that the usage of 1 ton of HMA containing RAP conserves 200,000 BTU's of energy
 - Less aggregate to mine, process & deliver
 - Less asphalt to refine & deliver





Performance





Deficient Pavements:



Criteria	2003	2004	2005
Ride	2.6%	6.3%	3.8%
	1063 Miles	2556 Miles	1575 Miles
Crack	15.8%	16.5%	15.8%
	6410 Miles	6718 Miles	6559
Rut	1.5%	1.2%	0.9%
	596 Miles	498 Miles	384 Miles





Current Practices



Various Source RAP Pile....aka

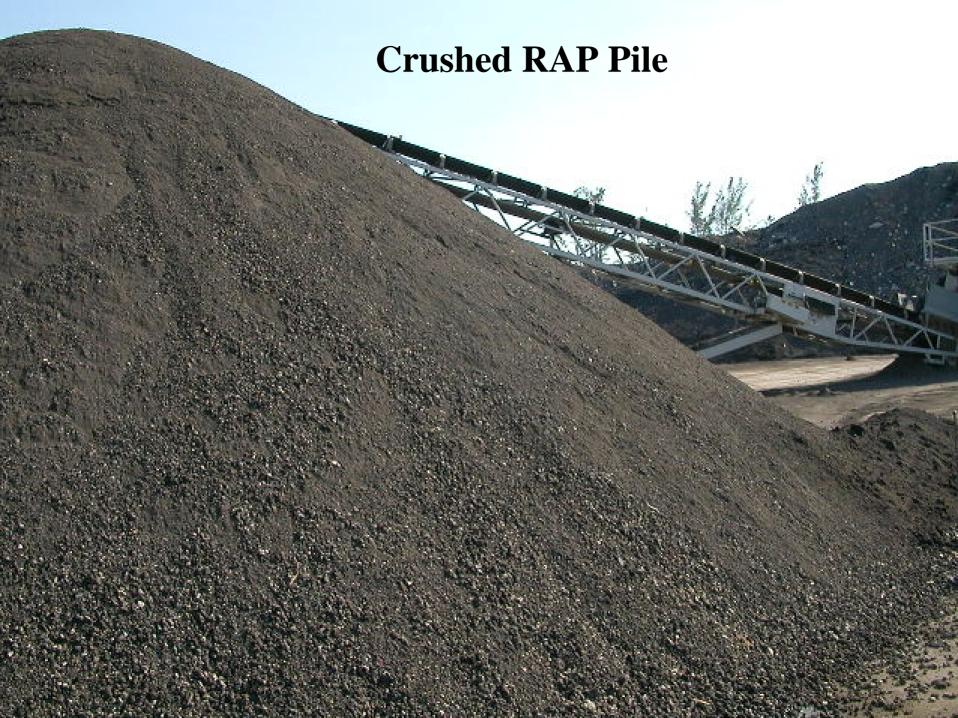
























Top Ten Reasons FDOT has had a successful HMA recycling program

- 10) Allows milling without generating waste
 - 9) Pavement Composition Reports
 - 8) Three good projects 25 years ago!
 - 7) Wasn't mandated by Congress
 - 6) Viscosity monitoring during production



Top Ten Reasons FDOT has had a successful HMA recycling program

- 5) It's good for the environment
- 4) Receptive/innovative Contractor & Agency personnel 25 years ago!
- 3) Giving the RAP to the Contractor
- 2) It conserves energy
- 1) It saves money!



