NJDOT CHALLENGES ON COMPOSITE PAVEMENT

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Outline

- Basic Information of Composite Pavement
- Challenges of Composite Pavement
- Composite Pavement Rehabilitation Strategies
- Case Studies

Basic Information of Composite Pavement

COMPOSITE PAVEMENT

Composite Pavement Rehabilitation Goals

Improve Pavement Condition

Improve Ride Quality

Improve Safety

Extend Life

Typically Functional Overlay – Minor Rehab

Sometimes A Structural Overlay – Major Rehab

Reduce Life Cycle Costs

Increase Customer Satisfaction

- Noise Reducing Surface(s)

Challenges of Composite Pavement

Risk of Removing HMA Overlay

Challenges of Removing HMA Overlay:

Pavement Recommendation:

Mill 3” and Pave with 3” SMA 12.5 MM Surface Course

Challenges of Removing HMA Overlay:

Core Information:

Lane 1 Core information was 5.25” to 7.75” HMA over PCC.

Lane 2 Core information was not available during design.

Lane 3 Core information was 3.5” to 19.5” HMA over PCC.

Challenges: Pavement ME Analysis for Composite Pavement

Design Structure

Layer type	Material Type	Thickness (in)
Flexible	12.5M-SMA (National Paving)	2.5
Flexible (existing)	12.5M64 (Stavola - Bound Brook, NJ)	1.5
Cement_Base	Soil cement	9.0
NonStabilized	A-1-a	6.0
Subgrade	A-1-a	Semi-infinite

Volumetric at Construction:	
Effective binder content (%)	10.7
Air voids (%)	7.0

Traffic

Age (year)	Heavy Trucks (cumulative)
2019 (initial)	3,500
2024 (5 years)	3,074,640
2029 (10 years)	6,247,350

Design Outputs

Distress Prediction Summary

Distress Type	Distress @ Specified Reliability		Reliability (%)		Criterion Satisfied?
	Target	Predicted	Target	Achieved	
Terminal IRI (in/mile)	170.00	147.44	90.00	97.79	Pass
Permanent deformation - total pavement (in)	0.75	0.44	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC total fatigue cracking: bottom up + reflective (% lane area)	25.00	53.08	90.00	0.00	Fail
AC total transverse cracking: thermal + reflective (ft/mile)	2500.00	205.53	90.00	100.00	Pass
AC bottom-up fatigue cracking (% lane area)	25.00	0.00	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC thermal cracking (ft/mile)	1000.00	1.00	50.00	100.00	Pass
AC top-down fatigue cracking (ft/mile)	2000.00	320.08	90.00	100.00	Pass
Permanent deformation - AC only (in)	0.25	0.13	90.00	100.00	Pass

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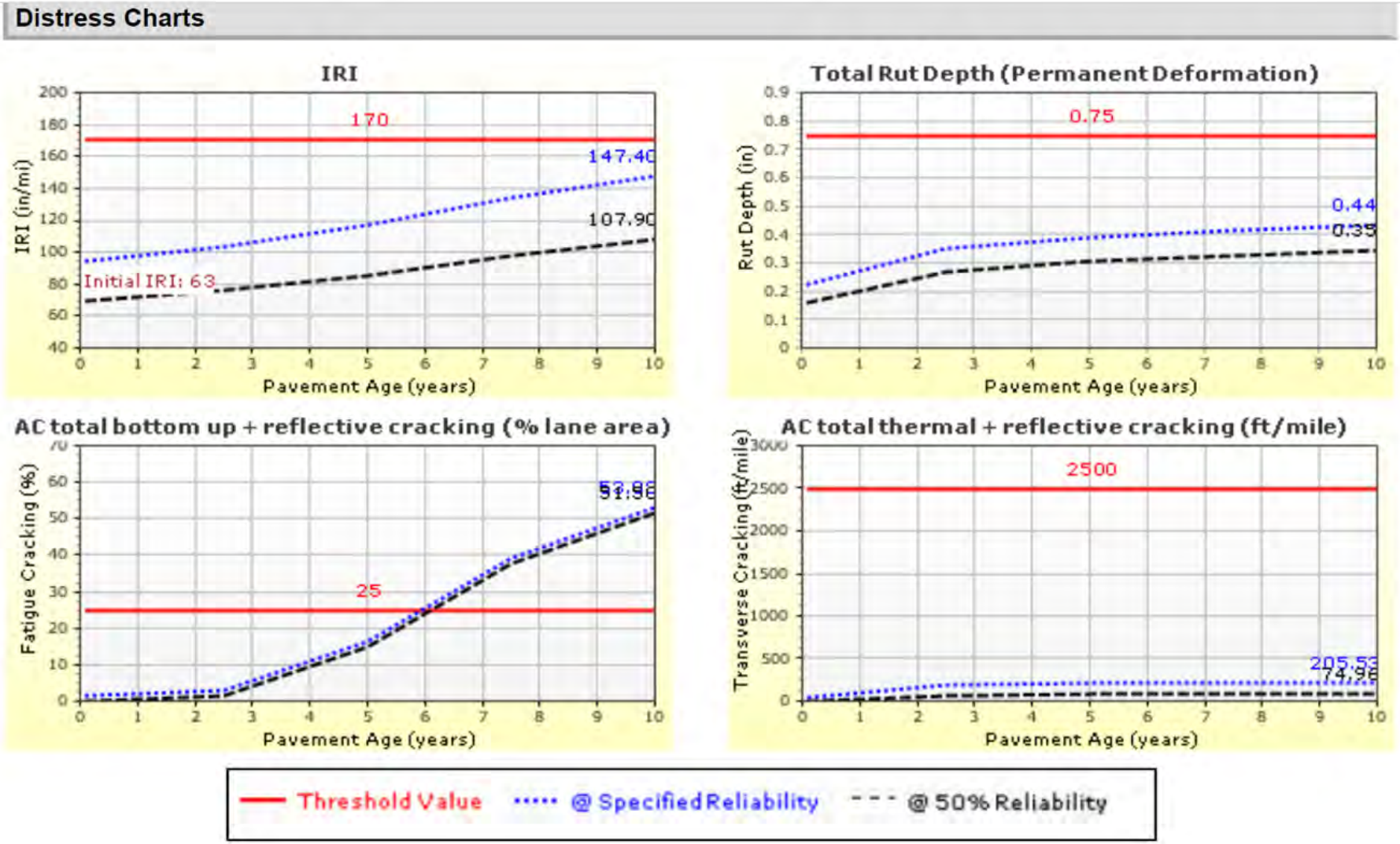

Challenges: Composite Pavement

- NJDOT's concrete/composite pavement infrastructure continuing to age and deteriorate
- PCC reconstruction costly
- Rubblization is option, but require minimum of 6 inches Overlay
- PCC rehabilitation generally not successful
- Most simple rehabilitation technique – Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Overlay
  - Unfortunately, high deflections at PCC joints/cracks creates excessive straining in HMA overlay
  - Most cases, cracking initiated in HMA above crack/joint in PCC (called Reflective Cracking)

Challenges: Composite Pavement

- When reflective crack reaches pavement surface
  - Affects overall integrity of pavement
    - Smoothness – intermittent cracking also affects safety
    - Pathway for water intrusion
    - Area for immediate raveling
- Little guidance on how to design HMA overlays for PCC pavements
  - HMA material/mixture selection

Modes of Reflective Cracking

- Mode 1 – Poor Load Transfer at joint/crack results in independent movement of PCC slabs
- Mode 2 – Excessive Vertical Bending at PCC joint/crack (Pure Tensile Straining)
- Mode 3 – Horizontal Deflections (PCC slab expansion and contraction) due to environmental cycling

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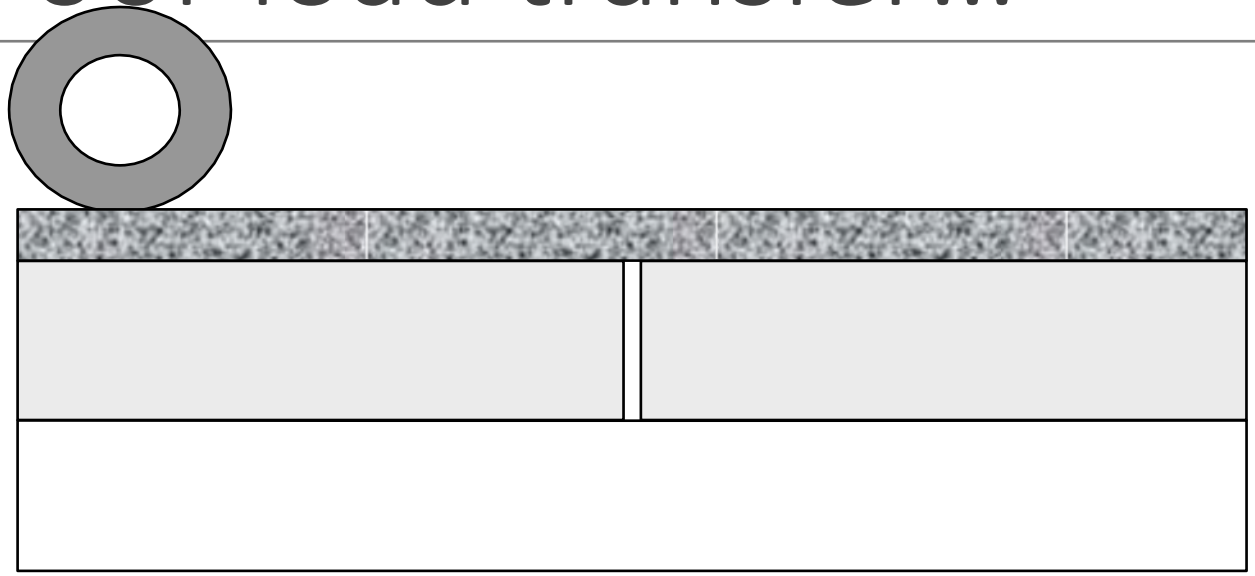

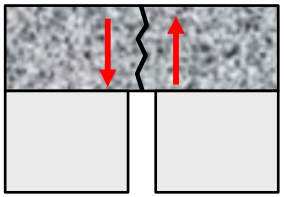

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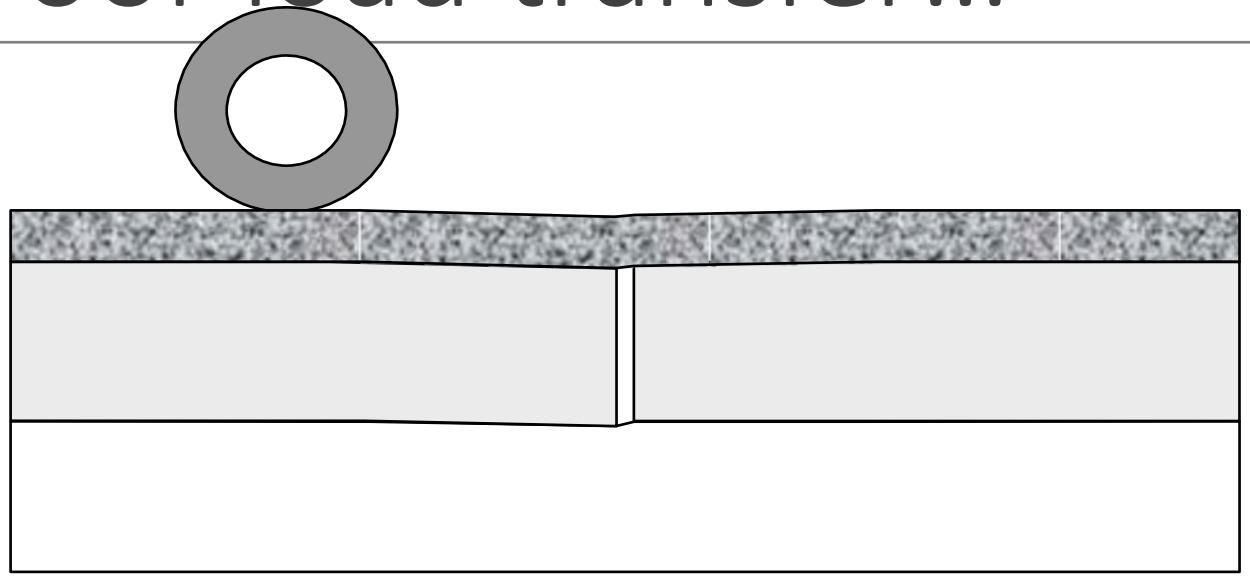

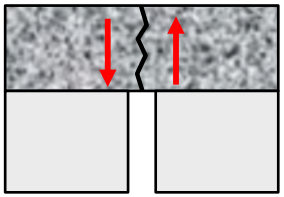

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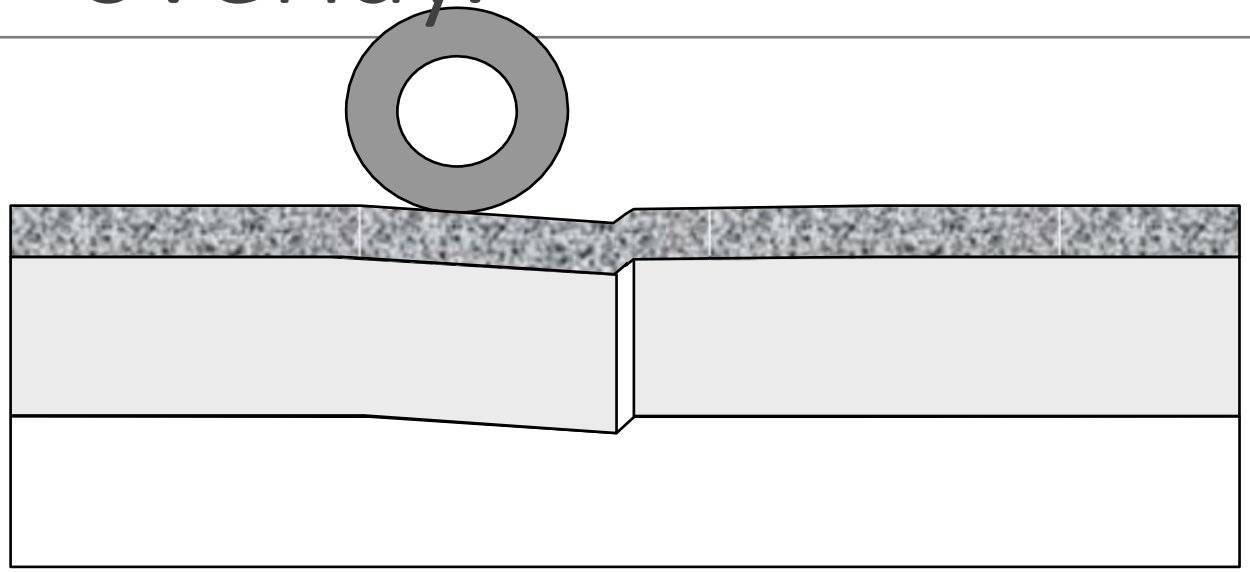

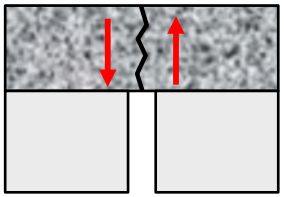

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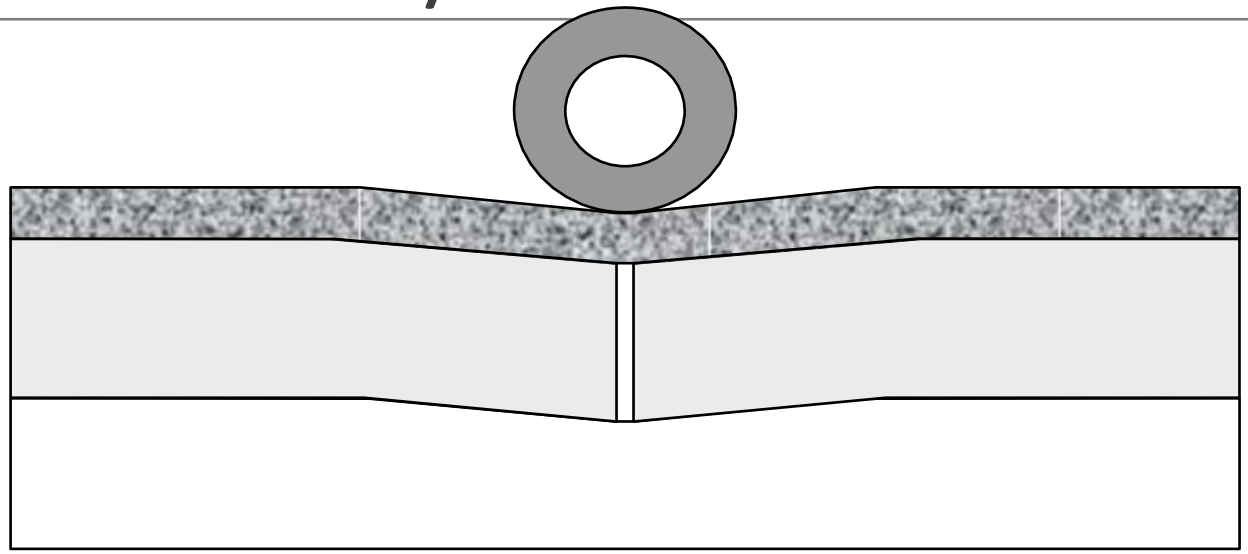

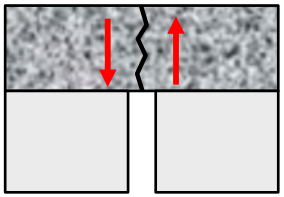

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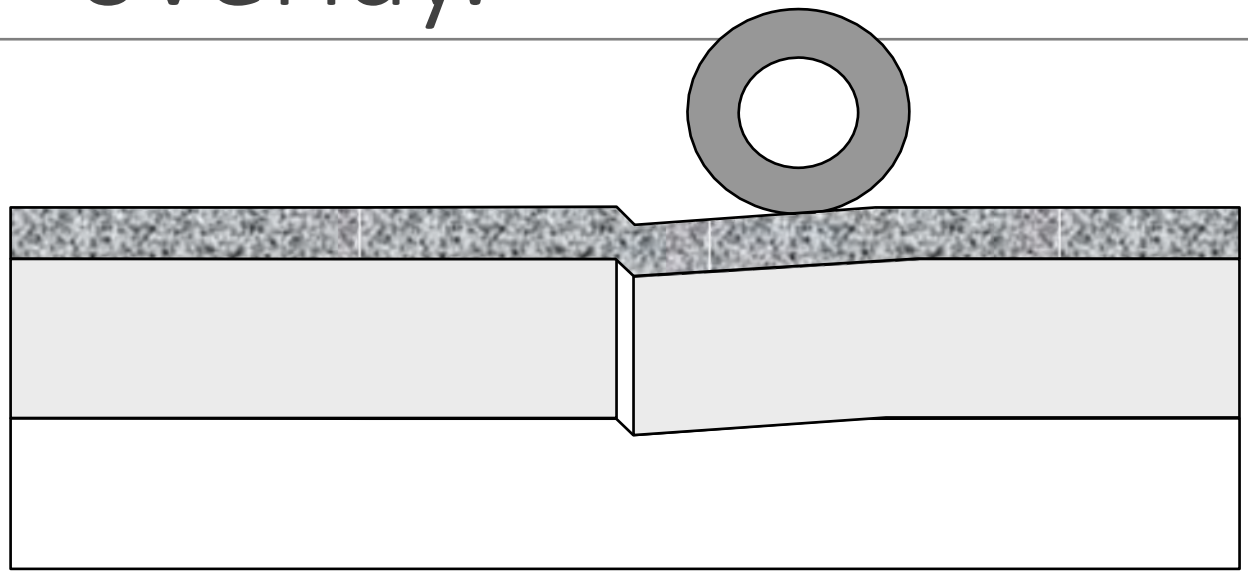

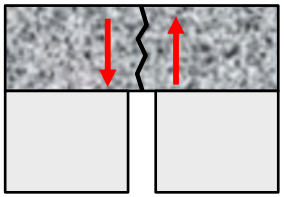

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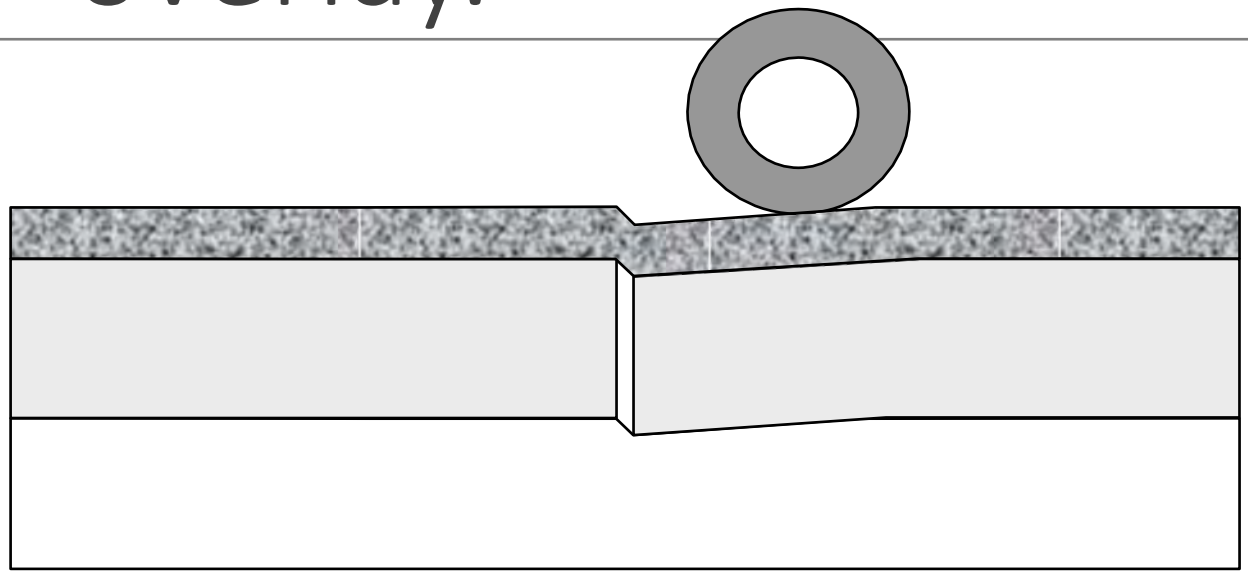

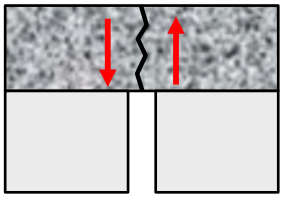

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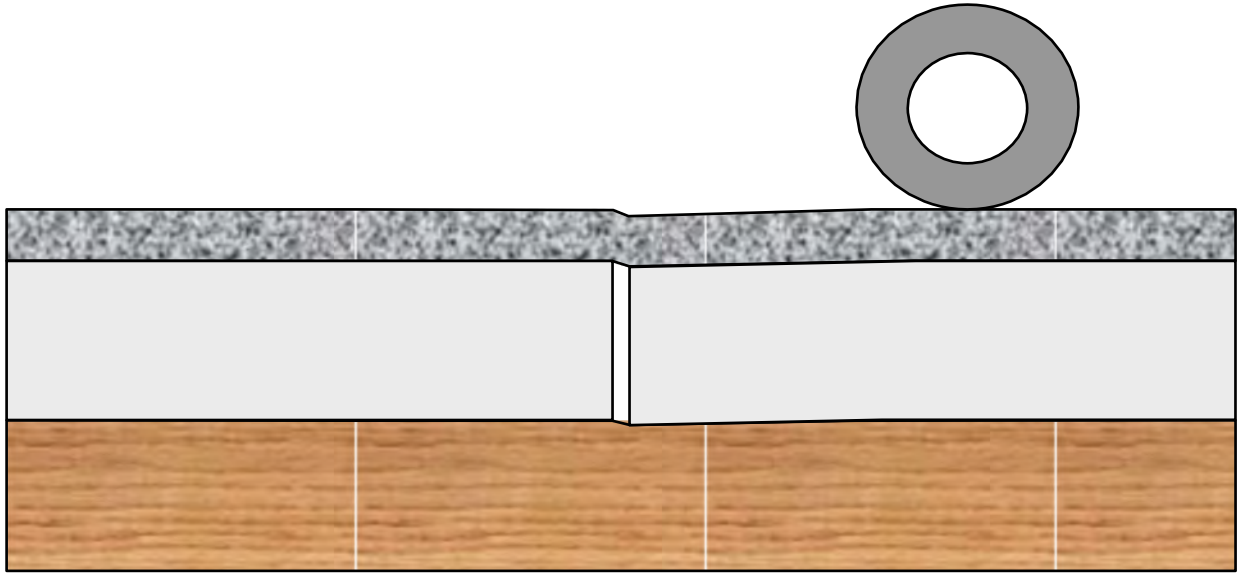

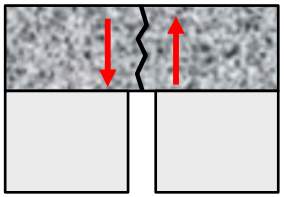

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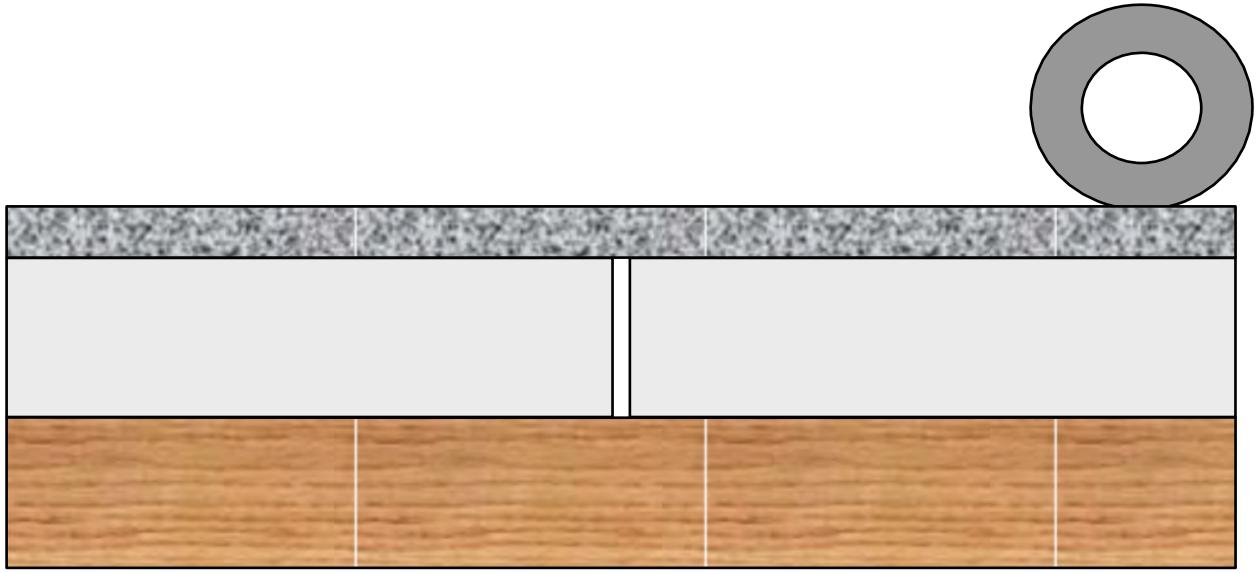

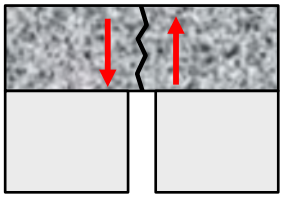

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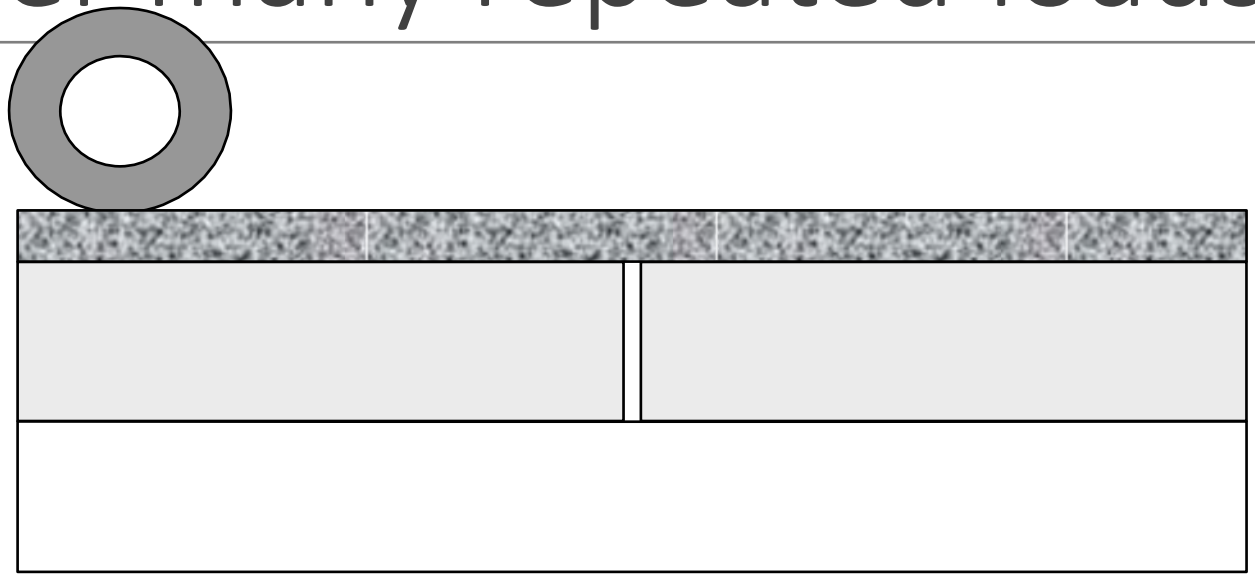

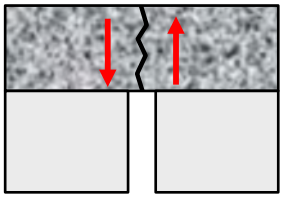

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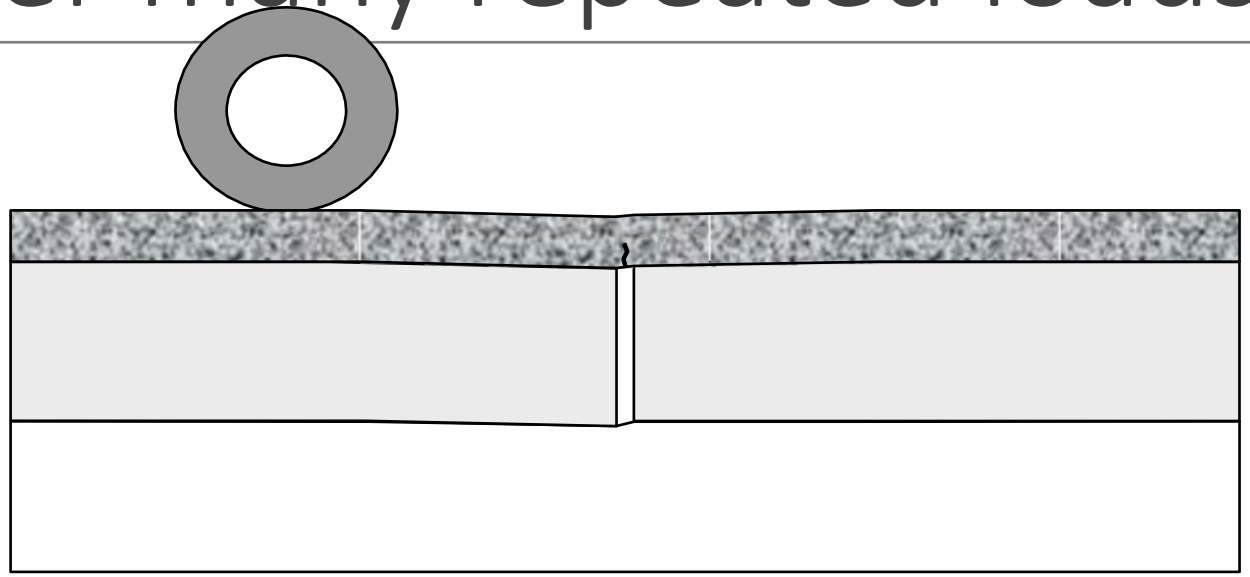

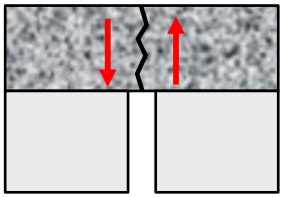

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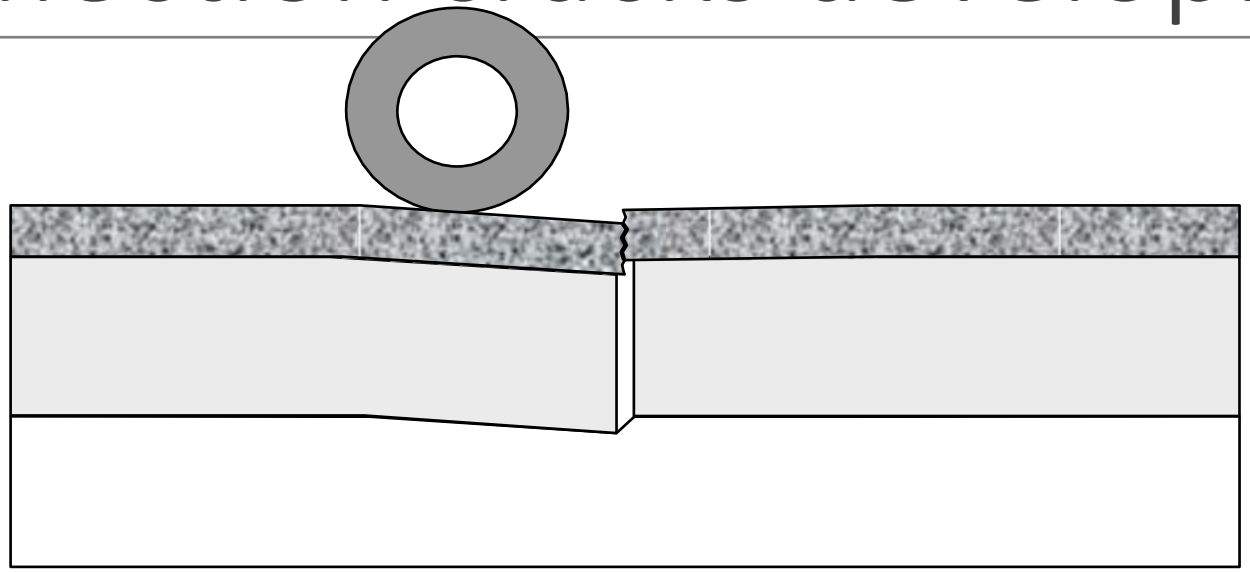

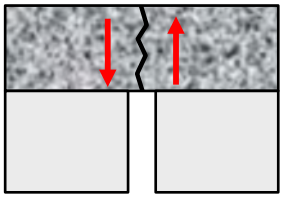

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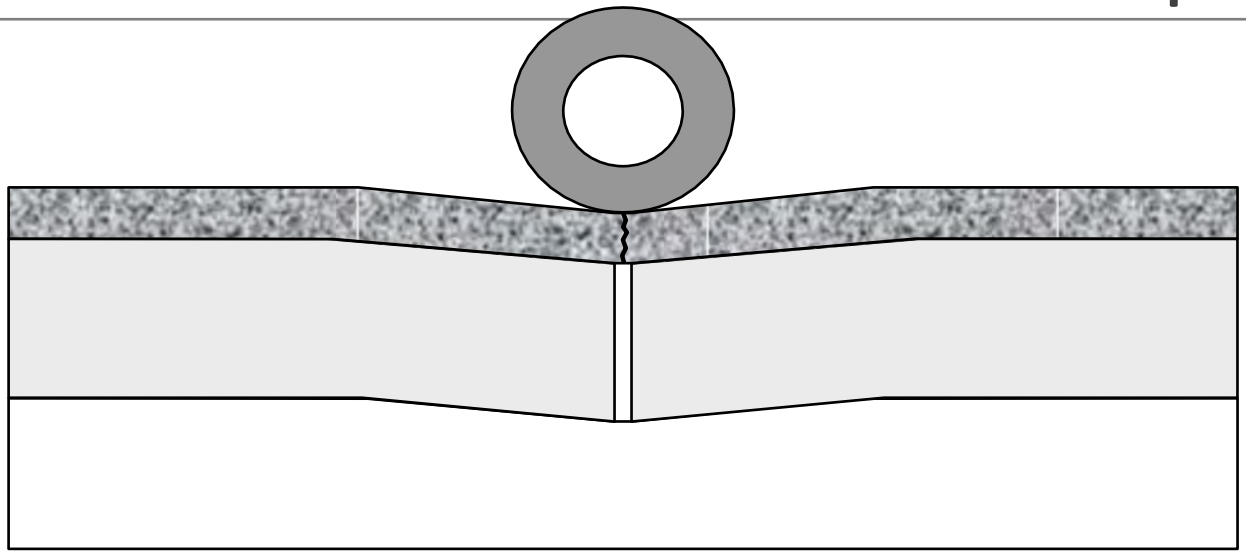

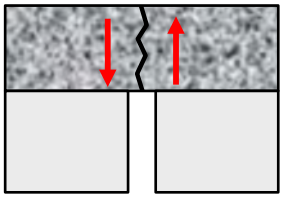

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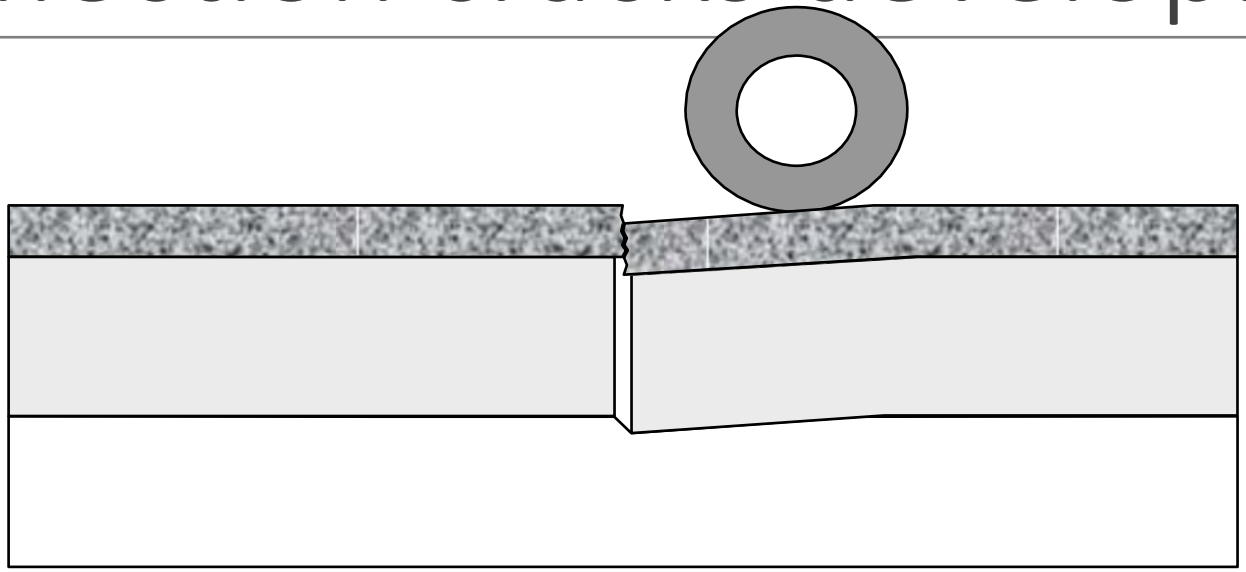

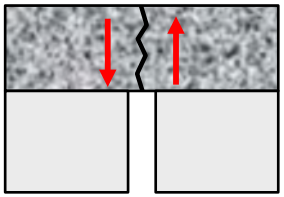

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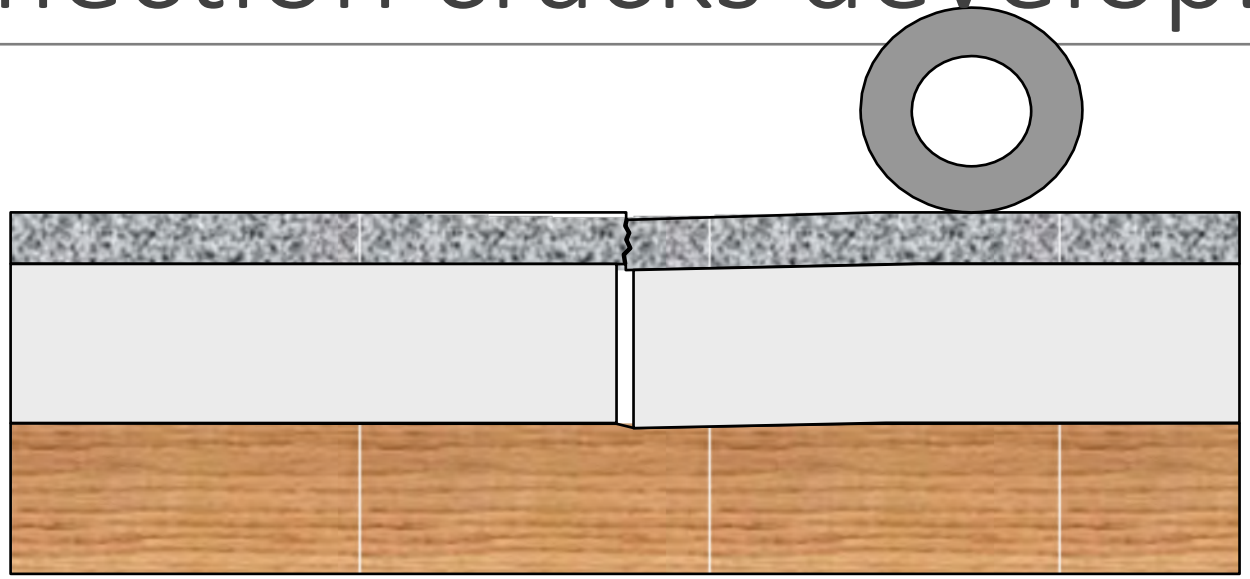

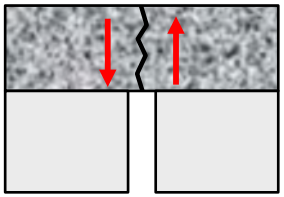

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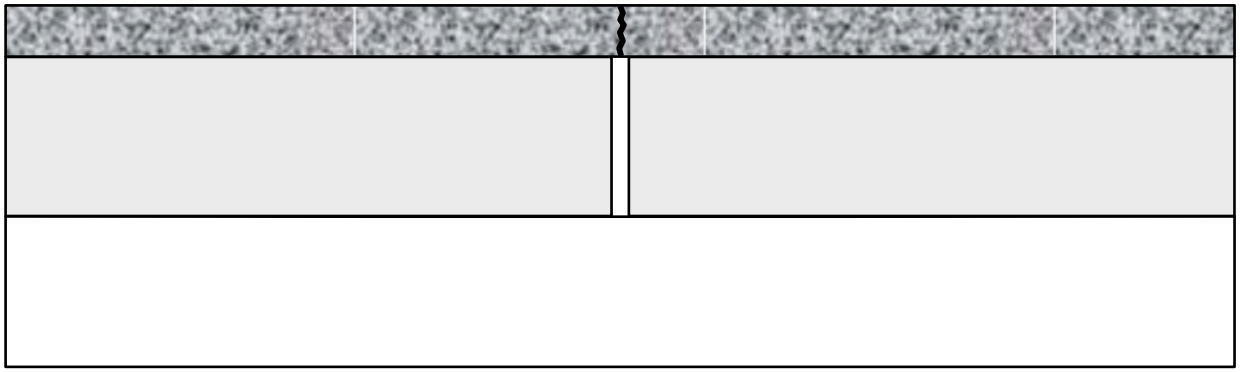

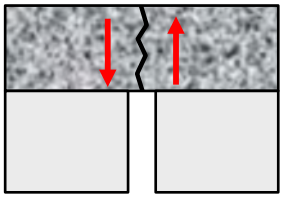

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Reflective Cracking: Mode 2

- Mode 2 - Tensile stress at bottom of AC layer
  - Poor support
  - Weak base
  - Load Associated Problem (Traffic Loading)

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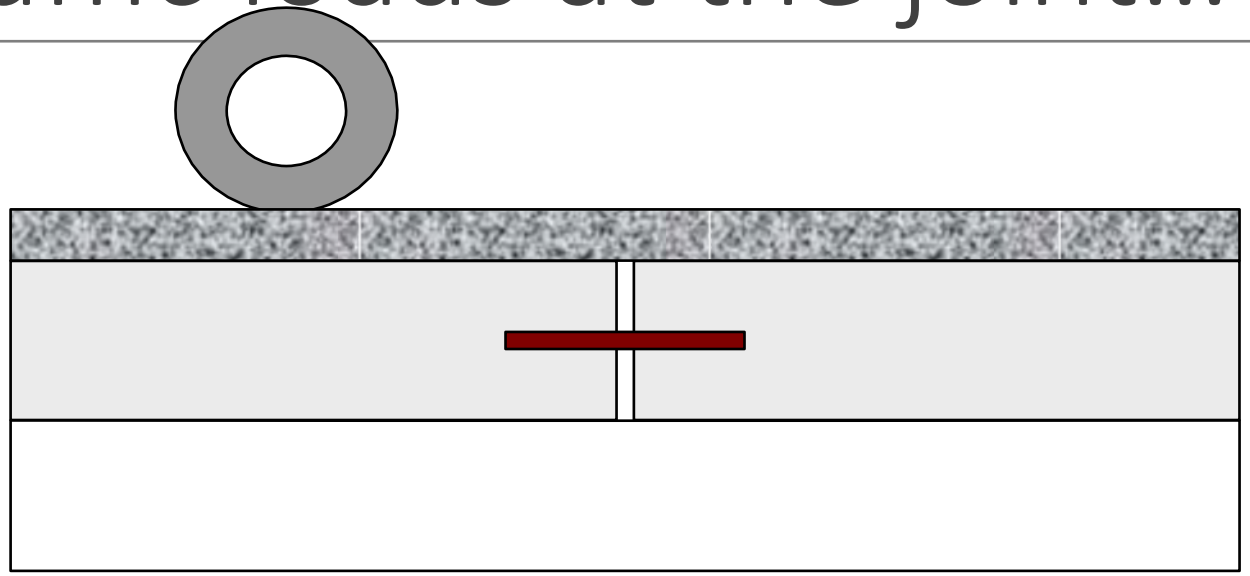

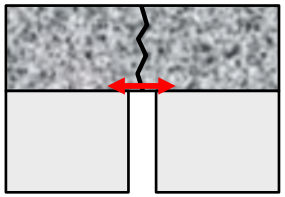

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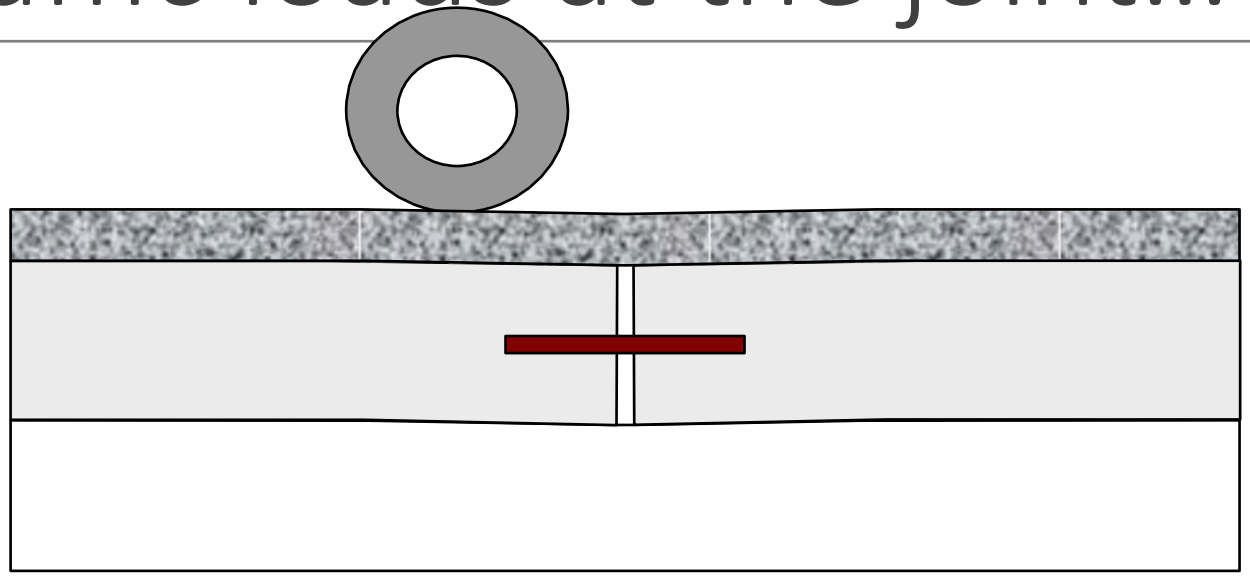

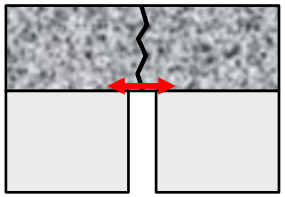

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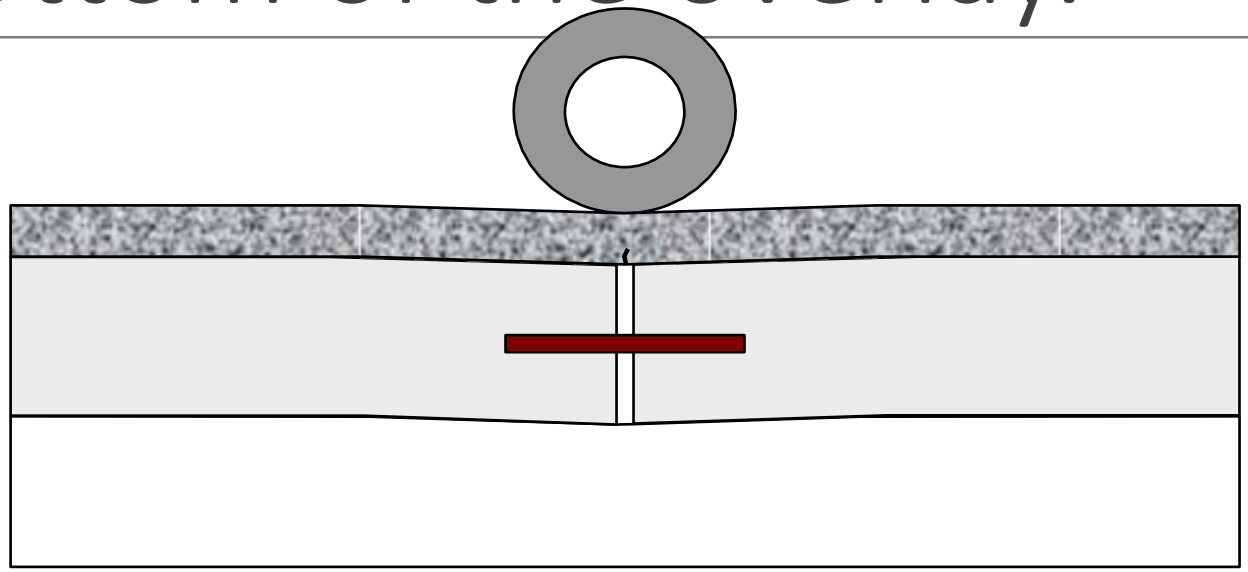

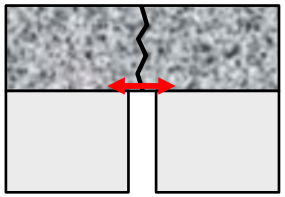

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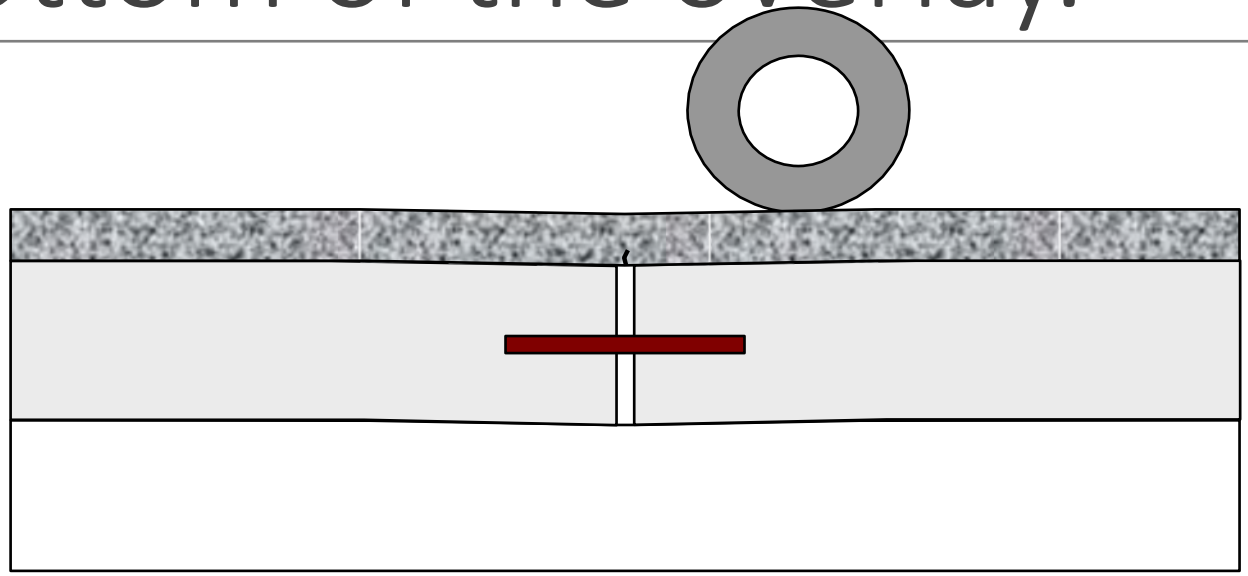

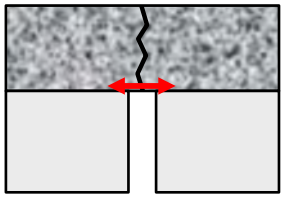

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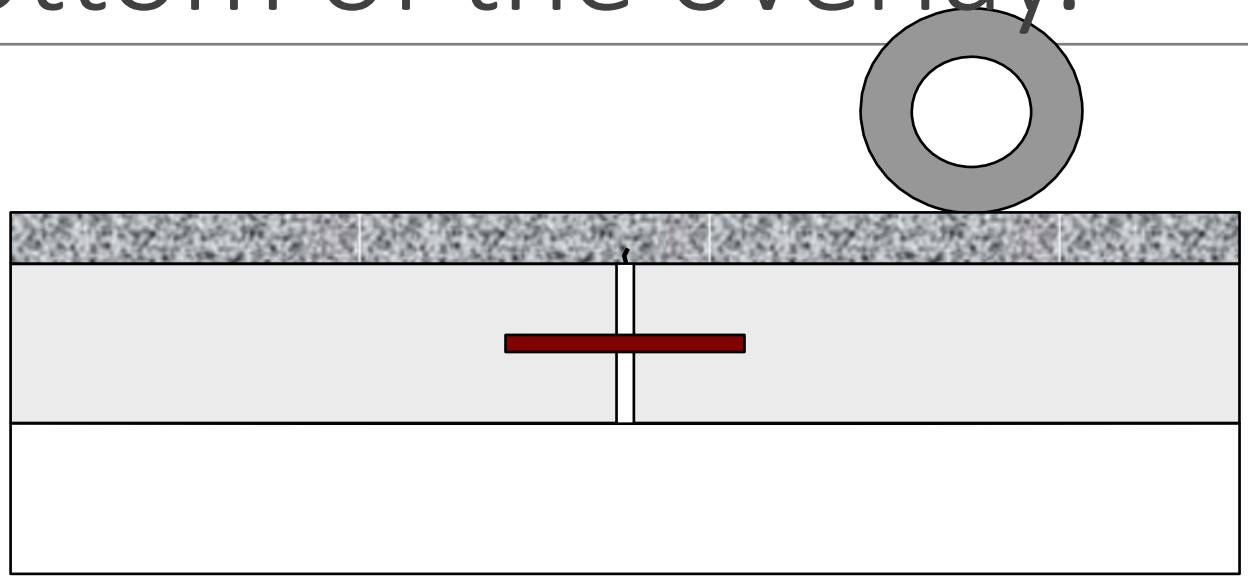

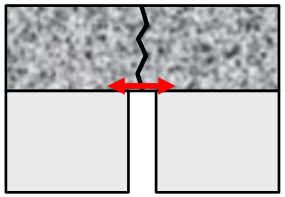

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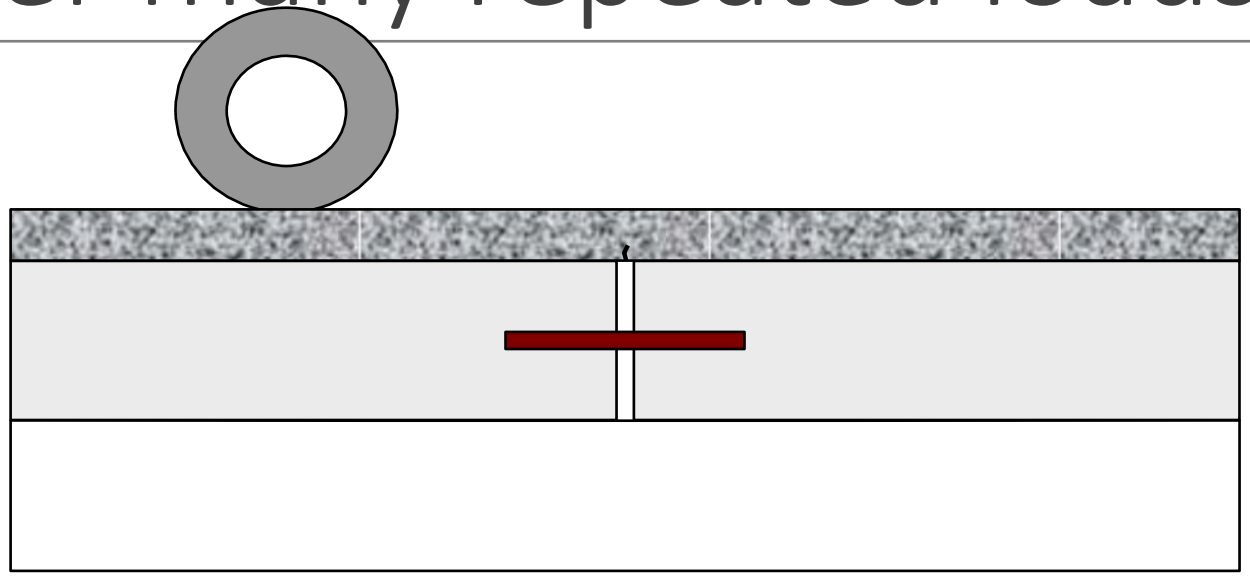

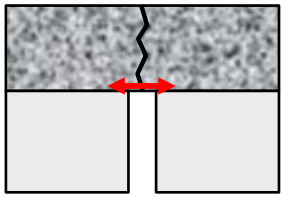

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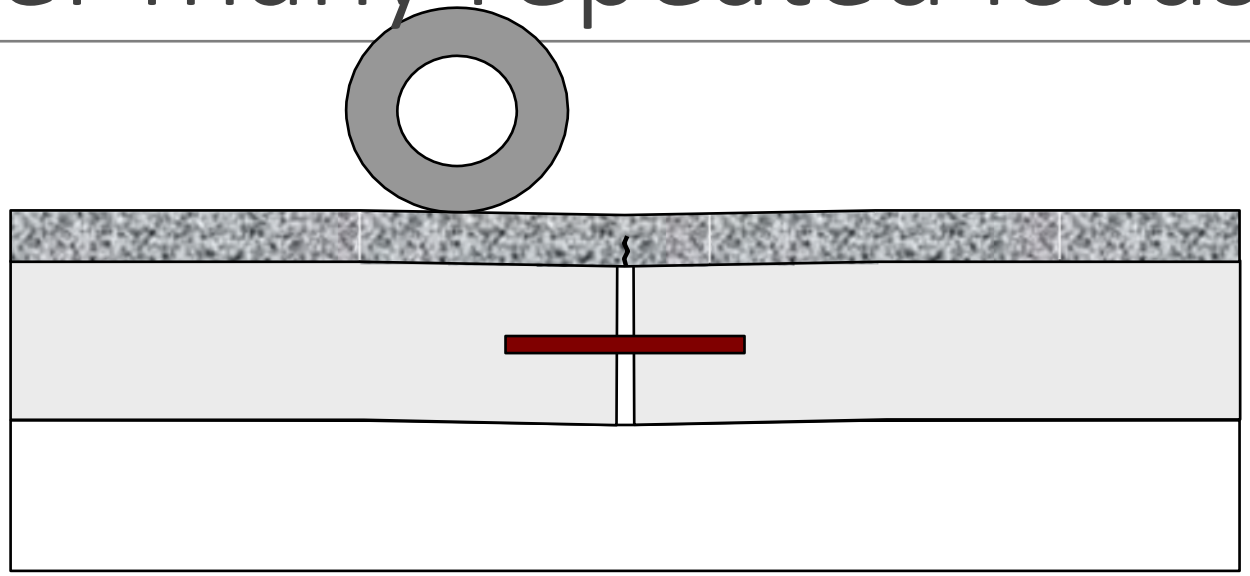

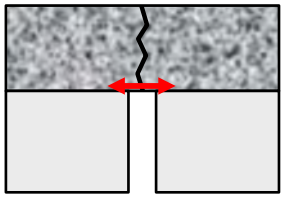

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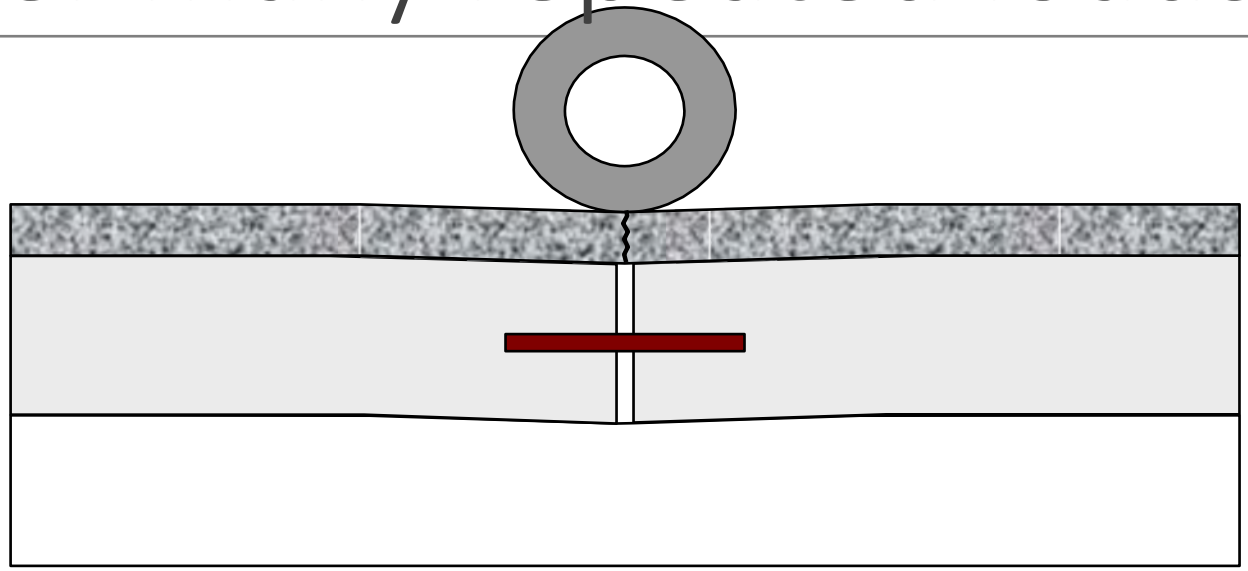

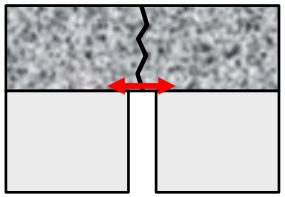

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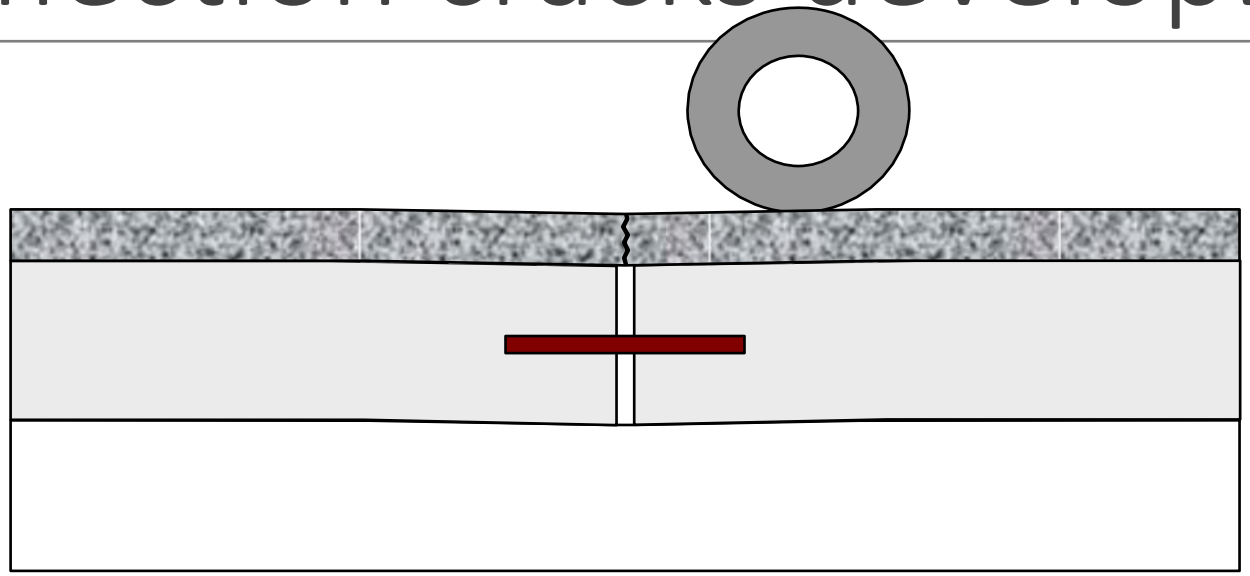

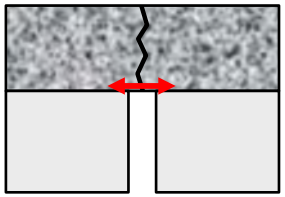

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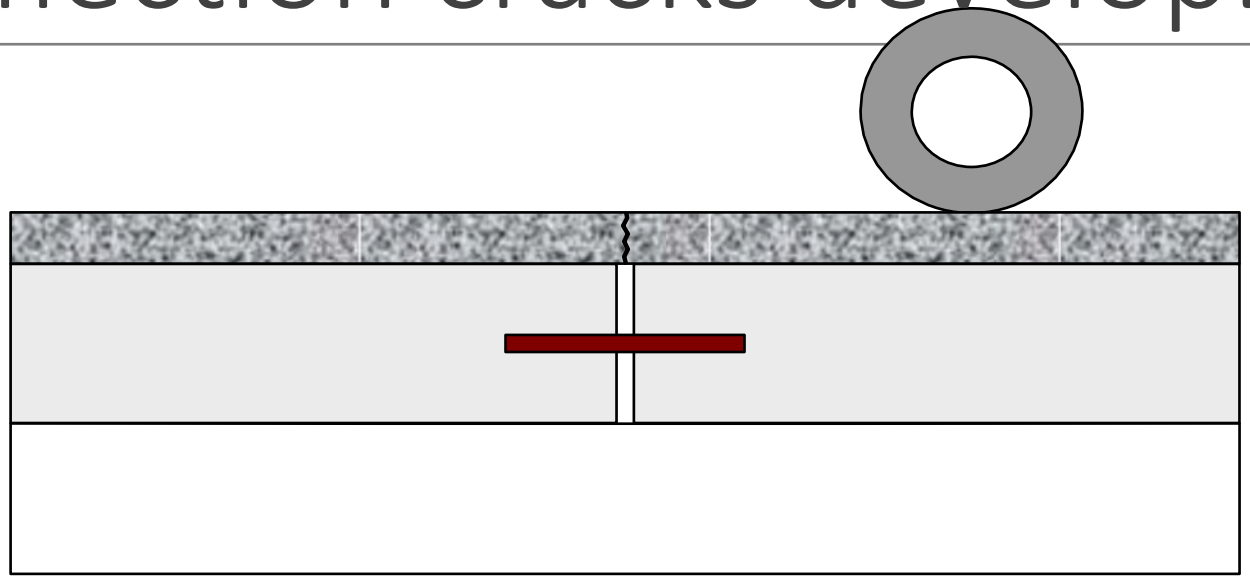

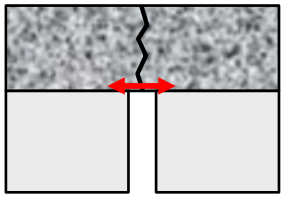

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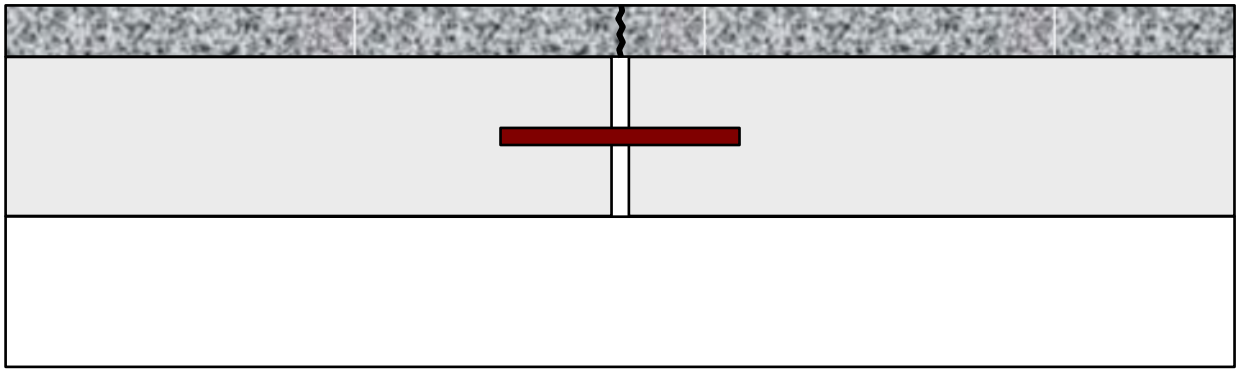

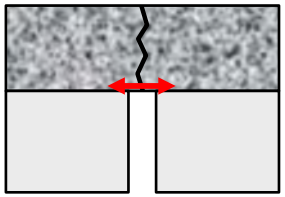

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Reflective Cracking: Mode 3

- **Mode 3 – Horizontal Tensile Stress**
  - **Thermally Induced stresses**
  - **Magnitude depends on Slab length (or Crack spacing), 24 hour temperature change, and coefficient of thermal expansion of PCC**

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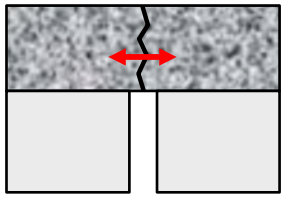

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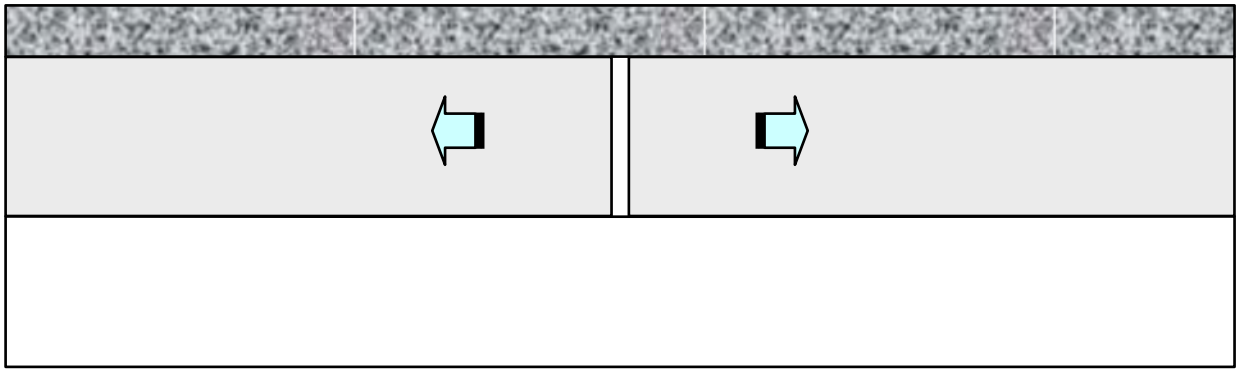

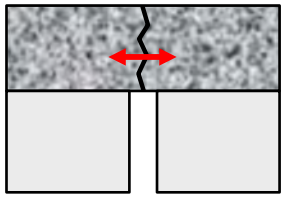

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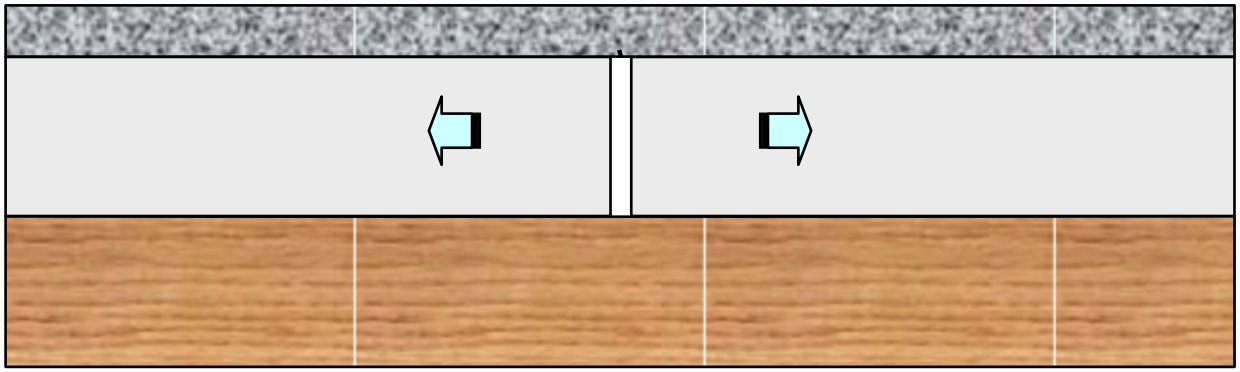

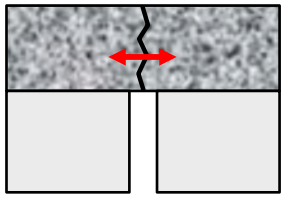

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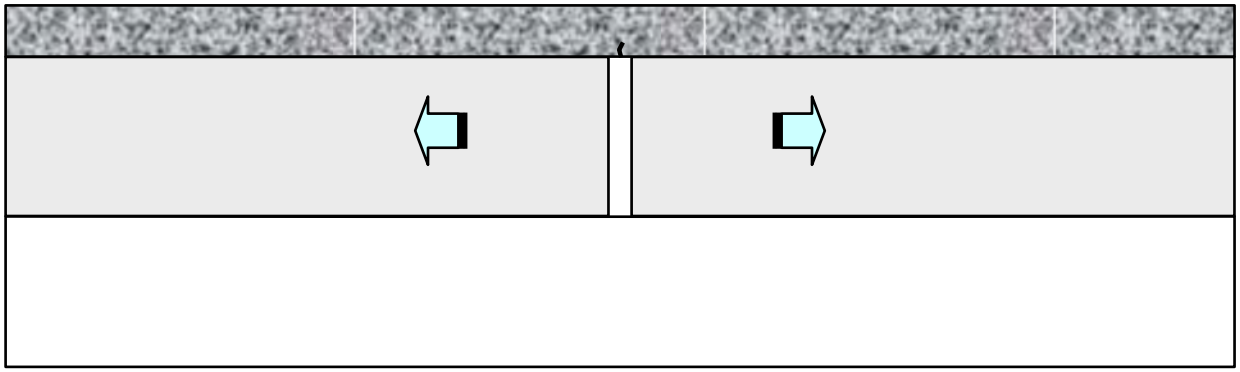

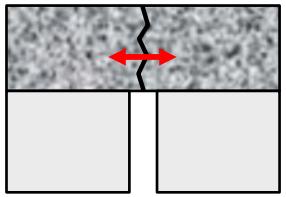

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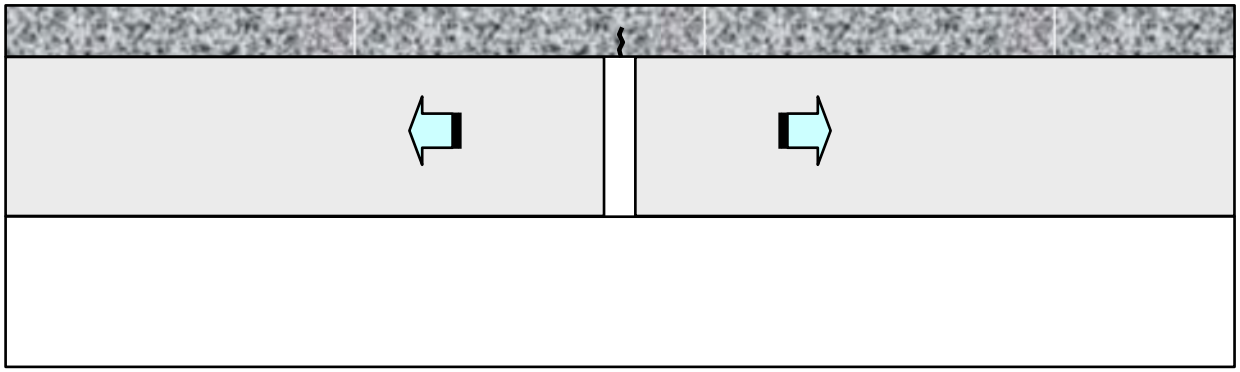

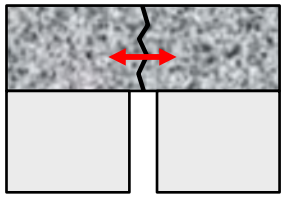

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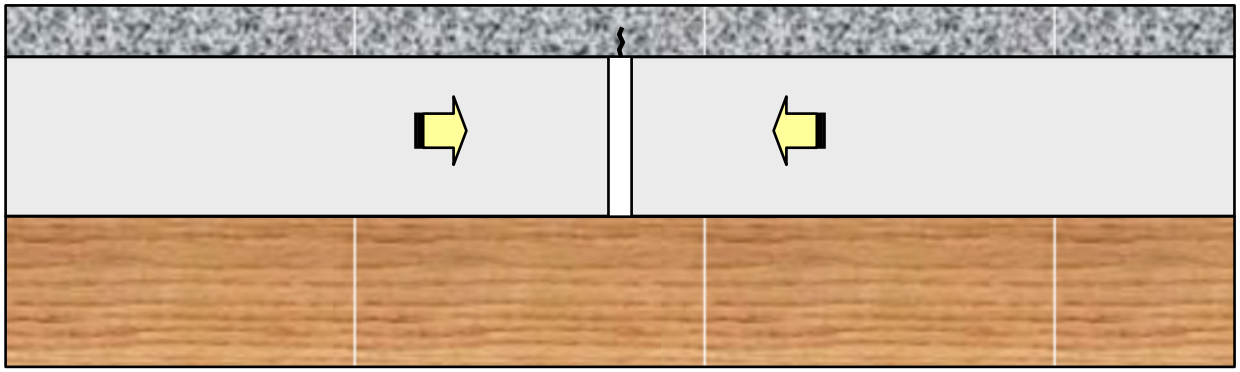

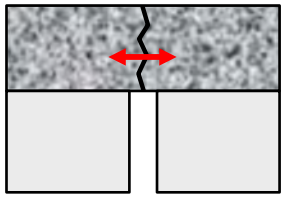

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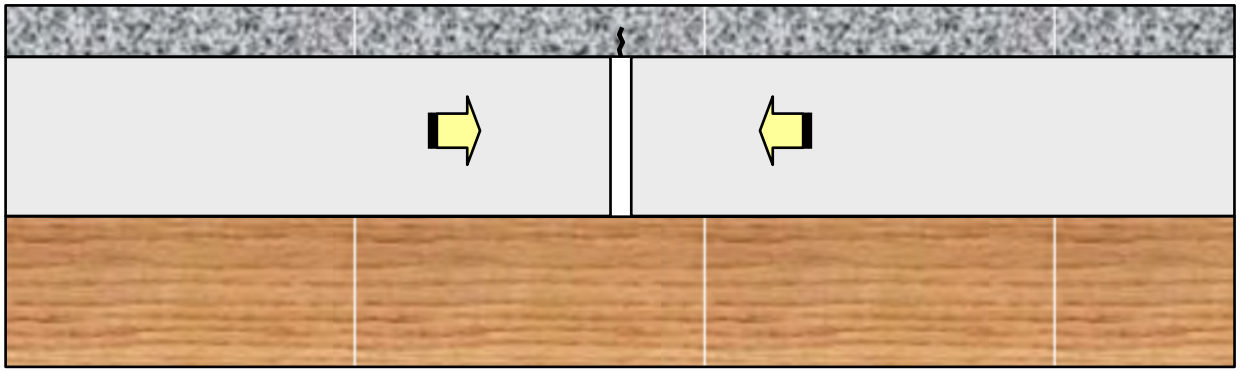

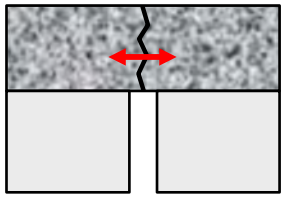

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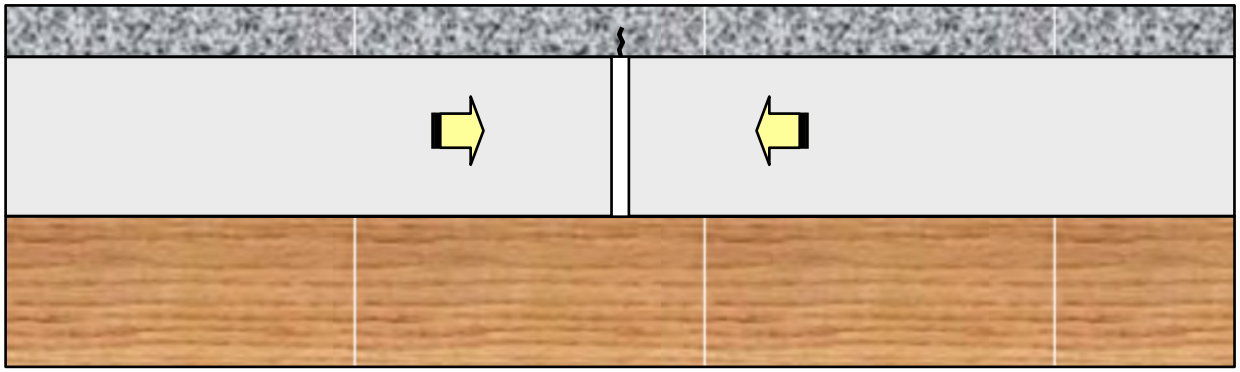

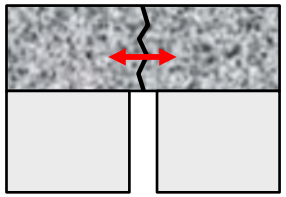

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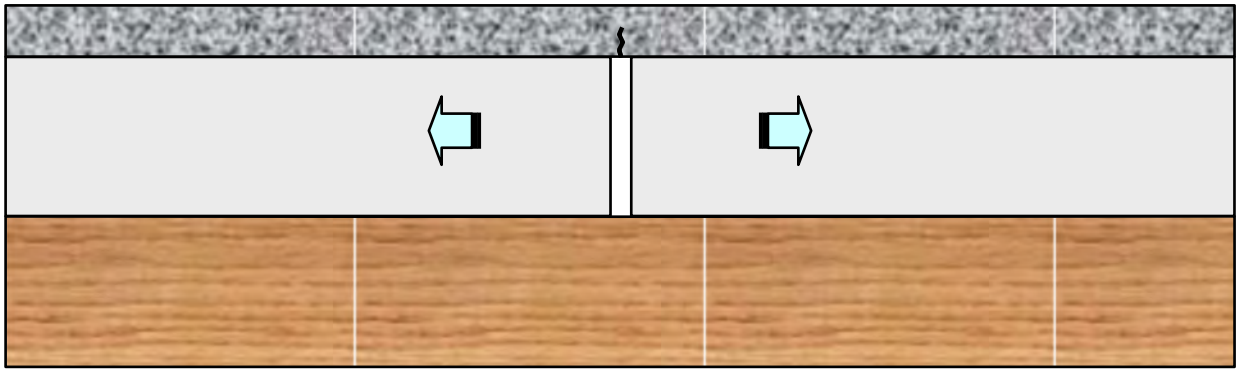

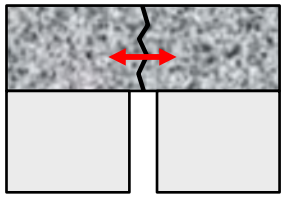

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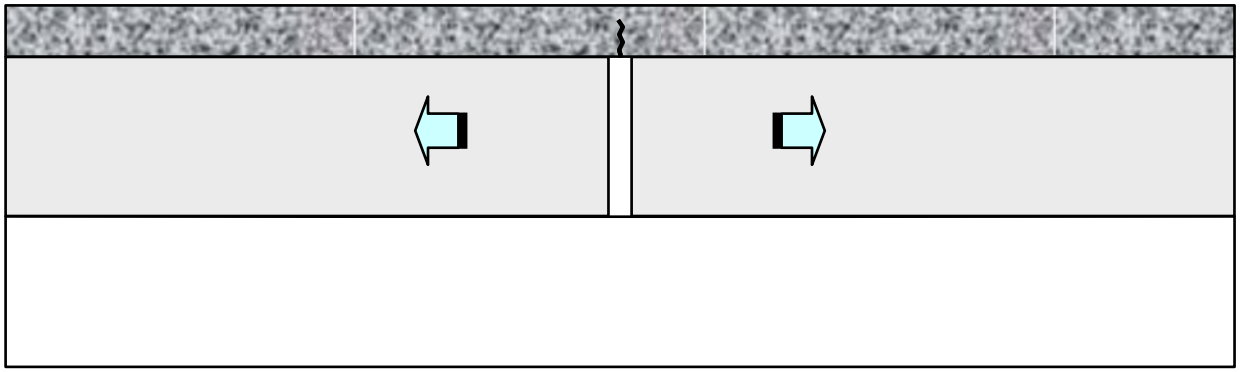

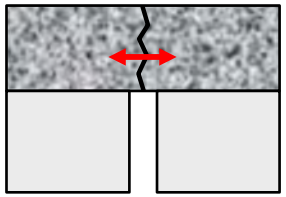

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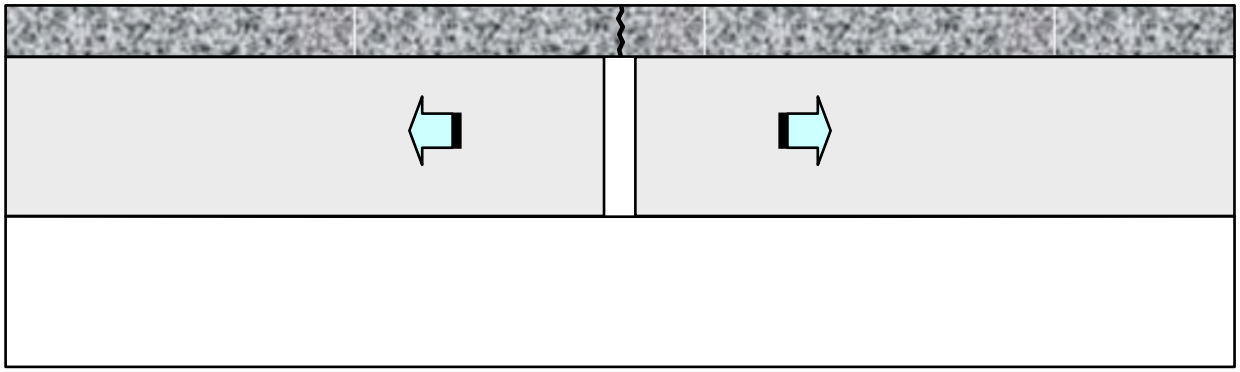

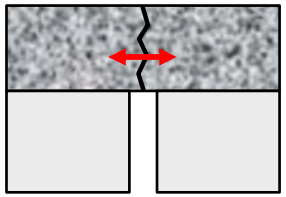

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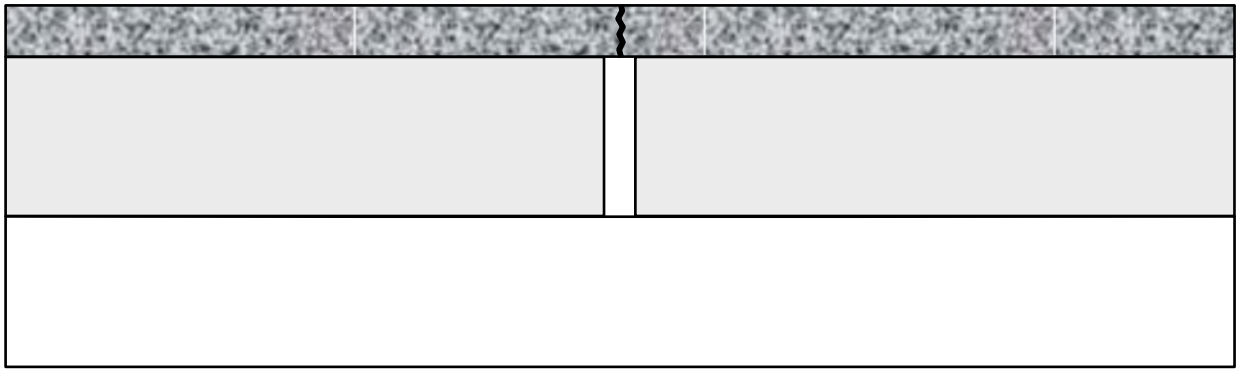

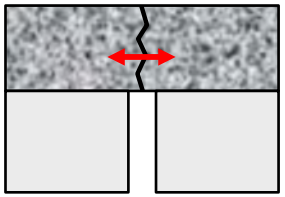

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Composite Pavement Rehabilitation Strategies

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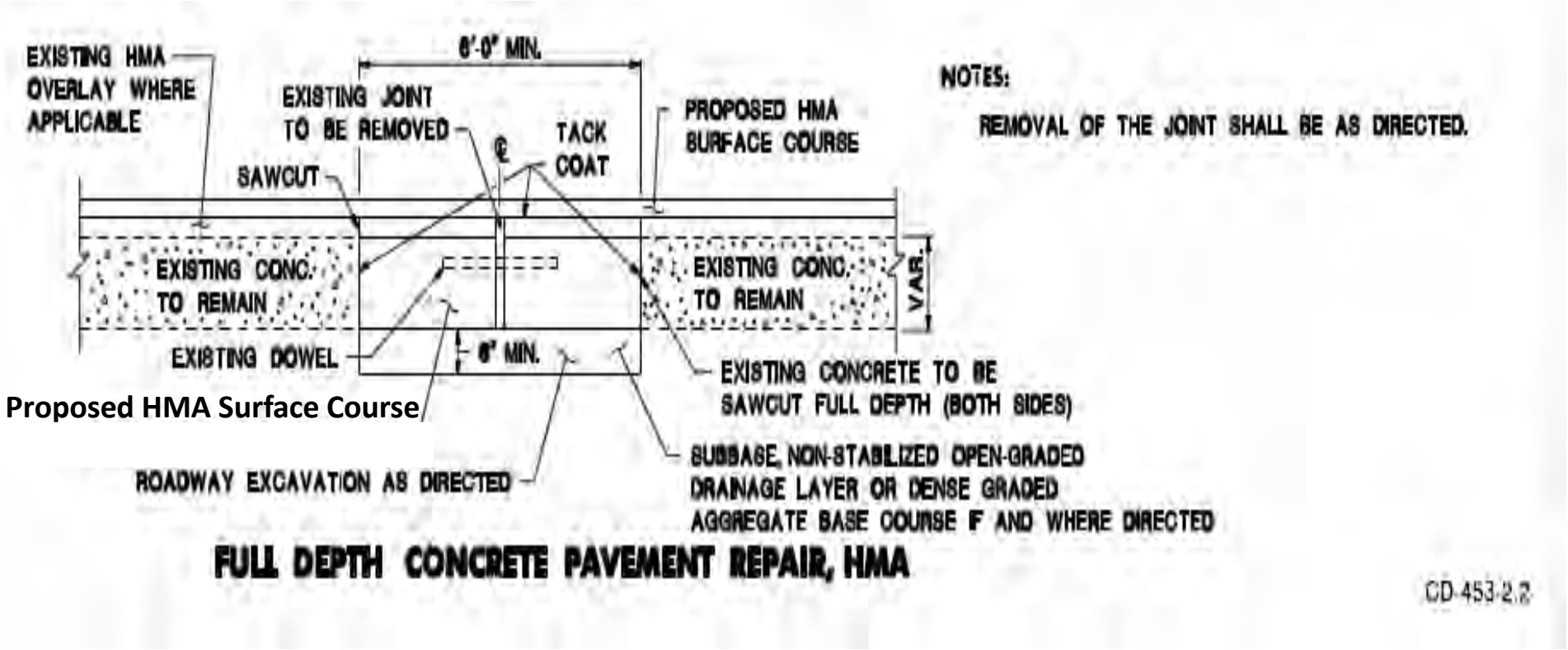
Full Depth Repairs before Milling

- **Full Depth Concrete Pavement Repair, HMA (453006)**
- **Hot Mix Asphalt Pavement Repair (401021)**

Mill and Overlay with Better Mixes

- **AROGFC**
- **Polymer modified HMA**
- **HPTO**
- **SMA**
- **Reflective Crack Relief Interlayer (RCRI) or Strata**
- **Binder Rich Intermediate Course, 4.75 MM**

Full Depth Repair with HMA (typically before milling)



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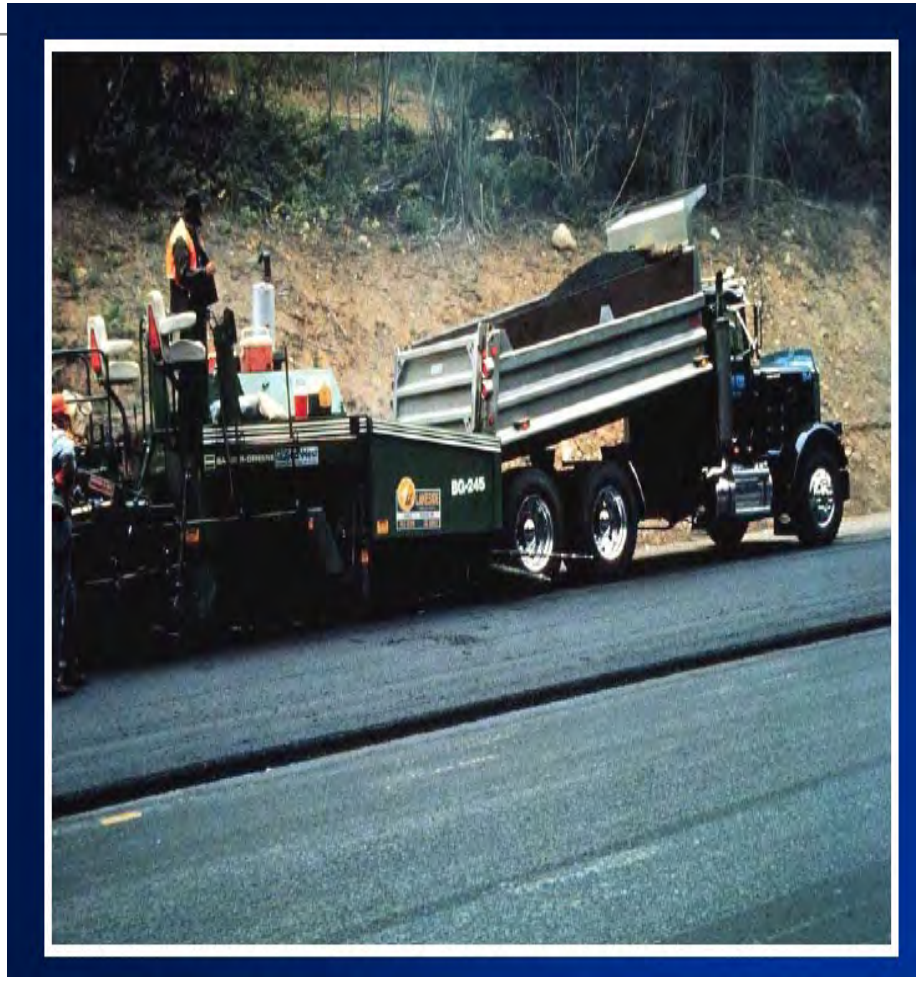
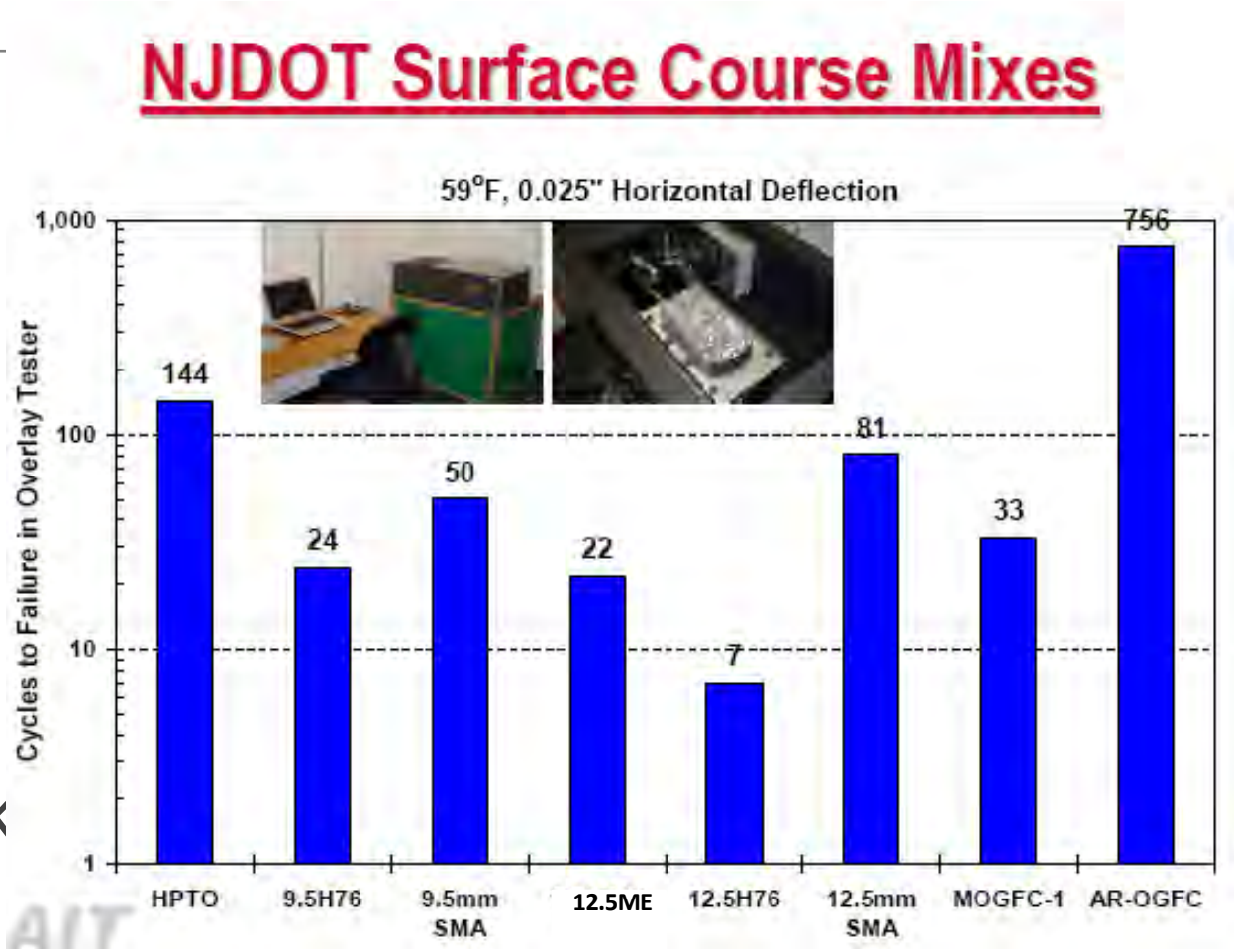


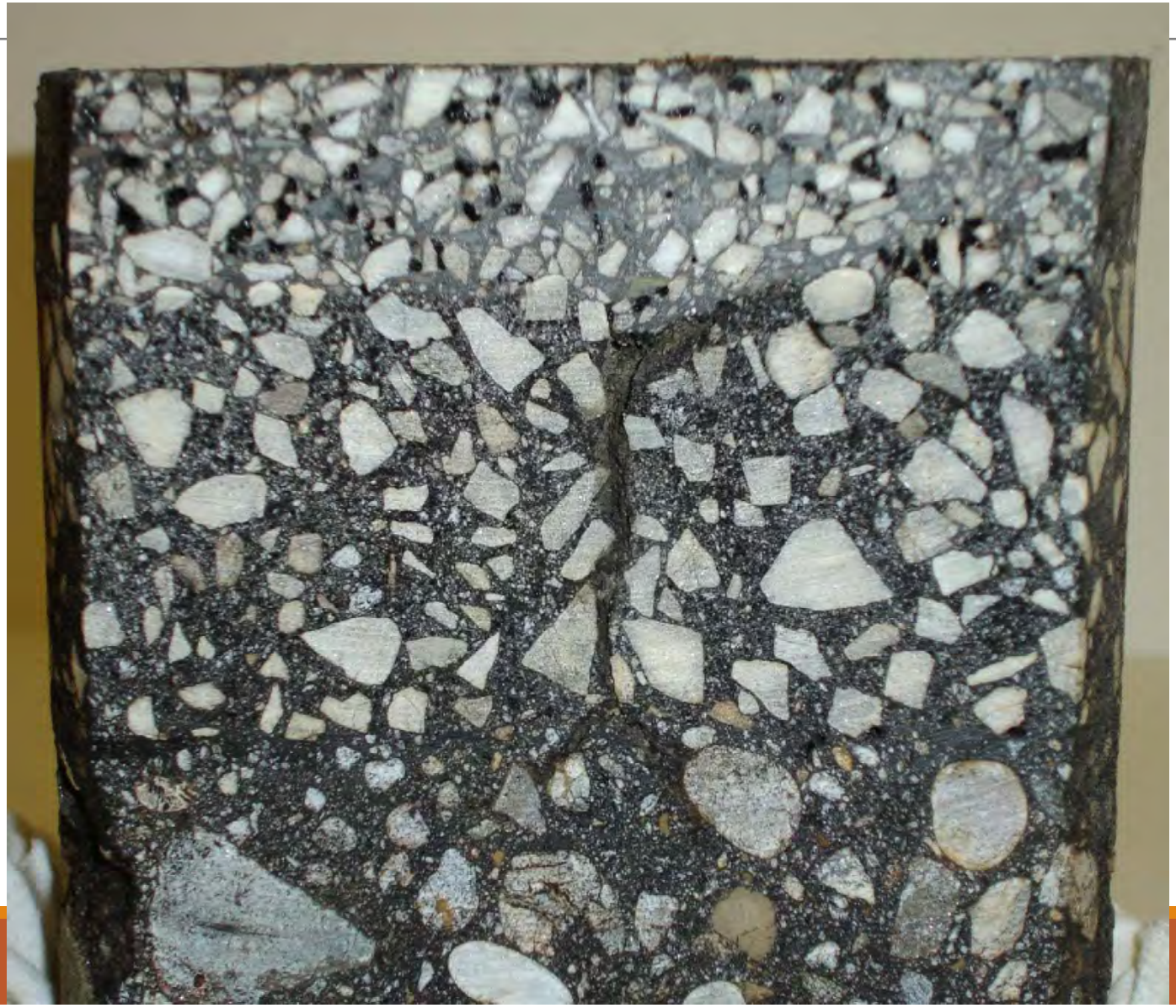
Why premium mixes?

- Better fatigue life
- Better durability
- Increased skid/safety
- Reduced noise
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Better reflective crack resistance



Asphalt Rubber Open Graded Friction Course

High Performance Thin Overlay



SMA 12.5mm Surface Course

Case Study-Route 202

Rt.202 SB (MP 13.4-17.03) – Maintenance Resurfacing Contract No. 268 (2007)

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Visual Survey of JRC Pavement

Rehab. Design of Asphalt Outside Shoulder

- Roadway Excavation
- Pave with 3” min. & var. HMA 25M64 Base Course
- Pave with 4” (2 lifts) of high quality HMA

Full Depth Concrete Repairs with Very Early Strength Concrete

Overlay Design with 4” (2 lifts) of high quality HMA

3 test sections and 1 control section

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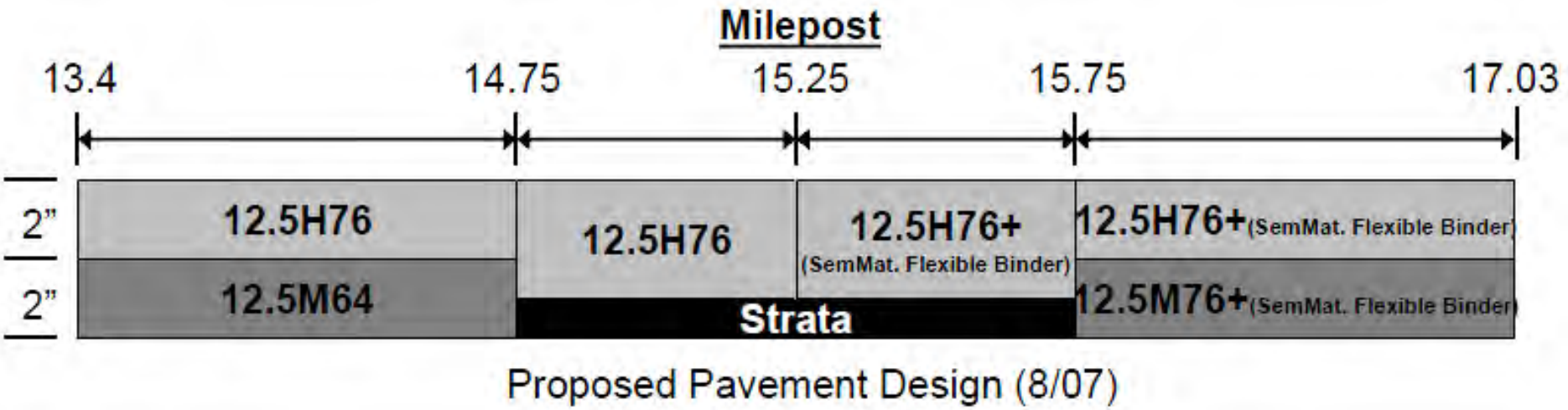

Proposed Pavement Design (8/07)

Rt.202 SB – Maintenance Resurfacing Contract No. 268 (2007)

BEFORE REHAB

SDI = 2.07

Ride Quality

- MP 13.4-14.75, IRI=197.2
- MP 14.75-15.25, IRI=154.7
- MP 15.25-15.75, IRI=143.8
- MP 15.75-17.03, IRI=151.5
- Ride Quality for the project, IRI=168.6

AFTER REHAB

SDI = 5.0

Ride Quality

- MP 13.4-14.75, IRI=88.3
- MP 14.75-15.25, IRI=78.0
- MP 15.25-15.75, IRI=77.7
- MP 15.75-17.03, IRI=75.0

Ride Quality for the project, IRI=80.4

Rt.202 SB – Maintenance Resurfacing Contract No. 268 (2007)

BEFORE REHAB

AFTER REHAB

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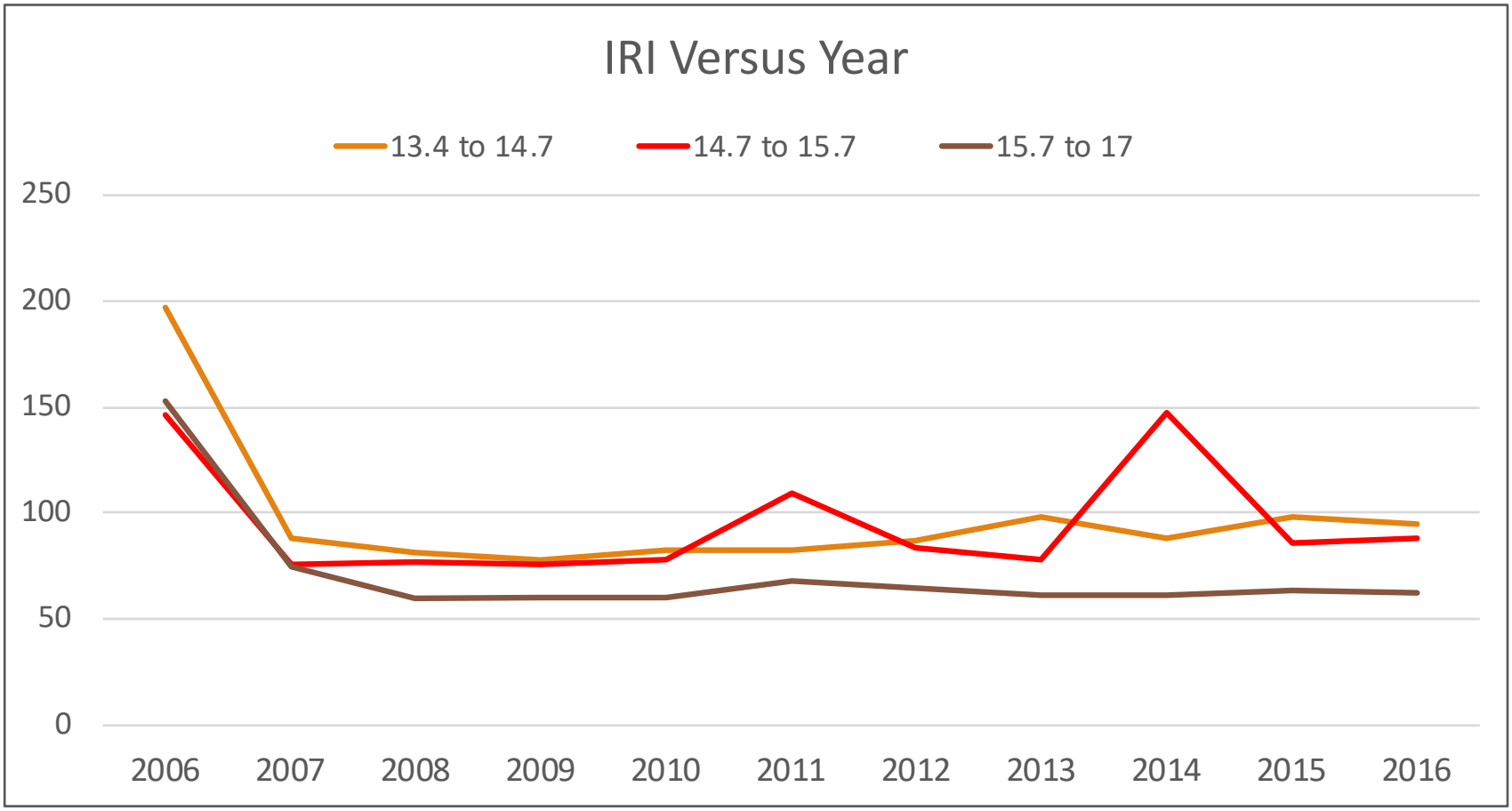

Case Study-Route 70

Rt.70 (MP8.61-12.06)- Maintenance Roadway Repair Contract No. 327 (2007)

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Located high deflection joints (> 15 mils deflection) with FWD during construction

Failed joints were successfully (reduced deflection < 10 mils) grouted with HDP by Uretek

Full Depth Repairs with HMA were performed on high severity joints/areas

Rt.70 (MP8.61-12.06)- Maintenance Roadway Repair Contract No. 327 (2007)

BEFORE REHAB

SDI = 1.56

Ride Quality IRI = 157

AFTER REHAB

SDI = 5

Ride Quality IRI = 94

Rt.70 (MP8.61-12.06)- Maintenance Roadway Repair Contract No. 327 (2007)

BEFORE REHAB

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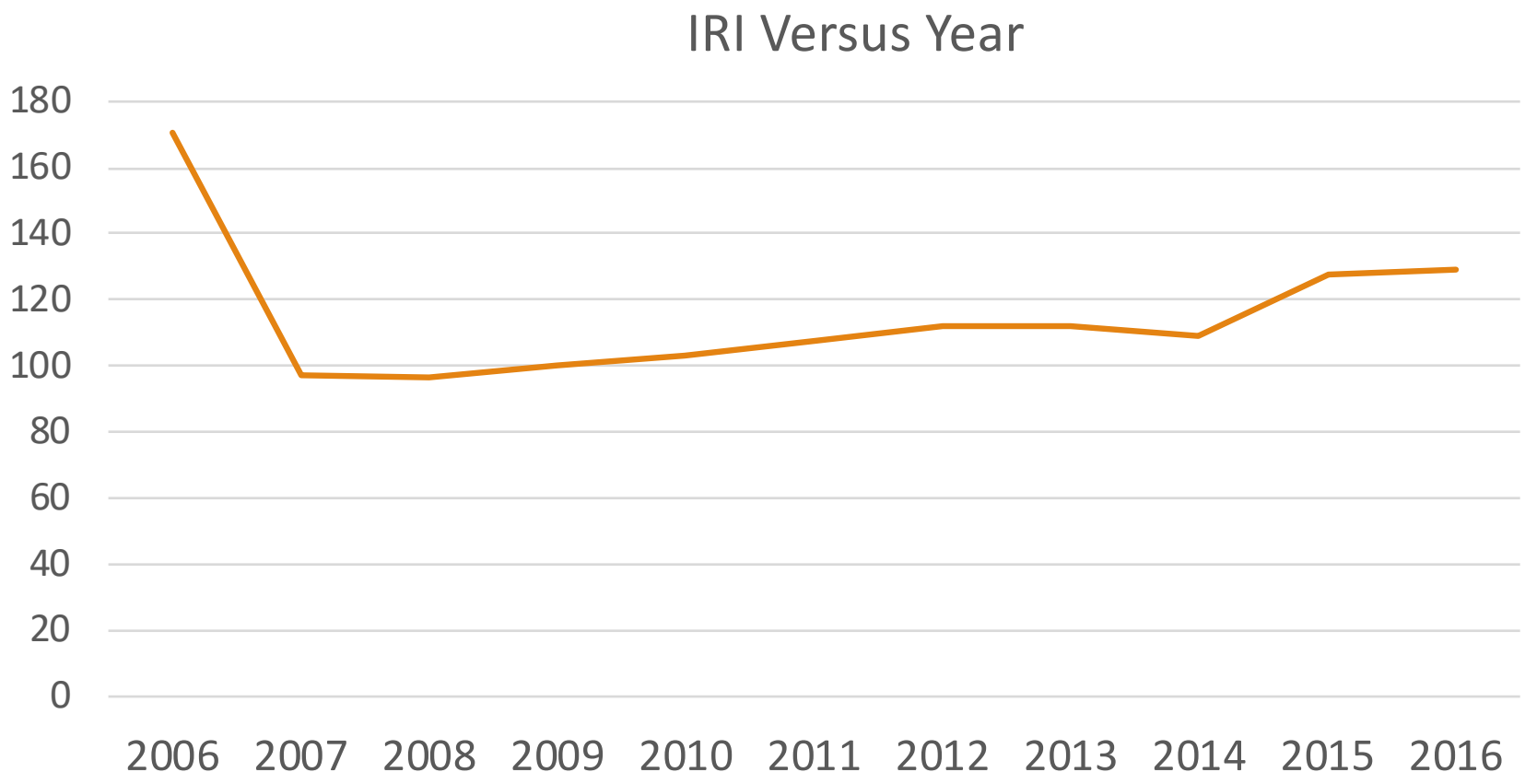


Case Study-Route 130

Route 130 Main St to Rt 1 Resurfacing -2016

Limit of the project:

MP 72.68 to MP 74.12

MP 76.03 to MP 80.97

MP 81.59 to MP 83.58

Total Lane Miles of the project: 33.56

Prime Contractor: Trap Rock Industries, LLC

Letting Date: June 23, 2015

Project Completed: June 17, 2016

Route 130 Main St to Rt 1 Resurfacing -2016

Visual Survey of Composite Pavement

Cores performed to establish proper milling depth

Full Depth Repair areas identified by visual survey during final design

Calculated approximately 20 million ESAL's

Overlay Design consisted of milling 3" depth and resurfacing with:

- **2" Stone Matrix Asphalt 12.5 MM Surface Course**
- **1" Binder Rich Intermediate Course, 4.75 MM**

BRIC - SPECIFICATION

Table 902.09.03-1 JMF Requirements for BRIC

Sieve Sizes	Percent Passing[1]	Production Control Tolerances[2]
3/8"	100	±0%
No. 4	90-100	±4%
No. 8	55-90	±4%
No. 30	20-55	±4%
No. 200	4-10	±2%
Asphalt Binder Content (Ignition Oven)	7.4 % minimum	±0.40%
Maximum Lift Thickness	1.5 inch	

1. Aggregate percent passing to be determined based on dry aggregate weight.
2. Production tolerances are for the approved JMF and may fall outside of the wide band gradation limits.

BRIC - SPECIFICATION

Table 902.09.03-2 Volumetric Requirements for Design and Control of BRIC					
	Required Density (% of Max Sp. Gr.)		Voids in Mineral Aggregate	Dust to Binder Ratio	Draindown AASHTO T 305
	@ N_{des} (50 gyrations)	@ N_{max} (100 gyrations)	(VMA)		
Design Requirements	97.5	≤ 99.0	≥ 18.0 %	0.6 – 1.2	≤ 0.1 %
Control Requirements	96.5 – 98.5	≤ 99.0	≥ 18.0 %	0.6 – 1.3	≤ 0.1 %

BRIC - SPECIFICATION

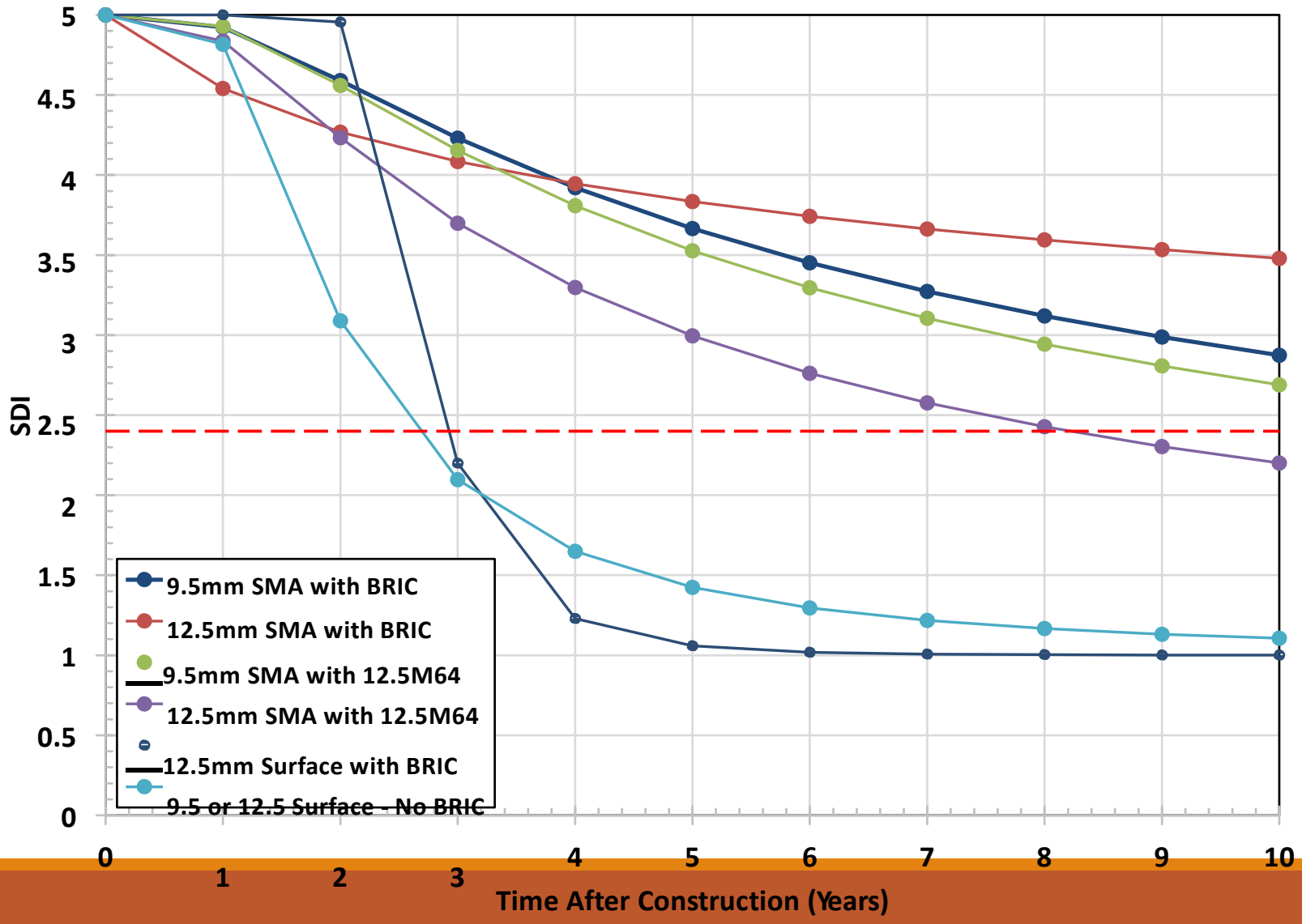
Table 902.09.03-3 Mix Design Performance Testing Requirements for BRIC	
Test	**Requirement**
Asphalt Pavement Analyzer (AASHTO T 340)	< 6 mm@ 8,000 loading cycles
Overlay Tester (NJDOT B-10)	>700 cycles

Table 902.09.03-4 Production Performance Testing Requirements for BRIC	
Test	**Requirement**
Asphalt Pavement Analyzer (AASHTO T 340)	< 7 mm@ 8,000 loading cycles
Overlay Tester (NJDOT B-10)	> 650 cycles

BRIC – Performance Analysis

- **Evaluated changes in SDI to evaluate performance of BRIC on New Jersey pavement sections**
  - **BRIC analysis difficult as always overlaid with a surface course**
    - **Analysis looked at performance with and without BRIC**
    - **Analysis looked at different surface courses**
  - **Compared performance life for different scenarios**
    - **All data averaged for same "system" compared**
    - **An SDI value of 2.4 is a trigger for rehabilitation**

BRIC – Performance Analysis



BRIC – In- Service Life Evaluation

- Performance of BRIC material highly dependent on the surface course overlaying the BRIC
  - SMA overlays performed best
    - Still "flexible" enough to withstand residual vertical straining
  - Dense graded overlays performed the worst
    - Too "stiff" – can not withstand residual flexing
- SMA alone provides a good alternative
  - Not as good performance but could be beneficial for areas of "good" concrete conditions

Route 130 Main St to Rt 1 Resurfacing -2016

BEFORE REHAB

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Ride Quality IRI = 178

AFTER REHAB

SDI = 5

Ride Quality IRI = 65

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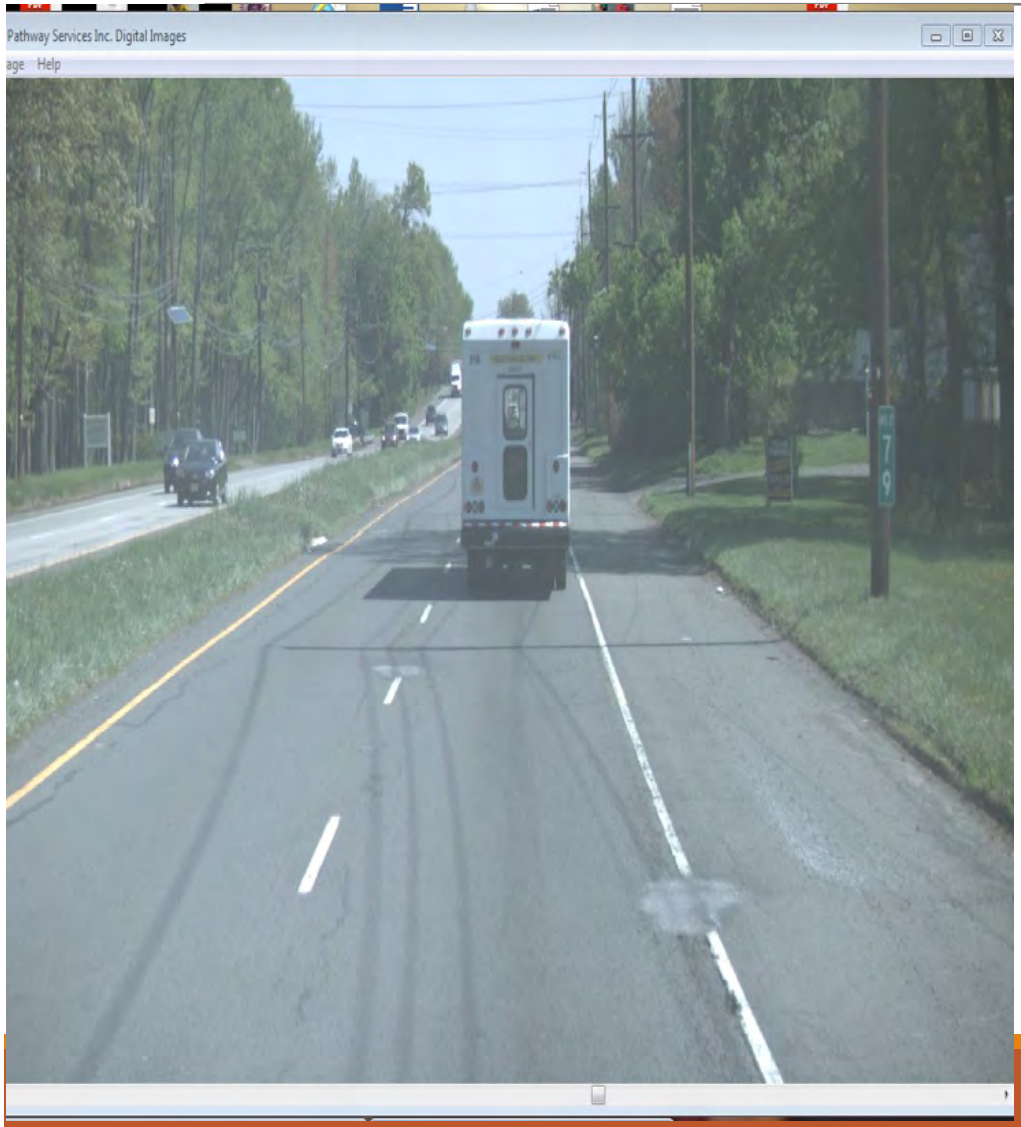

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