Task Force on Asphalt Standards Harmonization

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Purpose

- Examine differences between AASHTO and ASTM versions of asphalt-related standards
- Develop consistent requirements that meet the collective needs of the industry

Asphalt Producers
Testing Laboratories
Specifiers
Owners
Harmonization Creates...

- More Effective Commerce
- Streamlined Asphalt Product Production
- Consistency in Testing Protocols
- More Uniform Asphalt Products
**Structure – Established January 2019**

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Members vote on harmonization polls and decide what to send on to AASHTO and ASTM as recommended changes to standards

**Anybody can be a Friend of TFASH** to join the mailing list, attend meetings, work on Task Groups, and provide input. We have 28 friends and growing!

Anybody interested in becoming a friend of TFASH can email one of the TFASH Co-Secretaries to join the Mailing List:

- Joe Williams, jwilliams@aashtoresource.org
- Maria Knake, mknake@aashtoresource.org
TFASH Charter- Highlighted Goals

Use **scientifically sound** testing and sampling methodologies;

Promote **fairness, equity, and practicality** in asphalt test methods, practices, and specifications;

Provide for the **optimization** of available natural resources and manufacturing technology and can accommodate various local and regional requirements;

Provide a formal means for **exchange of current information** (e.g. new standards, revisions, task group activities, etc.) for corresponding subcommittees of each organization.
Consensus Process

To ensure that the interests of both AASHTO and ASTM membership are met, input from AASHTO and ASTM members will be equally considered. A suggestion for revision to a standard will not be submitted to the relevant AASHTO and ASTM subcommittees until 100% consensus can be reached.

Administrative negatives put on AASHTO and ASTM harmonization ballots to ensure negatives or comments received from either group during balloting are addressed before publication.
TFASH Recent Activities

AASHTO T 228 / ASTM D70 - Specific Gravity of Asphalt Binder

D70 Revised to address T228 differences. T228 currently in ballot to refer to current version of D70.

Upcoming work will be to address thermometer issues based on NCHRP 20-07 Task 427 (Developing a Recommended AASHTO Standard Practice for Selection of Temperature-Measuring Devices)
TFASH Recent Activities

AASHTO M 320 / ASTM D6373 - Specification for Performance-Graded Asphalt Binder

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AASHTO M 332 / ASTM D8239 - Specification for Performance-Graded Asphalt Binder Using Multiple Stress Creep Recovery (MSCR)

Initial harmonization work is complete and published!

Work continues on PAV conditioning temperatures.
TFASH Recent Activities

AASHTO T 59 / ASTM D6997 - Emulsion Distillation

TFASH poll is open currently. When approved, recommended revisions will be sent to AASHTO and ASTM for consideration.
TFASH Recent Activities

AASHTO T 313 / ASTM D6648 - Bending Beam Rheometer

Draft revisions made to ASTM version of standard, being transferred to AASHTO version for TFASH consideration.
TFASH Recent Activities

AASHTO T 315 / ASTM D7175 - Dynamic Shear Rheometer

TFASH Subgroup is active and meeting regularly to make revisions for TFASH consideration.
TFASH Recent Activities

AASHTO T 312 / ASTM D6925 - Gyratory Shear Compactor

First TFASH poll completed after an initial round of revisions. TFASH Subgroup is addressing TFASH comments received and will complete another round of polling soon.
We Need Your Help!

- Suggest future harmonization activities by reaching out to a TFASH Co-Chair:
  - Mike Doran Michael.Doran@tn.gov
  - Scott Veglahn Scott.Veglahn@mteservices.com

- Become a friend of TFASH by reaching out to:
  - Maria Knake mknake@aashtoresource.org
  - Joe Williams, jwilliams@aashtoresource.org
Questions and Discussion