#### PAPA Regional Technical Meetings

### **Recycled Tire Rubber**

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## Recycled Tire Rubber

- Why is rubber used in pavements?
- History of use in PA
- Gap-Graded and Dense-Graded





# **Dense-Graded Rubber Mix** Continuously Graded Wet Process Lower Viscosity, Rubber Content, and Rubber Size Than Gap-Graded Limited Use Nationwide

• CRMAB



#### Dense-Graded Rubber Mix

#### **Advantages**

- Reduced Permeability
- Improved Resistance to Cracking
- Pavement Layers
- Long-Term Durability





#### **Dense-Graded Pilot Projects**

- District Memo
- Pilot Projects





#### CRMAB Dense-Graded Pilot Projects

ECMS	District	SR	Miles of CRMAB	CRMAB Pavement Layers	Status
98449	12-0	366	2.52	Wearing	Completed
104237	6-0	63	3.17	Wearing	Completed
101922	4-0	924	1.24	Wearing	Paving 2016
93255	2-0	322	1.47	Wearing	Paving 2016
90908	8-0	272	2.62	Wearing	Paving 2016
105503	10-0	954	4.08	Wearing	Paving 2016

• 1 Additional Pilot Project in 2016



## CRMAB Special Provision • Clearance Transmittal for CRMAB dense-graded SSP revisions for Solubility and Separation was sent out on 02/09/16.

- Comments were due 03/09/16.
- Currently addressing comments.



#### Asphalt Rubber Gap-Graded

- What is "Asphalt Rubber"?
- Gap-Graded







#### Asphalt Rubber Gap-Graded Pilot Projects

- I-78 in Berks County (ECMS: 87631)
- US 15 in Snyder County (ECMS: 87769)
- US 15 in Adams County (ECMS: 90201)
- I-376 Lawrence County (ECMS: 81954)



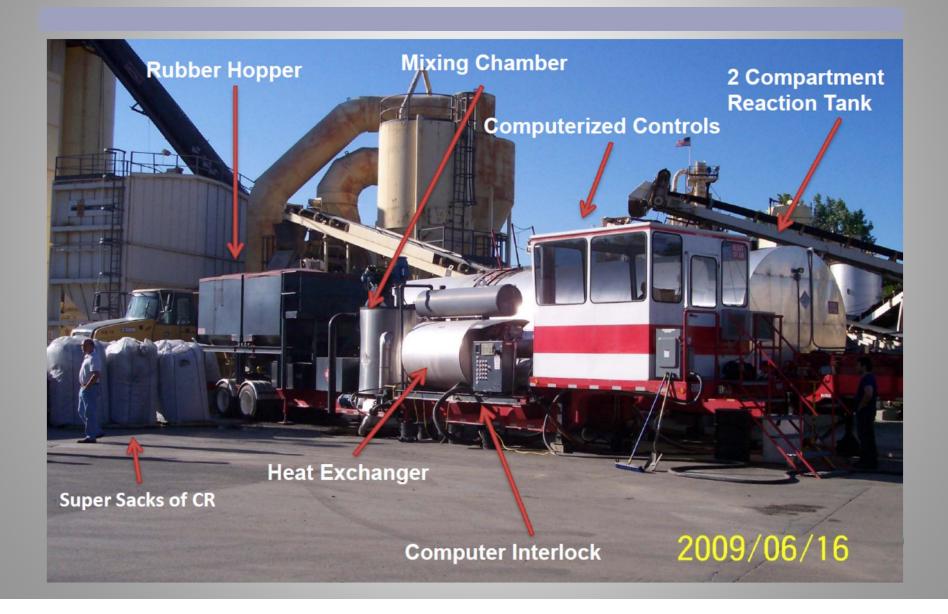


- Asphalt Rubber 12.5mm WMA Wearing Course
- Control section used a polymer modified PG 76-22, 9.5mm mix
- Utilized the ASTM D 6114, Type II, <u>"Wet Process"</u>





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### **Challenges**

- Slightly Sticky Texture; material had a tendency to adhere to paving equipment
- Downy Fabric Softener acted as lubricating agent (prevented sticking) when applied to rollers and spray bar system
- Compaction on leveling course
- Tight/condensed schedule
- High AC contributed to reduced-sized batches; reduced max load capacity in trucks



### <u>Successes</u>

- IRI: 52.64
- Two Bonuses Received on Project:
  - Ride Quality Incentive
  - Joint Density
- No Raveling of Exposed Wedge Joint
- Completed by deadline despite a new material and tough spec
- Worked jointly with several PennDOT Districts to complete project
- Performing exceptionally well to this day



## Project Selection Guidelines Description of Rubberized Asphalt Binders and Asphaltic Concrete Mixtures Rubberized Asphalt Mixture Types - Gap-Graded Dense-Graded - Open-Graded

Recommendations for Implementation



#### Questions?



