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Pavement Preservation Process at the Maryland State Highway Administration

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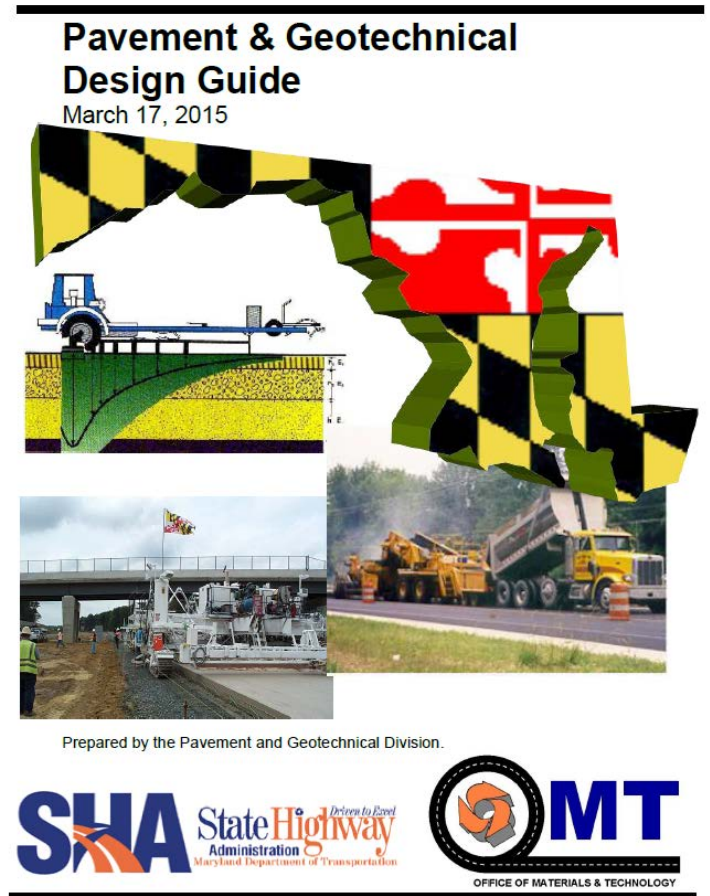
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Presentation Outline

- **Background**
 - Why we created the guide
- **Pavement Preservation Guide**
 - Contents
 - Example Project



Background

MDSHA Guide to Pavement Preservation

Maryland State Highway Administration



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Pavement & Geotechnical Design Guide

March 17, 2015



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Background

- **Pavement Management/Project Selection/ System Preservation assessment in 2007**

**Pavement Preservation
Technical Appraisal**

NCPP

**Maryland
State Highway Administration
May 2007
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- **Several useful recommendations provided**

Background

- ***Continue to move toward a more proactive philosophy, avoiding reactive approaches, particularly “worst first”***

**Pavement Preservation
Technical Appraisal**

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Target: Balanced Selection of roads in all condition states

Background

- *Currently, each district has own ideas as to what constitutes appropriate treatment*
- *Develop guidelines for use on statewide basis*
- *Guidelines should have expected life extensions of treatments*

**Pavement Preservation
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Pavement Preservation Guide – Contents

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- **Three Main Sections**

1. Treatment Tables and Matrices
2. Definitions of Treatments
3. Supplemental Treatment Information

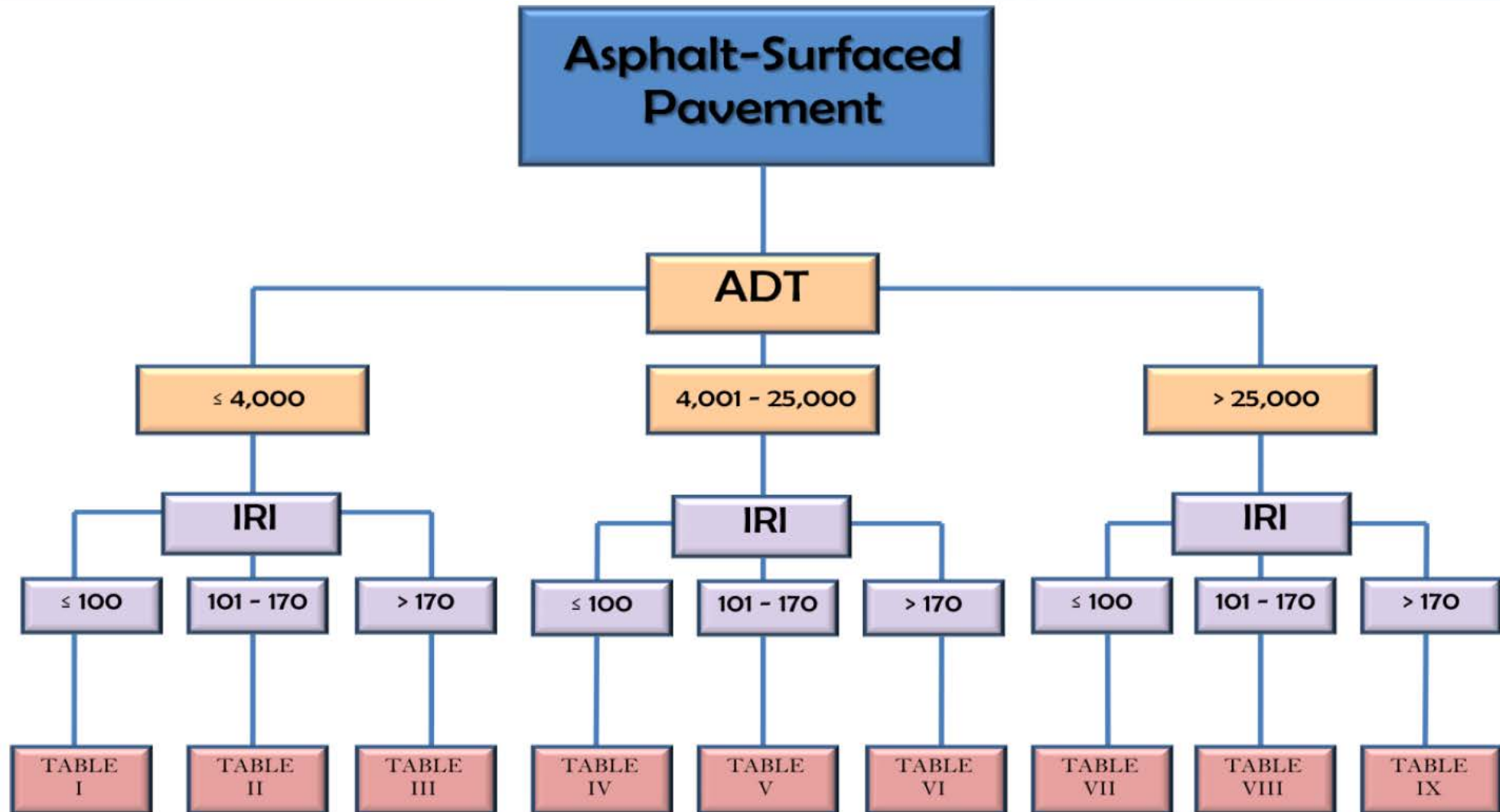
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Treatment Tables

Group	Number	Treatment	Spec Status	Contract Type
A. Crack/Joint Seals	A-1	Crack Fill & Crack Seal (Asphalt)	Needs Work	Crack and Joint Seals
	A-2	Crack Seal (PCC Surface)	Needs Work	
	A-3	Joint Sealing (and Resealing)	Needs Work	
	A-4	Saw and Seal	None	
B. Asphalt Sealers / Rejuvenators	B-1	Fog Seal	Needs Work	Asphalt Emulsion Seals
	B-2	Rejuvenators	Pilot Phase	
C. Aggregate Seals	C-1	Cape Seal	NA	Asphalt Emulsion Seals
	C-2	Chip Seal (Modified)	Needs Work	
	C-3	High Friction Surface	Up to Date	High Friction Surf
	C-4	Sand Seal	None	Asphalt Emulsion Seals
	C-5	Sandwich Seal	None	
	C-6	Scrub Seal	None	
	C-7	Slurry Seal	Up to Date	
	C-8	Micro-surfacing	Up to Date	

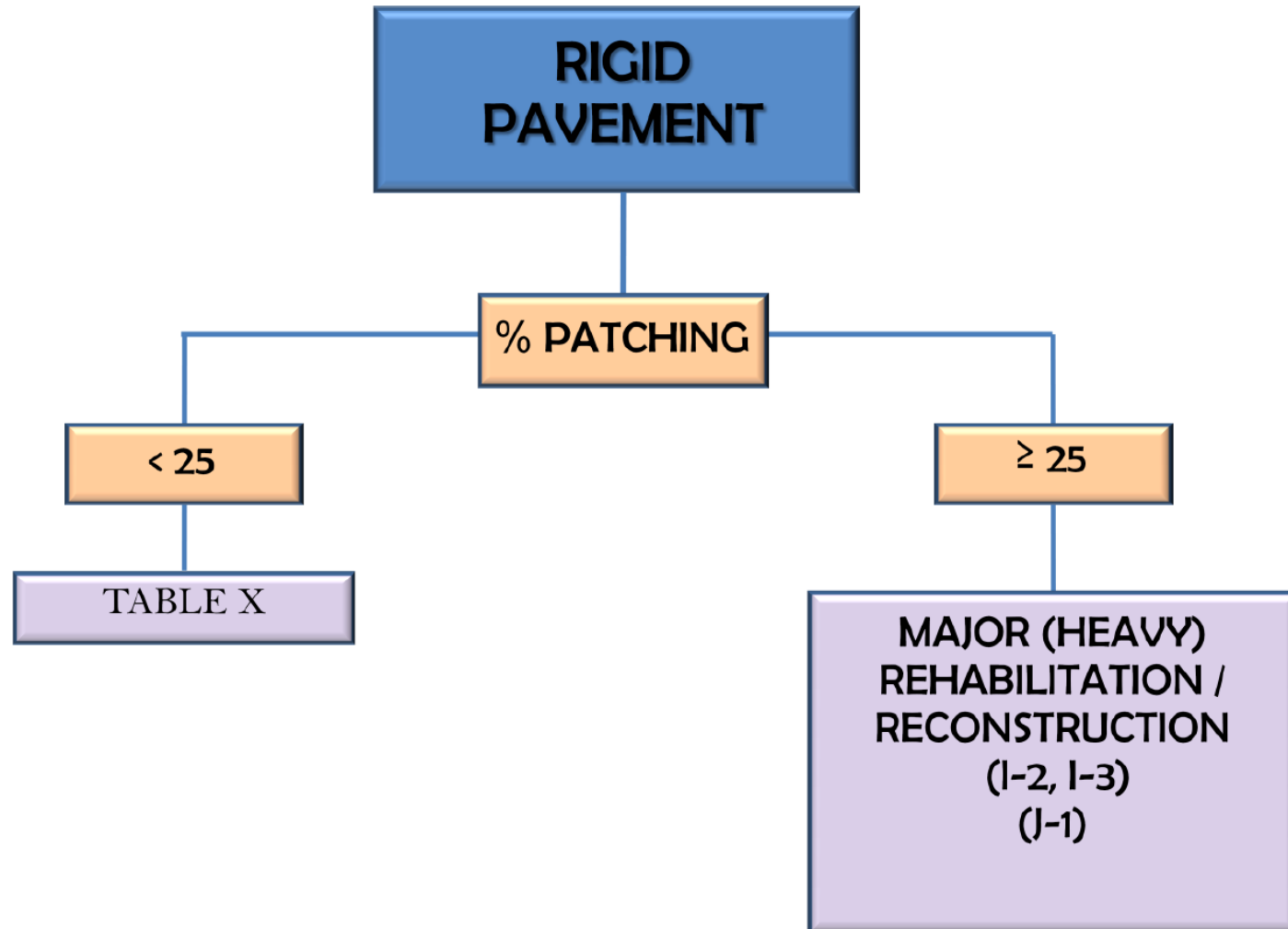
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Decision Tree: Asphalt-Surfaced Pavements



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Decision Tree: Rigid Pavements



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Treatment Matrices for Asphalt Surface – Groups A thru D

Table I				Pavement Treatment Matrix ADT: 0 to ≤			
SCI	FCI	Skid	Rutting (in.)	A. Crack/ Joint Seal	B. Asphalt Rejuvenator	C. Aggregate Seals	D. HMA Overlay**
≤ 50	> 75	> 40	< 1/2"				D-3
			1/2" to 1"				D-3, D-4
			> 1"				D-2, D-3, D-4
		≤ 40	< 1/2"				D-3
			1/2" to 1"				D-3, D-4
			> 1"				D-2, D-3, D-4
	≤ 75	> 40	< 1/2"				D-3
			1/2" to 1"				D-3, D-4
			> 1"				D-2, D-3, D-4
		≤ 40	< 1/2"				D-3
			1/2" to 1"				D-3, D-4
			> 1"				D-2, D-3, D-4

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Treatment Matrices for Asphalt Surface – Groups E thru J

Table I				Type: Asphalt Surface 4,000, IRI: 0 to ≤ 100				
SCI	FCI	Skid	Rutting (in.)	E. PCC Overlay	F. Patch	H. Surface Texturizing	I. Major Rehab**	J. Reconstruction
≤ 50	> 75	> 40	< ½"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
			½" to 1"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
			> 1"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
		≤ 40	< ½"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
			½" to 1"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
			> 1"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
	≤ 75	> 40	< ½"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
			½" to 1"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
			> 1"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
		≤ 40	< ½"				I-1, I-2*, I-3*	J-1, J-2
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Treatment Matrix for Concrete Surface

Table X	Pavement Surface: Concrete Patching < 25%			
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Treatment Definitions

9.01.01.01 *Crack / Joint Seals:*

A-1: Crack Fill and Crack Seal (Asphalt-Surfaced pavements)

A-1a: Crack Fill is a process that consists of placing a generally bituminous material into “**non-working**” cracks to substantially reduce water infiltration and reinforce adjacent top-down cracks. Non-working cracks are cracks that have vertical or horizontal movement of less than 2.5mm (0.1”), and are typically diagonal or longitudinal cracks.

A-1b: Crack Seal is a process of placing higher-quality material into or on top of “**working**” cracks in order to reduce water infiltration into a pavement. Working cracks are cracks that have vertical or horizontal movement of at least 2.5mm (0.1”), and are typically transverse and reflective cracks.

In contrast with crack **filling**, crack **sealing** requires more crack preparation procedures and uses higher-quality sealant materials. Generally, one pound of material equates to 1/2” by 1/2” by 5’ of crack filling/sealing.

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Supplemental Information

Table B.1 Return to Table C		2.09.01 SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR TREATMENT A-1		
This treatment is intended to improve:		A-1a. Crack Fill (Asphalt Surface)	A-1b. Crack Sealant (Asphalt Surface)	
		IRI		
		FCI	Yes	Yes
		SCI		
		Rut		
		Skid		
		Aging	Yes	Yes

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<p>Treatment Advantages</p>	<p><u>A-1a. Crack Fill (Asphalt Surface)</u></p>	<p><u>A-1b. Crack (Asphalt Su</u></p>
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\(Asphalt Surface\)](#)

[A-1b. Crack
\(Asphalt Su](#)

**Treatment
Disadvantages**

1. Adds no structural benefit.
2. Damages the aesthetic look of the pavement
3. May reduce friction if used extensively in wheel paths
4. Applicable only for non-working cracks

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<p>Cost Clarification</p>		<p><u>A-1a. Crack Fill (Asphalt Surface)</u></p>	<p><u>A-1b. Crack (Asphalt Sur</u></p>	
		<p>Small Quantity Cost</p>	<p>> \$0.30 per linear feet per NHI > \$2.50 per linear feet per MD Price Index</p>	<p>> \$0.60 - \$1.00 per linear f</p>
		<p>Medium Quantity Cost</p>	<p>\$0.30 per linear feet per NHI \$2.50 per linear feet per MD Price Index</p>	<p>\$0.60 - \$1.00 per linear fee</p>
		<p>High Quantity Cost</p>	<p>\$0.30 per linear feet per NHI \$2.50 per linear feet per MD Price Index</p>	<p>\$0.60 - \$1.00 per linear fee</p>
		<p>Items Included</p>	<p>Minimal crack preparation, low-quality thermoplastic sealant materials</p>	<p>Crack preparation procedu thermoplastic sealant mate</p>
<p>Items Excluded</p>	<p>Marking Removal</p>	<p>Marking Removal</p>		

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<p>Typical Life Extension</p>	<p><u>A-1a. Crack Fill (Asphalt Surface)</u></p>	<p><u>A-1b. Crack</u> (Asphalt Su</p>
<p>MOT Considerations / Cure time</p>	<p>2-4 years</p> <p>1. Traffic passing over a hot applied sealed or filled crack is usually not an issue. However, traffic control during the application of the treatment should be in effect long enough to allow for adequate curing of the product and prevent tracking.</p> <p>2. Hot applied rubber modified sealants, especially asphalt rubber, have excellent adhesion and do not require the application of a thin sand coating prior to trafficking. Emulsions must be sand coated prior to being trafficked.</p>	<p>2-10 years</p> <p>1. Traffic passing over a h or filled crack is usually no However, traffic control du application of the treatme effect long enough to allow curing of the product and</p> <p>2. Hot applied rubber moc especially asphalt rubber, adhesion and do not requ of a thin sand coating pric trafficking. Emulsions mus prior to being trafficked.</p>

Using the Guide – What fixes are most appropriate?

- **Two Steps:**

1. Using network-level data, go through the appropriate matrix to identify viable treatments
2. Then use project-level data, treatment advantages/disadvantages, cost/benefit to select final treatment choice

Historically...

- **Very few options in toolbox of fixes**
- **Even fewer that are non-HMA-overlay**
“pavement preservation”

Example Project – Historically

02 AA MD 170 110 3.092 2009-12-17



Flexible Pavement
15 years old
ADT = 22,000
IRI < 100
SCI and FCI > 75
Friction < 35

What is a good fix?

How we used to do it – What fixes are available?

Circa 2007...

- **Option 1:** Thin HMA OL
- **Option 2:** Thick HMA OL
- **Option 3:** Wait until next year

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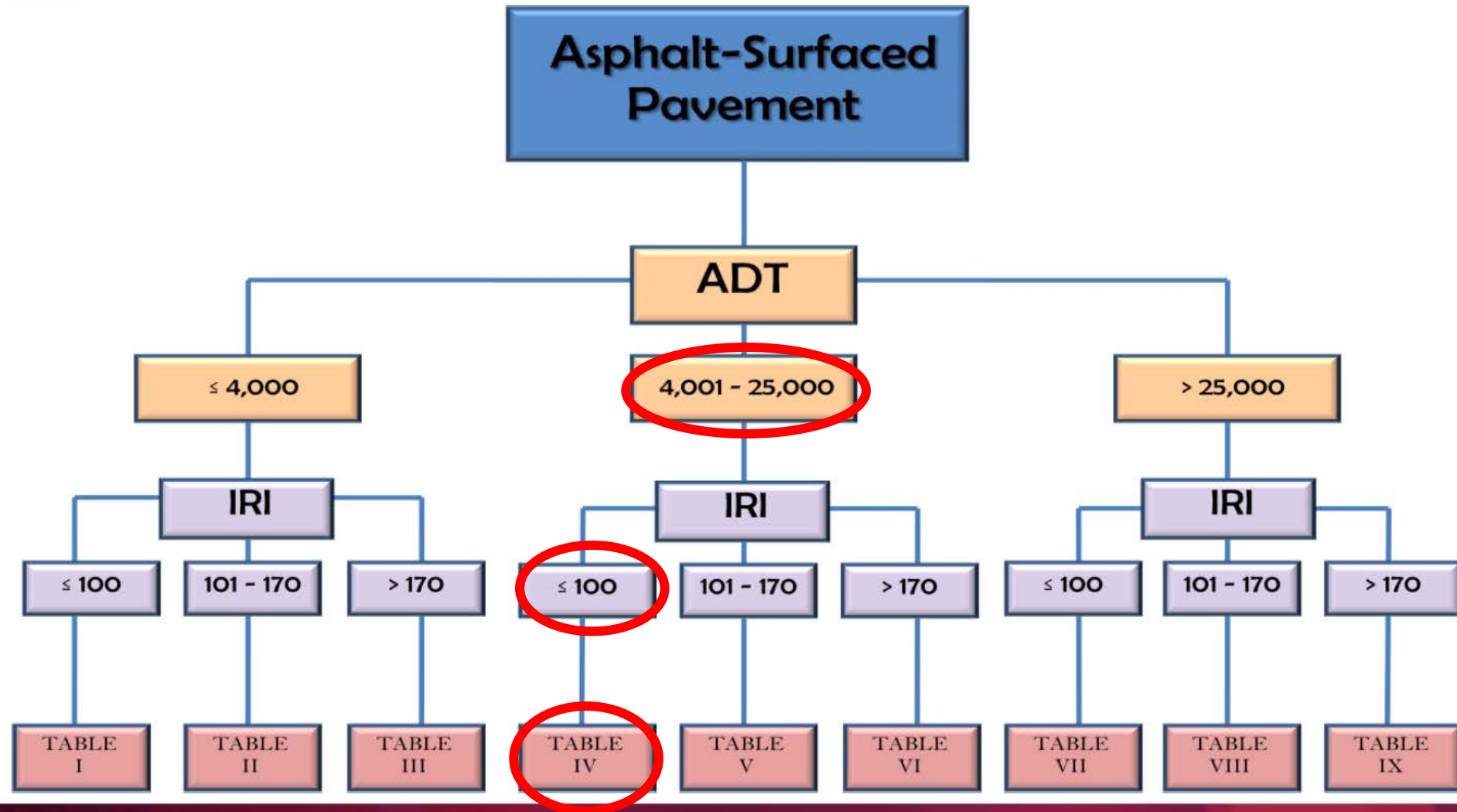
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Right Fix: Step #1



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Table IV

Pavement
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Right Fix: Step #1

Table IV

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	C-3	High Friction Surface
	C-4	Sand Seal
	C-5	Sandwich Seal
	C-6	Scrub Seal
	C-7	Slurry Seal
	C-8	Microsurfacing
D. Ultrathin HMA	D-1	Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course (As

Right Fix: Step #1

Viability Treatments:

- Crack Fill/Seal
- Asphalt Sealer
- Fog Seal/
Rejuvenator
- High Friction Surf.
- Slurry Seal
- Micro-surface
- Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course
- Hot-in-place recycling
- HMA Overlay
- Bonded PCC Overlay
- Grind only

Right Fix: Step #1

11 viable treatments were identified.

How do we identify which one should be the final choice???

Right Fix: Step #2

Investigate project-level details:

- Project-level conditions,
- Geometrics,
- MOT restrictions,
- Contract/contractor considerations,
- Etc.

Right Fix: Step #2

Consider treatments:

- Advantages and disadvantages,
- Time until open to traffic,
- Expected cost,
- Expected life extension
 - These items available as Supplemental Information

Right Fix: Step #2

Viable Treatments:

- **Crack Fill/Seal**
- **Asphalt Sealer**
- **Fog Seal/
Rejuvenator**
- **High Friction Surf.**
- **Slurry Seal**
- **Micro-surface**

Consider Further?

- **No - Doesn't help friction**
- **No - Doesn't help friction**
- **No - Doesn't help friction**
- **No – for spot locations**
- **Yes**
- **Yes**

Right Fix: Step #2

Viability Treatments:

- **Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course**
- **Hot-in-place recycling**
- **HMA Overlay**

Consider Further?

- **Yes**
- **Yes**
- **Yes**

Right Fix: Step #2

Viable Treatments:

- **Bonded PCC Overlay**
- **Patch only**
- **Grind only**

Consider Further?

- **No – Rutting not bad enough**
- **No - Doesn't help friction**
- **No – For short areas only**

Right Fix: Step #3

Now down to **5** Viable Treatments:

- **Slurry Seal**
- **Micro-surface**
- **Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course**
- **Hot In-place Recycling**
- **HMA Overlay**

**Time for Benefit/
Cost Analysis!**

Right Fix: Cost

Treatments:	Cost (\$/LM):
Slurry Seal	\$14k ✓
Micro-surface	\$20k
Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course	\$80k
Hot-in-place recycling	\$30k
1.5" HMA Overlay	\$50k

Right Fix: Benefit

Treatments:	Benefit:
Slurry Seal	4 Years
Micro-surface	8 Years
Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course	10 Years
Hot-in-place recycling	8 Years
1.5" HMA Overlay	12 Years ✓

Right Fix: Cost/Benefit

Treatments:	Benefit/Cost (\$/LMY):
Slurry Seal	\$3.5k
Micro-surface	\$2.5k ✓
Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Course	\$8k
Hot-in-place recycling	\$3.75k
1.5" HMA Overlay	\$4.2k

ADA Triggers

- Districts also consider if a given treatment is an ADA Trigger
- If yes, it is considered an “alteration” that requires ADA work

*U.S Department of Justice/Department of Transportation directive:
http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/civilrights/programs/doj_fhwa_ta.cfm*

Final Decision

- Made by District, with input/support from Pavement Engineer.
- Pavement Engineer determines what treatment life will be.

Summary

There are **several** fixes (besides HMA overlay) that can work.

This Guide provide the tools to find the:

Right Fix
for the **Right Road**
at the **Right Time**

THANK YOU!