Details Count!!!

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What Is a Seal Coat

- Bituminous surface treatment
 - Heavy asphalt binder membrane
 - Followed by aggregate chip

Seal Coat Design

What does this design method do

- 1. Gives amount of stone to cover 1 yd² a single stone thick
- 2. Gives starting binder application rate
 - Starting rate should yield 60 to 70% embedment

Seal Coat Design Summary

- Design for 3/8 inch chip
 - Without design av. 30 lbs./Yd.²
 - Without design av. Binder 0.30 gal./Yd.²
 - With design av. Binder 0.36 gal./Yd.²
 - With design av. 17 lbs./Yd.²

Seal Coat Design Summary

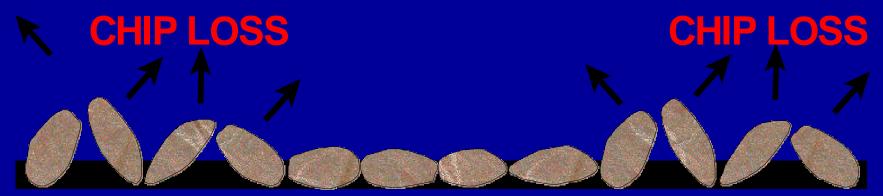
By designing and properly constructing your Seal Coats you can do more miles for less money with better results.

Aggregate Requirements

- Must be clean
 - Clay free aggregate
 - Less then 1% passing #200
- Durable
 - LAR loss % max. 37%
- Flakiness index
 - Max. 25%

Flat Chips

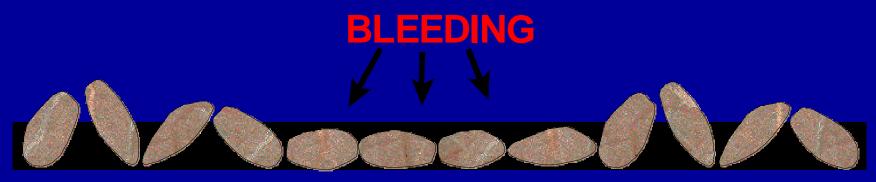
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There is not enough binder in the non-traffic areas to prevent traffic and snow plows from dislodging the chips.

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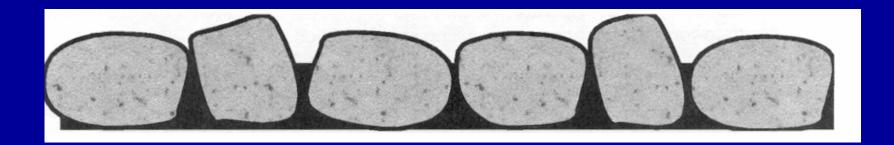
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There is too much binder in the wheelpaths after the flat chips lay on their flattest side.

Dense Graded Vs. Single Size!





Advantages of Single Sized

- Single sized aggregate
 - More uniform height
 - Weighs less per cubic foot
 - 47% passing the #4 95.7 lbs/ft³
 - 8% passing the #4 84.5 lbs/ft³
 - More room for binder

Binders

- CRS-2p (cationic rapid set polymer mod.).
 - Develops strength in hrs instead of days.
 - Can be swept same day.
 - Requires use of clean aggregates.
 - Must place aggregate within 1 min. Of binder placement.
 - Eliminates bleeding.
 - Higher softening point.

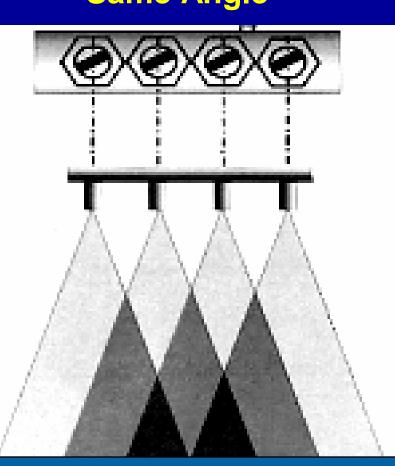
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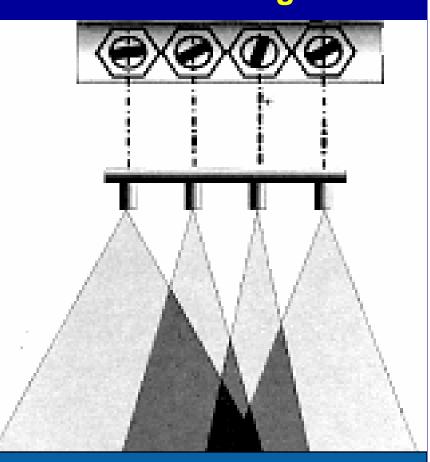


YES Same Angle



Fans are the same width

NO Different Angles



Fans are different widths











Chip Spreaders







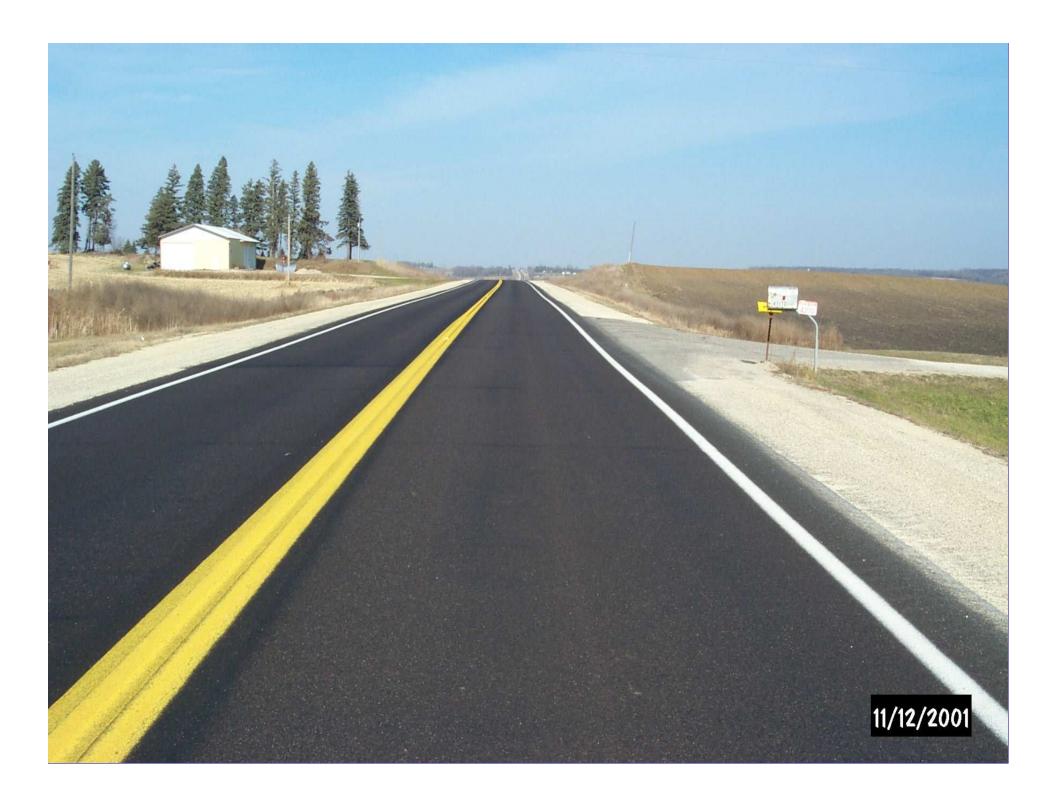


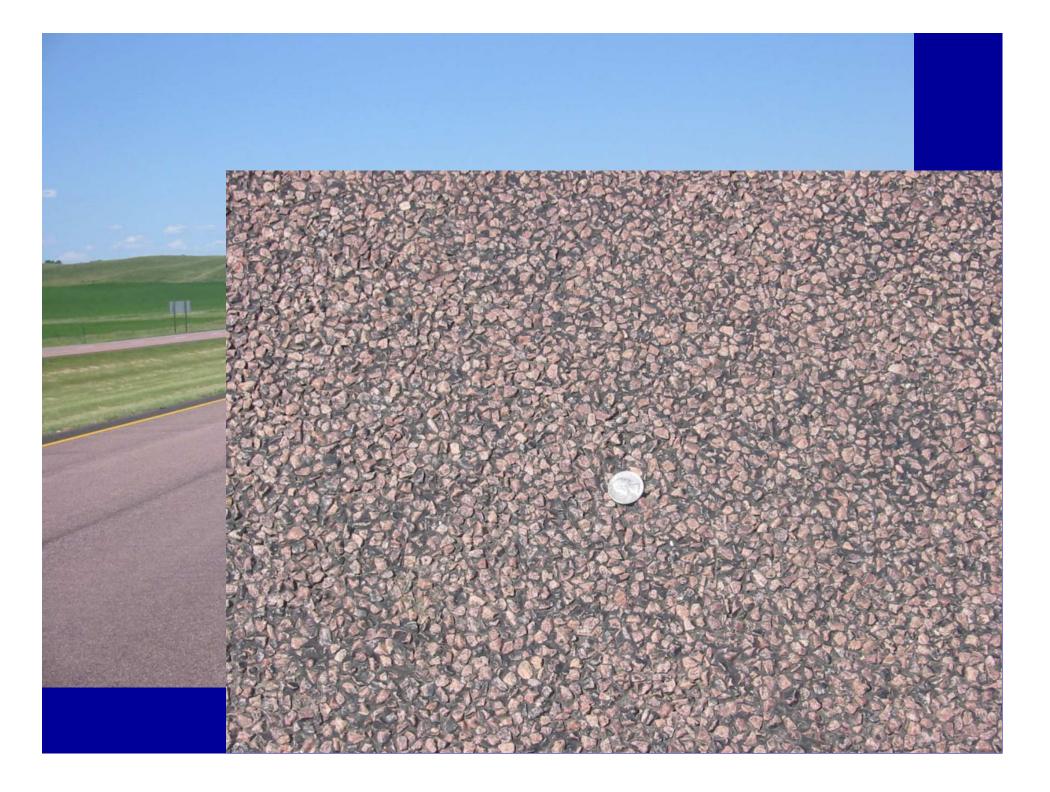












Tips for Successful Seal Coat

- Make sure pavement is clean
- Use high quality materials
- Proper application rate for binder
- Proper application rate for aggregate
 - Excess aggregate only causes failure
 - Extra cost and waste

Tips for Successful Seal Coat

- Minimum distance between distributor & chip spreader
 - Aggregate must be placed before emulsion starts to break
- Minimum of three rollers; Speed under 5 mph
 - Compaction must be completed before emulsion is broken

Tips for Successful Seal Coat

- Final sweeping of roadway as soon as possible.
 - No later then next morning.
- Quality does not cost. It pays!
- Remember that details count.

Questions?



