## Flexible Slurry/Micro Surfacing

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### What are we trying to do?

- To develop a user friendly option to tight blading with HMA as pre-overlay treatment.
- Alternate to thin overlays as surface treatment.

# Problems with current tight blading

- Has lower density then a normal overlay lift.
- Does not flow down into cracks and small potholes very well.
- Segregation
  - Temperature
  - Aggregate
- Leaves a rough surface to pave over.

## Traditional Tight Blading.









## **Temperature Segregation!**

## Flexible Liquid Tight Blading

#### • What is it?

- It is a high AC content Micro Surfacing mixture.
- It has lower viscosity
  - Allow it flows into the cracks, dips and potholes.
- Is self compacting.
- Is self tacking.
- Allows the material to be only placed where needed.
- Environmentally friendly
  - Is made at ambient temperature
  - By-product is water

## Flexible Liquid Tight Blading



# Flowage mixture is only placed where needed.

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# What is the difference from traditional Micro Surfacing?

- Historically Micro Surfacing has been designed as a very tough mixture.
  - To be used as a rut filling
  - Surface treatment
- Because of the nature of the mixture almost all of the working cracks reflect though.
- The normal Micro Surfacing mixture has a very high viscosity that does not allow the mixture to flow into crack very well.

## How is Micro Surfacing modified into Liquid Tight Blading.

- The total amount of emulsion is increased by 20%
  - Total residual AC is increased from 8.6% to 10.6%
  - AC to fines ratio of 1 to 1.
- The base AC used to make the emulsion is softer then normal Micro Surfacing AC.
  - PG 48 34
    - Residual grade a 57 34
  - PG 64 22 AC for regular Micro Surfacing emulsions.
    - Residual grade a 70 22
- Why?
  - Crack treatment.
  - More flexible
  - Improve flow-ability





## Other possible uses of Flexible Liquid Tight Blade

 Preventing bumps in overlays caused l thick over bands.



## As Surface Treatment!



## Shoulder Edge Drop Offs.

## **Construction Joint Failures.**







