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PavementDesigner: A New Web-Based Pavement Design Tool

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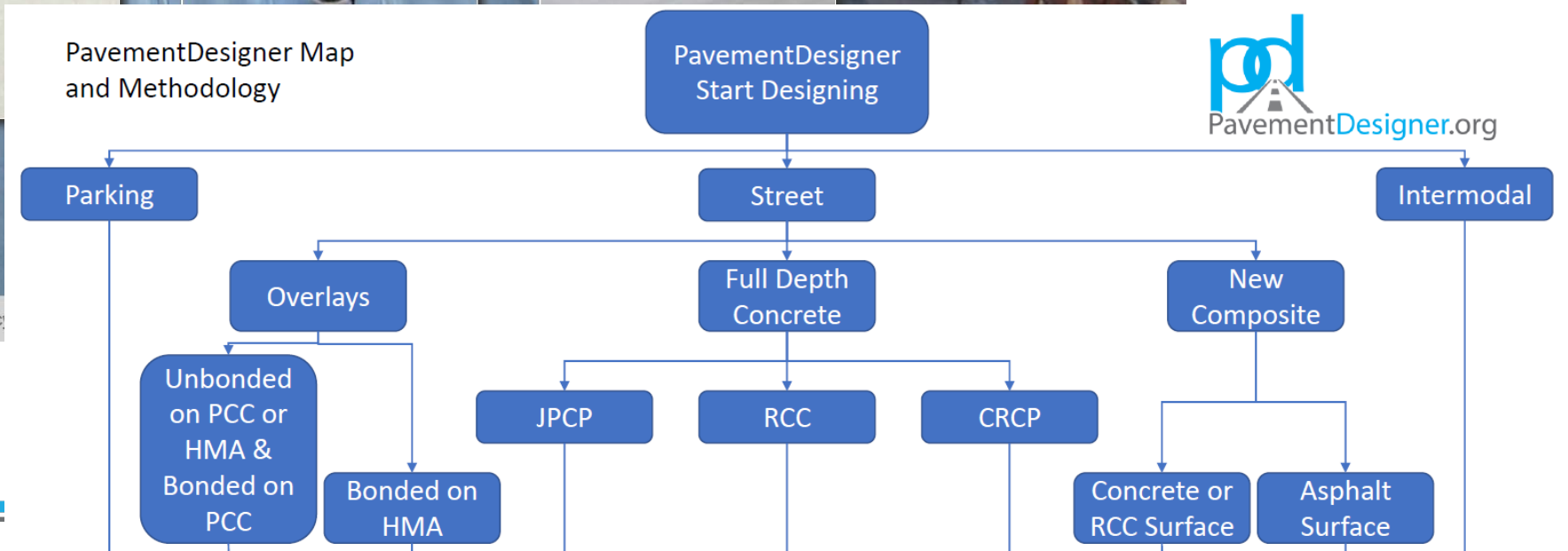
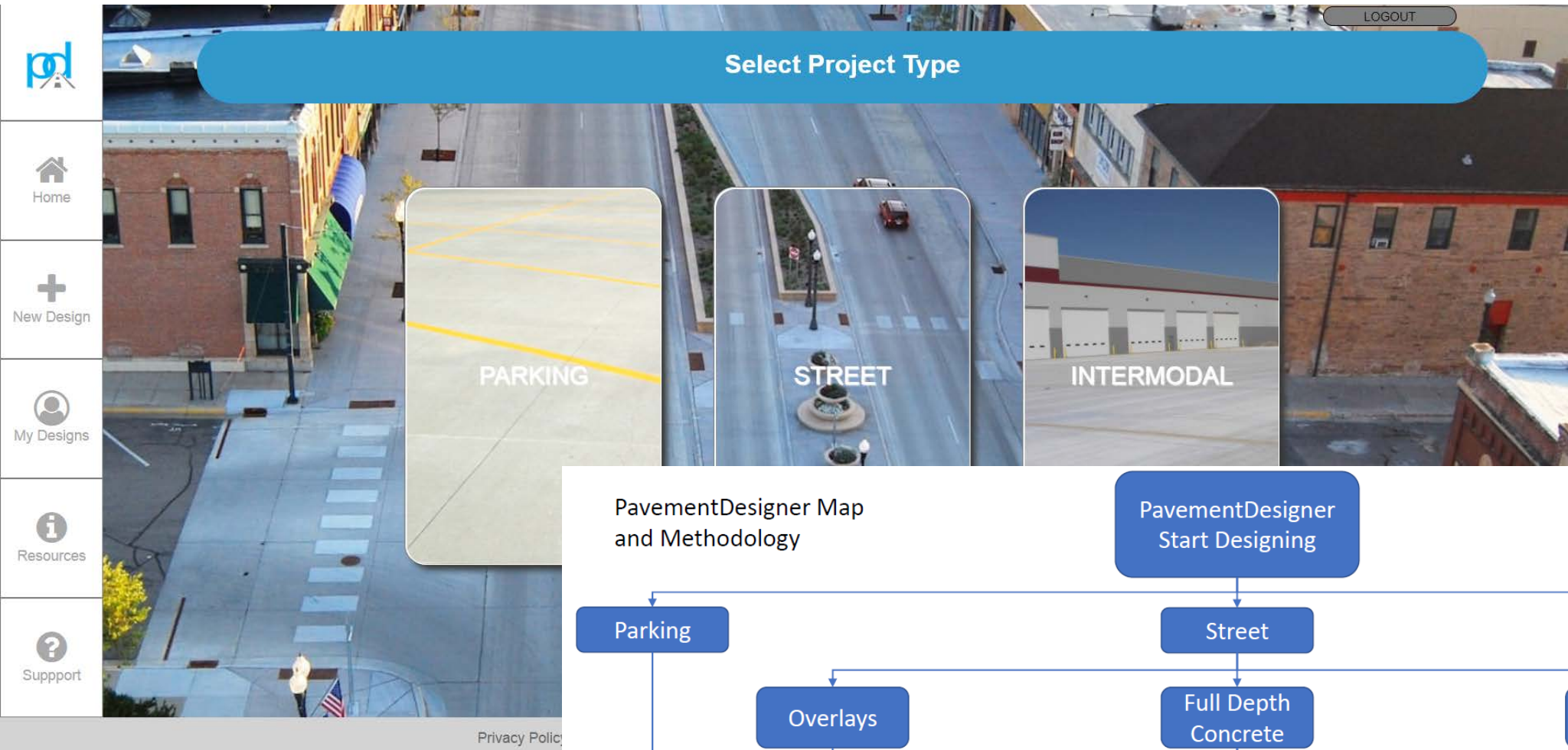
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PavementDesigner



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Overview and Background

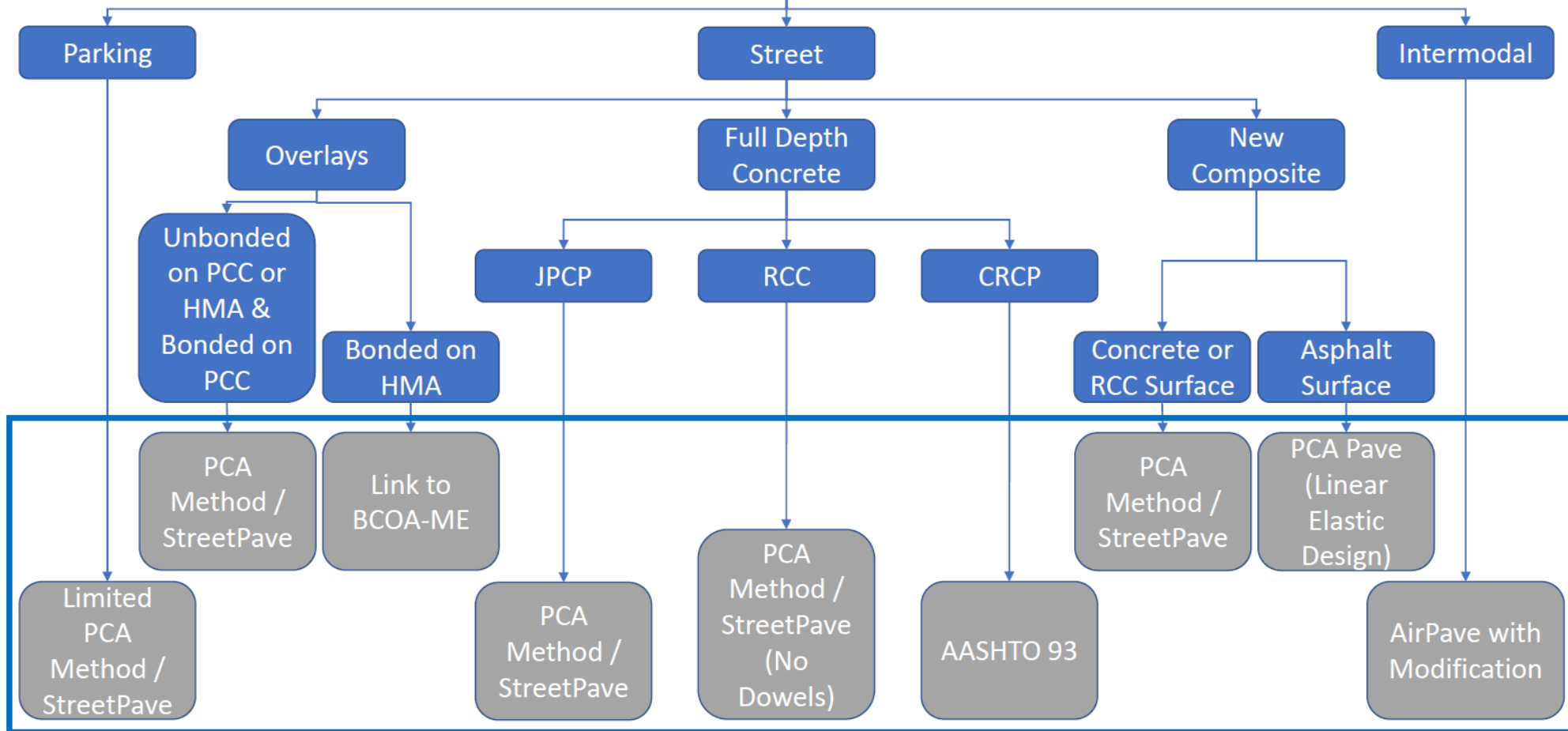
- ACPA, NRMCA, and PCA partnership, with a contribution from the RCC Council to develop a website application to design cement-based solutions for:
 - Municipal Streets and Local Roads
 - Parking Lots
 - Intermodal/Industrial Facilities
- Design guidance and tools for:
 - Jointed-Plain Concrete Pavements
 - Continuously Reinforce Concrete Pavement
 - Concrete Overlays
 - Composite Pavements
 - Roller Compacted Concrete
 - Cement Modified Soils
 - Cement-Treated Base
 - Full-Depth Reclamation



Bringing Online the Best of the Best Available Design Tools

PavementDesigner Map and Methodology

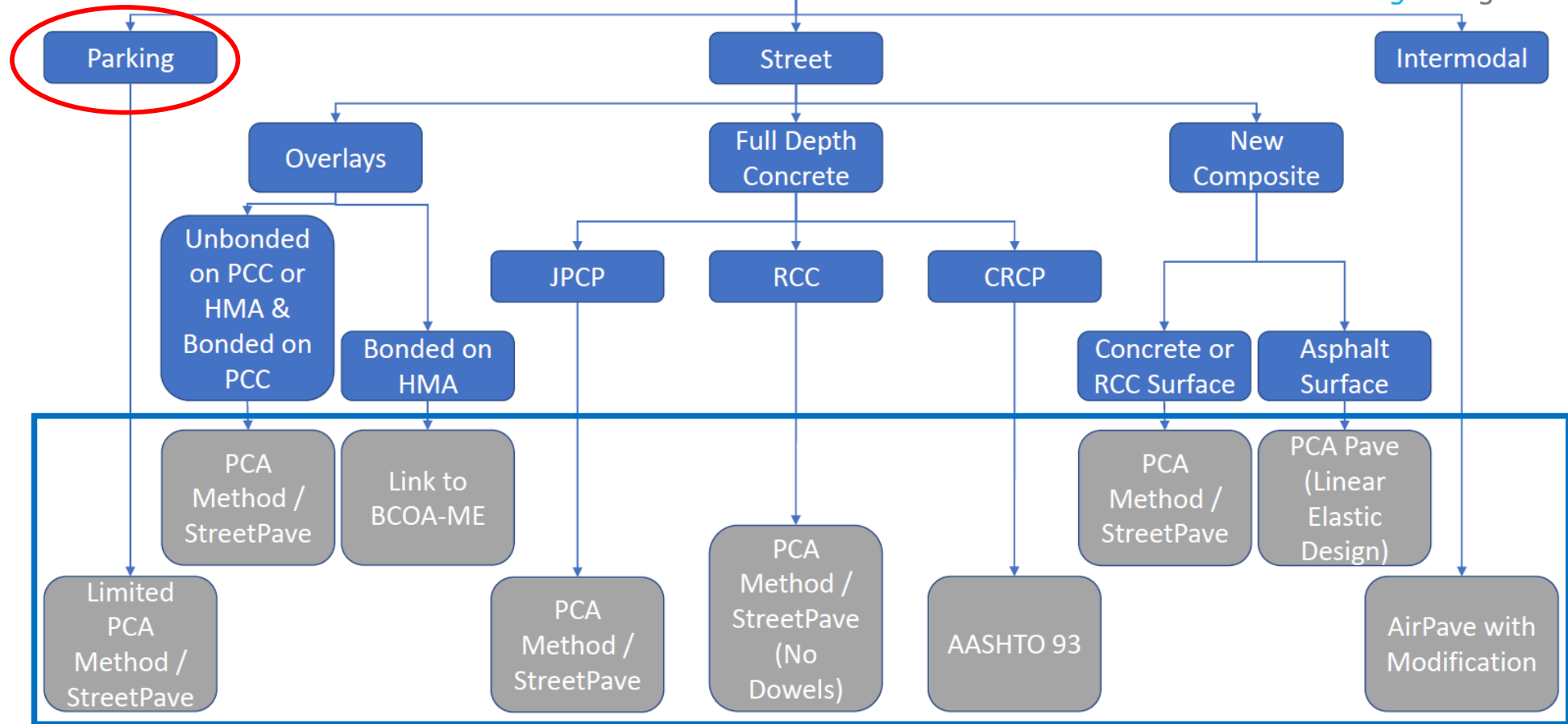
PavementDesigner Start Designing



Background and Overview –

- Primary audience is city, county, and consultant engineers who design pavements
- Secondary audience is professors and students
- Unifies design methods, providing promoters with a single source to direct target audience to for consistent answers
- Fills a design void for some products
- Web-based platform, appealing to existing and future generations of design engineers...
- ...with broad industry partner support!
- **FREE** and easily accessible!





PARKING LOTS

Old Ways of Designing Parking Lots

- AASHTO 93
- ACI 330R-08 & 330R-18
 - Guide for Concrete Parking Lots
- StreetPave

Guide for the Design and Construction
of Concrete Parking Lots

Reported by ACI Committee 330



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ACI 330

Table 3.1—Subgrade soil types and approximate support values (Portland Cement Association 1984a,b; American Concrete Pavement Association 1982)

Type of soil	Support	k , psi/in.	CBR	R	SSV
Fine-grained soils in which silt and clay-size particles predominate	Low	75 to 120	2.5 to 3.5	10 to 22	2.3 to 3.1
Sands and sand-gravel mixtures with moderate amounts of silt and clay	Medium	130 to 170	4.5 to 7.5	29 to 41	3.5 to 4.9
Sand and sand-gravel mixtures relatively free of plastic fines	High	180 to 220	8.5 to 12	45 to 52	5.3 to 6.1

BR = California bearing ratio; R = resistance value; and SSV = soil support value. 1 psi = 0.0069 MPa, and 1 psi/in. = 0.27 MPa/m.

Table 3.2—Modulus of subgrade reaction k^*

Subgrade k value, psi/in.	Sub-base thickness			
	4 in.	6 in.	9 in.	12 in.
	Granular aggregate subbase			
50	65	75	85	110
100	130	140	160	190
200	220	230	270	320
300	320	330	370	430
	Cement-treated subbase			
50	170	230	310	390
100	280	400	520	640
200	470	640	830	—
	Other treated subbase			
50	85	115	170	215
100	175	210	270	325
200	280	315	360	400
300	350	385	420	490

*For subbase applied over different subgrades, psi/in. (Portland Cement Association 1984a,b; Federal Aviation Administration 1978).
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Parking Lot Design

- ACI 330R-08 Guide based on StreetPave (PD's predecessor) design runs
- StreetPave is another accepted design methodology for Parking Lots
- New guide (ACI 330-R18) is based off PD design runs



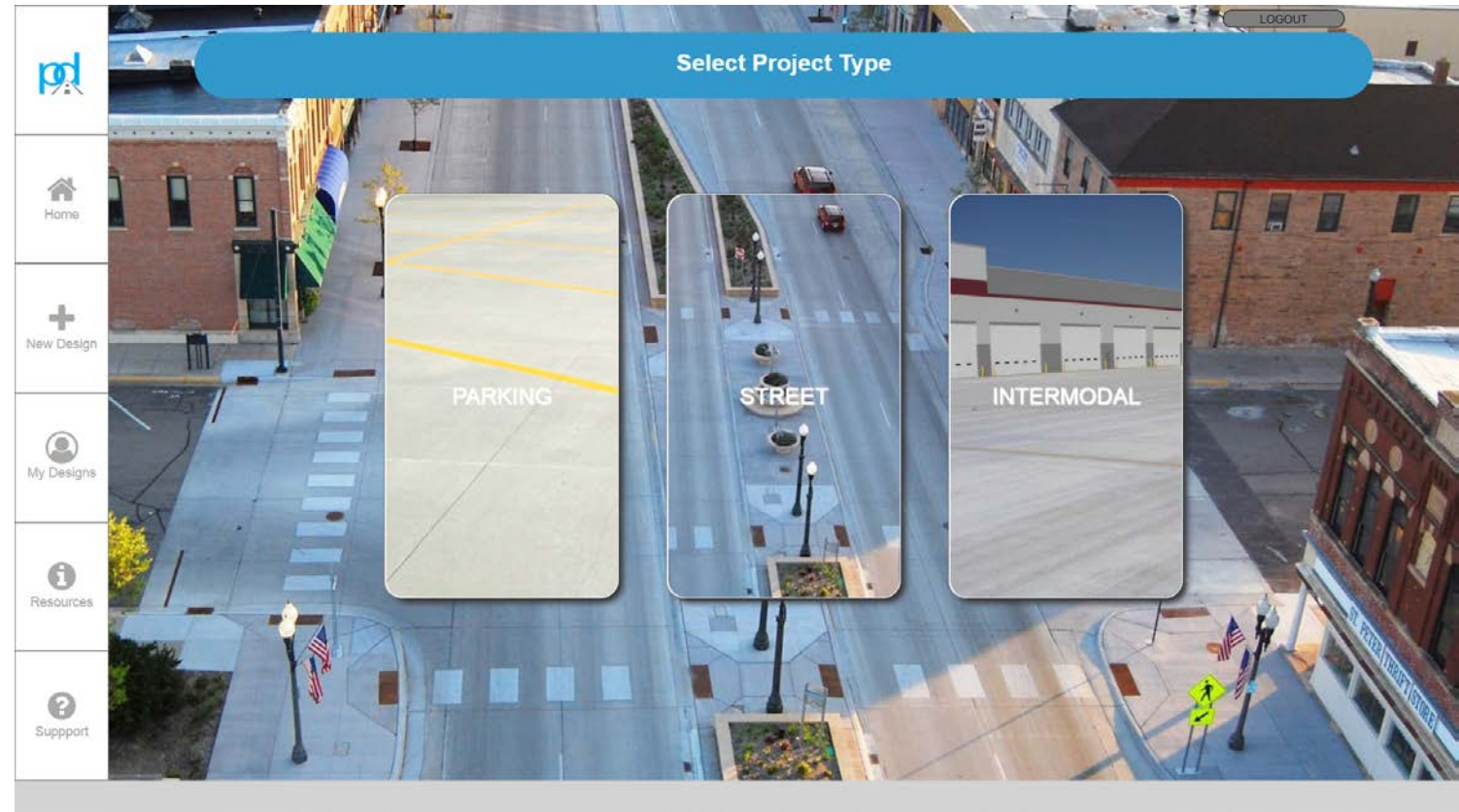
Parking Lot Design with PavementDesigner

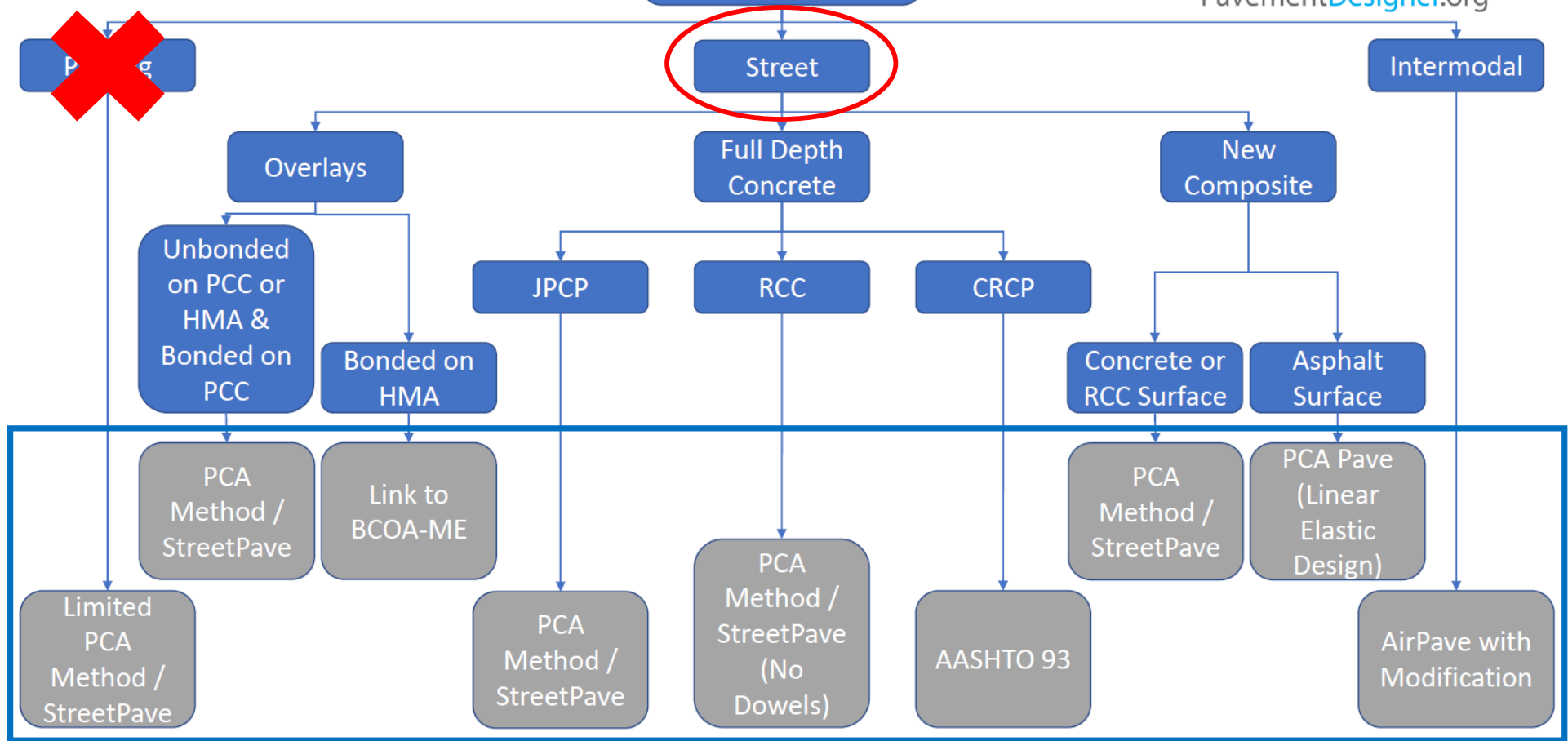
- PavementDesigner's Parking design uses a slightly modified version of the Street's Module for the sake of simplicity
 - Allows for various design lives, reliabilities, and percent slabs cracked at the end of the design life



Parking Lot Design with PavementDesigner

- Design a bus terminal (ACI Spectrum-C) that serves ~50 buses a day
- Assume 20 year design life
- Existing subgrade is clay

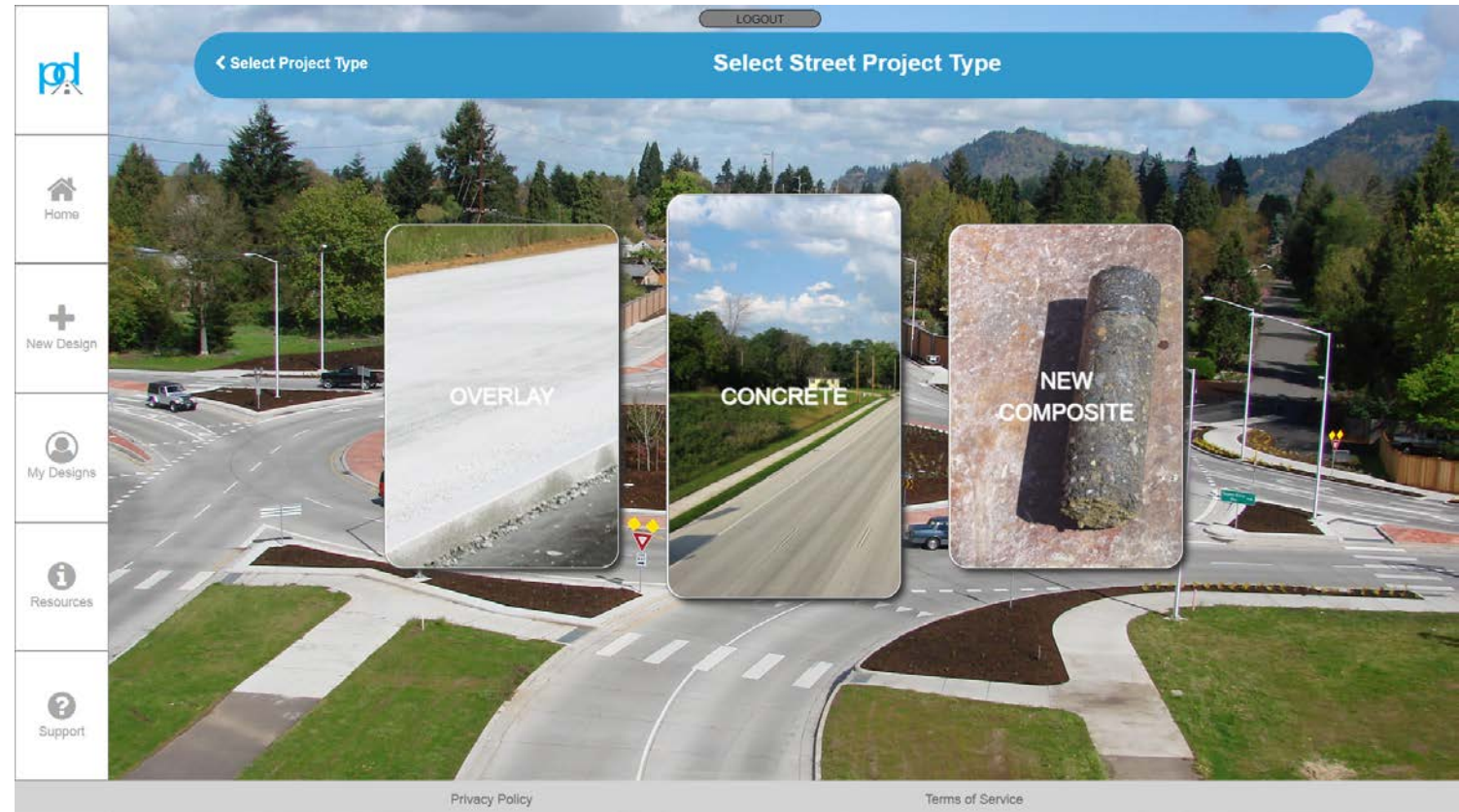




MUNICIPAL STREETS & LOCAL ROADS

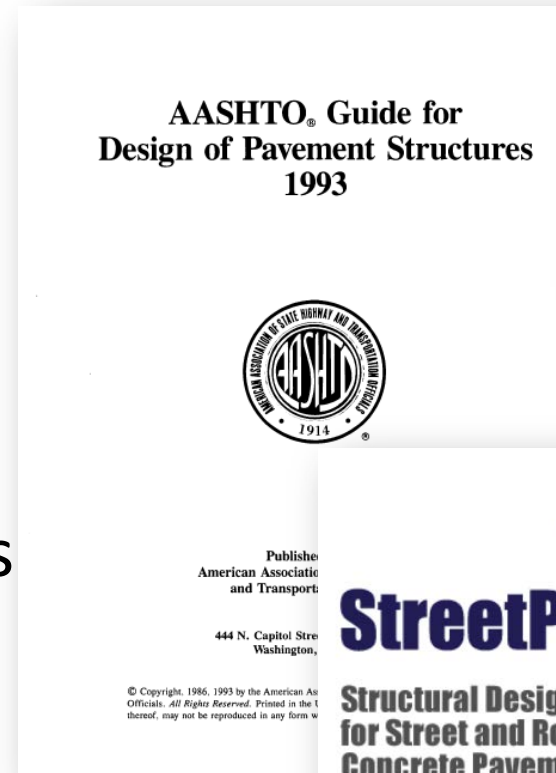
Municipal Street Design with PavementDesigner

- Overlays
 - Bonded and Unbonded
 - On Asphalt and Concrete
- Full-Depth Concrete
 - JPCP
 - RCC
 - CRCP
- Composite Pavements



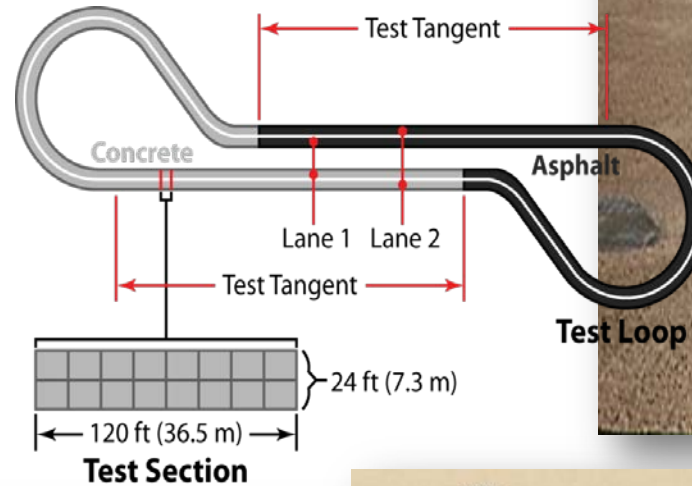
Other Ways of Designing Municipal Streets

- AASHTO 93
- Pavement ME
- ACI 325.12R-02
 - Guide for Design of Jointed Concrete Pavements for Streets and Local Roads
- StreetPave

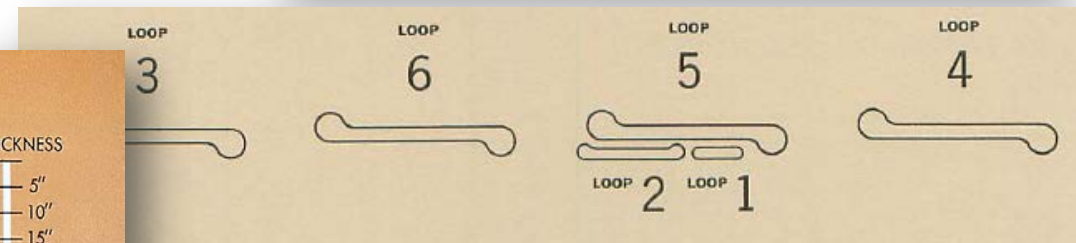
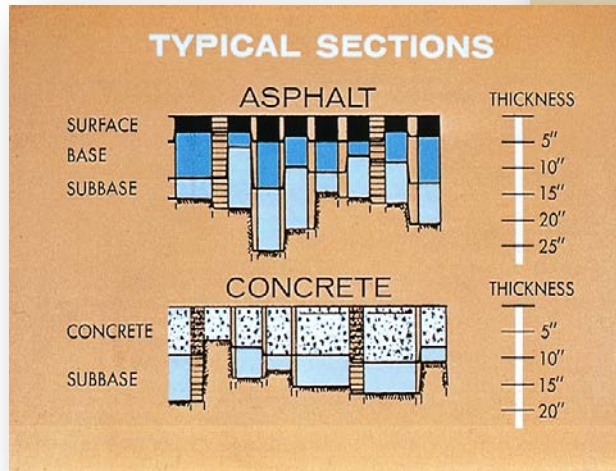
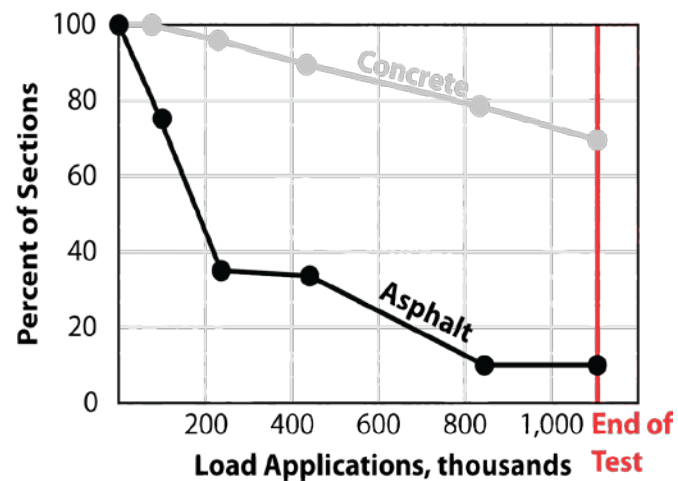


AASHTO 93

- Wholly empirical – AASHO Road Test
- Limited inference space:
 - Materials
 - Structural sections
 - Soils
 - Traffic



PERCENT SURVIVING WITH PSI ABOVE 2.5



Don't Just Take My Word...

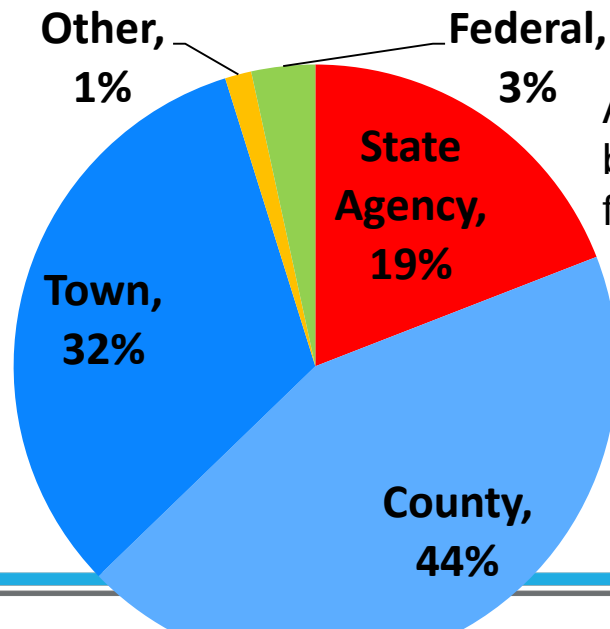


“The current design guide and its predecessors were largely based on design equations empirically derived from the observations AASHTO’s predecessor made during road performance tests completed in 1959-60. Several transportation experts have criticized the empirical data thus derived as outdated and inadequate for today’s highway system. In addition, a March 1994 DOT Office of Inspector General report concluded that the design guide was outdated and that pavement design information it relied on could not be supported and validated with systematic comparisons to actual experience or research.”
...this is why Pavement ME exists!

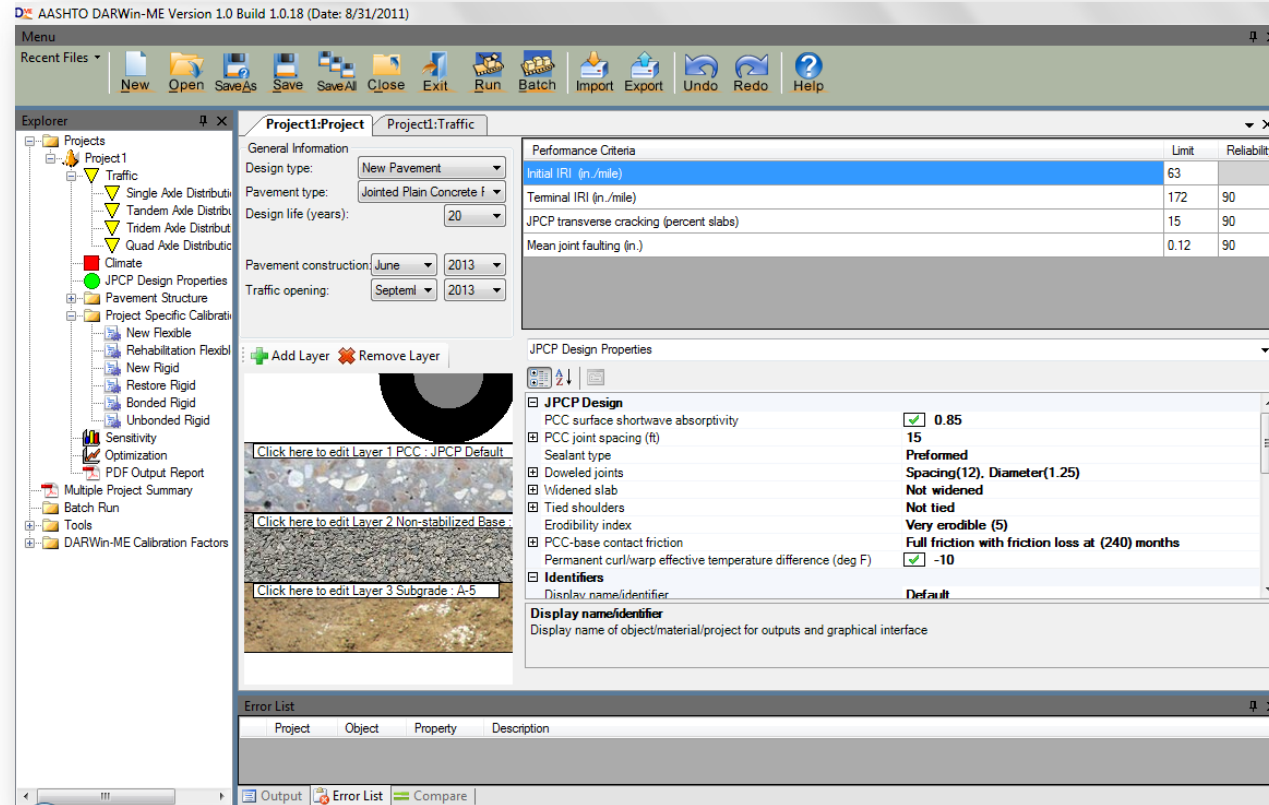
AASHTOWare Pavement ME Design



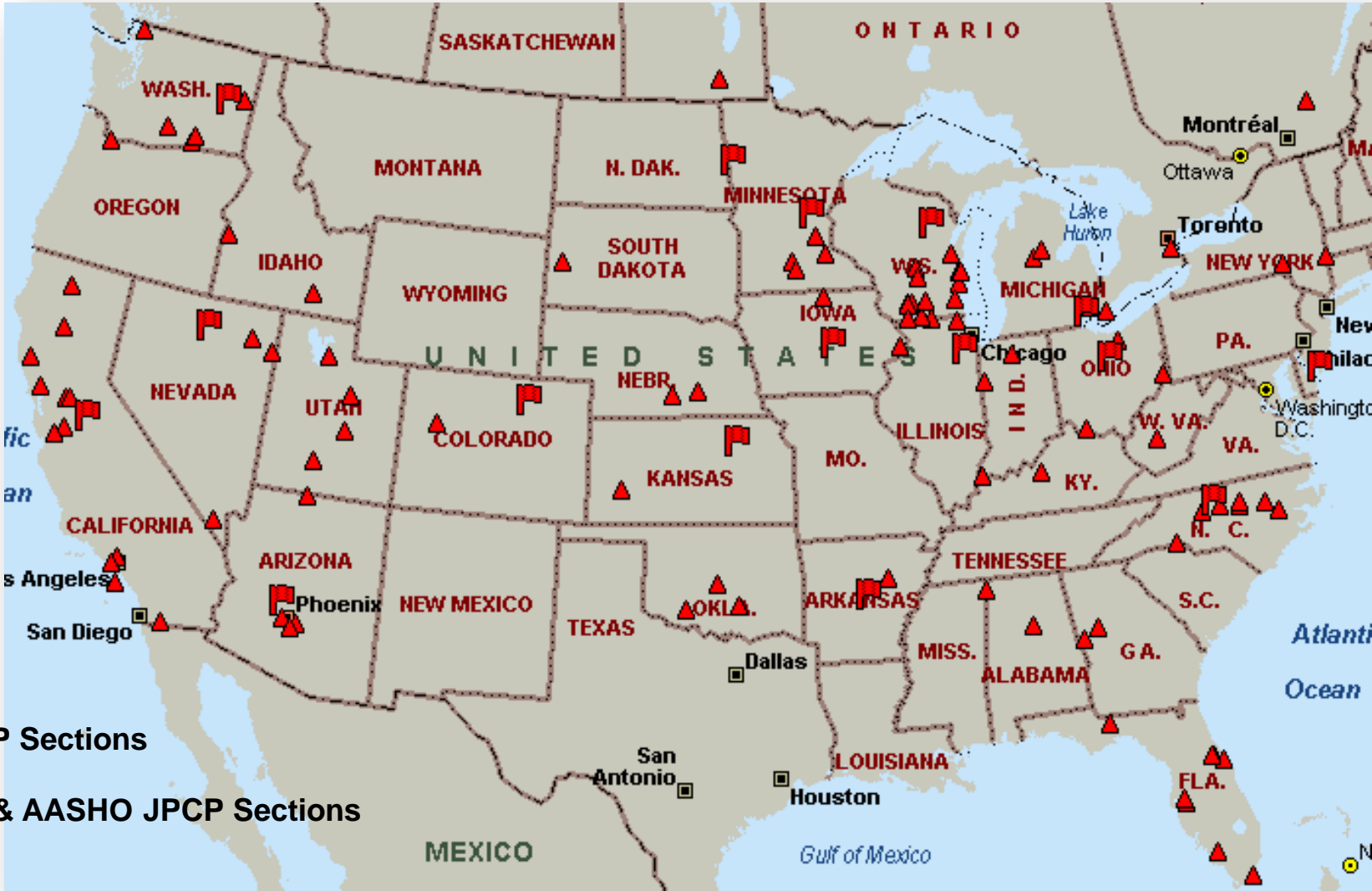
- Developed for Highways
 - NOT street, road, parking lot, etc.
- Complex
- Expensive





AASHTO tools are being developed for these owners...



JPCP Calibration – BIG INF. SPACE!



-  LTPP GPS-3 & RPPR JPCP Sections
-  LTPP SPS-2, MnROAD, & AASHO JPCP Sections

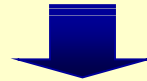
AASHTO 93 vs. ME

Wide range of structural and rehabilitation designs

design

Limited structural sections

AASHTO 93



AASHTO Pavement ME

1 climate/2 years

climate

All climates over 20-50 years

1 set of materials

materials

New and diverse materials

50+ million load reps

traffic

1.1 million load reps

OUTPUTS, OUTPUTS, OUTPUTS!!!

Design Outputs

Design Inputs

Design Life: 20 years
Design Type: JPCP

Design Structure

Layer type	M
PCC	JPCP E
Flexible	Default
Cement_Base	Cement
Subgrade	A-7-6
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Design Outputs

Distress Prediction Summary

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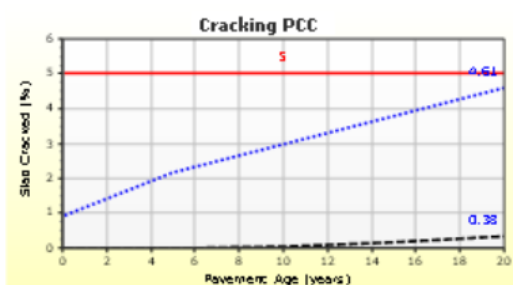
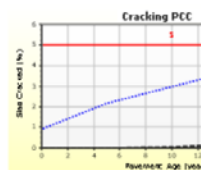
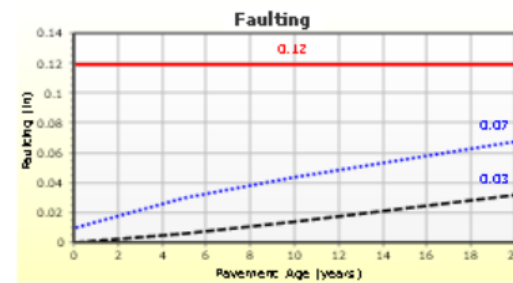
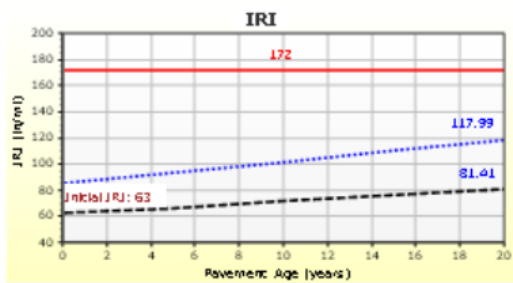
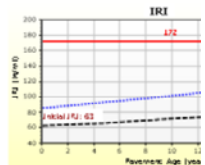
Distress Charts

Distress Prediction Summary

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Mean joint faulting (in)
JPCP transverse cracking

Distress Charts



ACI 325

- Limited design charts
- New guide based on PavementDesigner runs

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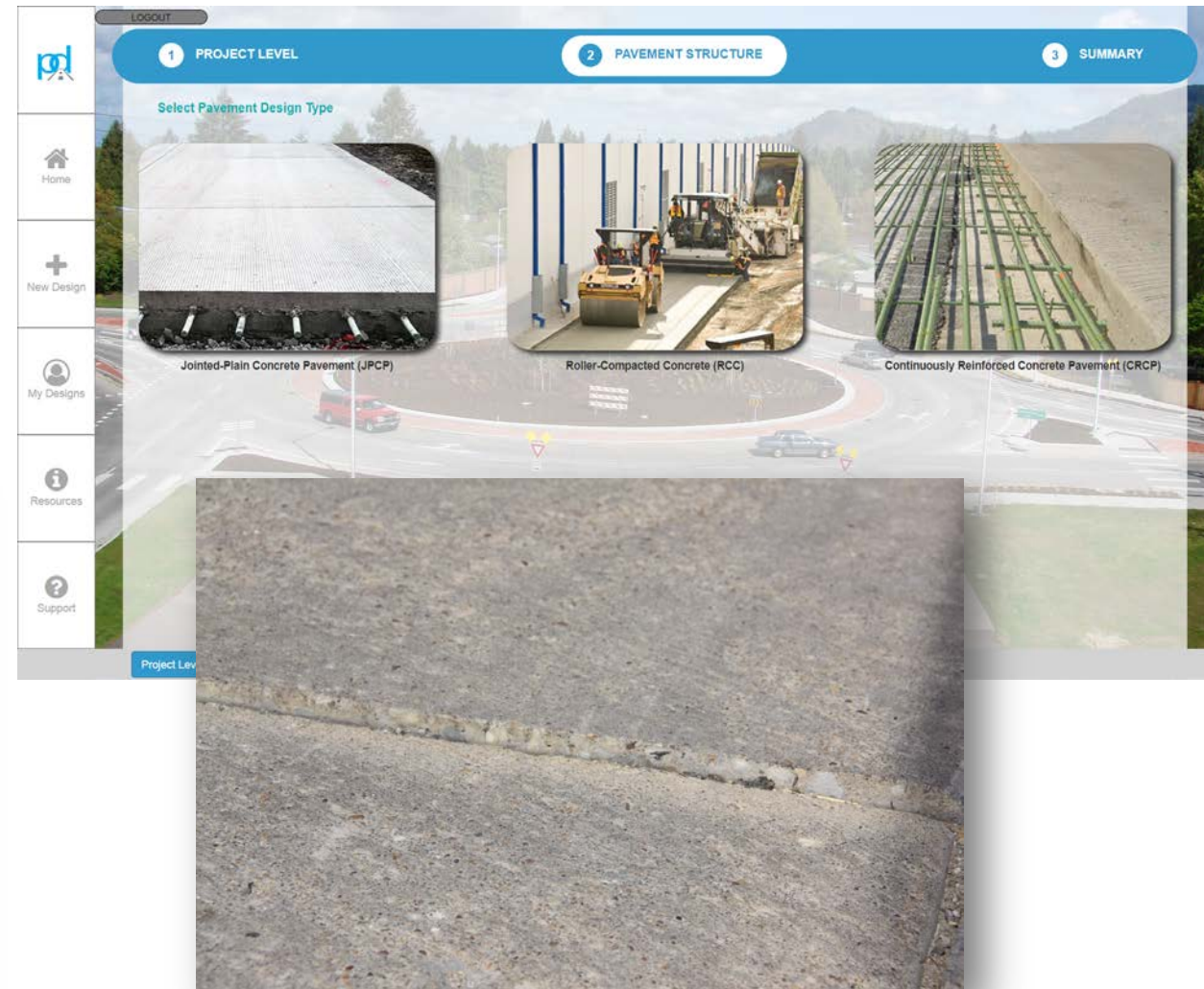
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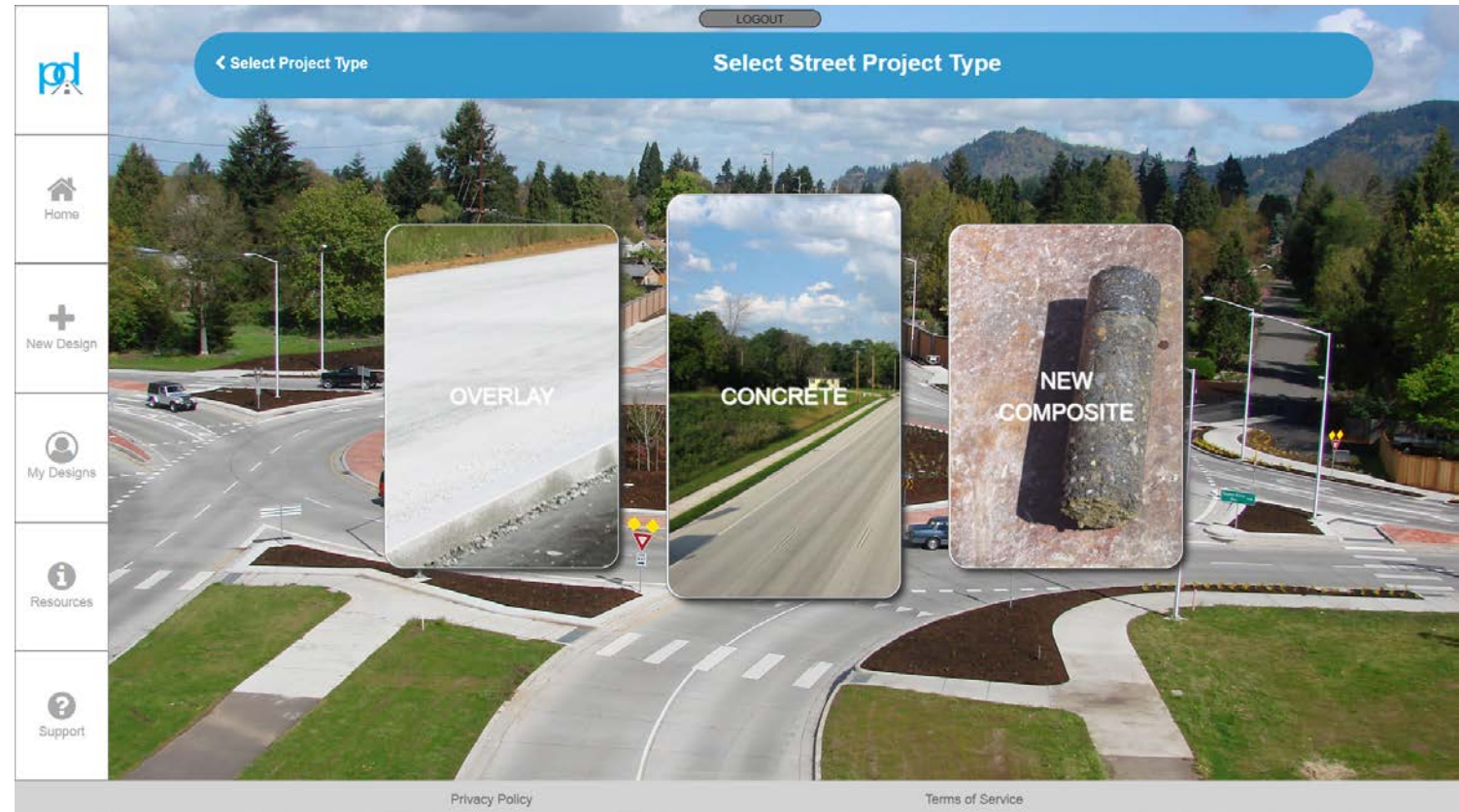
PavementDesigner for Roadways

- Roots date back to the 1960s PCA Method
- Tailored for streets and roads
- Failure modes are cracking and erosion



Municipal Street Design with PavementDesigner

- Design for Overland Parkway with ~100 trucks/day
- Existing Subgrade is poorly graded silt (A-5)



Highway Design with PavementDesigner

- 7,860 trucks (~20M ESALs)
- 90% Reliability
- 5% Slabs Cracked
- 6 lane facility
- R-Value = 20
- MOR = 630 psi
- $E_{PCC} = 3,500,000$ psi
- Edge Support
- HMA Subbase = 1"
- Cement Stb Subgrade = 6"
- $K = 160$ psi/in
- Design:
 - AASHTO 93 = 11"

Project Description

Project Name: ARDOT - I-30 Calculator
 Designer's Name: undefined
 Project Description: undefined

Design Summary

Recommended Design Thickness: 8.50 in. (Doweled) / 8.50 in. (Undoweled)
 Calculated Minimum Thickness: 8.43 in. (Doweled) / 8.43 in. (Undoweled)
 Maximum Joint Spacing: 15 ft. (Doweled) / 15 ft. (Undoweled)

Pavement Structure

SUBBASE

User-Defined Composite K-Value of Substructure: 160 psi/in

Layer Type	Resilient Modulus	Layer Thickness
JOINTED PLAIN CONCRETE SURFACE		
Hot-Mix or Warm-Mix Asphalt Base	450,000 psi	1 in
Cement Stabilized Subgrade	100,000 psi	6 in
SUBGRADE		

CONCRETE

28-Day Flex Strength: 630 psi
 Modulus of Elasticity: 3500000 psi
 Edge Support: Yes
 Macrofibers in Concrete: No

SUBGRADE

R-Value: 20
 Calculated MRSG Value: 4,305 psi

Project Level

TRAFFIC

Spectrum Type: Major Arterial
 Design Life: 20 years

USER DEFINED TRAFFIC

Trucks Per Day: 7,860
 Traffic Growth Rate %: 1 % per year
 Directional Distribution: 50 %
 Design Lane Distribution: 60 %

GLOBAL

Reliability: 90 %
 % Slabs Cracked at End of Design Life: 5 %

Avg Trucks/Day in Design Lane Over the Design Life: 2,596
 Total Trucks in Design Lane Over the Design Life: 18,964,076

Design Inputs

Design Life: 20 years
 Design Type: JPCP
 Existing construction: -
 Pavement construction: June, 2020
 Traffic opening: September, 2020
 Climate Data: 34.747, -92.233
 Sources (Lat/Lon)

Design Structure

Layer type	Material Type	Thickness (in)
PCC	JPCP Default	9.0
Flexible	Default asphalt concrete	1.0
Cement_Base	Cement stabilized	6.0
Subgrade	A-7-8	10.0
Subgrade	A-7-8	Semi-infinite

Joint Design:

Joint spacing (ft)	15.0
Dowel diameter (in)	1.25
Slab width (ft)	12.0

Traffic

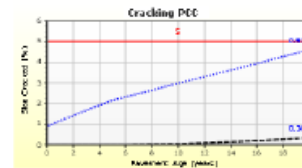
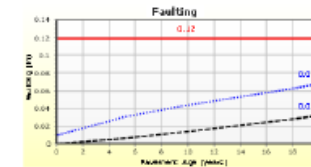
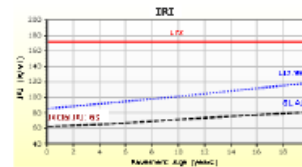
Age (year)	Heavy Trucks (cumulative)
2020 (initial)	7,860
2030 (10 years)	9,775,300
2040 (20 years)	22,134,400

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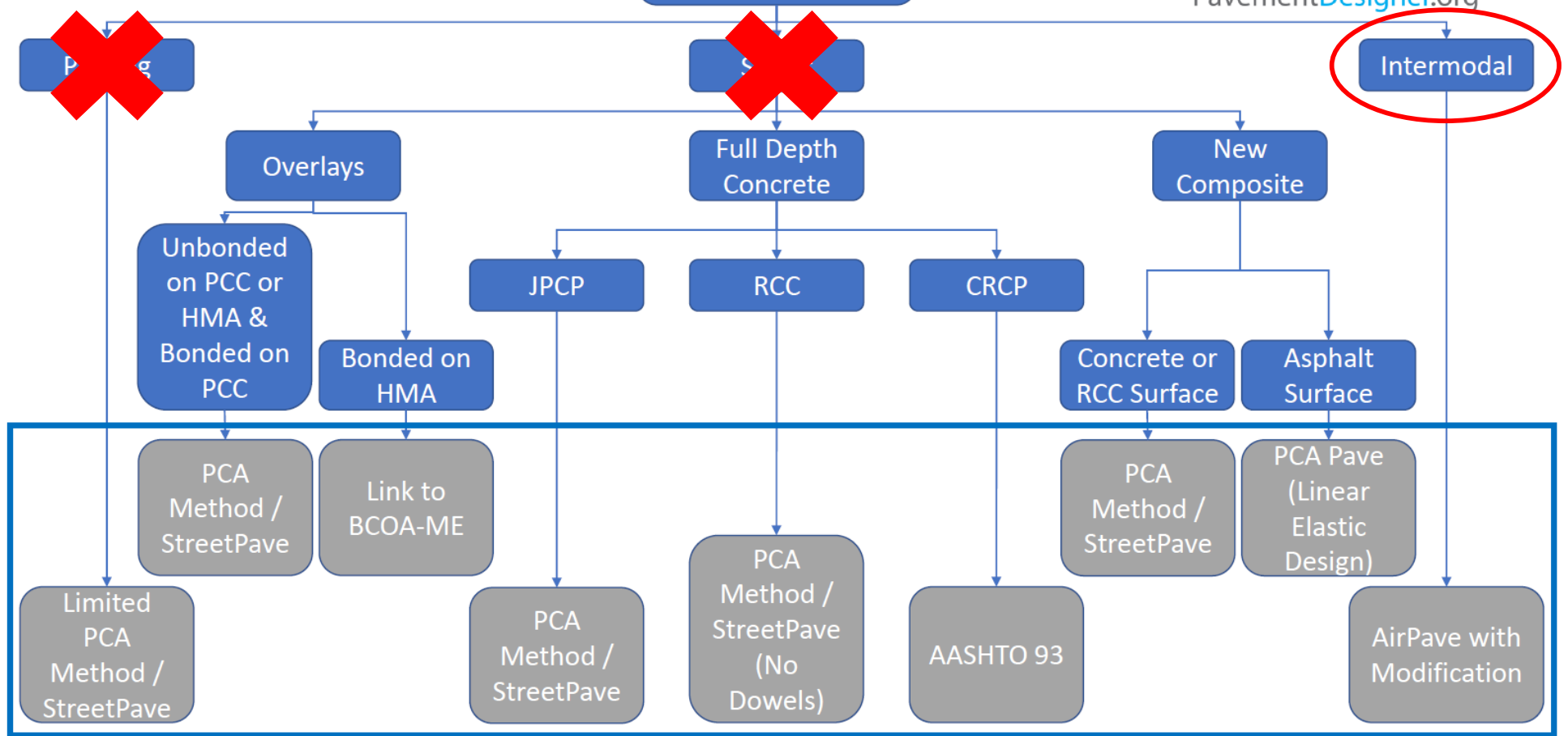
Distress Charts



Differences Between Parking and Street Design

- Simplicity in Parking:
 - Limited Spectrums (for now)
 - Growth Rate = 0%
 - Directional Dist = 100%
 - Design Lane Dist = 100%
 - Fibers not allowed
 - Edge support assumed to be yes
 - Only allows 1 subbase layer





INTERMODAL DESIGN

Intermodal Design?



What Designs are Available for Heavy Intermodal/Industrial Vehicles

- ACI 330.2R-17 – Guide for the Design and Construction of Concrete Site Paving for Industrial and Trucking Facilities
 - Uses design tables (Mainly for Trucks)
 - Lists additional design software:
 - ACPA StreetPave
 - Pavement ME
 - TCPavements / Optipave
 - ACPA AirPave

ACI 330.2R-17

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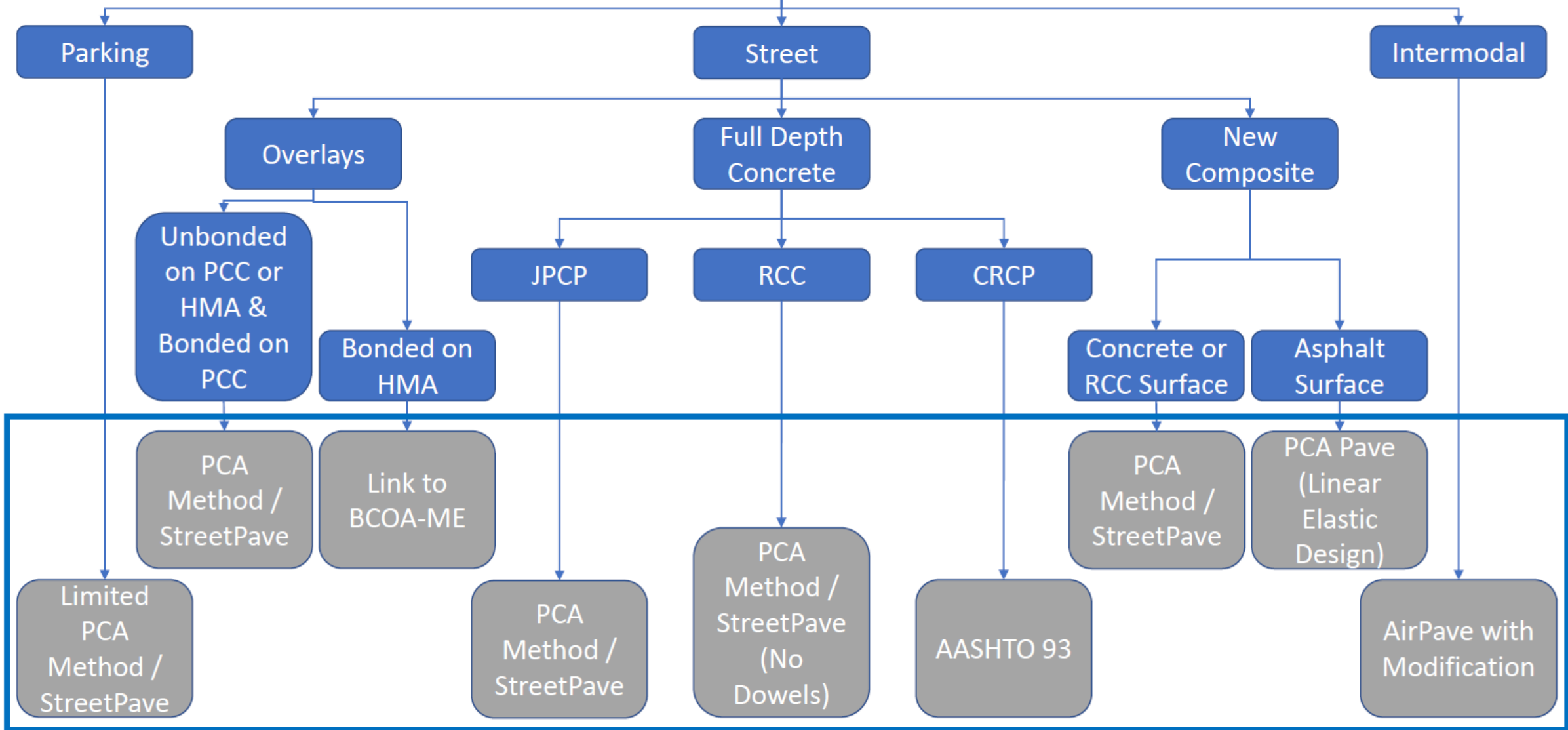
Intermodal Design with PavementDesigner

- Design for a CAT 986 Loader
 - 130,000 lb
 - Wheel base = 12.5 ft
 - Axle width = 10 ft
 - Tire Pressure = 90 psi

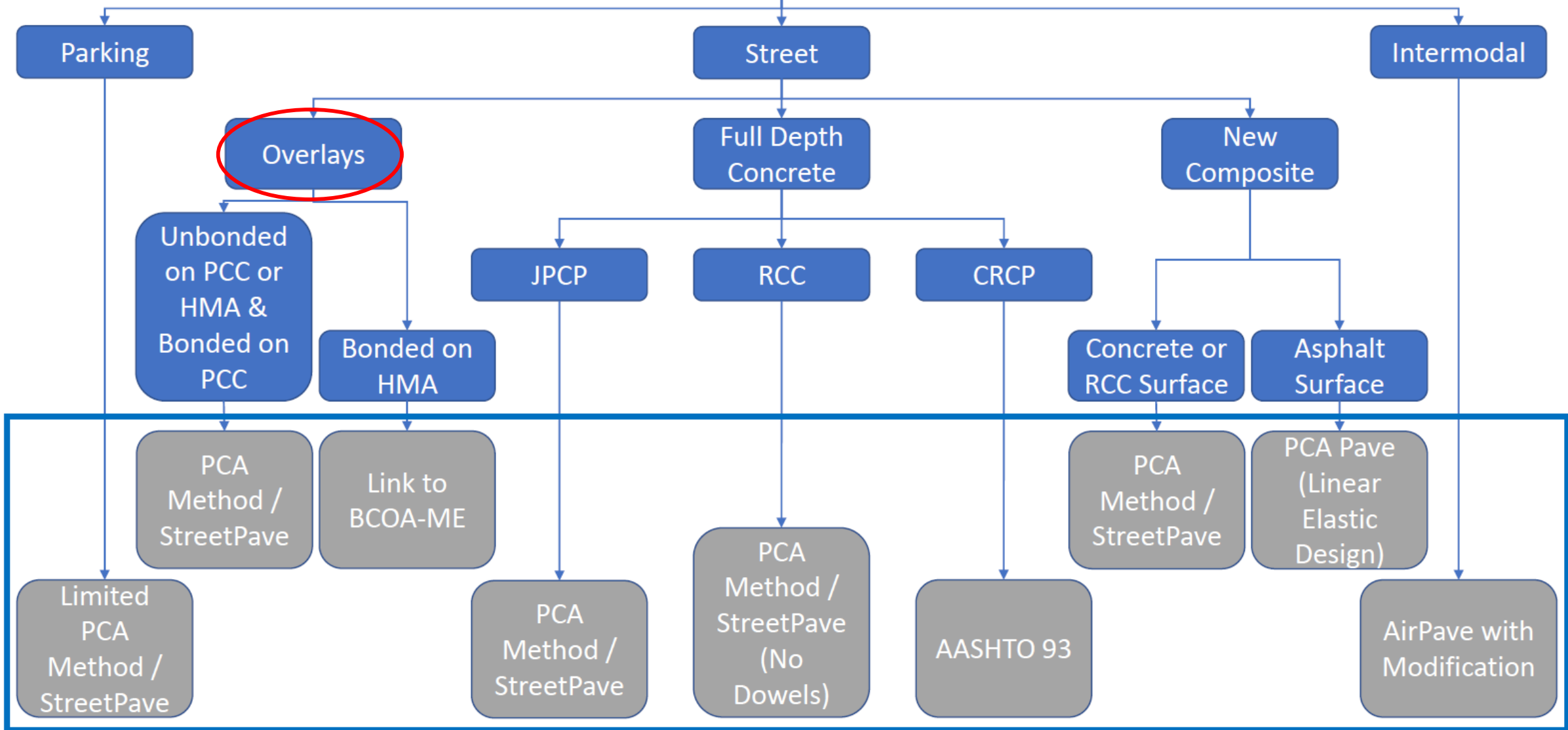


Engine		Operating Specifications	
Engine Model	Cat® C15 ACERT™	Rated Payload – Quarry Face	10 tonnes 11 tons
Gross Power – ISO 14396	329 kW 441 hp	Rated Payload – Loose Material (Standard)	12.7 tonnes 14 tons
Net Power – SAE J1349	305 kW 409 hp	Rated Payload – Loose Material (High Lift)	11 tonnes 12.1 tons
Buckets		Operating Weight	43 717 kg 96,379 lb
Bucket Capacities	5-10.3 m³ 6.5-13.5 yd³		

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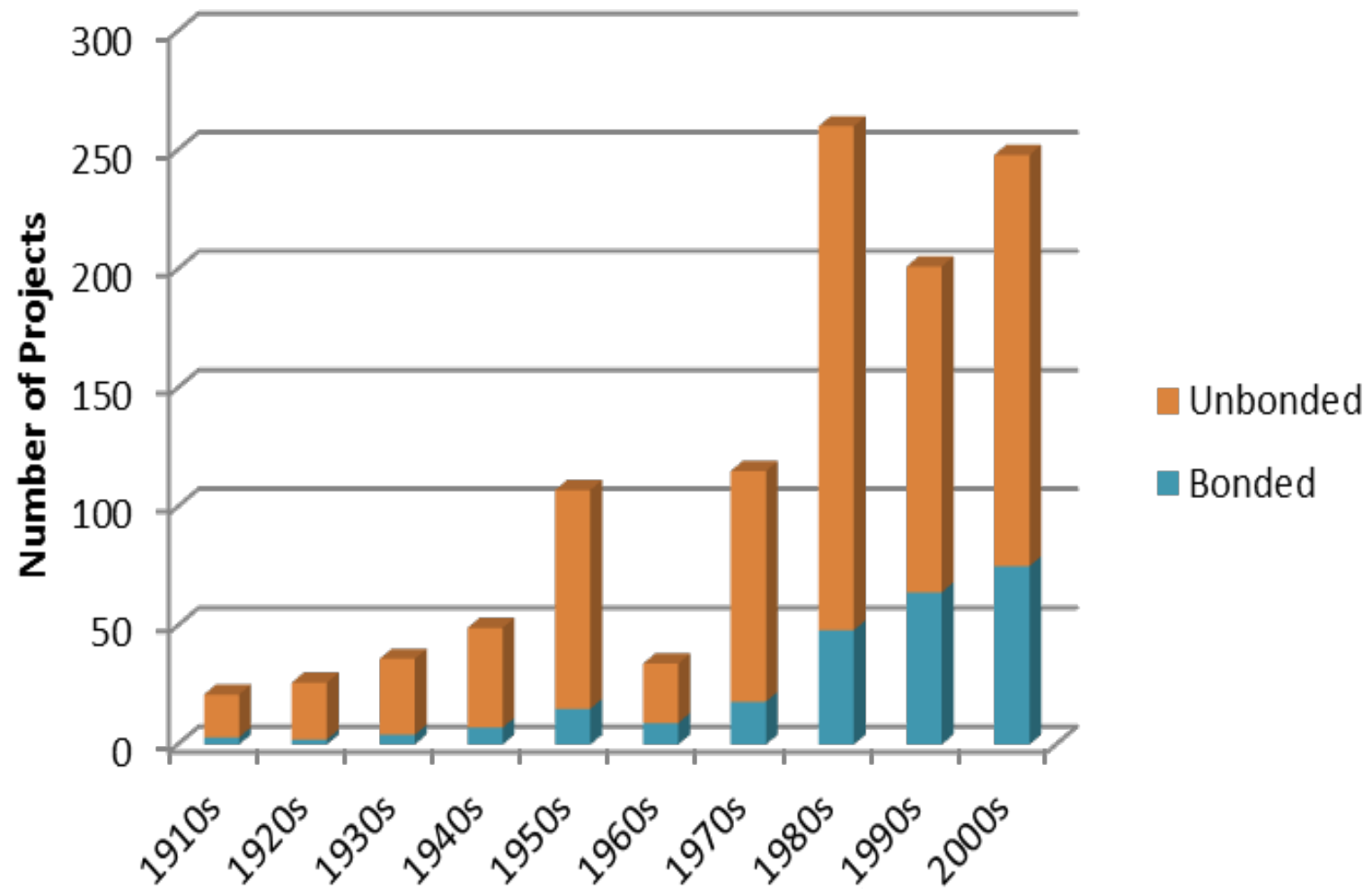


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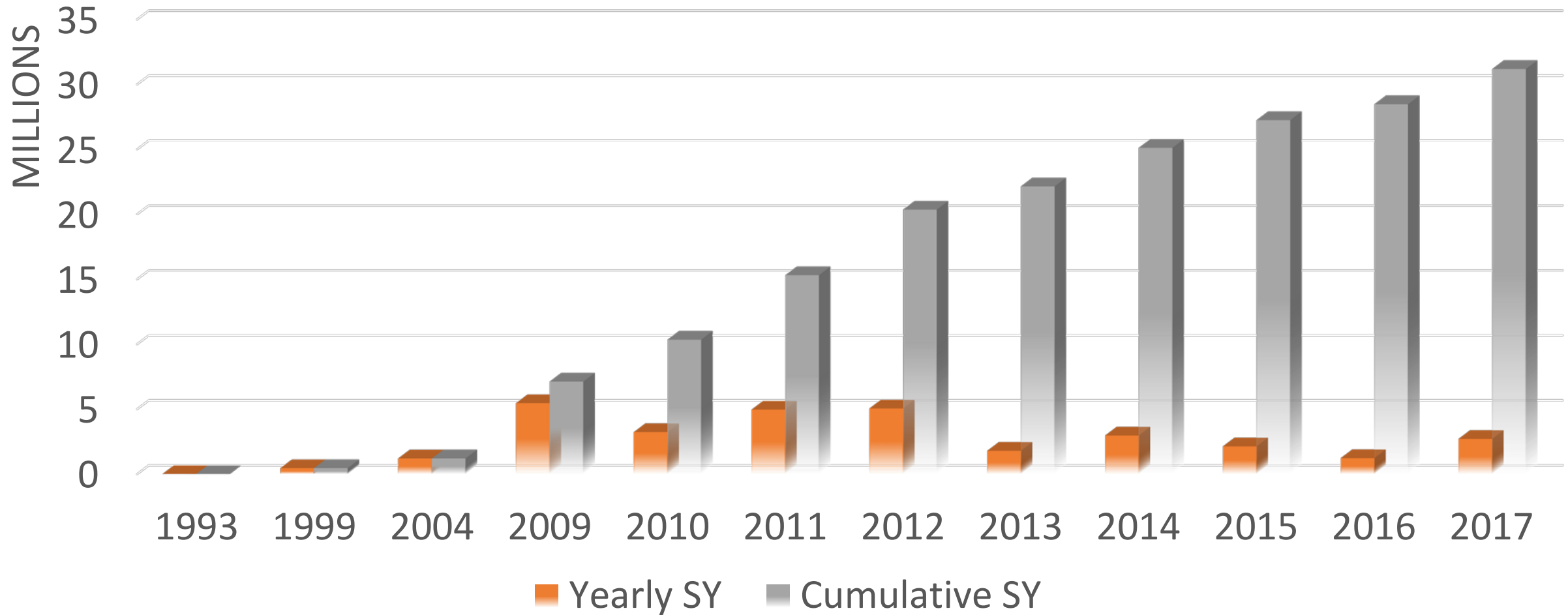


- PavementDesigner Overlay Design Procedure
 - Utilizes JPCP design with modification to account for existing surface layer's condition and thickness
- Links out to the BCOA-ME
 - Best method available
 - Incorporates ACPA BCOA and 6x6x6 designs

Increasing in Use!



SY OF THIN (<6 IN.) CONCRETE OVERLAYS



1 square yard = 0.84 square meters

Lots of Guidance Available...

Whitotopping— State of the Practice

ENGINEERING BULLETIN

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CONCRETE INFORMATION

Construction Specification Guideline for Ultra-Thin Whitetopping

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UTW SCORES A MILLION

The use of ultra-thin whitetopping (UTW) in the United States is continuing to steadily increase since its beginning in Massachusetts in 1995. The National Concrete Pavement Association (NCPA) has done a great deal of work to promote the use of UTW projects throughout the U.S. based on survey results from ACQA (Concrete Overlaying Working Association), State Pavement Concrete Associations, Concrete Shippers Group, ACQA members, and other concrete industry representatives.

In 2006, 212 projects comprising almost one million square yards of UTW in 33 states were completed. This represents a 10% increase over the 190 projects completed in 2005. The states with the most UTW projects in 2006 were Kansas (65) and Kentucky (55). Tennessee also had the most UTW projects in 2006, followed by Missouri (51) and Ohio (42). The largest UTW project in 2006 was the I-75 widening project in Tennessee, which consists of 72,500 UTW in open, base, and a bridge, completed in 1999.

Figure 1 below shows the current number of completed UTW projects by the Figure 2 chart shows the top 10 states in total square yards of UTW.

UTW Projects by State

UTW Projects by State (Top 10)

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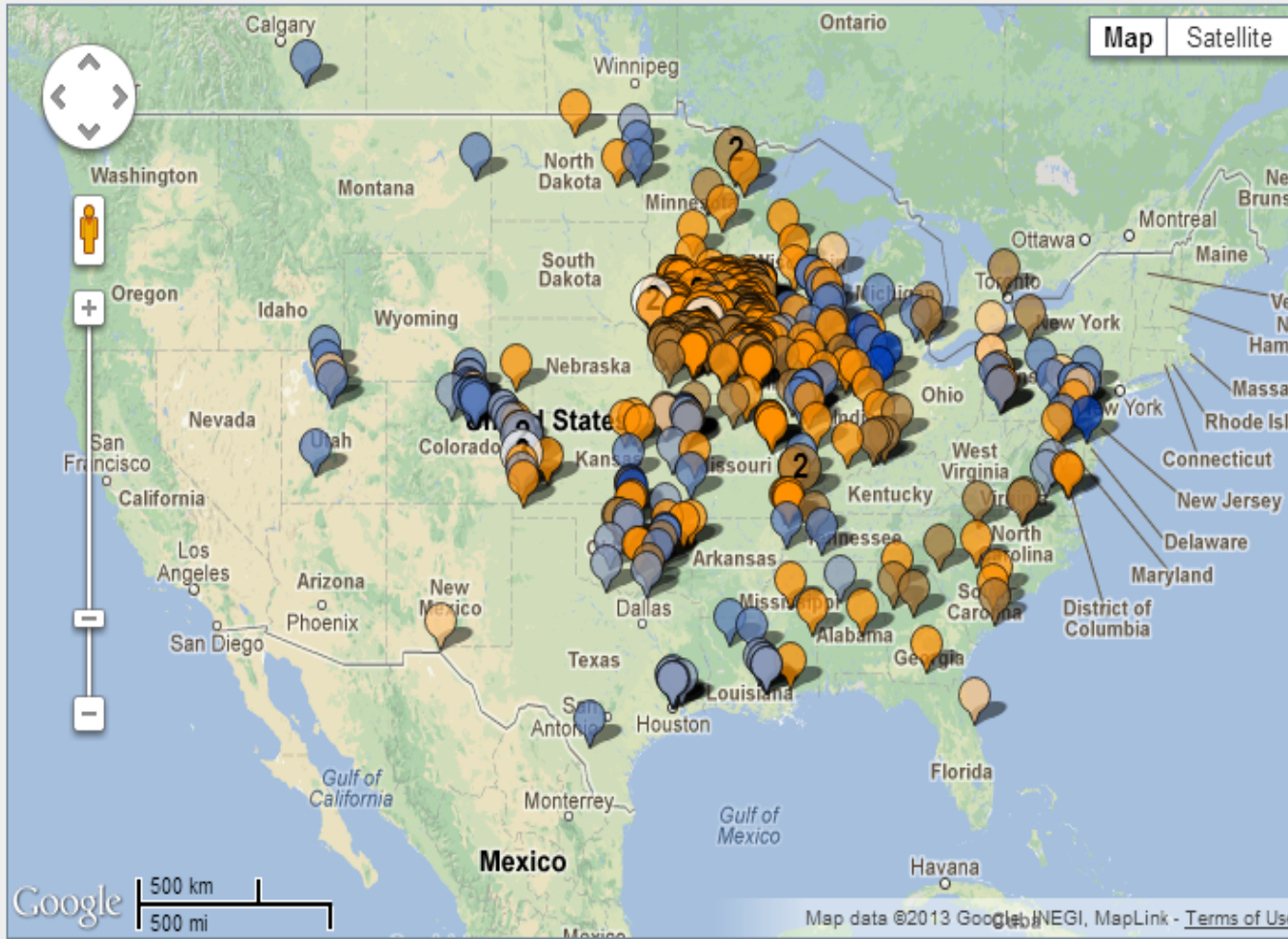
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- 85 Bonded on Asphalt
- 23 Bonded on Composite
- 147 Bonded on Concrete
- 385 Unbonded on Asphalt

Application

- 780 Highway
- 164 Airport
- 148 Street/Road
- 37 NA

State

- 1 AB
- 3 AL
- 12 AR
- 6 AZ

Overlay Thickness (in.)

- 1 0 - 1
- 3 1 - 2
- 46 2 - 3
- 78 3 - 4

Year Constructed

- 15 1900 - 1905
- 2 1910 - 1915
- 4 1915 - 1920
- 9 1920 - 1925

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Field Data Report
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