# Preservation Techniques, Cost Analysis and Decision Trees

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# **Thurston County Overview**



- 1,009 RoadMiles
- Urban and Rural Areas
- Decline in Revenue
- Increase in
  Need to keep
  Roads Good

# **Thurston County History**

#### CHIPSEAL

#### OVERLAY

Year	Miles	Total Cost	Year	Miles	Total Cost
2003	74	\$1,287,687	2002	20.61	\$2,076,932
2004	77	\$1,399,800	2003	22.19	\$1,811,639
2005	54	\$996,193	2004	16.867	\$1,524,888
2006	26.25	\$793,784	2005	8.5	\$1,021,330
2007	29.4	\$851,171	2006	5.21	\$776,756
2008	41	\$1,788,000	2007	1.726	\$244,596
2009	61.172	\$2,685,913.15	2008	2.45	\$600,000
2010	17.593	\$727,590			
2011	011 no chip sealing				
2012	35.2	1,350,905			

### Rising Costs - Need to Re-Evaluate

### 2005 COSTS

#### 2010 COSTS

- Chipseal\$1.50/SY
- Overlay \$120,000/Mile
- Full Rebuild\$1,000,000/Mile

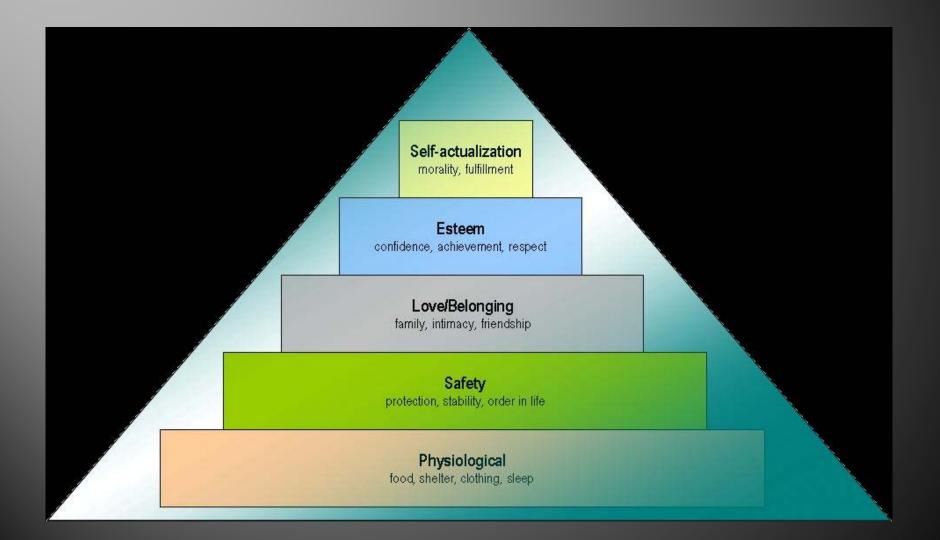
- Chipseal\$3.15/SY
- Overlay\$220,000/Mile

Full Rebuild
 \$1,850,000/Mile

# Are you using B/C Anaylisis?

Are you doing more than building new roads or full rebuilds on existing?

# Maslow's Heirarchy



# **Current Considerations**

Full Rebuild Cost Considerations ADA Requirements Local Agency Requirements Stormwater Costs Permit Costs Cheaper to do maintenance Way cheaper given other requirements

# Where to Start

Best First or Worst First? What classifies as best and when to start Keep Good Roads Good Try new test sections?

### **Preservation & Other Techniques**

- Do Nothing
- Crack Seal
- Seals
  - Fog Seal, Slurry Seal, Chip Seal, Cape Seal, Tire Ruberized Modified Surface Seal
- Recycling
- Overlays
  - Digouts with Thick or Thin Overlays
- Full Rebuilds

# Some Options and Costs

Fix	Years of Life Expected	2009 Costs *	
	from maintenance performed	*taken from Kercher Inc. and City of Sacremento	
No Maintenance	N/A		
Crack Seal	2-5 years	\$1-\$1.50/SY	
Chip Seal, Slurry Seal, Cape Seal or TRMSS	5-12 years - Fog seal 3-5 years, chip/slurry 5-7 years, cape 7-10 years	\$1-\$3.50/SY	
Dig outs and thin overlays or chip/ TRMSS on local roads	10-12 years	\$6-12	
Dig outs and thick overlay	12-15 years	\$12-18/SY	
Reconstruction/CRP project	20+ years	\$30+/ SY	

# **Test Sections**

- There is a lot of research out there
- Hard to be first in area to try something new
- What we have tried
  - Reverse Double Chip in an area with rutting and flushing –Littlerock Road
  - Recycled Glass below parking area
    - Less risk at parking facility
    - Did not have to import material more green
  - Chipseal over native ground Case Road



Original Road Chipseal on Native Subgrade Several **Rock Pits** in Area • Over 4000 ADT







# Benefit Cost & Construction Timing

- Early season is best time to pave chipseal etc.
- Crack Sealing
  - Summer?
  - Fall?
  - Winter?
  - Spring?

 Make your preservation techniques have the longest lifespan you have control over.
 Otherwise you lose benefit and raise cost

# **Decision Tree**

- Do not blindly follow
- Take a look at your roads and do QA/QC
- Road with Average PCI of 72
  - ADT put it on the 3/8" chip list in TC
  - Site inspection Great pavement condition
  - Except across the road next to a fire hydrant
  - Private Water line leaking
  - Road repaired by utility
  - County cost \$0

# What Variables Matter

- ADT
- Truck Route
- Previous Treatments
- History
- Citizens
- Politics
- Budget
- Goals
- Agency Size Mobilization Costs

# Show and Tell





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- Show your successes
- A picture is worth a thousand words
- Site visits, public meetings, tell your successes
- Decision makers and Constituents will want more success
- Shoot for a decision made before the dollars are decided
- Doing more with less, show off successful innovations and changes in your program

# Questions?