#### Making a Case for Funding Pavement Preservation in Tennessee

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applied pavement

providing engineering solutions to improve pavement performance



#### Tennessee fun facts

- Population 6.549 million (2014)
- 16<sup>th</sup> State of the Union (1796)
- Grand Ole Opry (1925)
- Jack Daniel Distillery (1866)
- National Storytelling Festival



#### **Transportation System**

- Interstate 1,040 miles
   140, 124, 126, 175, 155,
   169, 181
- State Rts 13,000 miles
- 37,492 lane miles
- 95% Asphalt Pavements









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# Tennessee has one of the better road systems in the United States

- Ohio Interstate Study
- NCHRP Study
- Overdrive Magazine
- 10 Perpetual Pavement Awards
- CNBC Business Report (Infrastructure)





### Major Goal:

- Maintain the road system in its present <u>HIGH</u> condition
- How to do it?
  - **-** \$\$\$\$\$
  - Tell the story in a way that people understand





#### What Can We DO?

• 3 Possible Solutions

-More Money!!!!!!

- -Use less costly treatments
- -A combination of both





#### Performance Measurement

- Three methods:
- (1) Lane miles resurfaced each year
- (2) Average Pavement Quality Index (PQI)
- (3) Remaining Service Life





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- Previous Goals:
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  - 648 lane miles/year
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  - 5 years average of **517.3** lane miles/year
- State Routes 12 year cycle
  - 2583 lane miles/year
    15 year cycle
  - 5 years average of 2066 lane miles/year





Annual Lane Miles Resurfaced

Interstate (8 year cycle)

 Need to average 131.5 additional lane miles/year to maintain existing condition)

- 131.5 X \$160,000 = \$21,034,000

- \$21,034,000 + \$60,000,000 = \$81.03 Million

 Current funding of \$64 Million is not adequate



Annual Lane Miles Maintained

- State Routes (12 year cycle)

• To maintain the 12 year cycle 2667 lane miles must be addressed each year.

- 2667 X \$61,170 / lane mile = \$163.1 million

• Current funding of \$141 million is not adequate



#### **Resurfacing Expenditures**

- Prior to 2011
  - Interstates \$50 million
  - State Routes \$90 million
- 2011 and 2012
  - Interstates \$60 million
  - State Routes \$120 million
- 2013 and forward
  - Interstates \$64 million
  - State Routes \$141 million



#### Pavement Management System

3 Major Components

•System for Collecting Data - Mandli Communications collects distress (8 different types), smoothness (IRI), and rutting using state-of-the-art equipment

Database to sort and store Data
An analysis program to evaluate repair or preservation strategies, and suggest cost-effective projects for maintaining pavements Stantec's Highway Pavement Management Application (HPMA)





### Pavement Management System



- Pavement Management System PQI
  - Interstate performance is adequate at present \$64M
  - State Routes indicates that approx. \$260M
     will be required annually to maintain
     condition





# Remaining Service Life (RSL)

- TDOT 37,492 Lane Miles
- Every year each lane mile on the network ages 1 YEAR
- To keep the network at the same overall condition level, we must add:

37,492 lane-mile-years of life

to the network annually





## Remaining Service Life (RSL)

Treatments	PQI / Distress Selection Guidelines	Typical ADT Range	Expected Service Life Extension
Thin Mix Overlays 1" – 1.5" Thick	≥ 3.5 / Low to moderate fatigue cracking, oxidized pavement, raveling, and rutting in wheel paths < 0.25"	No Limit	12 Years
Ultra Thin Mix Overlays <1"	<ul> <li>≥ 3.8 / Low fatigue cracking oxidized pavement, loss of fines on pavement surface.</li> </ul>	0 – 5000	6 – 8 Years
Micro-Surfacing	≥ 3.8 / Low fatigue cracking oxidized pavement, loss of fines on pavement surface.	0 – 5000	6 – 8 Years
Chip Seal	N/A / moderate fatigue cracking, oxidized pavement, raveling, and rutting in wheel paths < 0.25"	< 2000	6 – 8 Years
Crack Seal	N/A / Longitudinal and Transverse Cracks (1/8" -1/2")	No Limit	3 – 5 Years
Fog Seal	N/A / Slight loss of fines	≤ 5000	2 – 3 Years

#### **Remaining Service Life Statewide**



- Remaining Service Life
  - –Interstate
  - Must add 5164 lane mile years to Interstate system in each year
  - -5 year average 5200 lane mile years
- Cost \$10,000 / lane mile year
- \$64M adequate



- Remaining Service Life
  - -State Routes
  - -Must add 31,863 lane-mile-years each year
  - -5 year average 22,038 lane-mile-years
  - -add 11,086 additional lane-mile-years
- 11,086 X \$5026 = \$55.8 million additional expenditure required
- Total Funding Required = \$141,000,000 + 55,800,000 = \$196.8 million



#### What's the Story Funding Annual **Pavement** Remaining Average Miles Service Suggested Management Maintained Life **System** 64.0 81.0 64.0 69.7 Interstate 163.1 260.0 196.8 206.6 State Routes Total 260.8 244.1 276.3 324.0

**Current Funding** 

– Interstates - \$64 million



- State Routes - \$141 million

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