

How to Present Pavement Management Data to Your City Council/County Commissioners

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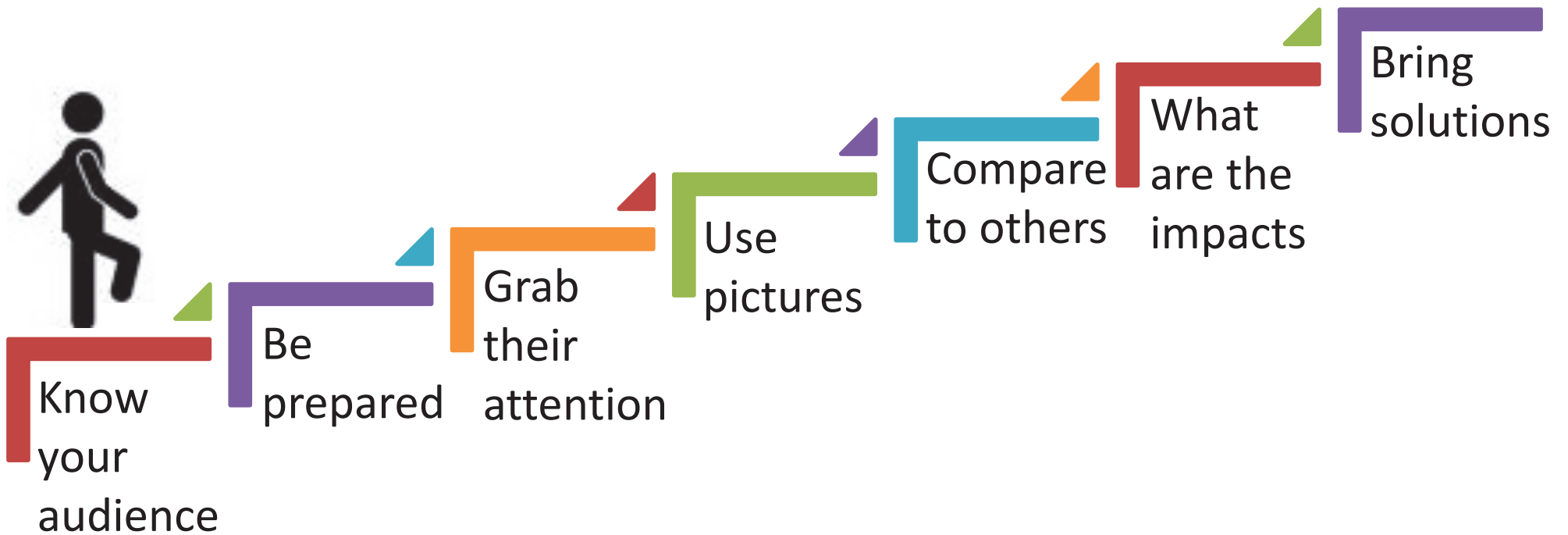
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The “7 Step” Program



Step 1. Know Your Audience

Who?

- Council/City Manager/Director?
- Public?

What are their concerns?

- Complaints?
- Money?

Address their concerns

- Don't spend time discussing something they're not interested in



For New Audiences or Those Needing a Refresher...

- 🌐 What is pavement management?
- 🌐 What is the makeup of the street network?
- 🌐 What is pavement distress?
- 🌐 What types of survey methods are used?
 - How is condition determined?
 - How are segments ranked/selected for treatment?
- 🌐 What treatments are used?
- 🌐 Others?

What is a Pavement Mgmt. Program?

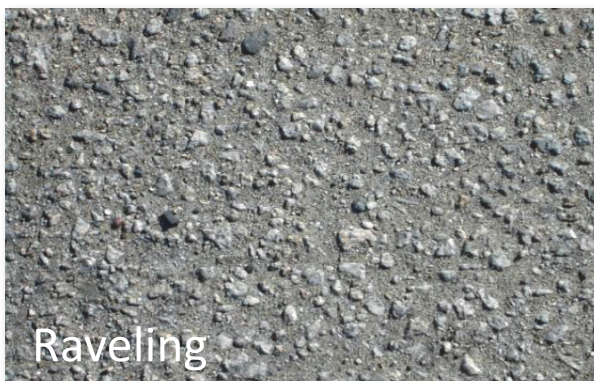
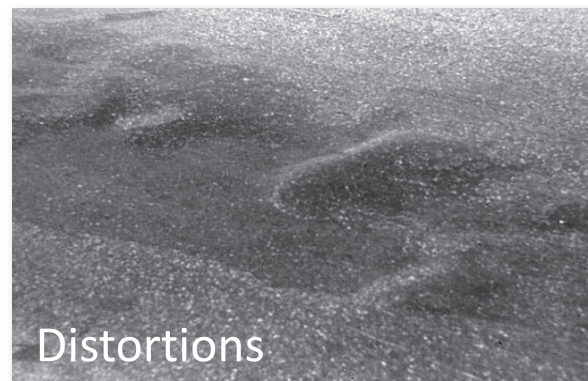
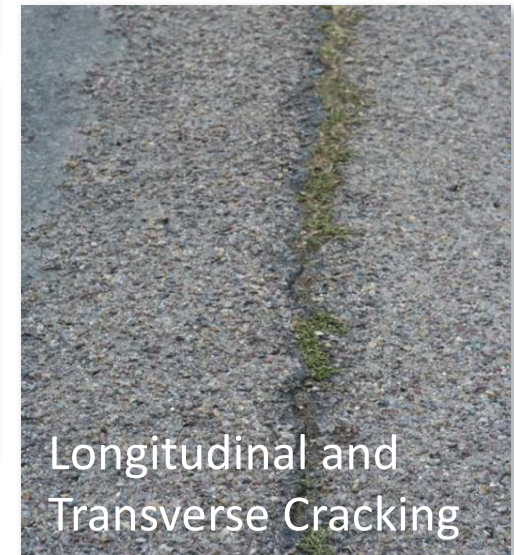
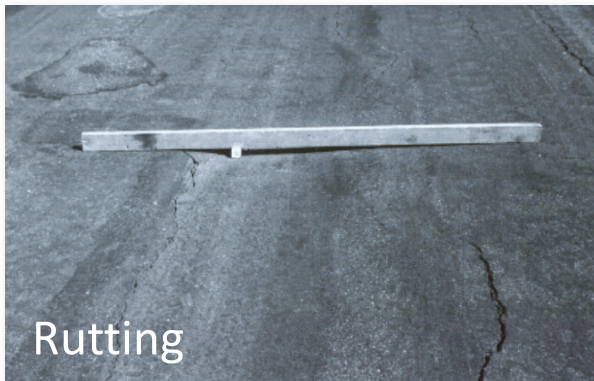
- ❖ A tool to help make cost-effective decisions
- ❖ Answers four main questions
 - What does agency own/maintain?
 - What condition is it in?
 - What repairs are needed and when?
 - How do we apply funding to maintain or improve streets cost-effectively?



Pavement Street Network

Functional Class	Centerline Miles	Lane Miles	% of the Paved Network (by Area)
Arterials	206	763	25%
Collectors	169	468	21%
Local Streets	828	1655	54%
Total	1203	2886	100%

Pavement Distress Type



How is Distress Measured?

Which type is used

- No. of miles
- Time to collect

Survey protocols

Use of GIS

Others?

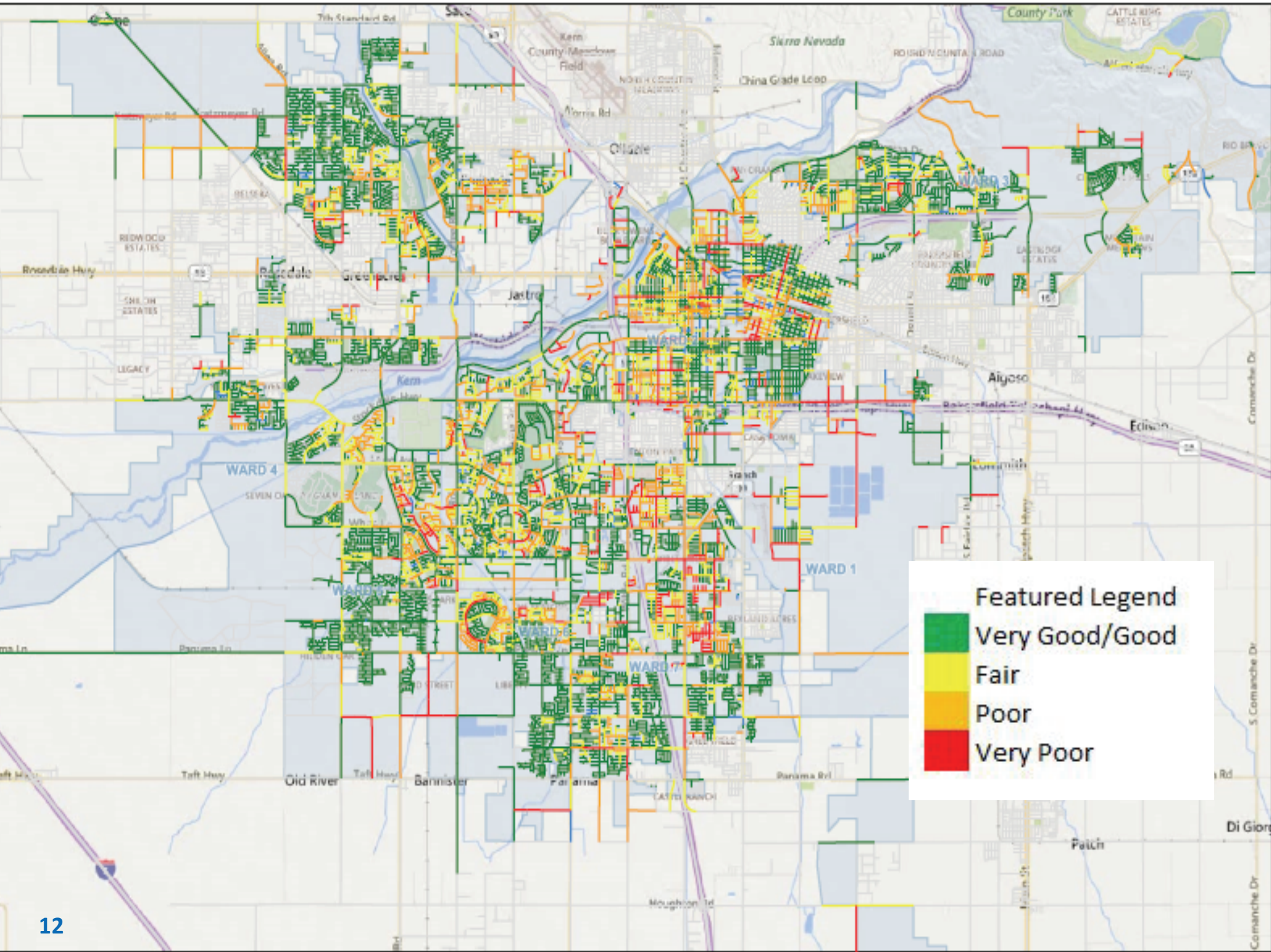


How is Condition Determined



PCI Values





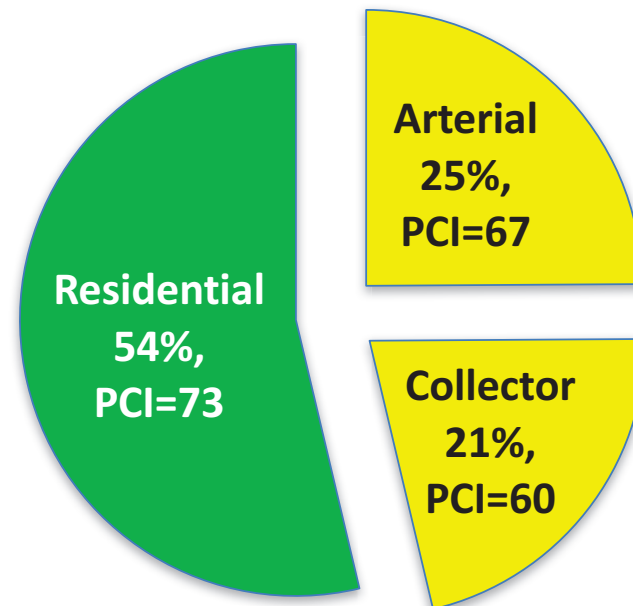
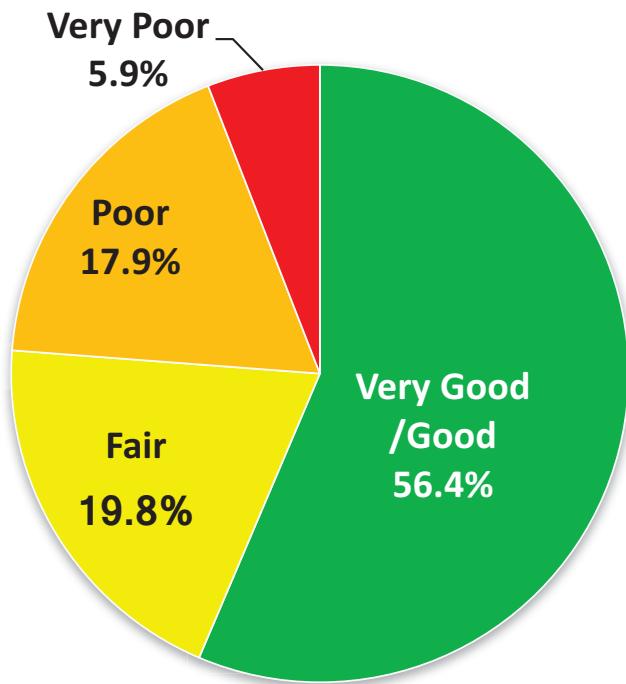
Featured Legend

- Very Good/Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Very Poor

PCI Breakdown

- More than half are in good condition
- 24% are poor/very poor

Residentials are in better condition



Typical Treatments – Milling



Typical Treatments – Blade Patch



Typical Treatments – Grind & Pave

Before



After



Typical Treatments - Reconstruct

Before



After



Step 2. Be Prepared

- ❖ Spend 15 to 30 hours preparing for every hour of presentation
- ❖ Anticipate questions
- ❖ Rehearse!



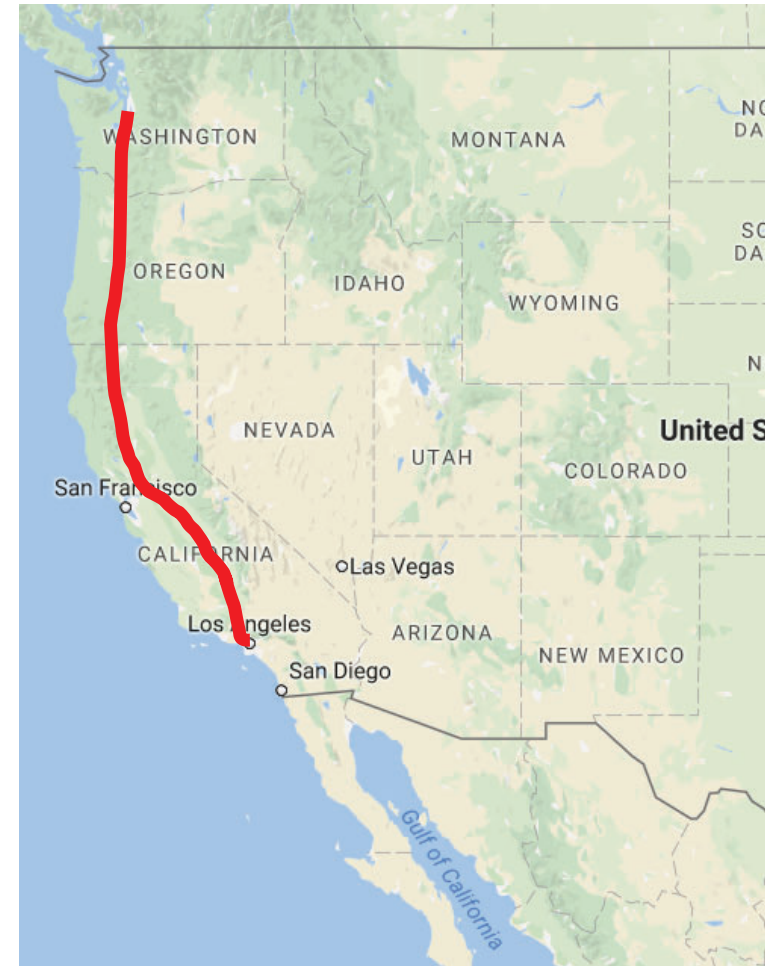
BEFORE



AFTER

Step 3. Grab Their Attention

- ❖ Our pavement network stretch's all the way to...
- ❖ It would take you 20 hours at 65 mph to drive...
- ❖ Our pavement network is worth \$687M
- ❖ We spend \$800K per year to maintain it



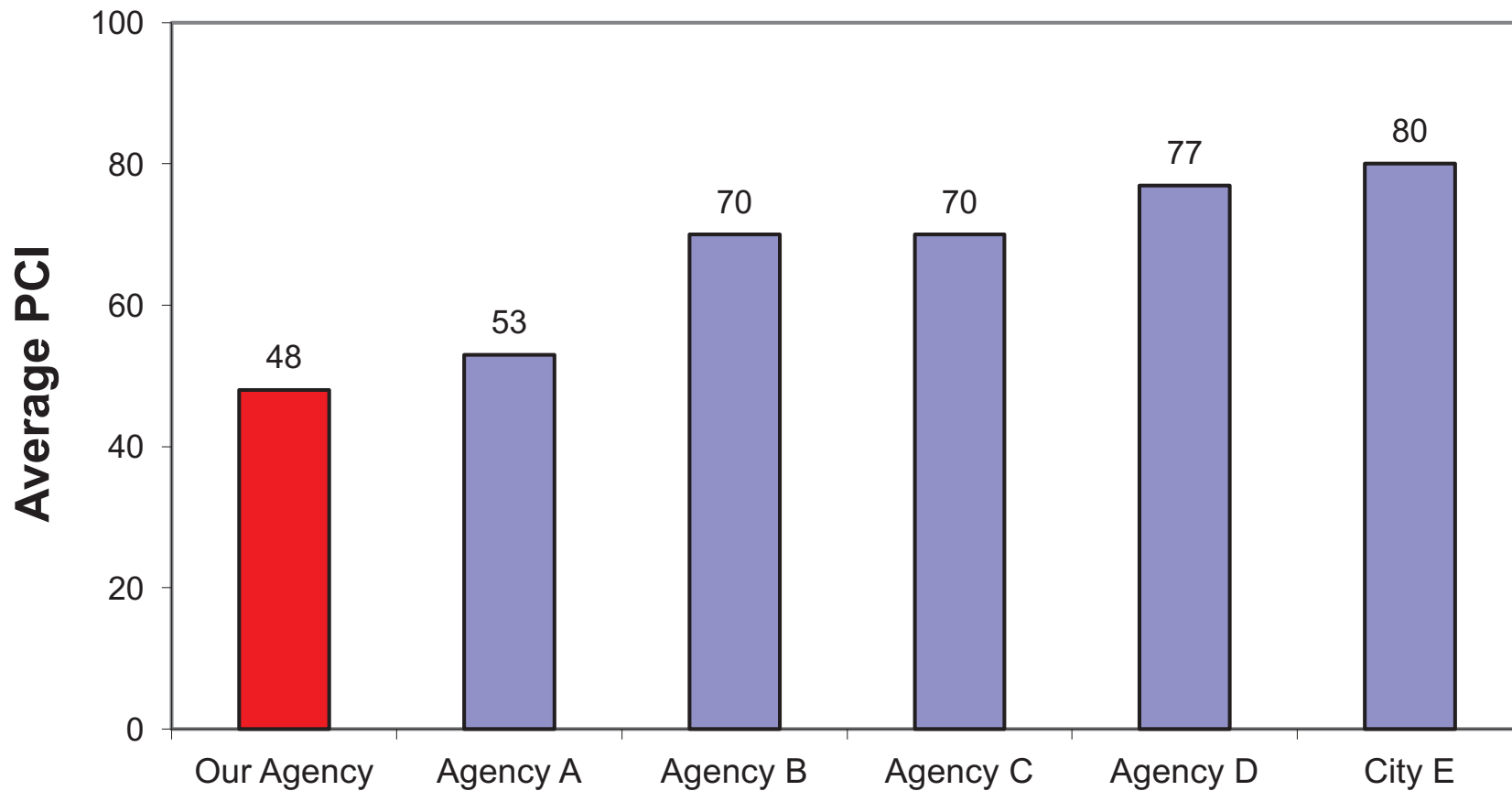
Step 4. Use Pictures



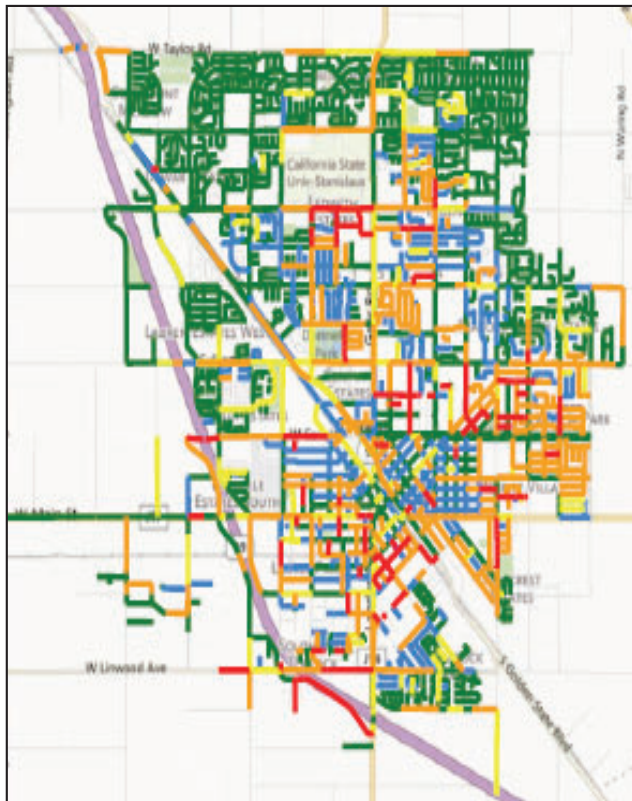
Use Pictures (cont.)



Step 5. Compare to Others



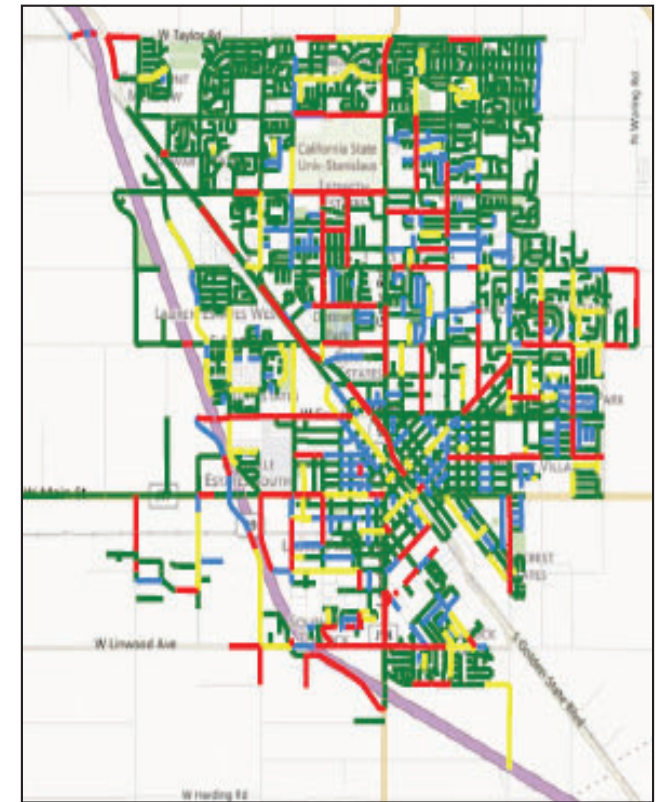
Step 6. What are the Impacts



Current condition

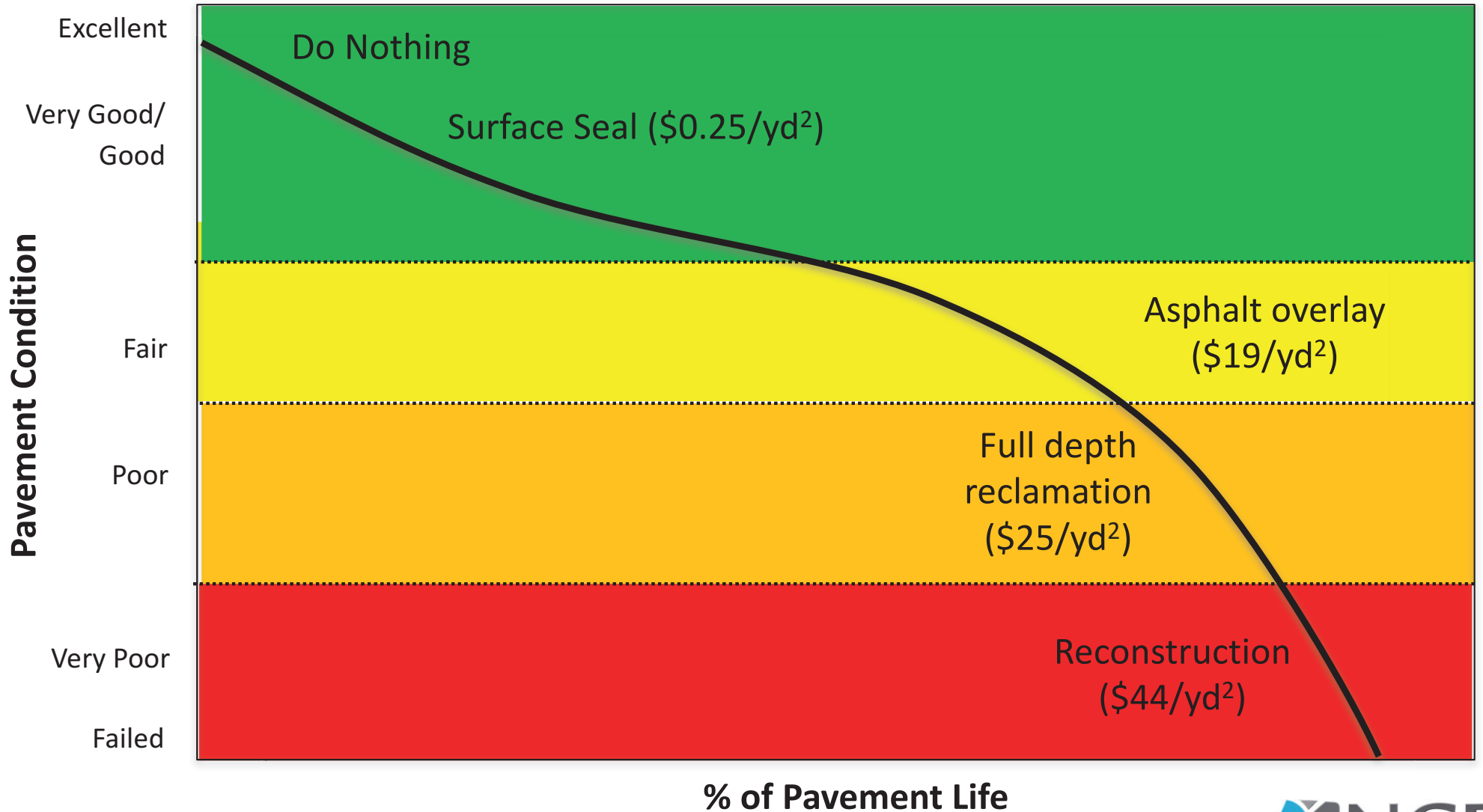


20 years @ current
funding level



20 years with
funding increase

Performance and Cost

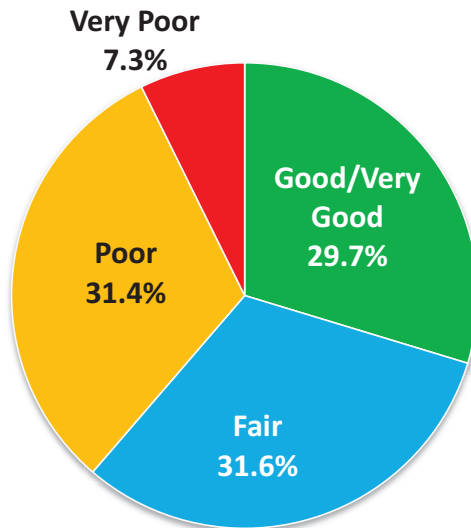


Examples of Presenting Impacts

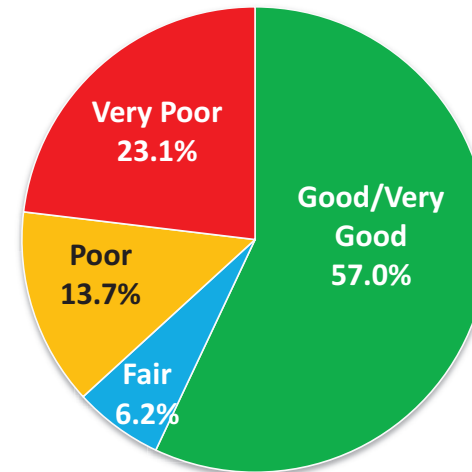
Condition	Budget Scenario			
	Current Condition	Maintain PCI at 57	Improve PCI to 70	Maintain Existing Budget
Good/Very Good	29.7	57.0	76.9	1.7
Fair	31.6	6.2	8.9	6.2
Poor	31.4	13.7	9.0	14.1
Very Poor	7.3	23.1	5.2	78.0
Budget (annual)	\$150k	\$230k	\$180k	\$175k

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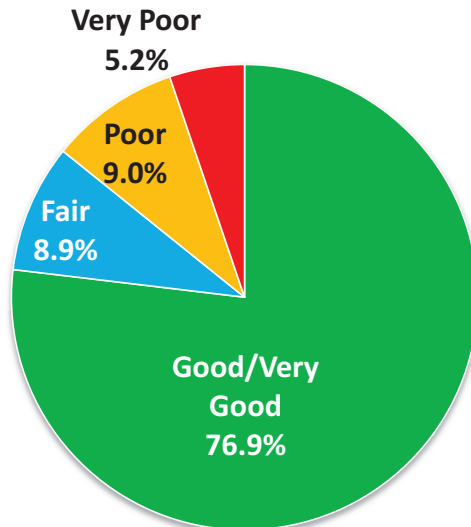
Current Condition (2015)



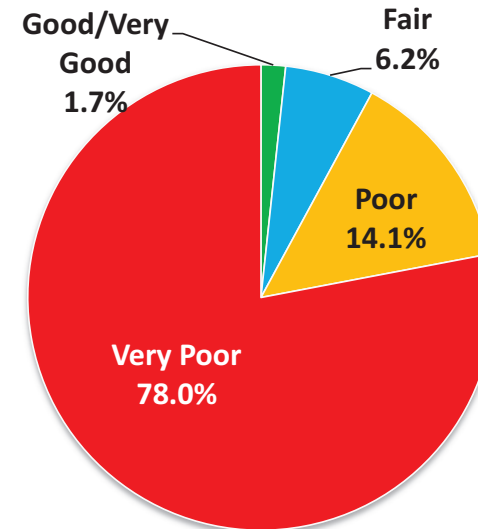
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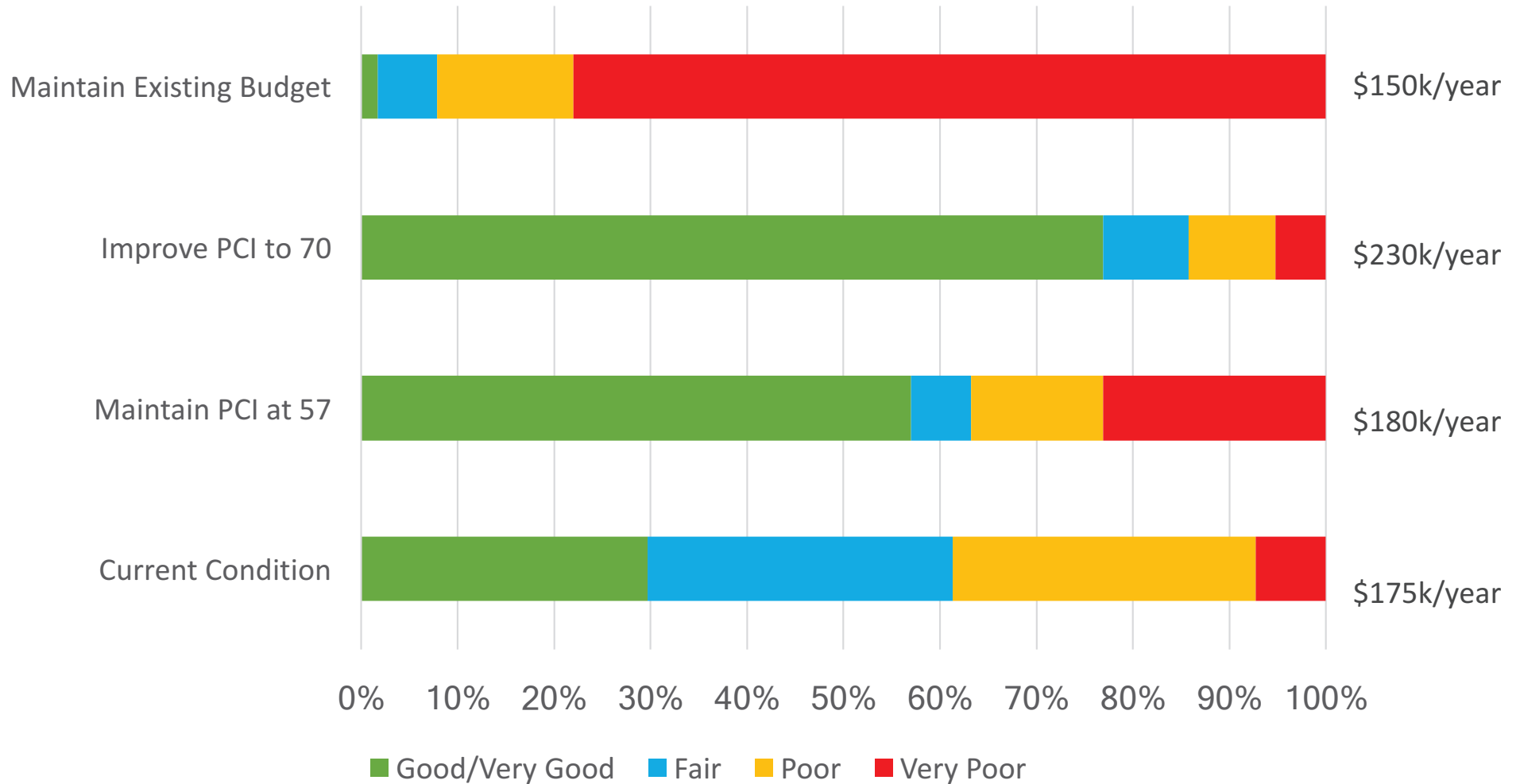
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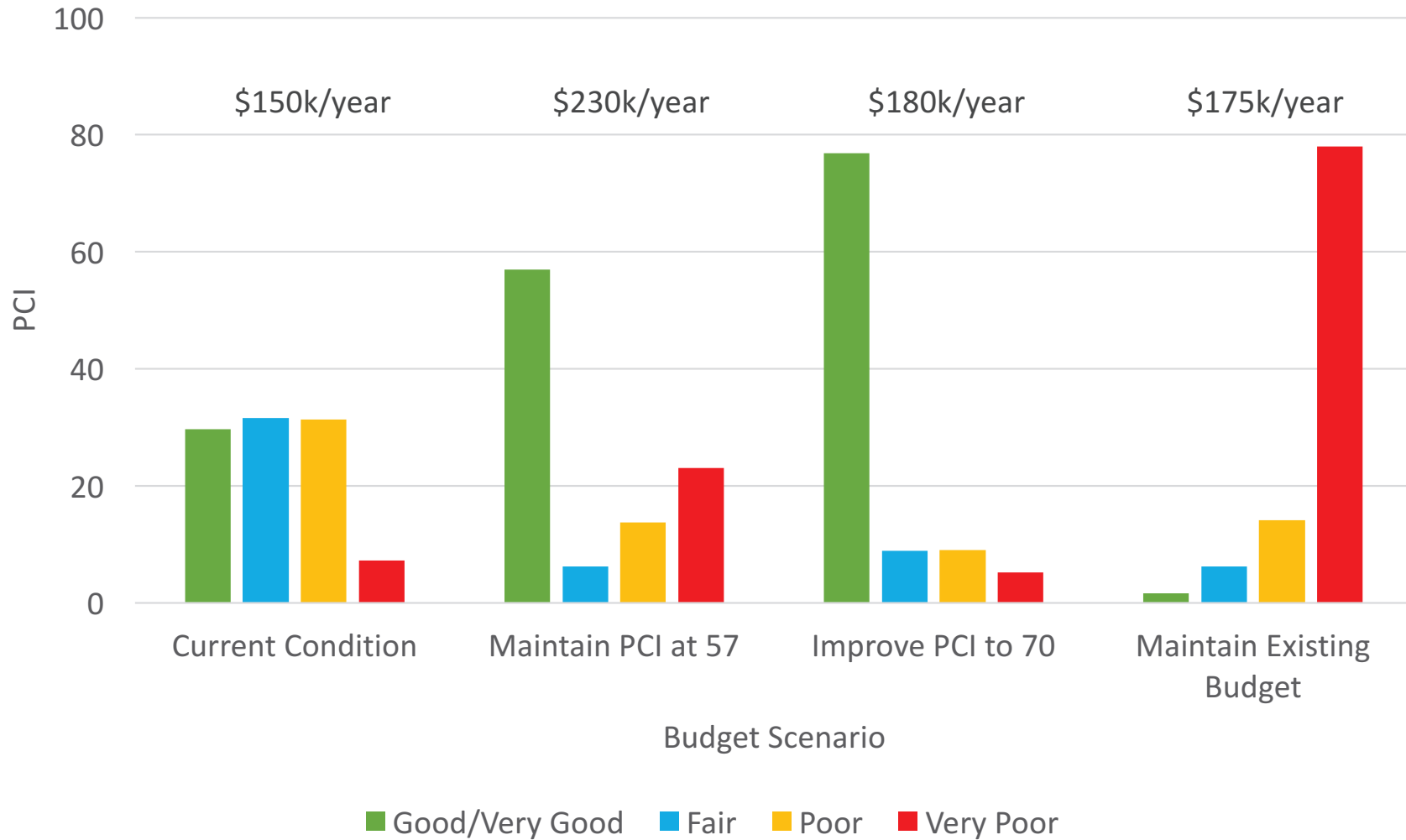
2034 Condition (Existing Budget \$150K/Yr)



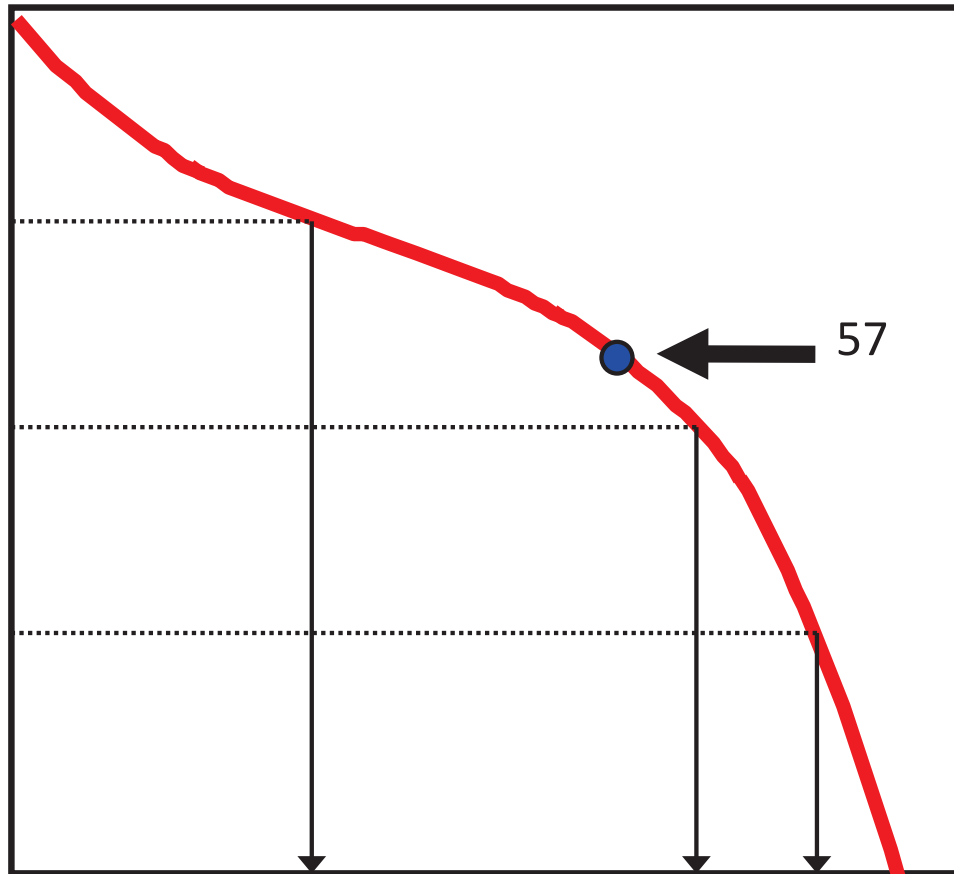
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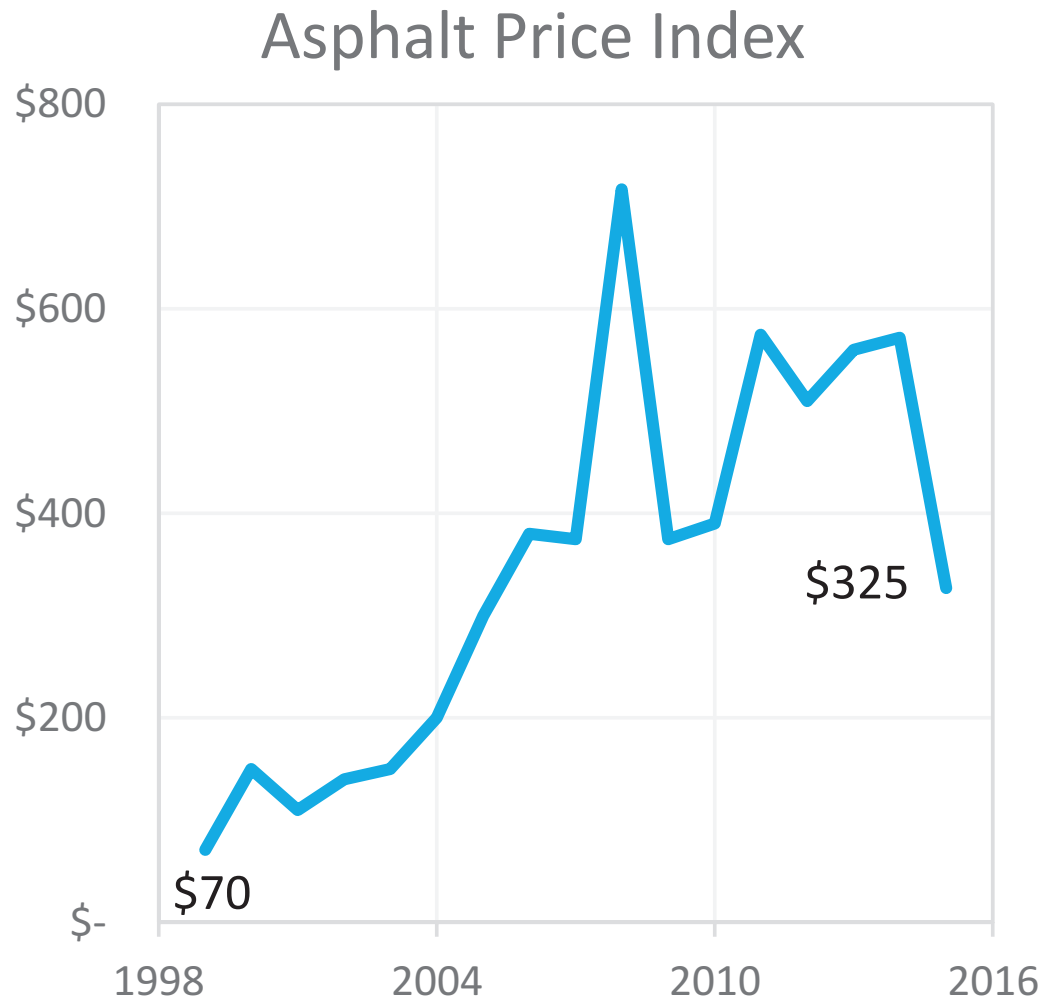


How Did We Get Here?



- ❖ Pavements are deteriorating rapidly
 - Agency condition
 - Steep part of deterioration curve

How Did We Get Here?



Asphalt prices have increased almost five-fold since 1999

Funding has not kept up

Step 7. Bring Solutions

Council

- Funding mechanisms
- Grants/fees/taxes

Stretch the dollar

- More cost-effective treatments
- New materials
- New treatments

Summary (cont.)

- ❖ Agency A has a substantial investment in streets valued at \$560M
- ❖ Current street network PCI = 67
- ❖ Existing budget will see steep decline:
 - To PCI = 61 in 5 years
 - To PCI = 33 in 20 years

Summary (cont.)

- ❖ Maintain street network
- ❖ Pavement management will allow selection of cost-effective prioritized approach to street repair
- ❖ Continue efficient use of budgeted funds to effectively maintain street network investment

Questions?



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