We Are Finally in the 21st Century



Nevada Department of Transportation's Switch from PRI (Profile Index) to IRI (International Roughness Index) Steven Hale, P.E. **Quality Assurance Engineer** 775-888-7226 **RPUG 2016 Annual Meeting**

Outline



- Roadways Maintained by NDOT
 - Past Smoothness Specifications for Project Acceptance (PRI)
 - Current Smoothness Specifications for Project Acceptance (IRI)
- Inertial Profiling Equipment Utilized by NDOT
- NDOT Certification Program
- What the Future Holds









Interstate (NHS) - 589 Centerline Miles NHS Routes (Non-Interstate) - 1,805 Centerline Miles US Routes (Non-NHS) - 455 Centerline Miles State Routes (Non-NHS) - 2,188 Centerline Miles





Frontage Roads
272 Centerline Miles
Collectors/Distributors
32 Centerline Miles
State Park Roads
55 Centerline Miles





Grand Total

Of

5,396 Centerline Miles

Past Smoothness Specifications for Project Acceptance (PRI)





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Past Smoothness Specifications for Project Acceptance (PRI)



- PRI specifications enforced prior to January of 2016
- Utilized two tenths blanking band
- Testing performed in the right wheel path (Both wheel paths for PCCP)
- Contractor's results used in the project acceptance process
- NDOT verified contractor's project acceptance testing
 - Checking parameter settings
 - Spot checks on profile traces using blanking band and bump templates

Past Smoothness Specifications for Project Acceptance (PRI)



NDOT specified three different smoothness types for HMA

- Type A (5 in./mi & 0.5 in./0.1 mi)
- Type B (7 in./mi & 0.7 in./0.1 mi)
- Type C (10 in./mi & 0.10 in./0.1 mi)
 - NDOT specified a ride incentive/disincentive on final riding surface for Interstate routes.
- NDOT only specified Type A smoothness for PCCP
 - No ride incentive/disincentive

Past/Current Straightedge Specifications for Project Acceptance





Past Straightedge Specifications for Project Acceptance



Straightedge measurement

- NDOT personnel perform measurement
- Twelve foot straightedge is used
- Measurements taken both parallel and perpendicular to centerline
- Roadway surface shall not vary by more than 1/4 in. (1/8 in. for PCCP)

ROAD PROFILER USERS' GROUP 2009 Annual Meeting

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The 21st Annual Road Profiler Users' Group Meeting will be haid at the Sheratron Galeway Airport Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia on December 9 - 11, 2008, the purpose of which is to serve as a forum for the suchange of information between all levels of govariament, contractors, consultants, universities, equipment manufacturers, vendors, engineers and researchets in pavament and related fields, all of whom with an Interest. In road profiles, pavement anodihness, and the pavement function/interaction. A registration fee of \$220 is required, and registration after November 25, 2009 will be subject to the late registration fee of \$250.

Equipment vendexs are invited to ettend the meeting to subibit their products. Exhibiter Registration of \$1,100 includes two participants. More exhibitor and sponsorship information can be found on the RPUG website at www.rpug.org.

Please complete the attached registration form or register online at www.pavementpreservation.org/rpug/ For registration questions, centact the National Center for Pavement Preservation at 517-432-8220.









21st Annual Road Profiler Users' Group Meeting Dec. 9 to Dec. 11, 2009, Atlanta, GA

Day 3 - Friday, December 11, 2009

7169 - 8199 AM	Breakfast
	Session VIII
Profiler Ce	ertification and Construction QA/QC (1 of 2) Moderator: Magdy Mikhail, TXDOT
MA 06:6 - 00:6	"Smooth Ride?" Contractor Parformed Tests in the Quality- Assurance Process: The Nevada Experience (Steve Hate, NVDOT)
8:30 - 9:00 AM	Preliminary Result from the Profiler Certification Exercise at the Virginia Smart Road (Sameer Shetty, VT)
9:00 - 9:30 PM	HPMS Program Update (Robert Rozycki, FHWA)
9:30 - 10:00 AM	Break
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Profiler Ce	rtification and Construction QA/QC (2 of 2) Moderator: Terry Troutel, Wisbot
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- IRI specifications enforced on all projects as of January 2016
- Contractor's results still used in the project acceptance process
- Operator and equipment requires certification
 - Currently, NDOT accepts other state DOTs' certifications such as CalTrans



- Verification testing performed by NDOT QA personnel
 - Three high speed inertial profiling systems (one for each District)
 - Perform verification testing at 10% (min.) of the contractor's acceptance testing



 NDOT uses MRI for tenth mile specification and IRI for Localized Roughness specification
 NDOT specifies four different smoothness types for HMA

MRI **IRI** (50 in./mi) (150 in./mi) - Type A - Type B (60 in./mi) (160 in./mi) (175 in./mi) (80 in./mi) Type C (100 in./mi) (175 in./mi) - Type D For PCCP, the specified MRI value is 60 in./mi, and the IRI (Localized Roughness) value is 175 in./mi



- NDOT specifies a ride incentive/disincentive on the final surface of Interstate routes
- Final surface of HMA
 - Maximum incentive is \$600.00 per tenth of a mile
 - Incentive is based upon the initial measured MRI
 Tenth of a mile section has an MRI ≤ 44.999 in./mi
 No areas of Localized Roughness > 150.000 in./mi
 No defects in excess of 0.25 in. as measured with a straightedge



Final surface of HMA

Maximum disincentive is \$600.00 per tenth of a mile
Grinding of areas with an MRI from 55.000 to 74.000 in./mi will only be allowed
If any tenth of a mile sections have areas of Localized Roughness > 150.000 in./mi
If any tenth of a mile sections have defects in excess of 0.25 in. as measured with a straightedge
Liquidated damages of \$1,000.00 will be assessed for each such area and/or defect not corrected
Contractor must correct if MRI is ≥ 75 in./mi



Final surface of PCCP

Maximum incentive is \$1,600.00 per tenth of a mile
Incentive is based upon the initial measured MRI
Tenth of a mile section has an MRI ≤ 59.999 in./mi
No areas of Localized Roughness > 175.000 in./mi
No defects in excess of 0.25 in. as measured with a straightedge



Final surface of PCCP

Maximum Disincentive is \$1,600.00 per tenth of a mile
 Tenth mile sections with an MRI of 76.000 to 95.999 in./mi may be corrected to eliminate disincentive

- Tenth mile sections with an MRI \geq 96.000 in./mi must be corrected by the contractor
- Tenth mile sections containing Areas of Localized Roughness > 175.000 in./mi or defects in excess of 0.25 in./mi as measured with a straightedge must be corrected by the contractor

Inertial Profiling Equipment Utilized by NDOT





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NDOT is in the process of developing a certification program

- Program will be administered by the QA section of the Construction Division
- Certification will consist of a written exam and a performance verification of the proposed operator and equipment
- Certification of both operator and corresponding equipment will be valid for one year



NDOT is in the process of developing a certification program

- Certification site is located on a frontage road along US 395 in Washoe Valley
 - Certification track is 2,000 ft. in length
 - A 2" HMA overlay was placed during the spring of this year

Either a SurPro 4000 (ICC) or a CS8800 (SSI) walking profiler will be used to establish a baseline profile along the certification track













What the Future Holds

- NDOT will participate in TPF-5(354), "Improving the Quality of Highway Profile Measurement"
- NDOT will implement their certification program in the Spring of 2017
- NDOT will continue to evaluate their specifications, policies, and procedures
 - Based on the continual evaluation, adjustments will be made as necessary

Questions?

Thank you!