HMA Recycling in Florida



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- 1977: Palm Beach County
 - 28,000 tons HMA base w/25% RAP
 - RAP from another project
 - Batch plant (bypassed drier)
- 1978: Bay County
 - Milled 1"
 - Leveling course w/30% RAP
 - Factory modified batch plant



History



- 1979: Marion County
 - -65% RAP + 35% Local Sand
 - Asphalt Emulsion Rejuvenator
 - -35,000 tons
 - Drum Mix Plant







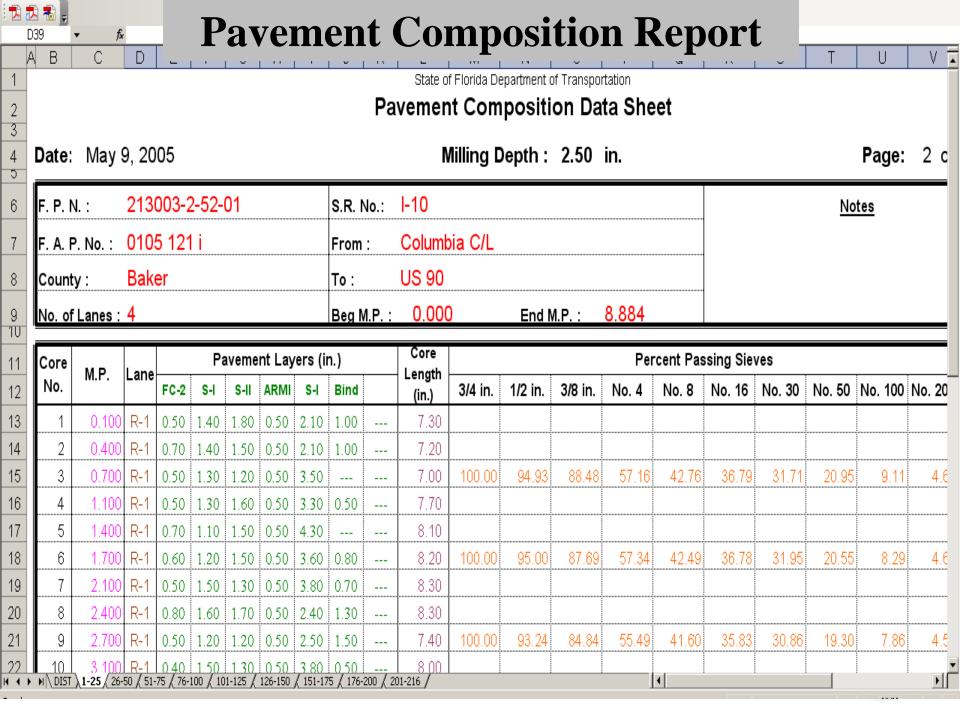
- 1980: Recycled HMA specifications developed as a standard practice
 - Contractor given ownership of RAP
 - Allowed up to 60% RAP in mix
 - FDOT monitored mix viscosity during production
 - All other construction specifications the same
 - FDOT supplied pavement composition report



Pavement Composition Report

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			FAP No.	1001-04	11-P		
			SR -	25			
			County -	Hendry			
			From Km.P.	6.336	to Km.P.	21.337	
			From M.P.	3.937	to M.P.	13.258	
			NB & SB Traffic	c and Passi (4)	ng Lanes		
			RANGE		AVERAGE		Viscosity
Viscosity @	@ 60°C (p	a-s)	445 - 11,861	4	3,620	_	
Viscosity @	@ 140°F (1	Poises)	4,450 - 118,610	_	36,200	_	Asphalt Conter
Penetration	1@25°C (0.1 mm)	14 - 45	_	27		— Aspilan Gomei
Asphalt Co	ontent (%)		5.1 - 6.7		6.0	_	
Gradation -	- Percent Pa	ssing					
	25 mm	(1")	100	-)	100	_	
	19 mm	(3/4")	99 - 100	_	100	_	
;	12.5 mm	(1/2")	98 - 100	_	99	_	
9	9.5 mm	(3/8")	85 - 94	_	90		— Gradatio <mark>n</mark>
	4.75 mm	(No.4)	57 - 71		63		
2	2.00 mm	(No. 10)	44 - 57		49	_	
	425 µm	(No. 40)	28 - 35	_	31	_	
	180 µm	(No. 80)	13 - 22	_	16	_	
	75 µm	(No. 200)	5.5 - 8.5	-)	6.8	_	
Total Paver	Total Pavement Thickness (mm)		85 - 291	-	140	_	
Thickness l	Thickness Evaluated (mm)		Top 60	-			
Total Paver	ment Thick	ness (in.)	3.35 - 11.46	_	5.51	_	
Thickness I	Evaluated	(in.)	Top 2.25	_			







- Mid 1980's: FDOT experienced rutting problems...
 - Low in-place air voids
 - high fines
 - Reduced maximum P₋₂₀₀ at design
 - Implemented better controls of P₋₂₀₀
 - Began monitoring volumetrics
 - 1/4000 tons
- Resulted in a reduction of RAP usage







- Late 1990's: FDOT implemented Superpave.....
 - RAP usage declined further in order to meet design criteria (VMA, Dust/Effective)
- 2000's:
 - Implemented PWL Specifications
 - Increased use of polymer modified asphalts
 - Max 15% RAP



History



- Mid 2000's:
 - Significant growth in Florida
 - Increased work program
 - \$3 billion in construction
 - Increased materials costs
 - Binder \$350/ton
 - Aggregate \$22/ton
 - Materials shortages
 - Renewed interest in RAP usage





C	on	stru	ictio	n Pri	ce Ir	ncre	ases	
Pay Item	Unit	2003	2004	Change	2005	Change	2007 (Jan-	Change

-11.7%

+10.6%

+2.6%

+39.6%

+44.2%

\$7.27

\$68.83

\$760.89

\$1.57

\$0.91

+66.0%

+17.2%

+34.9%

+6.1%

+21.3%

June)

\$13.23

\$103.01

\$1113.79

\$2.25

\$0.99

+82.0%

+49.7%

+46.4%

+43.3%

+8.8%

Group

Earthwork

Asphalt

Concrete

Steel

Steel

(Reinf.)

(Structural)

(Structural)

CY

TN

CY

LB

LB

\$4.96

\$53.10

\$549.8

\$1.06

\$0.52

\$4.38

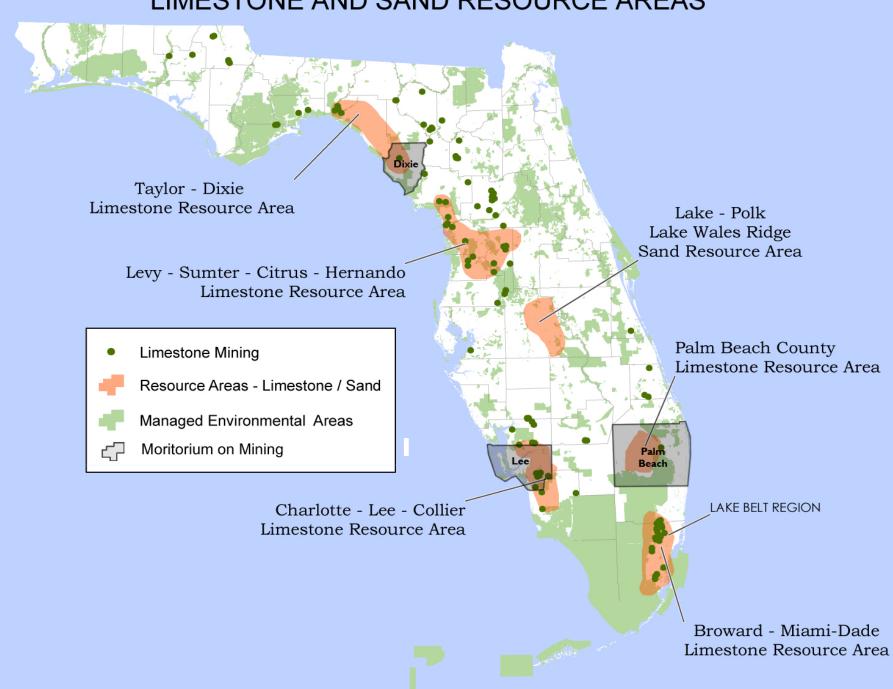
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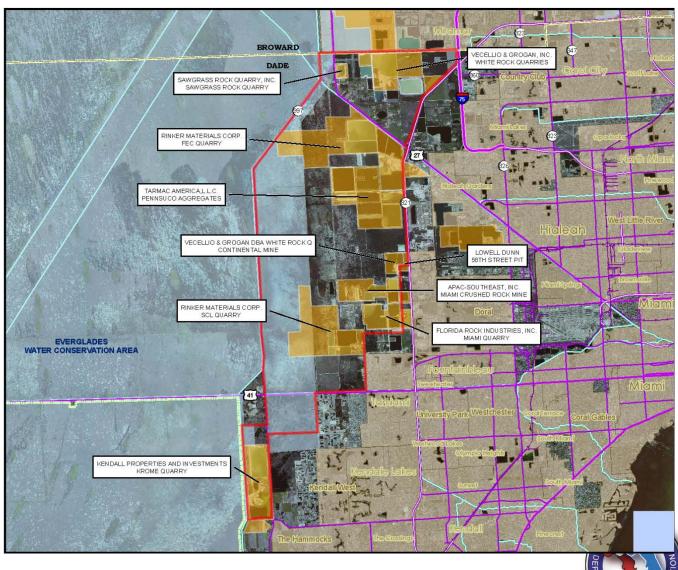
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LIMESTONE AND SAND RESOURCE AREAS



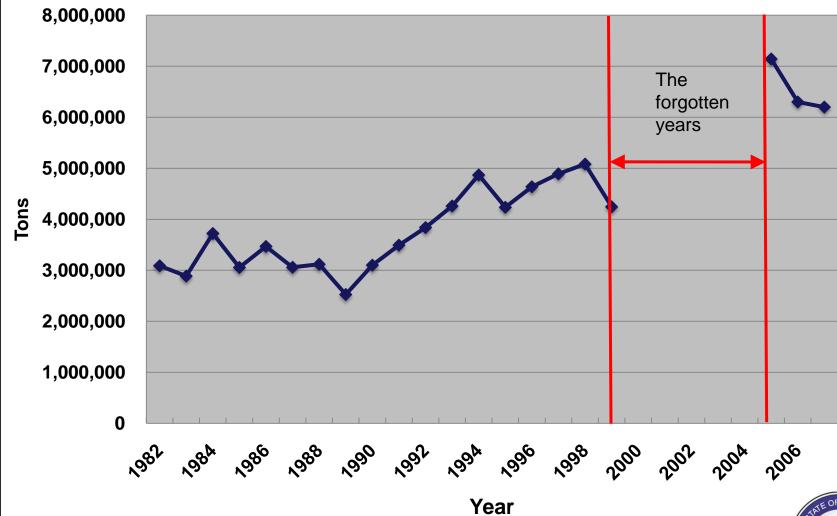




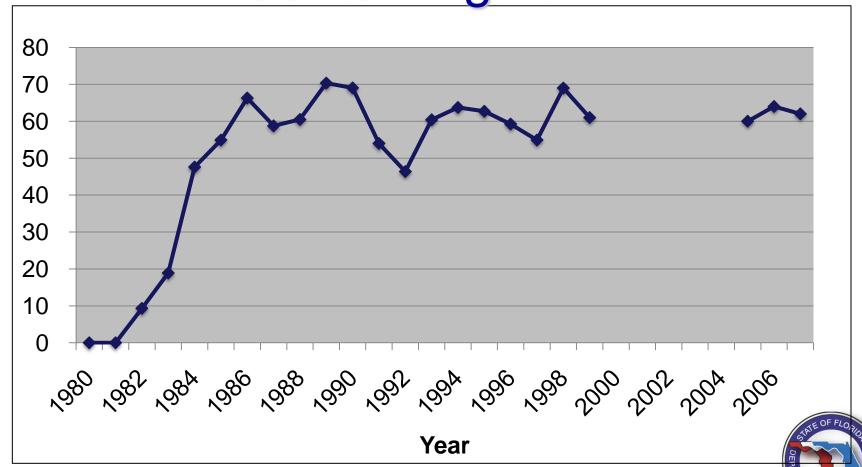




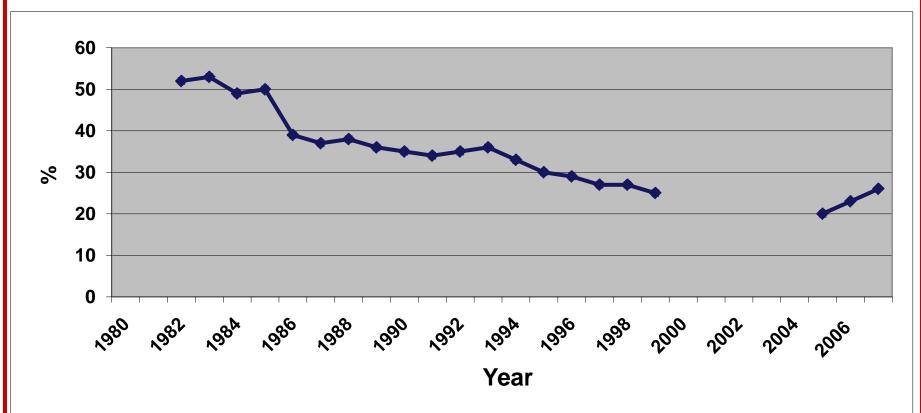




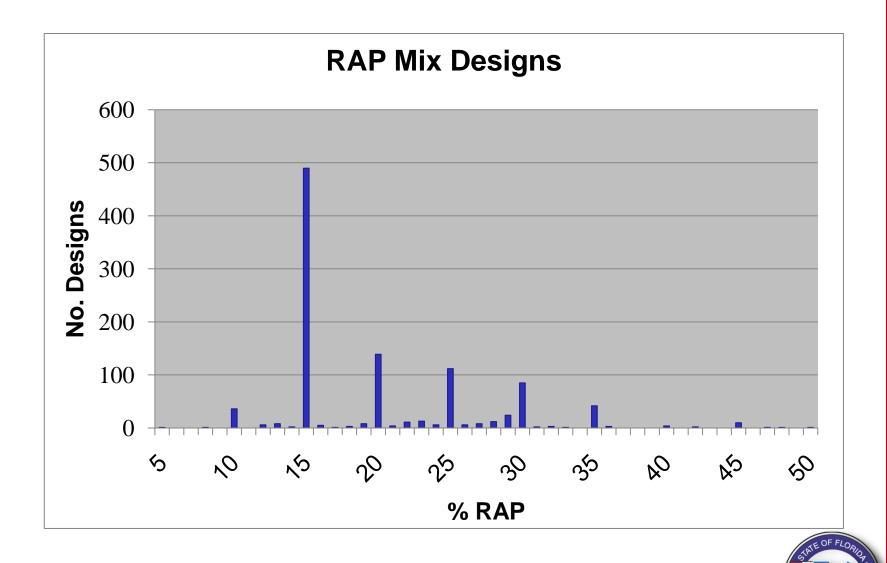
Percentage of HMA Mixes Containing RAP

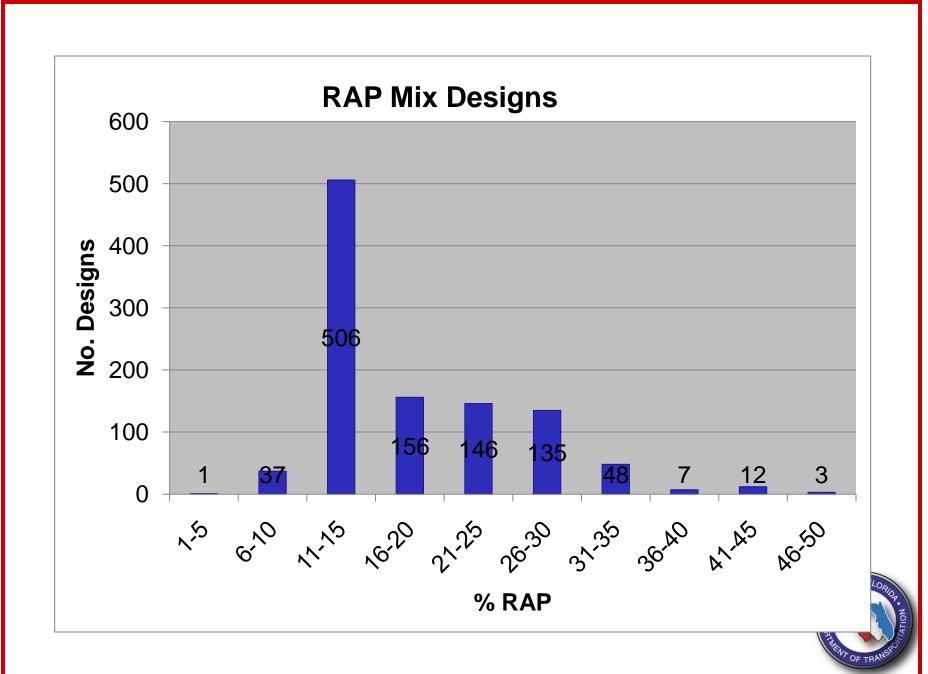


Average RAP Content



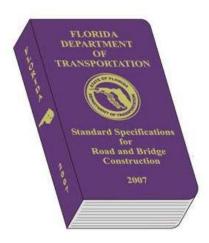






Why the weird distribution?

- FDOT specification restrictions
- Mix design requirements
- Production criteria





Specification Restrictions

Asphalt Binder Grade for Mixes Containing RAP						
Asphalt Binder Grade	Percent RAP					
PG 76-22	≤15					
PG 67-22	<20					
PG 64-22	20 – 29					
Recycling Agent (RA)	≥ 30					



Mix Design

- Difficult to meet design criteria:
 - VMA
 - $-P_{-200}/P_{be}$
- Use of Recycling Agents
 - Recovered binder viscosity
 - 6,000 12,000 poises
 - Assume complete blending



Mix Production & Placement

- PWL Specification
 - Roadway density
 - Air Voids
 - Binder Content,
 - $-P_{-8}$
 - $-P_{-200}$
- Monitor recovered binder viscosity
 - -6000 12,000 poises



Other Limitations

- Not permitted in final wearing surface
 - Friction issue



Benefits of Recycling

- Conserves resources
- Permits milling
- Saves money
- Politically correct ©





Conserves Resources

- 2007:
 - 6.3 million tons HMA
 - 62% of HMA mixes contained RAP
 - Average RAP content = 25%
 - Used 900,000 tons of RAP
 - 905,000 tons aggregate
 - 45,000 tons binder
- More available material = more roads



Conserves Energy

- It is estimated that the usage of 1 ton of HMA containing RAP conserves 200,000 BTU's of energy
 - Less aggregate to mine, process & deliver
 - Less asphalt to refine & deliver





Saves Money

Current costs of aggregate, binder and hot mix asphalt are at an all time high

• Binder: >\$350/ton

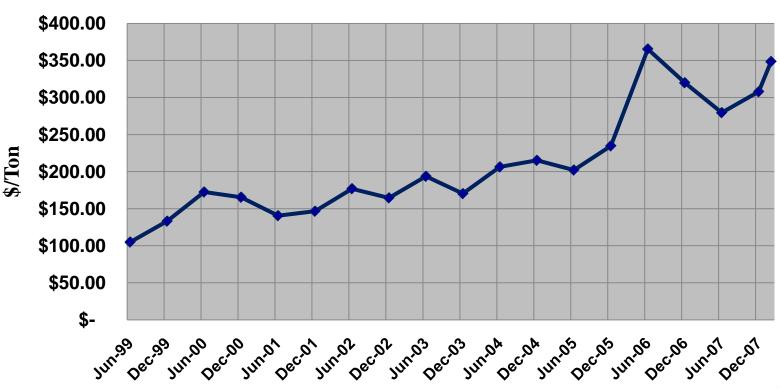
• Aggregate: 18 – 23 \$/ton

• HMA: >\$100/ton





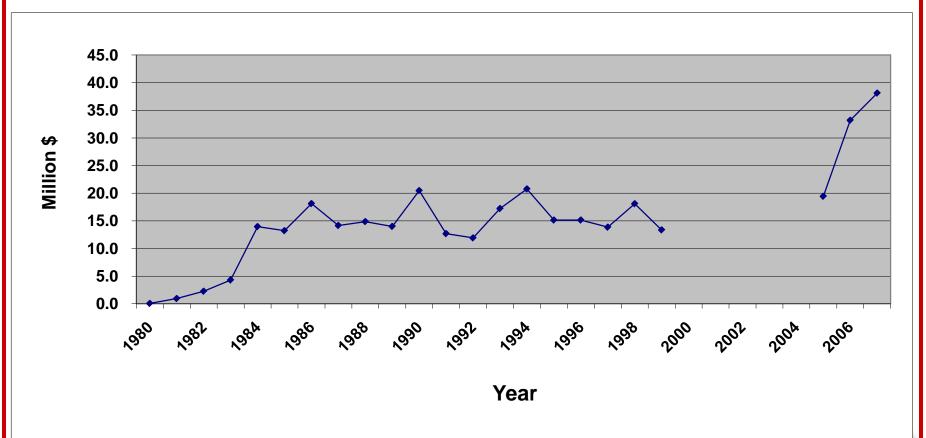
Cost of Asphalt Binder in Florida



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Savings in Materials Costs



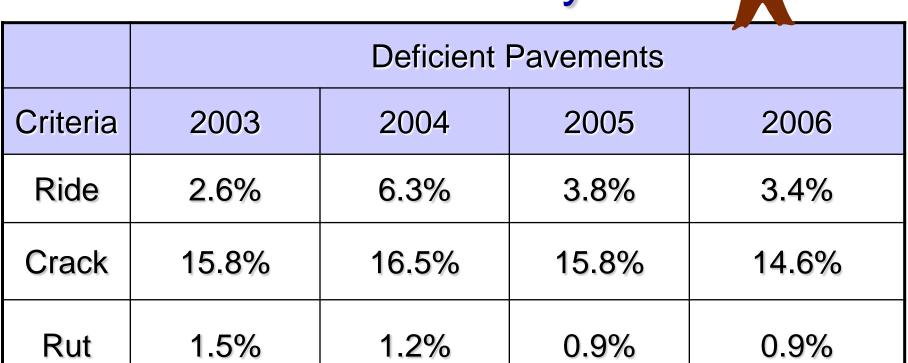


Performance





Performance Data: Where are we today?



Average time between resurfacings: ~17 years









Overdrive Magazine "Best Roads"

Rank	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
1	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Florida
2	Florida	Florida	Florida	Florida	Tenn
3	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn	Texas
4	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia/ Ohio	Georgia	Georgia
5	Ohio	Ohio	Nevada/ Virginia	Virginia	Penn

Current RAP Use Practices

- Stockpiled millings ~ 15 20%
- Crushed/screened RAP
 - Typically 20 30%
 - Good virgin materials ~ 40%
- Fractionated RAP
 - -35 45%



Various Source RAP Pile....aka **GOK RAP**

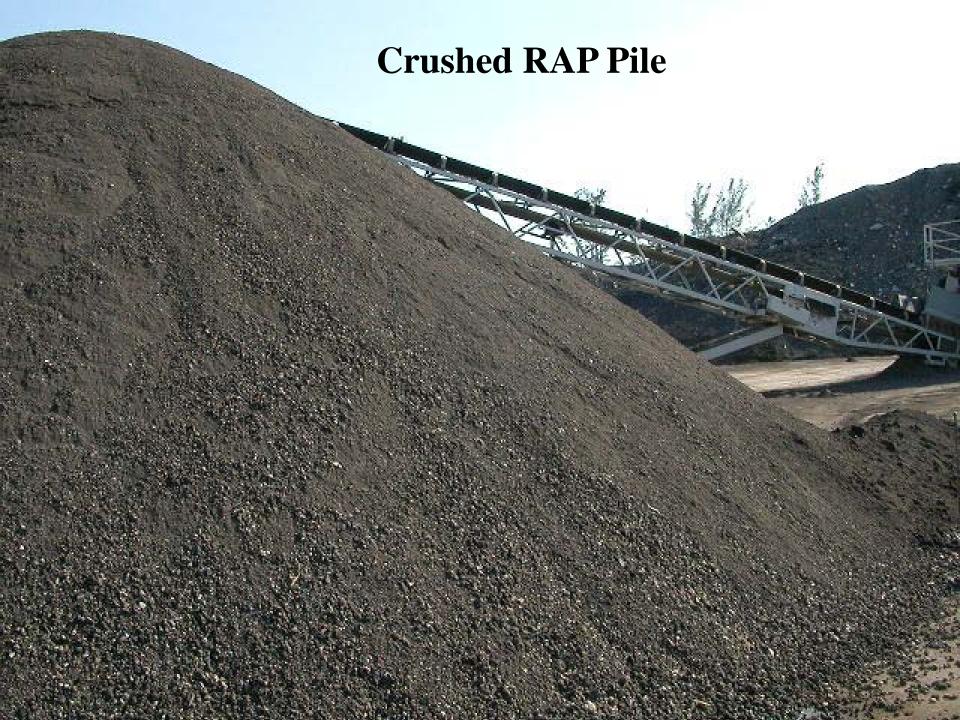
























How can FDOT use more RAP?

- Look at specification limits
 - Reduce VMA for lower volume roads
- Allow up to 15% RAP in friction courses
- Encourage innovative technologies
 - Fractionated RAP
 - Warm Mix



Summary

- FDOT has had a successful HMA recycling program for over 25 years
- Recycling can help resolve some of the current material & cost related issues
- Quality of asphalt mixes containing RAP as good (or better) than conventional mixes
- FDOT working to increase RAP usage



