

# Utilization of Post Consumer Shingles in Asphalt Mixtures

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# Presentation Outline

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- Source material properties
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- Ongoing Research
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# Introduction

- Asphalt shingles
  - Manufacturing scrap
  - Post consumer
- 60% of shingle sales are due to storm damage
- Asphalt shingles have multiple beneficial components for use in asphalt mixtures
  - Asphalt, Aggregate, Fibers, & Limestone filler

# 23 CFR Section 637B

## *Quality Assurance Procedures for Construction*

- 637.201 Purpose.

To prescribe policies, procedures, and guidelines to assure the quality of materials and construction in all Federal-aid highway projects on the National Highway System

- 637.203 Definitions.

- 637.205 Policy.

- 637.207 Quality assurance program.

- 637.209 Laboratory and sampling and testing personnel qualifications.

# Product Quality Characteristics

- Source material- recycled shingles
  - Limit loads of post-consumer shingles to residential buildings with four or fewer dwelling units (*these buildings are not “regulated facilities” according to state and federal NESHAP 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M*).
  - Asbestos free
  - Deleterious material
  - Grind size
  - Moisture content

# Product Quality Characteristics

- Asphalt mixture (hot mix or warm mix)
  - Limiting recycled asphalt binder content
  - Binder content
  - Voids criteria (lab air voids, field air voids, VMA , etc)
  - Smoothness

# Quality Assurance

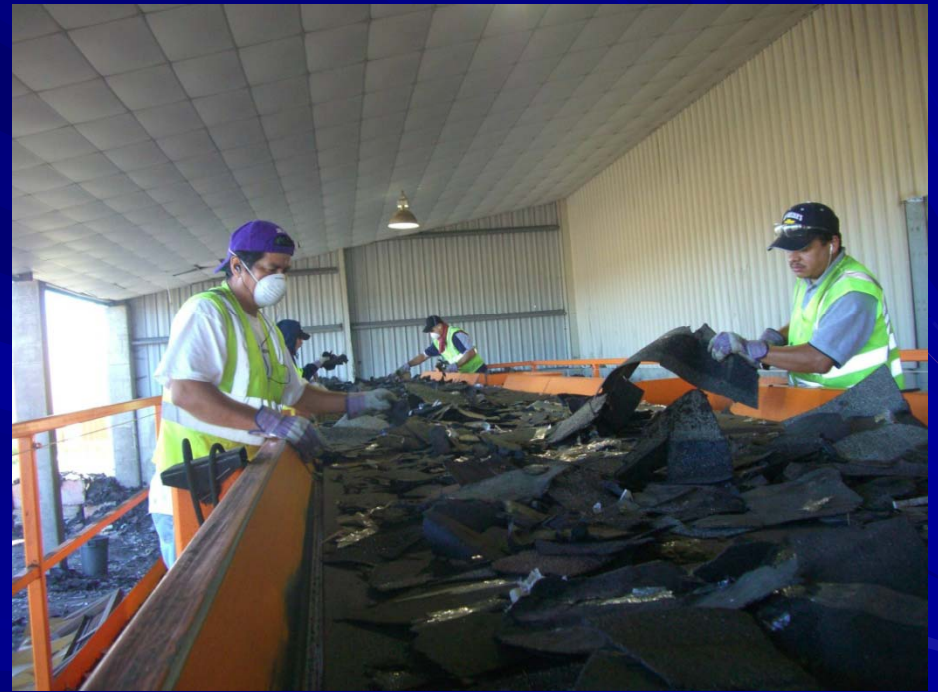
- Must be a statistically based approach
- FHWA has promoted percent within limit
  - Achieving product targets
  - Product consistency







# Sorting is manual







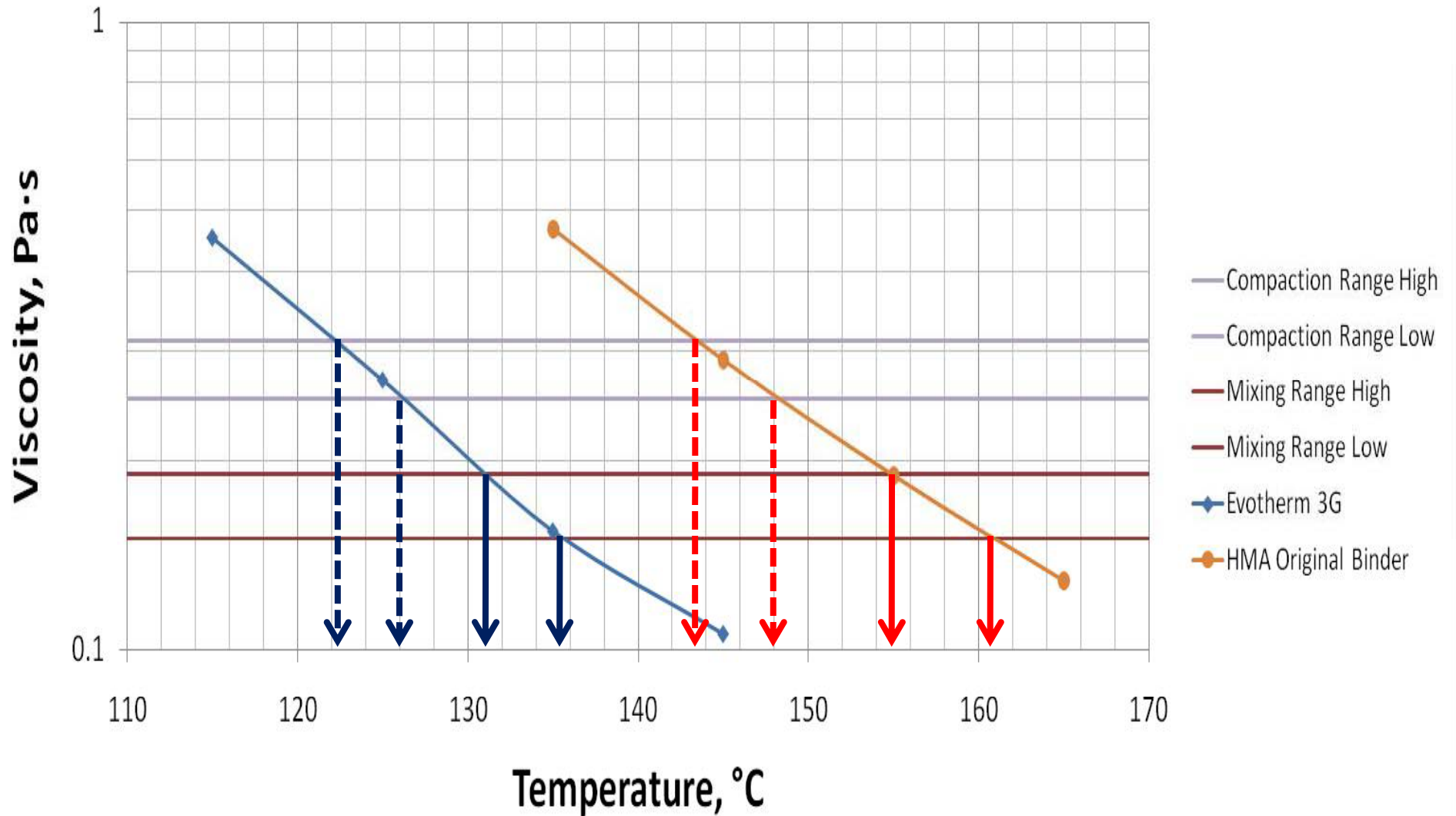




# Challenge- Many new technologies in the asphalt industry

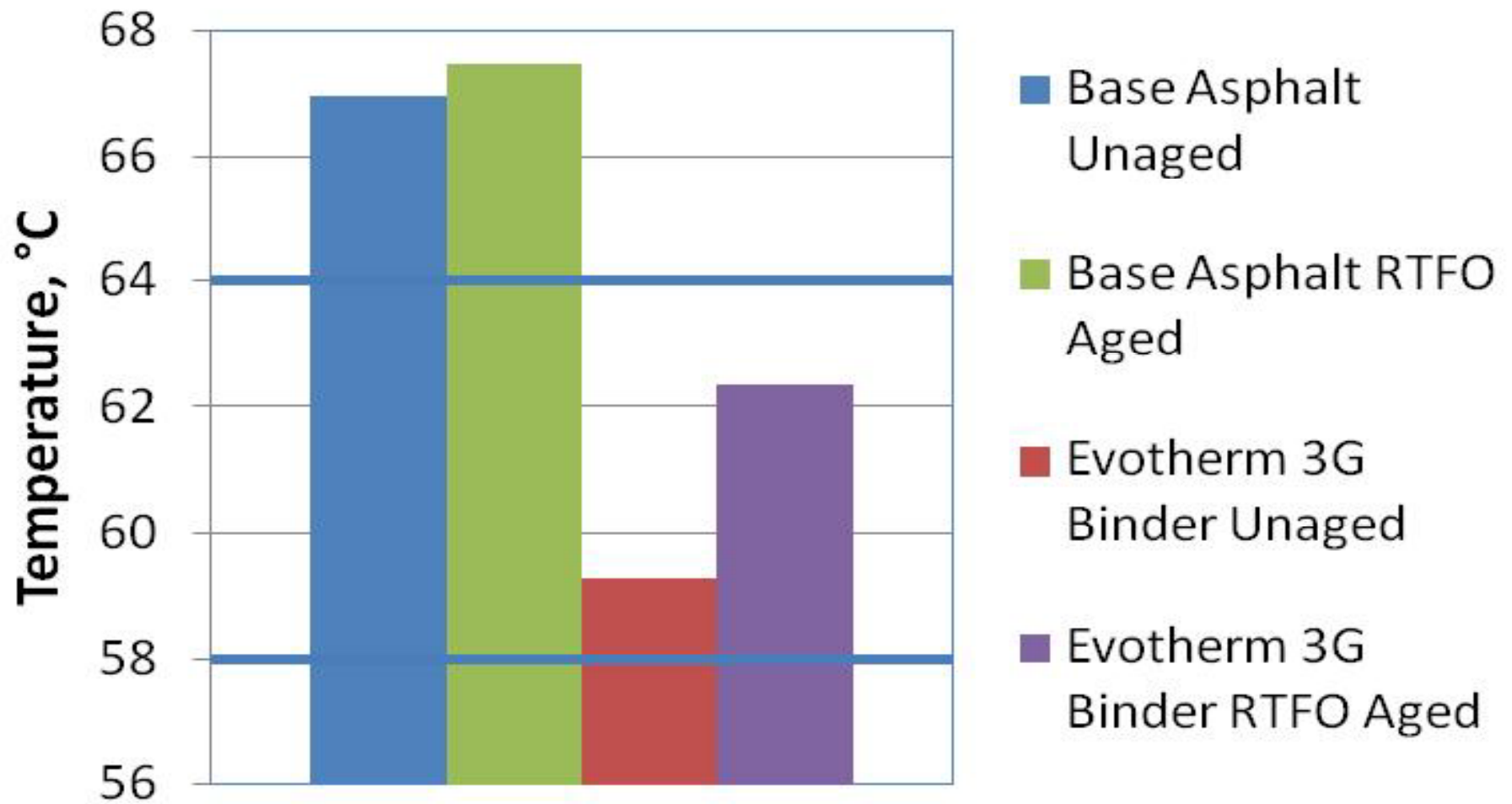
- Recycled shingles
- High RAP mixes
- Fractionated RAP
- Warm Mix Asphalt
  - Foaming Technologies
  - Organic Additives
  - Chemical Additives
- Bio Asphalt (non-petroleum)

# Viscosity Comparison of Evotherm 3G & Original HMA Binder

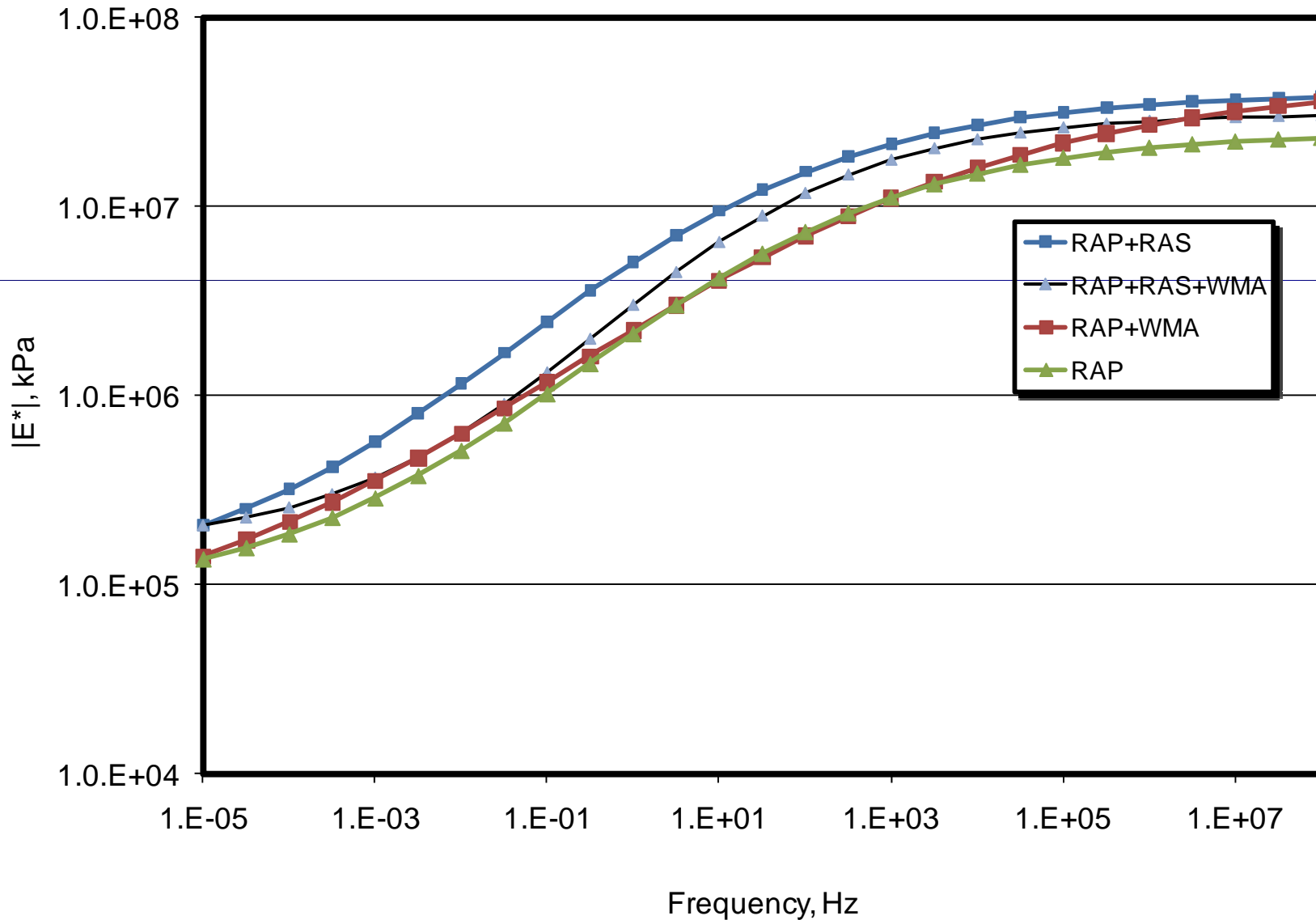




# High Temperature Comparison



# Comparison of Field vs. Lab



# What are our expectations?

- Performance expectations are met
- Materials and production/construction processes are economical
- Integration of sustainability
  - Recycling
  - Reduction of emissions
  - Carbon credits

# Performance Expectations

- Source materials
- Performance testing
  - Permanent deformation
  - Fatigue cracking
  - Thermal cracking

# **Mix Design Approaches for Integration of RAS into HMA**



# Development of Mixture Design

- Process is no different than current methods of asphalt mix design development.
- Need to pay attention to integration of RAS into batching materials
  - Proportioned materials should be pre-blended prior to placement into oven.
  - Ensures even distribution of RAS throughout aggregate structure.

# Outcomes of Mix Design

- Virgin binder content will be lower when RAS is utilized.
- 60-80% of RAS binder will be integrated into HMA mix.
- Voids in the Mineral Aggregate will increase with RAS utilization.
- Contribution of RAS binder to overall binder grade will not be known.....but!

# Challenges

- AASHTO M323 binder recommendations assume complete mixing of new and recycled binder
- AASHTO M323 does not address RAS binders
- RAS rheology is different than paving binders

# RAS Contribution to Performance Grade

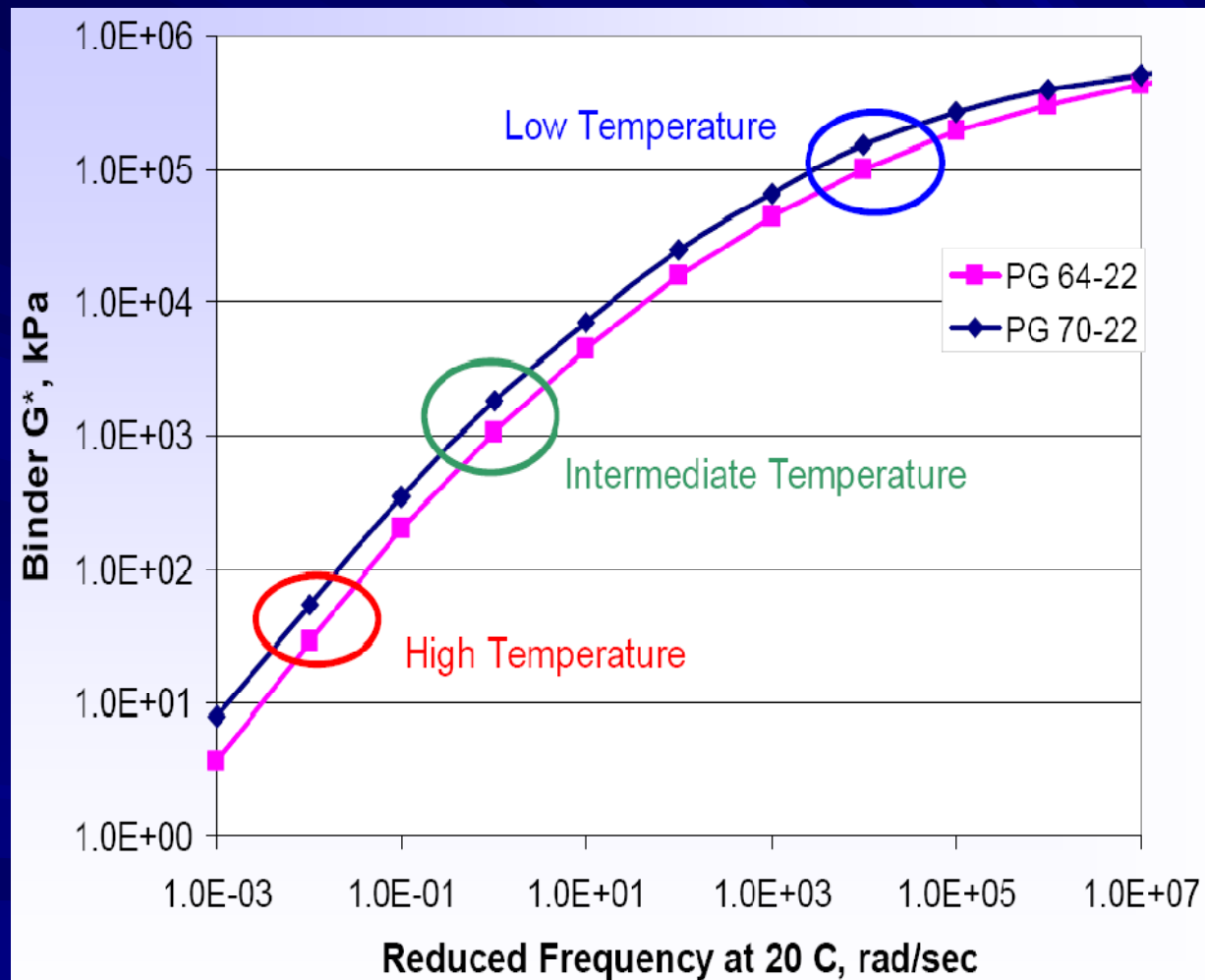
- Recovered binder properties
- Estimated binder properties through mix testing
  - Dynamic modulus testing
  - Very sensitive to binder properties
  - Estimate effective performance grade
  - Hirsch and Witzcak Models
  - Mix Modulus =  $f(\text{Binder modulus, VMA, \& VFA})$

# Simple Performance Test

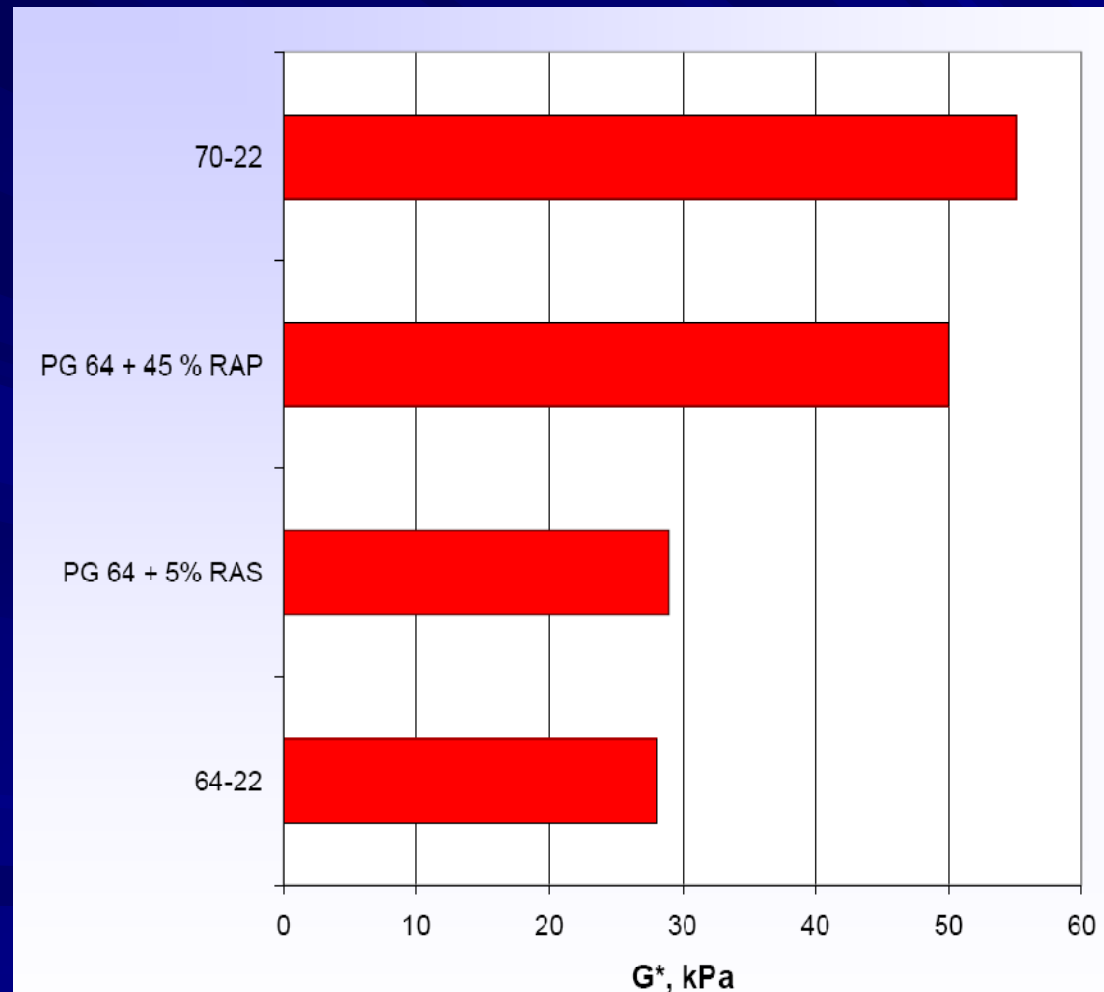




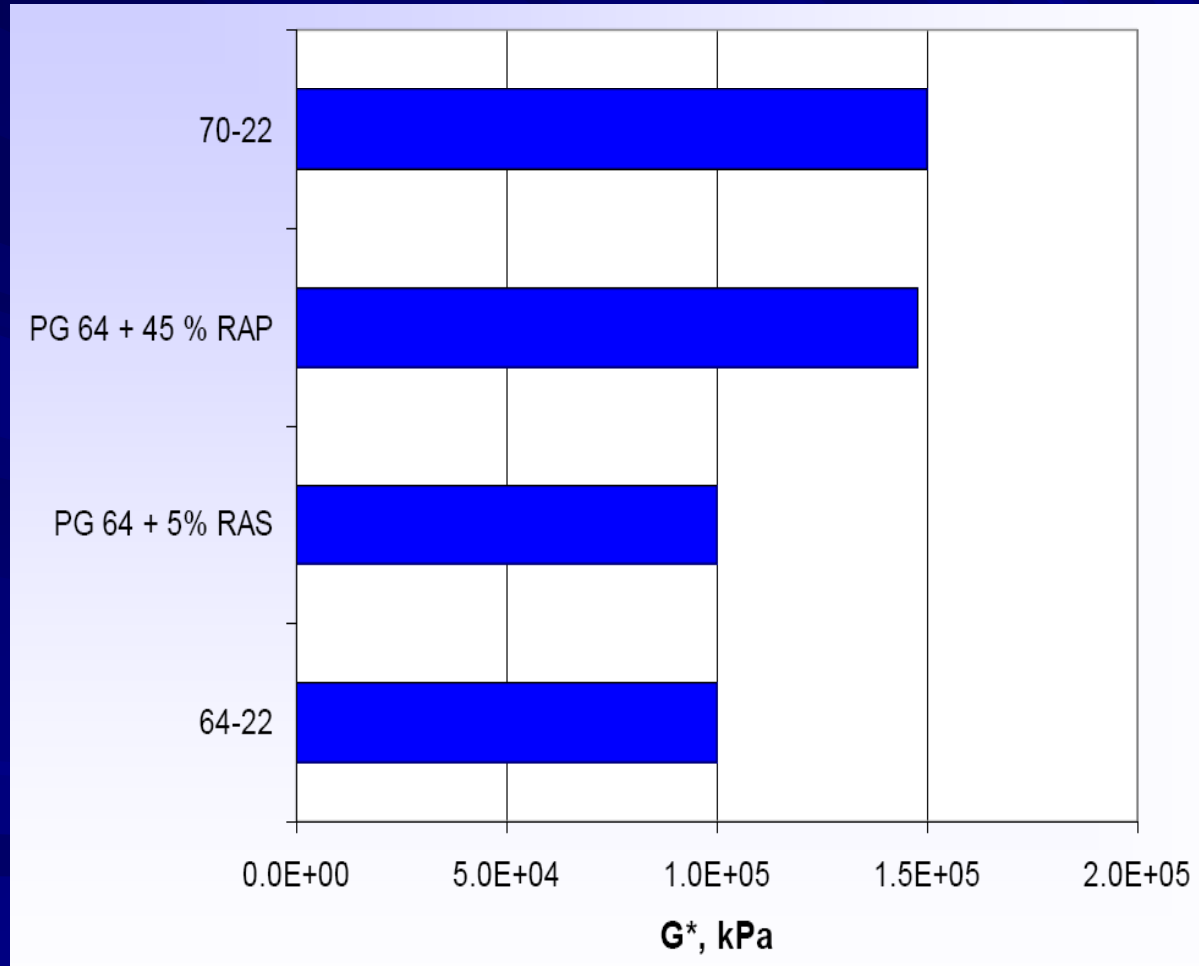
# Graphical Representation



# High Temperature



# Low Temperature



# Ongoing Research Work

- National Pooled Fund Study
- Illinois Tollway
- Region 5 EPA
- Headquarters EPA

# National Pooled Fund Study

- MO DOT is the lead state (Joe Schroer, JD Wenzlick, Karmen Stockman)
- Participants: FHWA, MO, IA, IN, MN, WI
- Research Team: IA State, Deb Haugen, MN/DOT, Univ. of MN



# Work Plan

## ■ Literature Review

- Nationwide Reports
- Case Studies
  - Past
  - Current
  - Scheduled
- Publications
- Updated review of state specifications and environmental white papers on asbestos and PAH's in RAS

*Made available on study website*

# Work Plan

- Review and Implementation of Quality Control/Quality Assurance for Processing and Sourcing Shingles
  - Working with environmental agencies on standard operating plans to ensure final product meets environmental requirements
    - Asbestos
    - Deleterious content
    - Sizing
  
- Working with HMA producers to ensure final product meets agency specifications
  - Sizing
  - Deleterious content
  - Moisture content
  - Asphalt content
  - Aggregate specific gravity
  - Aggregate absorption

# Work Plan

- Development of Mix Design and Construction Specification Criteria for RAS in HMA
  - Specifications for demonstration projects
    - Mix type
      - RAS content
      - RAS and RAP content
      - RAS and FRAP content
      - Virgin binder content

# Work Plan

- Demonstration Projects
  - Sampling of materials
    - RAS
    - Virgin asphalt binders
    - Field produced mixes
  - Project descriptions
    - Location
    - Pavement structure
    - Pavement design parameters
  - Production and construction processes
  - Project conditions
    - Weather, tonnage etc.

# Work Plan

- Characterization of RAS, Recovered Mix and Virgin Binders
  - Dynamic shear rheometer
  - Bending beam rheometer
  - Aging tests
    - rolling thin film oven test
    - rolling thin film oven and pressure aging vessel
  - Asphalt recovered from RAS
    - AASHTO T170
    - Recovery of Asphalt from Solution by Abson Method
  - Create a blend chart

# Work Plan

- Mix Performance Testing of Design Mixtures and Field Produced Mixtures
  - Prior to construction
  - Field produced mixes
  - Performance tests will be conducted at low, medium and high temperatures
  - Other ongoing research on RAS
    - Warm Mix Asphalt



# Work Plan

- Field Performance Surveys of Constructed Demonstration Projects
  - Two field condition surveys
    - Distress Identification Manual for the Long-Term Pavement Performance Project
    - Digital Photo's

# Work Plan

## ■ Statistical Analysis

- Develop sampling frequency for asbestos testing based upon Bayesian Statistics/Probability
- Analysis of binder test data including blending charts to determine the percentage of allowable RAS
- Analysis of mix performance data to determine the relative influence of RAS on mix performance which will include tests at low, intermediate and high temperatures

## ■ Development of Final Report

# Project Schedule

Task	2009		2010				2011	
	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sept	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sept
1. Literature Review	■		■					
2. QC/QA for Processing & Sourcing RAS	■		■	■			■	
3. & 6. Performance Testing of Design & Field Mixes	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	
4. Construction of Demonstration Projects	■			■	■			
5. Characterization of RAS, Recovered Mix & Binders	■	■		■	■	■		
7. Performance Surveys of Demonstration Projects		■	■			■	■	
8. Statistical Analysis			■		■		■	■
9. Development of the Final Report			■				■	■

# 2009 Tollway RAS Research

- Recycled asphalt shingles (tear-offs) into high FRAP mixes
- Shoulder Binder and Bases
  - 5% RAS with 3 levels of FRAP (25%, 35%, 45%)
- Shoulder Surface
  - 5% RAS with 20% FRAP
- SMA Surface (SBS PG 76-22)
  - 5% RAS with 15% Fine FRAP

# 2009 Tollway RAS Research



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- 3.5 mile length of Outside Shoulder: I-90
- Placement July-August 2009
- 8 Test Sections
- 4 Different RAS Shoulder Binder Mixes
  - 850 to 1300 tons each
- Standard (25% FRAP) and RAS Shoulder Surface placed over each
  - 1300 tons RAS Shoulder Surface



# Tollway RAS Test Sections

Illinois Tollway Shingle Research Test Section Layout													
PROJECT	I-08-5543 – Jane Addams Memorial Tollway – I-90												
LOCATION	Westbound Outside Shoulders												
TEST SECTION	1	2	3	4		4	5		5	6	7	8	N/A
SECTION LENGTH, #	2345	2214	1926	1990		826	1714		630	1388	2592	2150	
SURFACE MIX NUMBER	90BITRS05	90BIT0823		90BITRS05		90BITRS05				90BIT0823		90BITRS05	
SURFACE MIX TYPE	20% FRAP / 5% RAS N70 SCS	25% FRAP N70 SCS		20/5 RAS N70 SCS		20% FRAP / 5% RAS N70 SCS				25% FRAP N70 SCS		20% FRAP / 5% RAS N70 SCS	
STA #	363+25 MP 71 1/4	339+80 MP 71.7	298+40	308+90 MP 72.5		278+00 276+00		250+60 248+60	242+80	212+70 MP 73.5	202+50	182+90 MP 74 1/4	168+80
DATE PLACED	8/10/2009	8/10/2009		8/10/2009				8/10/2009		8/10/2009		8/10/2009	
TONNAGE	256.41	616.6		556.51				633.09		532.69			
BASE MIX NUMBER	90BITRS04		90BITRS02			90BITRS02	90BITRS03		90BITRS03	90BITRS01		MILLED MATERIAL	
BASE MIX TYPE	25% FRAP/5% RAS BIT BASE		35% FRAP/5% RAS BIT BASE			35% FRAP/ 5% RAS BIT BASE	45% FRAP/ 5% RAS BIT BASE		45% FRAP/ 5% RAS BIT BASE	35% FRAP/5% RAS N50 BCS			
STA #	363+25	317+66	317+66 MP 72.1			278+00 276+00	267+74 MP 73.1		250+60 248+60	228+42		181+00 MP 74.7	
DATE PLACED	7/29/2009		7/29/2009				7/29/2009		7/30/2009				
TONNAGE	1272.96		1295.86				846.23		1314.36				

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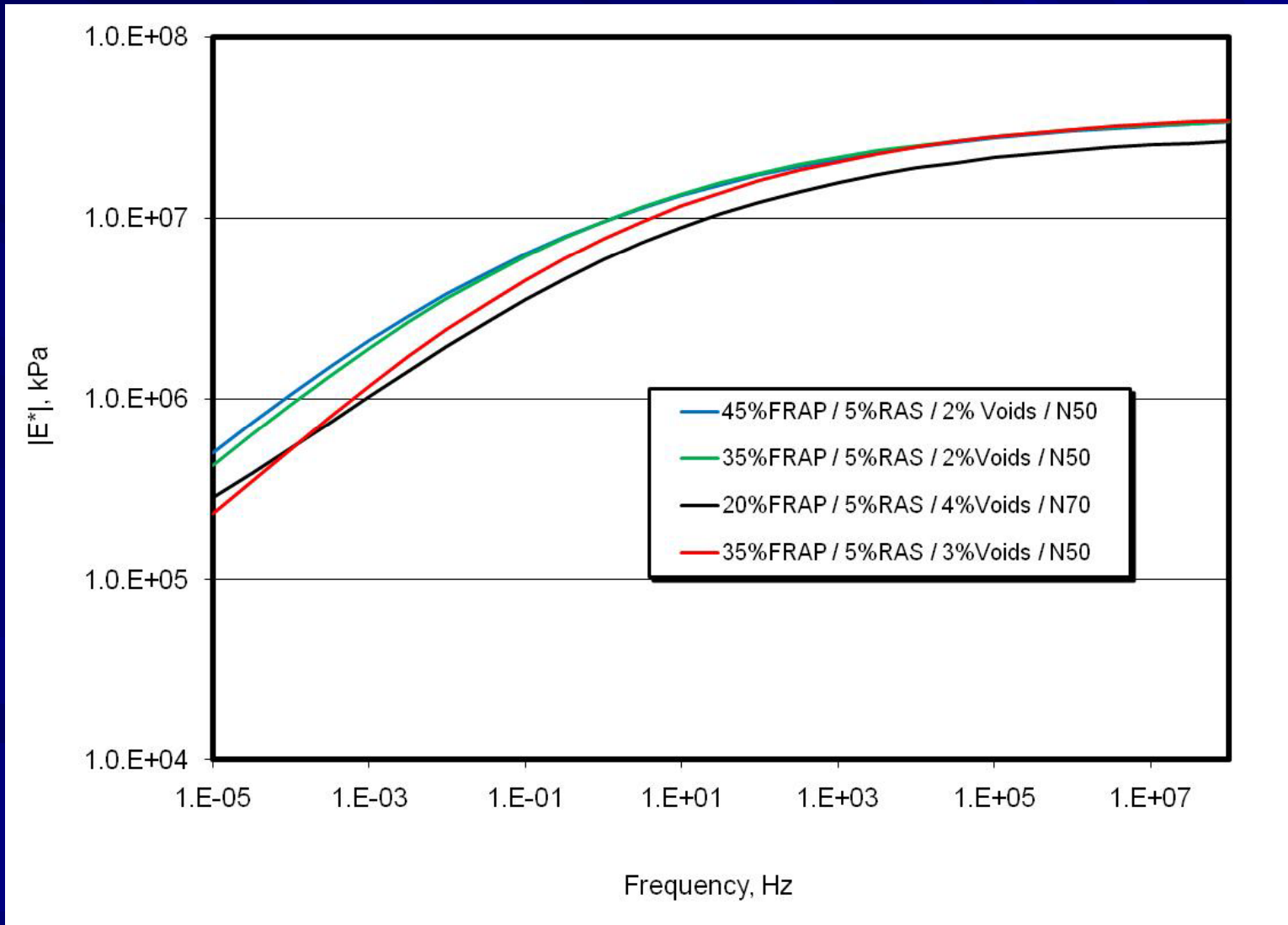


# Lab Tests

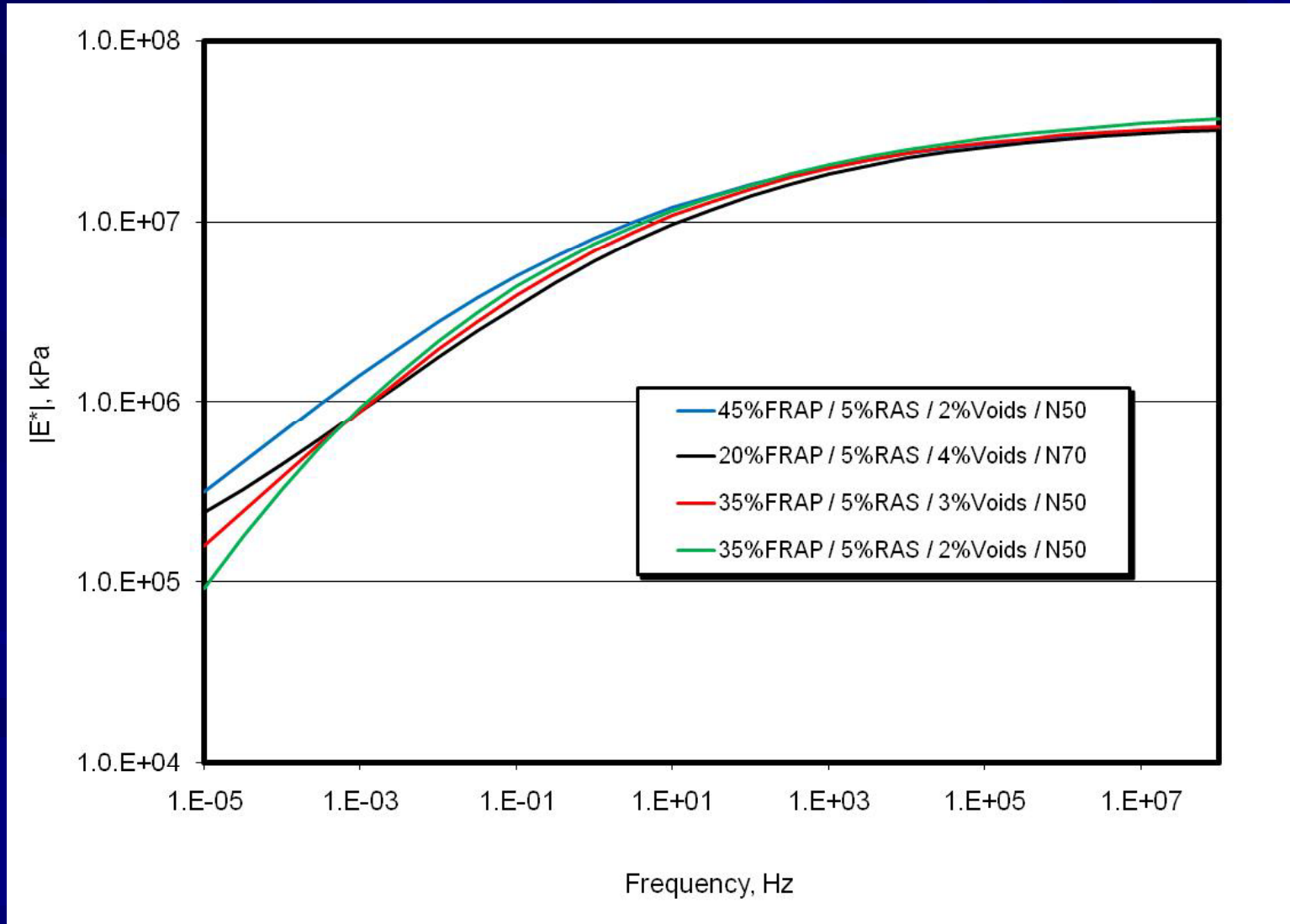
## Lab & Field Produced Mixes

- Dynamic modulus
- Beam fatigue
- Disc Compact Tension
- Recovered Binders

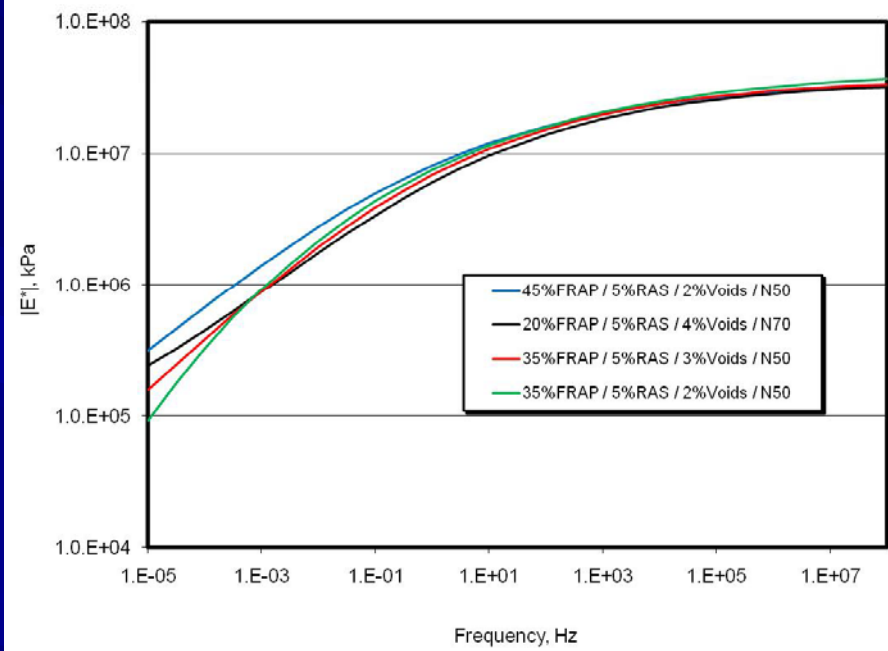
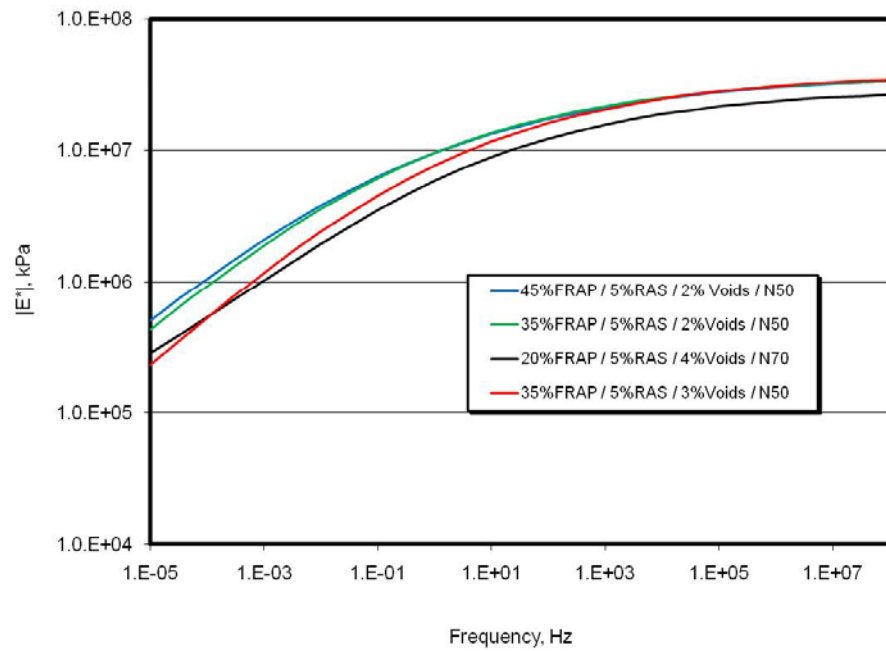
# Laboratory Mixes



# Field Mixes



# Lab vs. Field



# Summary

- The RAS binder contribution to the “mix” performance grade of combined binder can be reasonably estimated
- Warm mix asphalt technology is employing the same approach
- Warm mix asphalt & shingles are synergistic
- The approach is consistent with future mix performance testing

# Concluding thoughts/questions

- Integrating shingles into asphalt mixture specifications is challenging.
  - New technologies
  - Composition of shingles is changing
- Are post consumer shingles a solid waste today, in 5 years, or 10 years?
- Two demonstration projects have been placed in Indiana- lab testing of materials will begin soon.

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A dramatic, dark storm cloud formation, possibly a supercell or a large cumulonimbus cloud, dominates the sky. The clouds are dark and textured, with a bright, glowing area on the right side where the sun is partially obscured, creating a lens flare effect. The foreground shows a flat, green field under a dark sky.

Thank You!  
&  
Questions?

# **HMA Production Considerations**

# Production Facilities

- Storage of RAS is for a limited time
  - 2-3 weeks
  - Can blend with a sand to extend storage time
- Counter Flow Drum is preferred
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Recycle Chute is preferred upstream of RAP
- How is liquid asphalt paid for?
  - Separate- need to be able to track added RAS