

**State Planning and Research Program
Quarterly Report**

PROJECT TITLE: Understanding the Chemical and Mechanical Performance of Snow and Ice Control Agents on Porous or Permeable Pavements

OBJECTIVES: The objectives of this research are to identify the primary chemical and mechanical interactions that occur when deicers are applied to textured or porous pavements before, during and after a winter storm to determine optimal winter maintenance strategies and application rates for treating these types of pavements.

PERIOD COVERED: July 1, 2016 – September 30, 2016

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:

Western Transportation Institute, Montana State University–Bozeman and the Clear Roads Pooled Fund.

PROJECT MANAGER:

Tom Peters and Deborah Sinclair

SP&R PROJECT NO:

MnDOT Contract No.
99006, WO 2

PROJECT IS:

Planning
 Research & Development

LEAD AGENCY:

Minnesota Department of Transportation

Federal Project No.
TPF-5(218)

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:

Michelle Akin

PROJECT BUDGET:

\$185,000

PROJECT EXPENDITURES TO DATE:

\$179,593

WORK COMPLETED:

Task 1 – Project Management

- general management of project in terms of contractual compliance, budget and schedule, administrative tasks, and communication with technical panel

Task 2 – Literature Search - COMPLETE

Task 3 – List and Categorize Pavement and Overlay Types - COMPLETE

Task 4 – Interviews - COMPLETE

Task 5 – Lab Testing - COMPLETE

Task 6 – Analyze Chemical and Mechanical Interactions

- Completed most of lab testing to assess MassDOT OGFC pavements for friction and strength of snow bond using solid salt, prewet salt (with salt brine), and salt brine.

Task 7 – Synthesize Best Maintenance Practices

- began summary of recommendations based on literature review, interviews and lab testing

Task 8 – Recommend a Plan of Study – no progress during this period

Task 9 – Reporting

- submitted Quarterly Report #14

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE PERFORMED NEXT QUARTER:

Task 1 – Project Management

- general management of project in terms of contractual compliance, budget and schedule, administrative tasks, and communication with technical panel

Task 2 – Literature Search – *completed*

Task 3 – List and Categorize Pavement and Overlay Types - *completed*

Task 4 – Interviews - *completed*

Task 5 – Lab Testing - *completed*

Task 6 – Analyze Chemical and Mechanical Interactions

- Finish laboratory testing of MassDOT OGFC pavement samples and analyze data.

Task 7 – Synthesize Best Maintenance Practices

- Use information from literature search, interviews and lab testing to develop guidelines for best practices

Task 8 – Recommend a Plan of Study – no progress anticipated during this period

Task 9 – Reporting

- Write Quarterly Report #16
- Submit *White Paper on Chemical and Mechanical Interactions*

STATUS:

The project is currently behind schedule; the *White Paper* will be submitted as soon as possible.

Work Tasks	2016												2017		
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M
1 – Project Management															
2 – Literature Search															
3 – List and Categorize Pavement and Overlay Types															
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5 – Lab Testing															
6 – Analyze Chemical & Mechanical Interactions									★	★					
7 – Synthesize Best Management Practices										★		★			
8 – Recommend a Plan of Study										★			★		
9 – Reporting													★		★

- ★ Deliverable
 - ★ Literature Search Submittal
 - ★ Categorized List of Porous/Permeable Pavements
 - ★ Synthesis of Interview Results
 - ★ White Paper on Chemical and Mechanical Interactions
 - ★ Synthesis of Best Practices
 - ★ Field Testing Recommendations
 - ★ Final Report
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| Draft Due | Final Due |
| completed | completed |
| completed | completed |
| 31-Aug-16 | 31-Oct-16 |
| 31-Oct-16 | 31-Dec-16 |
| 30-Nov-16 | 31-Jan-17 |
| 31-Jan-17 | 31-Mar-17 |