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CONSTRUCTION MEMORANDUM
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TO: District Deputy Commissioners
    District Construction Directors
    District Testing Engineers
    District Area Engineers
    District LPA Coordinators
    Field Engineers
    Technical Services Directors
    Project Engineers/Supervisors
    Office of Materials Management

FROM: Mark A. Miller, Director
Division of Construction Management

SUBJECT: 402 HMA LPA Recovery Act Projects, Revised To Include Contracts without Milling Items.

Based on the Recovery Act, National Review Team summary report we will need to be making some changes to how we handle testing on all active LPA contracts where the contract requires scarification/milling and involves placing an HMA overlay using 402 HMA surface with quantities over 4000 tons.

First for all 402 LPA, HMA contracts, the PE/S will need to assure that roller passes are being counted and documented on the daily work reports by adding a statement such as “The Contractor performed the work on the HMA items in accordance with its quality control plan, compaction was performed in accordance with 402.15 and roller passes were verified.”

Second, effective immediately and in addition to the above we will be requiring that all Recovery Act LPA contracts that involve, scarification/milling, 402 HMA surface with quantities over 4000 tons and have not had a final inspection, do the following:

- One (1) core shall be taken from the surface on each contract.
- The core shall be cut as close to the time the mixture sample is taken on the contract as possible, either by plate sample or from the truck, which should already be occurring.
• The core shall be taken by the Contractor on the project and a change order will be prepared if requested by the Contractor to cover this cost.
• The PE/S will take immediate possession of the cores and they will be taken to an INDOT testing facility for density testing, as directed by each district.
• The cores are being tested “for information only”.
• On multi-lift contracts these rules will apply to all courses.
• The District Construction Director will need to supply a list for their district showing all contracts that meet the requirements above. The list is to be sent to the Director of the Division of Construction Management and District Support as soon as practical.
• District Construction staff will need to inform each affected LPA, PE/S as soon as possible.

Copies of any density testing performed by the Contractor should be obtained and forwarded to Ron Walker at the Office of Materials Management. This information is requested in addition to the cores the Department will test.

If you should have any questions on this issue please contact your Construction Management Field Engineer.

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