### Mn LTAP Concrete Flatwork Specifications for Local Government Agencies

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- Designed as a stand alone specification.
- The intent is to use existing MnDOT forms for field testing and weekly reports
- Minimize surface defects by:
  - Better & timely curing
  - Qualified personnel
  - Mix Design based on strength with limits



Quality Control Plan has 13 items required including the following

- Rain Protection Plan
- Hot Weather Plan
- Cold Weather Plan
- Curing Plan



- Developed for less agency inspection and greater contractor responsibility
- Intent is for more durable concrete
- Requires Contractor Certification and more responsibility on contractor for daily and pre-bid quality tests.

- Concrete Mix Design Performance
- Compressive Strength of 4000 psi at 28 days
- 400 lbs Minimum Cement Content
- 530 lbs Minimum Cementitous Content
- 658 lbs Maximum Cementitious Content
- Maximum W/C = 0.42 for Machine Placed
- Maximum W/C = 0.45 for Hand Placed

- Fewer bid items for designers
- Concrete pavement to include all items
- Different thickness 7 " concrete pavement
- Current MnDOT system example
  - Dowels
  - Steel

# Steel will be incidental to concrete pavement item







#### Payment Includes Structures

Curb & Gutter LF includes intake structures



Concrete Pavement Sq. Yd. includes manholes



#### 5 Main Parts

- General
  - Definitions:
    - Engineer or Contracting Authority's representative
    - Contractor
- Products
- Execution
- Concrete Strength by Maturity
- Pre-Pour Meeting

# Part 1 General 1.5 Measurement and Payment

- Concrete Pavement
- Curb and Gutter
- Sidewalk and Concrete Median
- Concrete Field Testing
- Concrete Pavement Smoothness
- Maturity Testing for Compressive Strength
- Enhanced Coarse Aggregate Quality

# Pay items in red are options for paving and quality testing

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#### Part 2 Products

- Cement
- Supplementary Cementitious Materials
- Fine Aggregate for Concrete
- Coarse Aggregate for Concrete
- Concrete Mixes

# Materials use MnDOT approved or ASTM approved

- Cement
- Water
- Fine Aggregate
- Coarse Aggregate
- Admixtures
- Joint Sealers



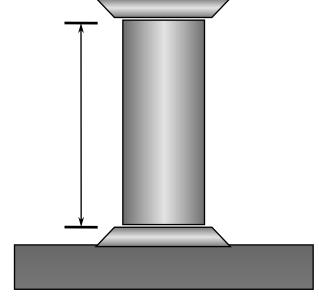
## LTAP Guidelines for Local Concrete Infrastructure

- New Spec is all performance
- 4000 psi concrete at 28 days
- Traffic allowed at 3000 psi
- Water/cementitious ratio set at maximums
- Paving 0.42
- Hand work 0.45

#### Part 2.2 Concrete Mixes

Compressive Strength 4000 psi at 28 days According to ACI 301 by the Field Experience Method or Lab Trail Batch method.

Standard Cylinder 4" X 8" for Aggregates 1 1/4" or less



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#### Concrete Mix Design

#### Contractor Mix Design

- Maximum fly ash replacement is 30%
  - w/ max. cementitious 420/180 lb/cy
  - w/ min. cementitious 420/110 lb/cy
- Maximum slag\* replacement is 35%
  - w/ max. cementitious 390/210 lb/cy
  - w/ min. cementitious 345/185 lb/cy

<sup>\*</sup> Slag is considered as cement so minimum cement content of 420 lb/cy is not applicable.

#### Concrete Strength

- Historically strength achieved in 7 days
- Early Strength mixes achieved strength in 3 days
- Lower w/c concrete can achieve strength in ≈ 3 days
- Early Strength mixes can be designed to easily achieve opening times in 24 hours.
- Maturity a good system to monitor strength development.

#### Slump Maximum 5"

- No slump penalties
- Slump only run on hand placed concrete
- Slump, air and
   Temperature when
   strength specimens are
   made



#### Certificate of Compliance

- Use MnDOT System
- All reports done by contractor personnel
- All reports turned over to contracting authority

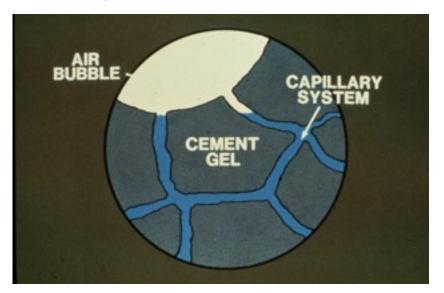


#### Chemical Admixtures Part 2.2 A, 6

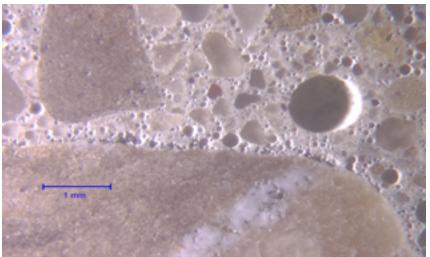
- Type A Water Reducing and mid-range water reducing admixtures
- Type B Retarding/Hydration Stabilizers
- Type C Accelerating Admixtures
- Type D water reducing and retarding Admixtures
- Type S Viscosity Modifying Admixtures

## Air Entrainment in Plastic Concrete Delivered in 90 min.

Safety Relief Valves



6.5 % Air Content



#### Part 3 Execution



#### Part 3.1 Personnel

 Will require 2 people to hold a current ACI Concrete Flatwork
 Technician certification

 Will require at least one of the people to be onsite for all concrete pours



# Pre-Pour Meeting for 500 cubic yard pours

- Projects People
- Grading done
- Concrete Schedule
- Concrete Mixes
- Concrete Testing
- Concrete Placement
- Curing Plan



# Ready Mix Plant is Either MnDOT Certified or ACI



#### MnDOT Forms to be Used

#### **Contact Report 2163**



#### Weekly Certified R-M Report



#### Concrete Placement Equipment

- Slipform Construction
- Fixed Form Construction
- Curing Equipment

### Slip Form Construction



#### Texturing for Pavements

- Longitudinal Astro Turf
- Longitudinal Broom Finish
- Require 0.8 mm Depth of Texture
- Test only done when texture is in question

### Astro Turf with Aggregate



# Broom Finish for Sidewalks and Curb and Gutter





### Slipform / Curb & Sidewalk



#### Fixed Form Construction



 A re-circulating bypass system that provides for continuous agitation of the reservoir material.





#### Curing of all Concrete Part 3.8

- An airless spraying machine is required for curing of all concrete.
- Place at a rate of 150 sq.ft./ gallon
- Use MnDOT approved 3754 AMS white pigment curing compound
- Cure placed within 30 minutes
- Failure to comply can result in a monetary deduction of \$50 per cubic yard of concrete in question.

### **Poor Curing**





### Curing

- Use AMS 3754 or Linseed oil 3755 not water based
- Hudson Sprayer not allowed



### Jointing Concrete Pavements



### Testing of Air / Plastic



### Table 5 Minimal Testing

- Contractor tests air and slump every 200 cubic yards
- Agency decides if it wants to tests at their discretion
- Cylinders made by contractor and agency will test the cylinders

# Table 6 Agency Minimal Testing Rates for Concrete Pavement

- Contractor tests air and slump every 200 cubic yards
- Agency tests air and slump every 400 cubic yards or once per day
- Cylinders made by both contractor and agency

### Surface Smoothness

- All concrete is covered by a straightedge specification of ¼ " in 10 feet.
- If Concrete Paving is designed with a Ride Specification it will be done as ALR and shown as a separate bid item.
- Areas of Localized Roughness uses the IRI and will require a MnDOT certified Surface Profiler and a certified operator.

### Concrete Pavement Smoothness

- All equipment must be Mn/DOT certified
- Contractor is required to provide computerized

#### **ERD** files



2012 Smoothness Device Certification will be held at MnRoad

Typically – First 2 weeks of May

# 2012 Certificates will be GOLD!

2012 Inertial Profiler Certificate
Date:
Serial #:
VIN:
Manufacturer:
Software:
Signature:
Minnesota Dept. of Transportation



# Concrete Thickness Verification

- Coring not required
- Contractor quality control probing
- Coring/probing spreadsheet available on web
- Results to over to contracting authority on a weekly basis
- Penalties assessed according to Table 9 in flatwork specifications.



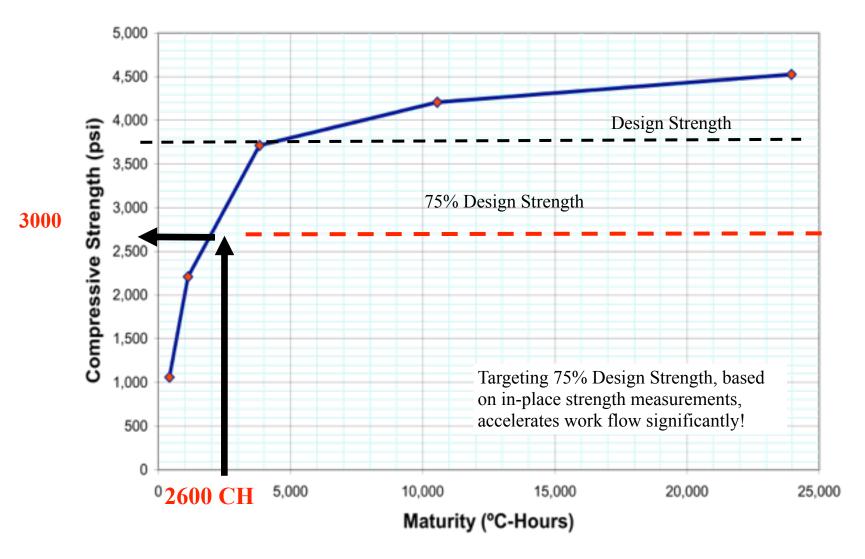
### Part 4 Maturity Testing

- Will be bid as a separate item
- Can be used with any concrete mix.
- Must be re-calibrated with a change in a Cementitious product.
- Can provide the greatest benefit with early strength mixes.

### Calibration of Your Mix Design



# Application – Convert Maturity to Strength (use the calibration curve)



### Follow Wash Out Guidance February of 2009

Wash Out Pit



Pump on Ready Mix Truck



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### Ramsey County (White Bear Lake)



## Summary

- Flatwork Specifications are available at the State Aid Website as a Technical Memorandum
- They can be used as a separate specification from the MnDOT specifications.
- We are encouraging engineers to use this entire specification on all projects, sidewalk and C &G to promote uniformity.
- You must add any other specifications you will need for a project as a supplemental to these specifications.

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