

2016 Local Roads Workshop

PaveXpress Update

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PaveXpress

A Simplified Pavement Design Tool



Brief Overview

PaveXpress

- Why PaveXpress?
- What Is PaveXpress?
- Overlay Design Module
- Overlay Design scenarios using *PaveXpress*



PaveXpress

AASHTO has been developing MEPDG for high volume roads, but a gap has developed for local roads and lower volumes



PaveXpress

What is it?

A free online tool to help you create simplified pavement designs using key engineering inputs, based on the AASHTO 1993 and 1998 supplement pavement design process.

- Accessible via web and mobile
- Free, no cost to use
- Based on AASHTO pavement design equations
- User-friendly
- Share, save, and print project designs
- Interactive help and resource links

Potential Application Users

- Local Government Agencies
- A/E/C Firms
- Engineering Students
- State Transportation Agencies
- FHWA
- Foreign Companies and Governments



Guiding Principles for Application

- Provide accurate un-biased results...be a trusted resource
- Only ask the user for what is required to perform a technically sound design
- Where appropriate suggest industry accepted defaults to minimize user input
- Provide context sensitive help and guidance

Approach: Technical

- Provide technically sound designs using:
 - Flexible: AASHTO '93
 - Rigid: AASHTO '93 w/ '98 Supplement
 - Parking lot guidance (Flexible only)
- Use industry accepted standards and guidance
- Linkages to State and Local guidance
- Linkages to Pavement Interactive

Approach: Web Delivery



- Browser based delivery
- Available via the web
- Supports all kinds of devices/OS
 - Desktops
 - Laptops
 - Tablets (7" 10" includes iPad Mini on up).
 - Handheld device capabilities
- Easily scalable and updatable

Roadmap for **PaveXpress**

A framework to continue to build upon:

- Version 1.0: Basic AASHTO 93/98 for flexible and rigid
 - Launched late 2014
- Version 1.1: Layer Protection
 - Launched March 2015
- Version 2.0: Overlay Design (empirical)
 - Launched July 2015
- Version 3.0: Simplified mechanistic design for both new construction and overlays

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• Adjustment to Existing Pavement Layer Coefficients

Screen 1 – Project Information

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Screen 1

Project Information

Location, Roadway Classification and Pavement Type

- 7) Structural Evaluation Method This drop-down box allows the user to indicate the type of approach used to evaluate the existing pavement following one or two approaches in the 1993 Guide:
 - Condition Survey





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2 Pavement Layers Pavement Layer(s) Information

- Add Existing Layer: For the rehabilitation of an pavement, the existing pavement structure must be input. All like materials are grouped into a single layer. For example, all asphalt layers are combined. For each layer, the total thickness must be included. Layer types include:
 - Asphalt Dense Graded
 - Asphalt Open Graded
 - Aggregate Base
 - Cement Treated Base
 - Bituminous Treated Base
 - Asphalt Stabilized Base
 - Subbase

Add Existing Layer		×
Layer Type Thickness	Layer Type• in	6 6
16 161		Cancel Add Layer

2 Pavement Layers Pavement Layer(s) Information

2) Subgrade Soil Type – Following the input of the pavement structure, subgrade information is needed. The user can use the AASHTO classifications for the project. These classifications are used to compare the expected subgrade modulus with the user input value. If the user value is higher or lower than the expected value for that classification, a warning is given to the user.



2 Pavement Layers Pavement Layer(s) Information

3) Subgrade Modulus – As with the new design of an Asphalt pavement, the overall structure needed to support the anticipated loading is very dependent on subgrade strength. The user can enter a design modulus based on lab testing or a correlation with CBR or R-Values



2 Pavement Layers Pavement Layer(s) Information

4) New AC Overlay – For the calculation of overlay thickness, two inputs regarding the asphalt material must be input. First, what layer coefficient to use. A standard value is 0.44, but it can be altered by the designer. The second input is the minimum lift thickness for the AC overlay. With most asphalt mixes, this depends on the top stone size. This value should reflect the common asphalt overlay material used.



Screen 3a – Condition Survey PaveXpress

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Screen 3a – Condition Survey

3 Condition Survey

 Condition Survey – This approach to assessing the existing pavement's structural capacity relies on a visual condition survey. Two distress types are evaluated and used in PaveXpress. For each distress type, a percentage by condition type (Low, Medium and High) is recorded:

Alligator Cracking

Transverse Cracking

While rutting is considered in Chapter 5 of the 1993 Guide, it is highly recommended to mill surfaces that experience rutting.



Screen 3a – Condition Survey

3 Condition Survey

2) Cores – In addition to a visual assessment of the pavement, coring is critical. Coring will aid in confirming the existing pavement structure and retrieving material for lab testing. Just as importantly, the cores can be used to determine the direction of cracking along with the presence of delamination or stripping. The depths of cracks and location of the stripping/delamination is used by PaveXpress to guide the user in determining depth of milling



Cores A Were cores taken on the roadway? Yes • A Were cores of cracks taken? Yes -Ð Crack Type Top-Down Only -A Depth of cracks (max) 2 inches A Delamination/Stripping? Yes -A Depth of distress (max) 2 inches

Screen 3a – Condition Survey



3) Distressed Pavement – In many cases, the existing pavement surface is distressed and should be removed prior to placement of a new AC overlay. The designer must define the depth of existing pavement to be removed. This material that is removed will impact the existing structural capacity.



Distressed Pavement

Mill/Remove Distressed Asphalt?

Depth to remove



Screen 3b – Layer Coefficients PaveXpress

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1 Project Information Location, Roadway Classification and Pavement Type	Layer Coefficients					
	Layer Type	Existing Thickness	AASHTO Recommendation	Layer Coef. (a)	Drainage Coef. (m)	SN
2 Pavement Layers Pavement Layer(s) Information	Asphalt - Dense Graded	8"	0.14 to 0.20	0	1	0.0
3a Condition Survey	Aggregate Base	6"	0.10 to 0.20	0	1	0.0
3b Structural Parameters Information	▲ You have electe you select.	d to remove 2 i	nches of pavement fro	m the surface. This m	S ay impact the layer coef	N _{eff} 0.0 ficient
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Screen 3b – Layer Coefficients

3b Structural Parameters Information

Layer Coefficients – Based on the existing condition of the pavement's surface, AASHTO provide recommendations for adjusted layer coefficients. If the existing surface will be removed and the associated distresses, then "sound" or common layer coefficients from the remaining layers should be used. If the entire pavement structure is distressed, then a value from the AASHTO Recommendation range should be entered by the user.

Layer Coefficients

Layer Type	Existing Thickness	AASHTO Recommendation	Layer Coef. (a)	Drainage Coef. (m)	SN
Asphalt - Dense Graded	8"	0.14 to 0.20	0.44	1	3.5
Aggregate Base	6"	0.10 to 0.20	0.14	1	0.8

SN_{eff} 4.4

A You have elected to remove 2 inches of pavement from the surface. This may impact the layer coefficient you select.

Screens 4 and 5 – Design Parameters, Traffic & Loading

The information on these screens are the same as for a new pavement design.

One main area for consideration is the Design Period. For most AC overlays, a design life of 10 to 20 years is common. The period is generally in line with the expected life of the asphalt surface mix.

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Project Information Location, Roadway Classification and Pavement Type Pavement Layers Comment Layers	Design Parameters Design Period Reliability	15 years	
Condition Survey Visual Assessment	Reliability Level (R) Combined Standard Error (S ₀) Serviceability	85 ▼ Z _R = -1.037 1	
3b Structural Parameters Information	Initial Serviceability Index (p _i)	4.5	
4 Design Parameters Specific Design Variables	Terminal Serviceability Index (p _t) Change in Serviceability (ΔPSI)	2.5	
5 Traffic & Loading Traffic and Loading Data			
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Screen – Design Guidance

Overlay – Once the existing pavement information, PaveXpress uses the AASHTO equations to calculate the existing or effective structural number (SN) of the pavement. From the design and loading information, the required SN to support the loadings over the design life is calculate. The difference in the required SN and the existing SN is converted to an overlay thickness. If this thickness is less than minimum thickness input on Screen 2 or the required SN is less than the existing SN, then PaveXpress will report the minimum overlay thickness value.



Screen 3 – Nondestructive Testing (NDT) PaveXpress

Getting Started -Home My Projects About -Training - AC Overlay NDT Print Save **Project Information Backcalculation Results** Location, Roadway Classification and a Design Subgrade Modulus (Mr) 0 Calculate Pavement Type **Pavement Layers** Ø 0 Calculate SNeff Pavement Layer(s) Information Cores Nondestructive Testing (NDT) 3 0 Were cores taken on the roadway? No -Structural Parameters Information Ø Were cores of cracks taken? No + **Design Parameters** 4 Specific Design Variables **Distressed Pavement** 8 **Traffic & Loading** Mill/Remove Distressed Asphalt? Yes -5 Traffic and Loading Data 0 0 Depth to remove inches **Design Guidance** 0 Estimated Structural Coefficient (a) 0 Previous Next

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3 Nondestructive Testing (NDT) Structural Parameters Information

Backcalculation Results: Design Subgrade Modulus

 The subgrade modulus value is very important to the required structural capacity of the pavement. PaveXpress allows for direct entry of a modulus based on deflection testing and backcalculation. If the user has not performed backcalculation, then raw deflection data can be entered (Calculate button). It is suggested the user enter data from the 18", 24" or 36" sensor when using this approach. Please note, the Design Subgrade Modulus and the Subgrade Modulus on Screen 2 may not be equal. PaveXpress uses the Design Subgrade Modulus with the NDT method for calculating overlay designs.

Calculate Subgrade Modulus		×
Applied Load (P)	lbs	0
Radial Distance (r)	in	0
Deflection of radial distance (d _r)	in	0
C-value	.33	6
Subgrade Modulus (M _R)	psi	
		Cancel Set MR and Close

3 Nondestructive Testing (NDT) Structural Parameters Information

 Backcalculation Results: SNeff – The effective structural number is used to characterize the condition of the pavement. PaveXpress allows for direct entry of a SNeff based on deflection testing and backcalculation. If the user has not performed backcalculation, then raw deflection data can be entered (Calculate button). Using the total pavement structure and the Design Subgrade Modulus, SNeff is computed.



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Structural Parameters Information

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PaveXpress for AC Overlay Design

Go to Web Application for Software Demonstration

Future of *PaveXpress*

A framework to continue to build upon:

- Simplified mechanistic design for Asphalt Pavements
- Pavement costing module
- Porous pavement design tool
- And more

QUESTIONS?

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