



MTV Best Practices

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Why Use MTV

- » Eliminate Physical Segregation
- » Re-Mix HMA
- » Provide Site Storage
- » Stop Truck Delays
- » Eliminate Paver Stops/Start
- » Smoother Roads Last Longer
- » Require Less Maintenance
- » Compaction



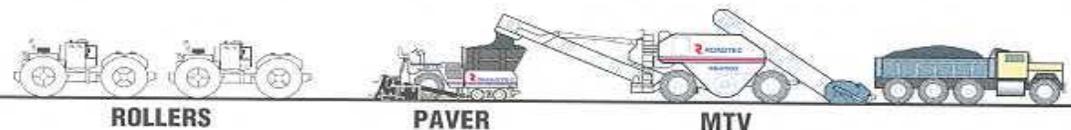


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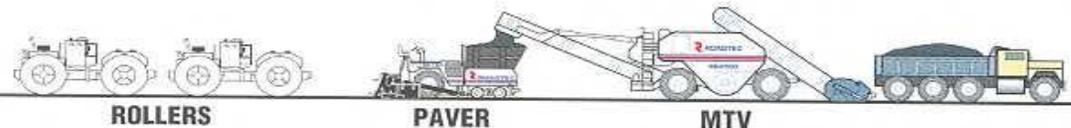


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Non-Contact Paving

- » Remove trucks from paver
- » Trucks are not bumping paver causing it to change speed and put marks in mat



Constant Speed Paving

- » Changing speeds while paving changes the forces on the screed
- » Shuttle Buggy allows paver to keep moving
- » Stores mix on site
- » Paver doesn't slow down to accept truck



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Both Loose Heat



- » Thermal Segregation is one of the reasons that asphalt pavement prematurely fails.
- » Aggregate Size Segregation is caused by the same movement of the delivery vehicle as Thermal.



Physical Segregation



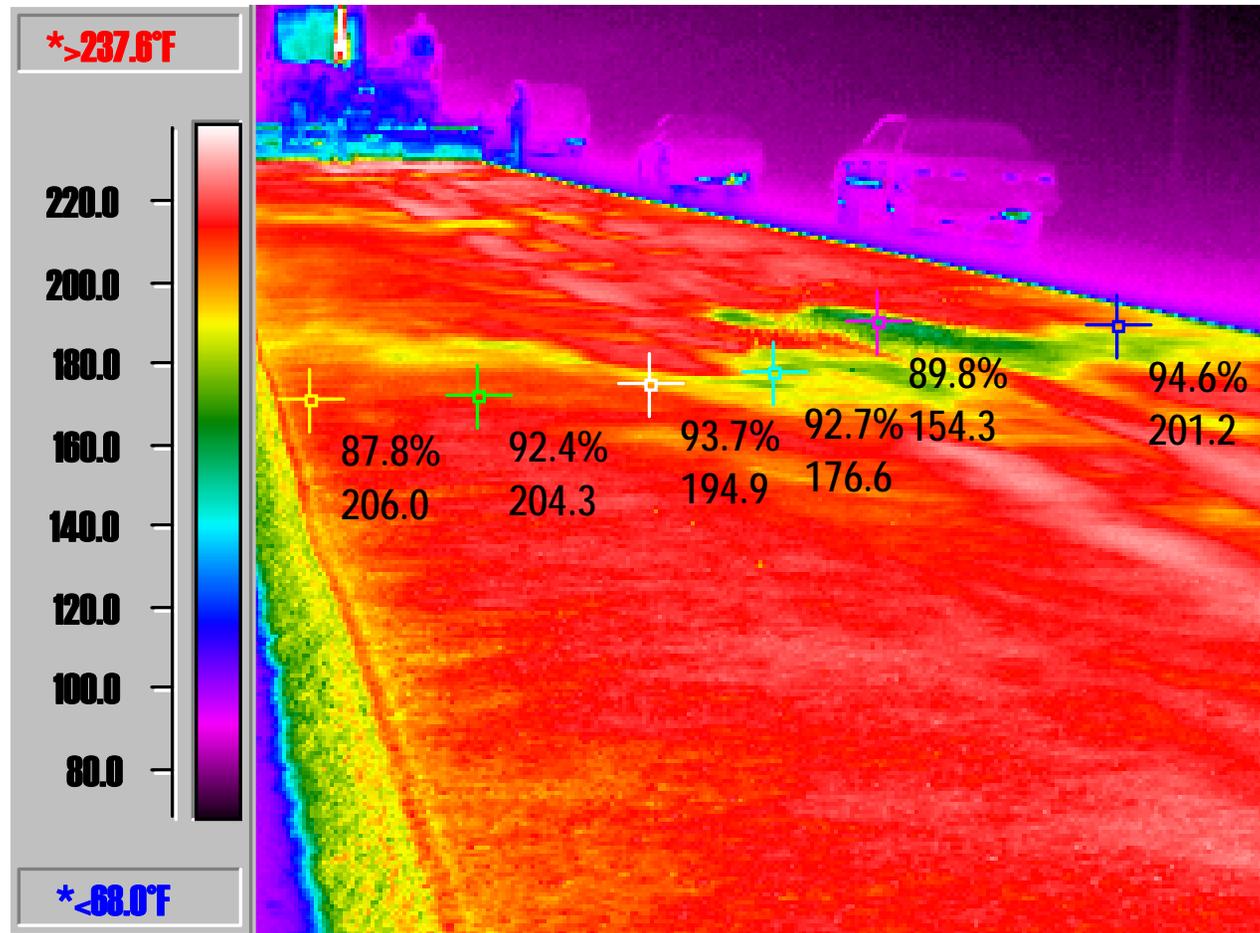
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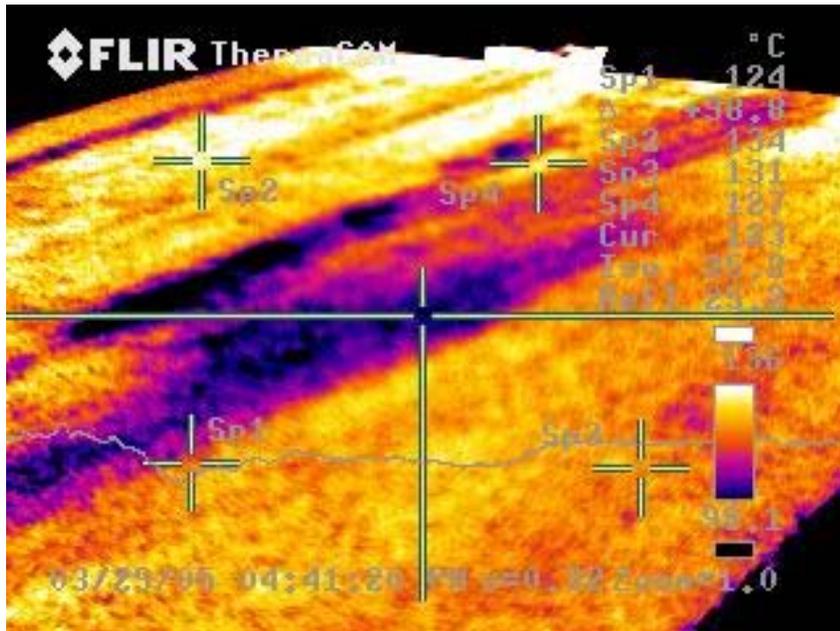
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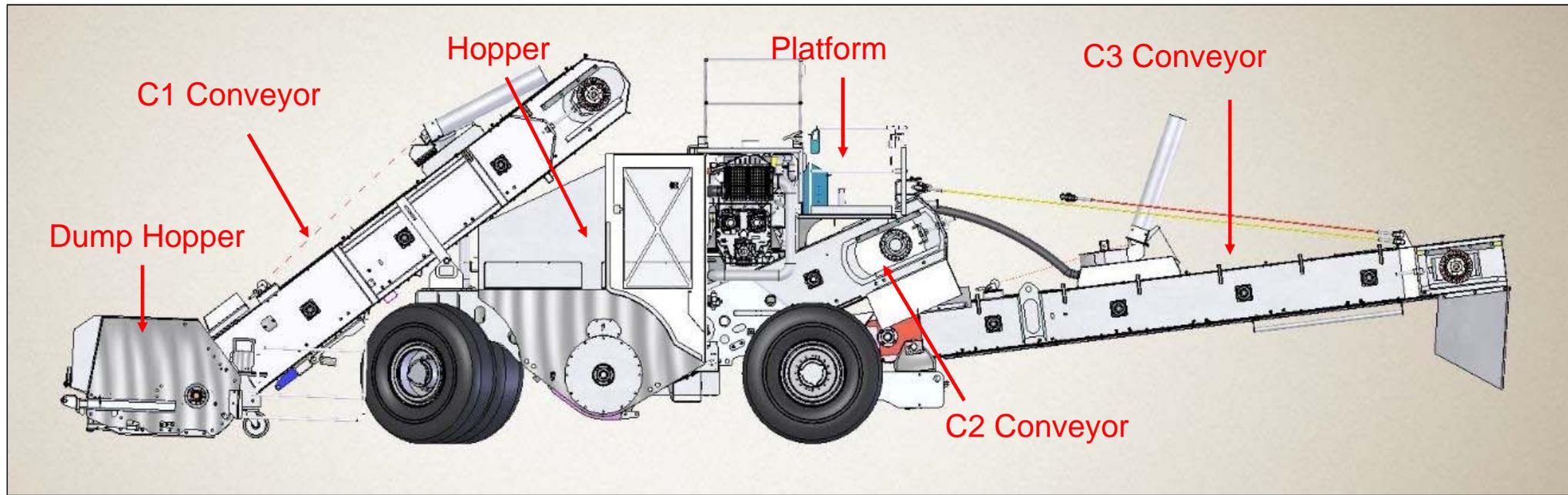
Compacting a cold spot is not good practice



Differing temperatures at compaction means differing density – differing service life



Nomenclature

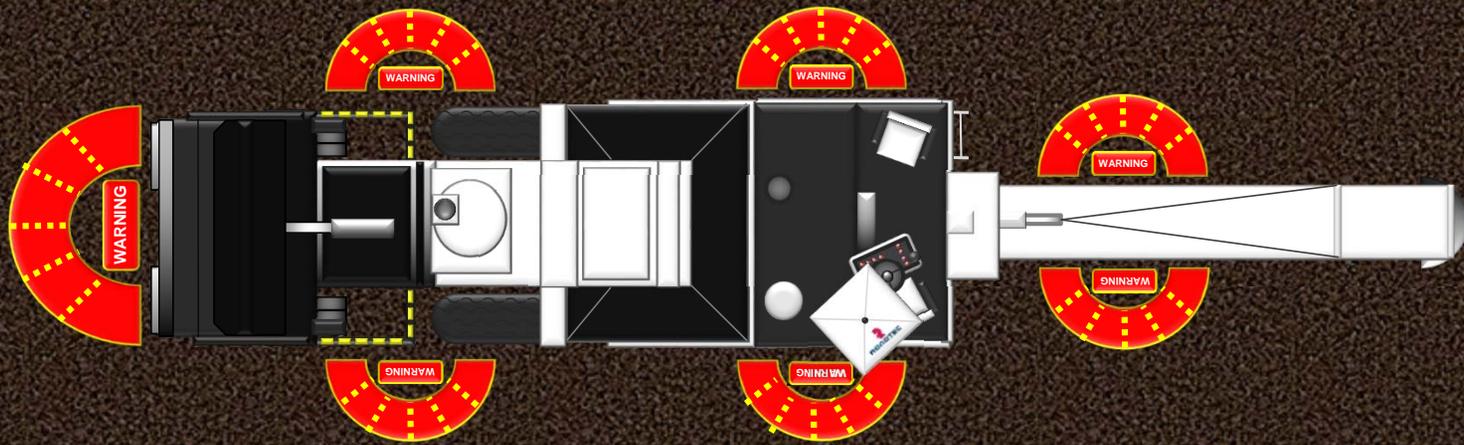


Safety First

- » Heavy equipment is dangerous!
- » Improper use or maintenance of this machine can result in personnel injury
- » Reduce the potential for injury by complying with instructions and warning symbols



Danger Zones



Safe Visibility

- » Properly set mirrors are critical to safety
- » It is **your** job to see the crew on the ground



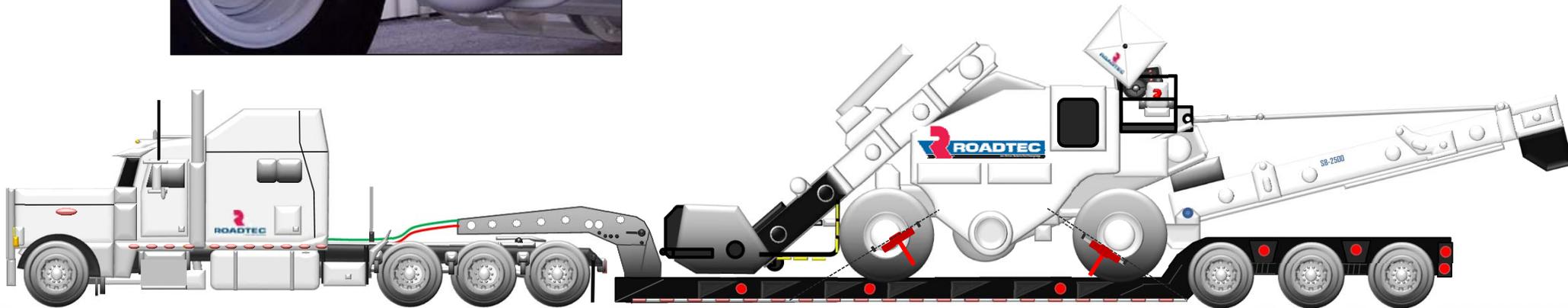
Keep eye contact with **dump person and paver operator**



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Proper Unloading / Loading



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C3 Swing Lock



Main Operator

- » Check Machine all over, **leaks-levels of oil, fuel, hydraulic, etc.** Start machine and **let warm up** watching gauges. After it is warmed up **turn on C-1, C-2, C-3 at idle** to let warm up for a little while.
- » After warm up turn off conveyors and **move into position to pave.**
- » Be sure **C-3 is lowered into position** and turn on all conveyors.
- » **Close baffles. Communicate** with dump person and operator to start.
- » Slowly move travel lever forward to **match paver speed**, may have to also **use speed pot** to help with this.
- » **Watch insert** to let dump person know ahead of time to lower the truck bed down in time **to not hold any material in buggy yet.**
- » When ready to pave communicate again with dump person to start dumping.
- » Help dump person to not hold any material in C-2 until 2 loads have been run thru buggy to warm everything up **to prevent it from clogging up.**
- » **Continue after 2 loads to fill buggy and communicate** with operator of paver and dump person to keep moving without running out of material.
- » **Use the speed pot to regulate C-2** the amount of HMA delivered to the paver.



Dump Operator



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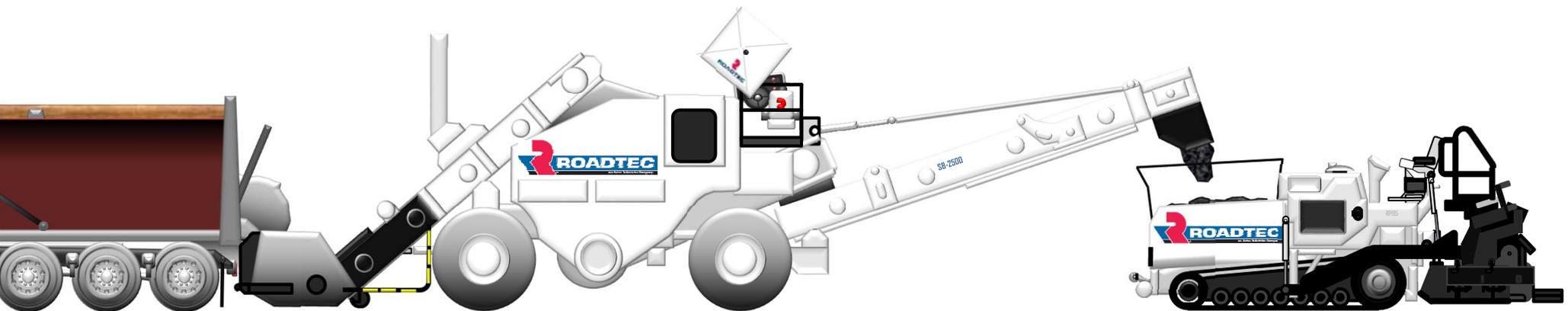
Dump Operator

- » Move truck into position to dump.
- » **Lower baffle** down all the way.
- » **Check with operator** that he is ready to start.
- » Raise bed slow to get flow moving, **not to overload hopper.**
- » Raise baffle slowly to **not overload conveyor.**
- » Only dump enough material to **fill insert in paver** with enough to start paver. Lower bed on truck.
- » When you start paving raise bed back up to **keep paver moving without filling C-2.**
- » Do this with the **first 2 loads.**
- » With the 3rd truck you can start filling the C-2 full, keeping it **2/3s to 1/3 full at all times.**
- » **Communicate with operator** to do this. You might have to lower the bed on the truck if the C-2 is getting full so the **operator will not have to turn off the C-1.**
- » Repeat these steps the **rest of the day.**



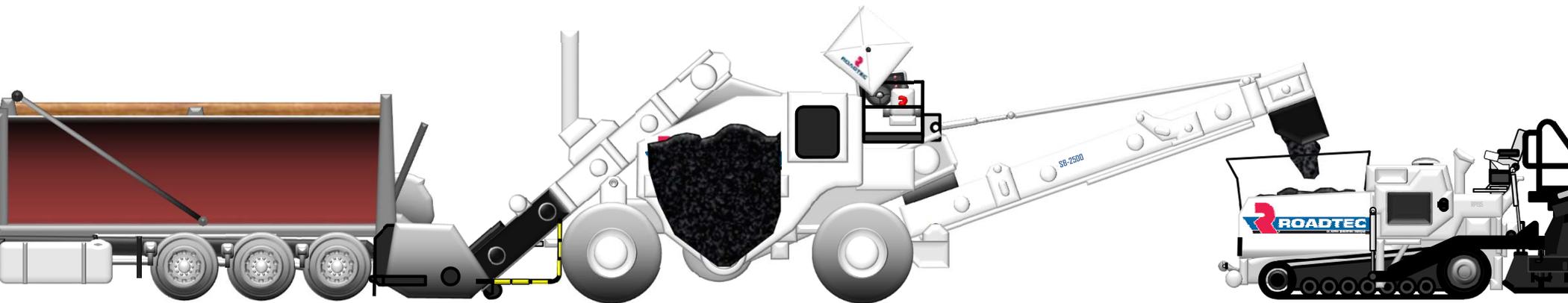
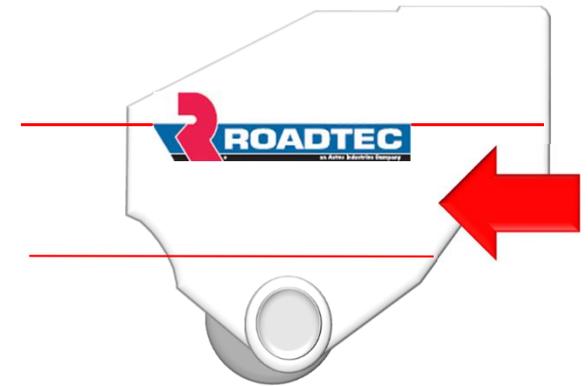
1st Load of Material

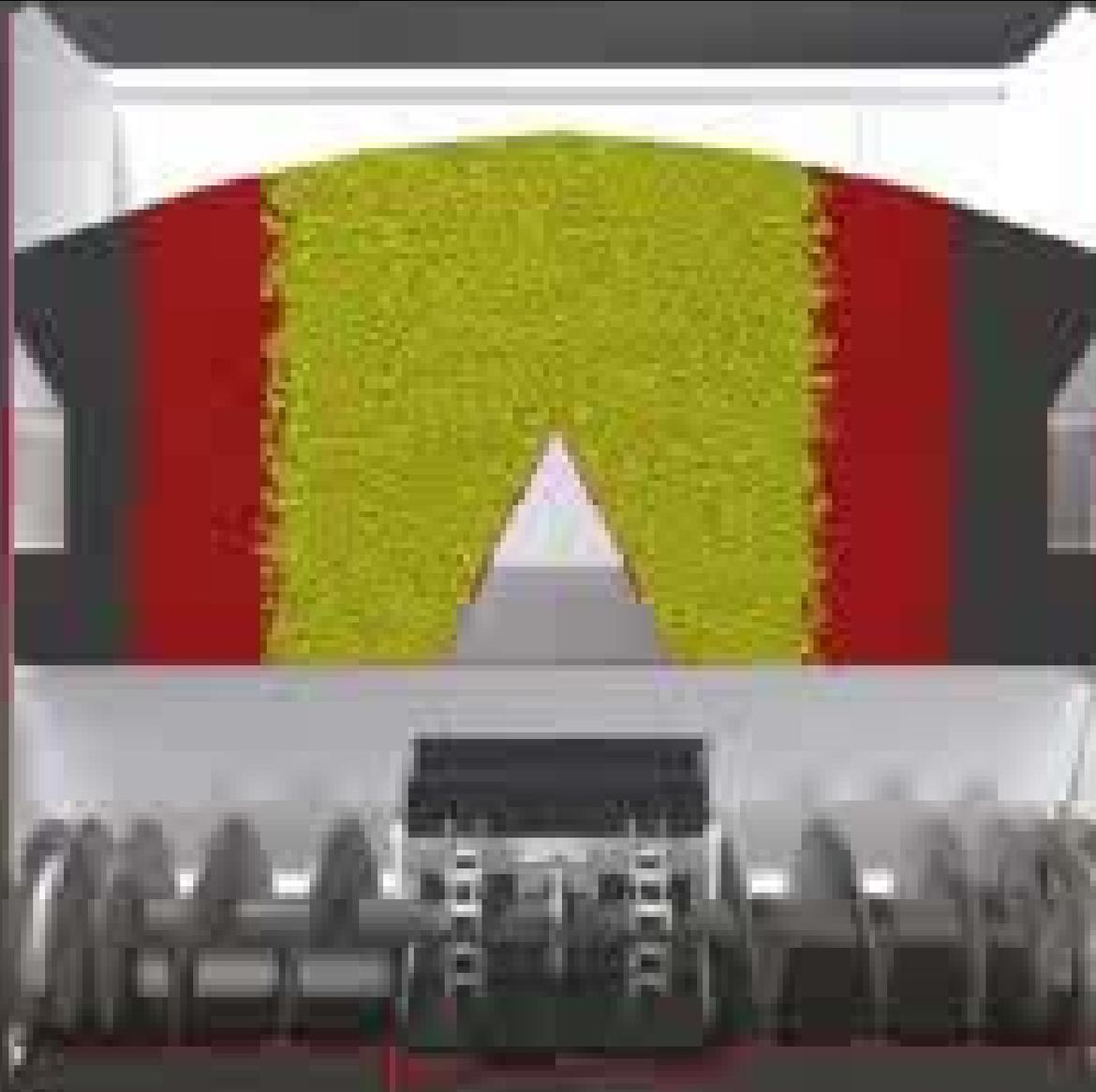
- » Best Practice: Always run first truck load or two straight through the machine.



Material Flow & Loading Material

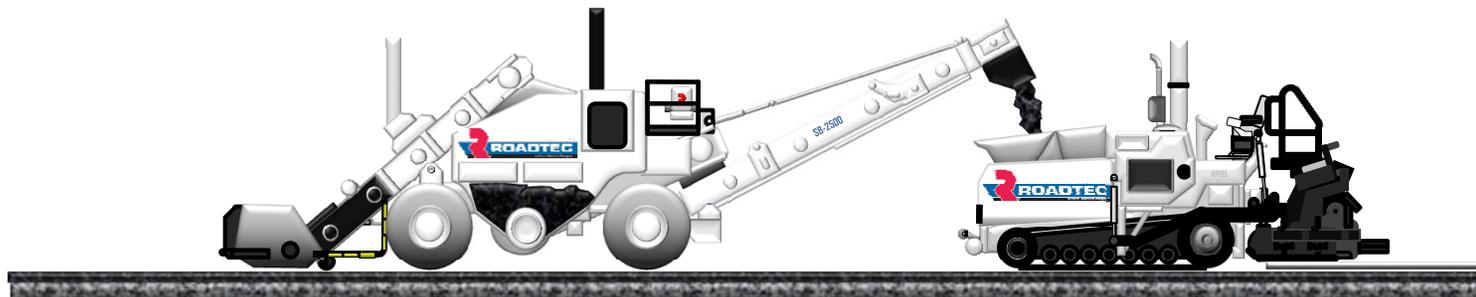
- » Remember, make sure that the C2 has at least 1/3rd to 2/3rd capacity at all times.





Hopper Inserts

- » Always use a hopper insert with a Material Transfer Machine
- » If the insert is always out or low, the same problem with Material Segregation will persist



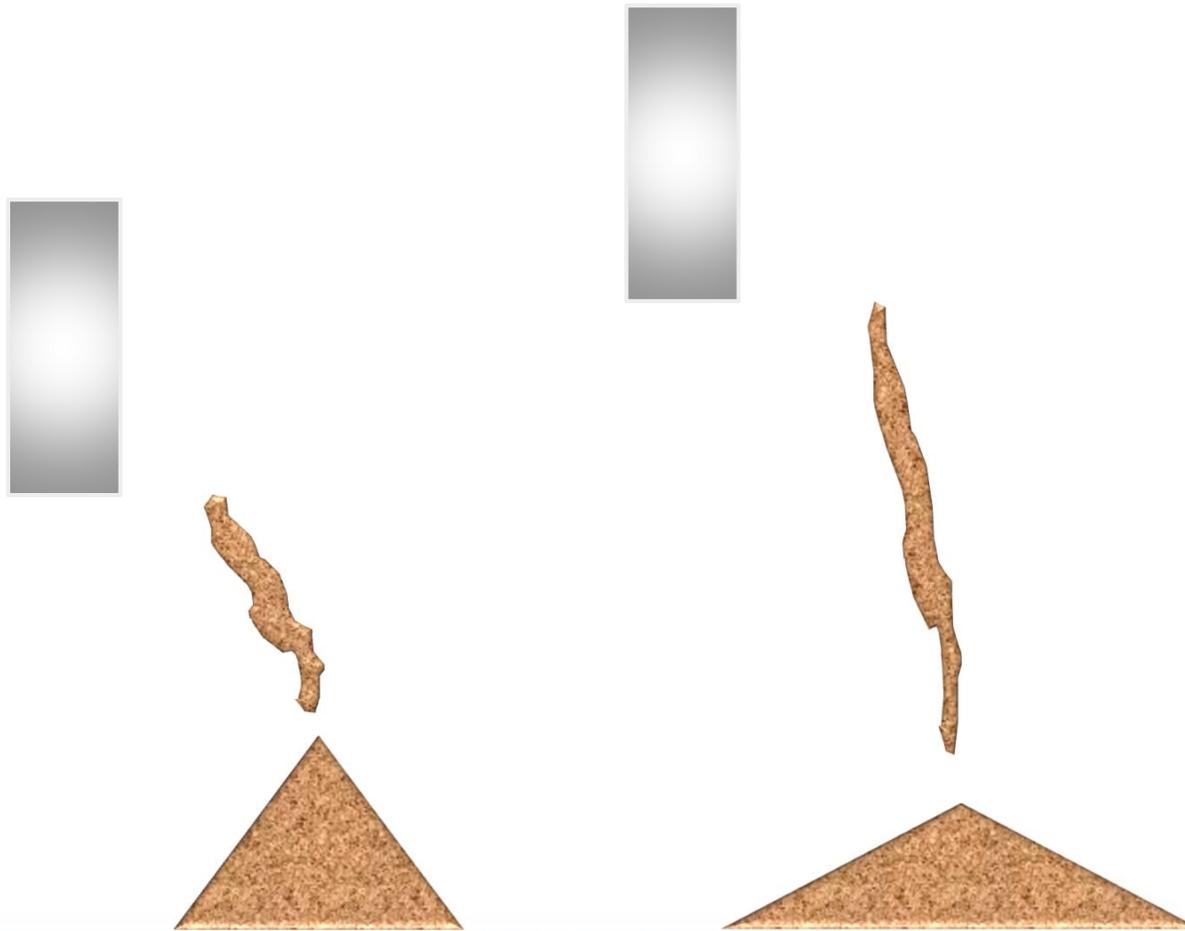
Correct Hopper Use

- » Always have the C3 as low as possible to prevent material segregation within the hopper
- » Keep the conveyor deck covered with a minimum of 12 to 24 inches of material. (152-254mm)
- » Stop the paver before the material drops below flow gate.



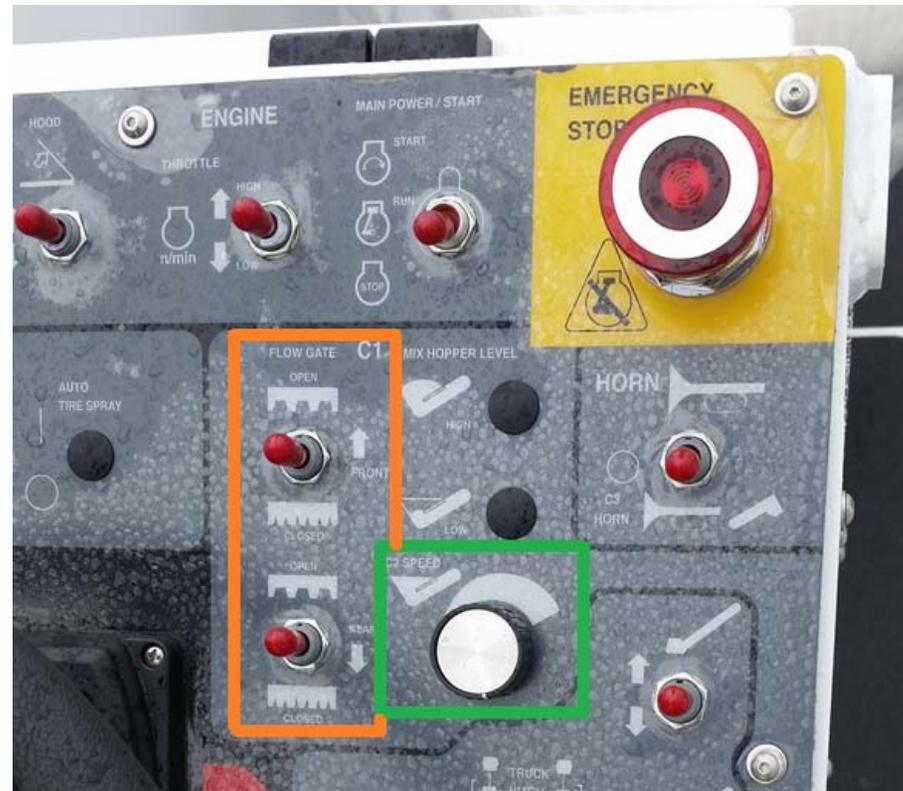
Why keep C3 low?

- » Think of how sand would come out of a glass at different heights.



Just keep moving!

- » Our goal is to never turn off the conveyors.
- » If C1,2 or 3 are turning on and off while loaded, there is much more strain on everything.

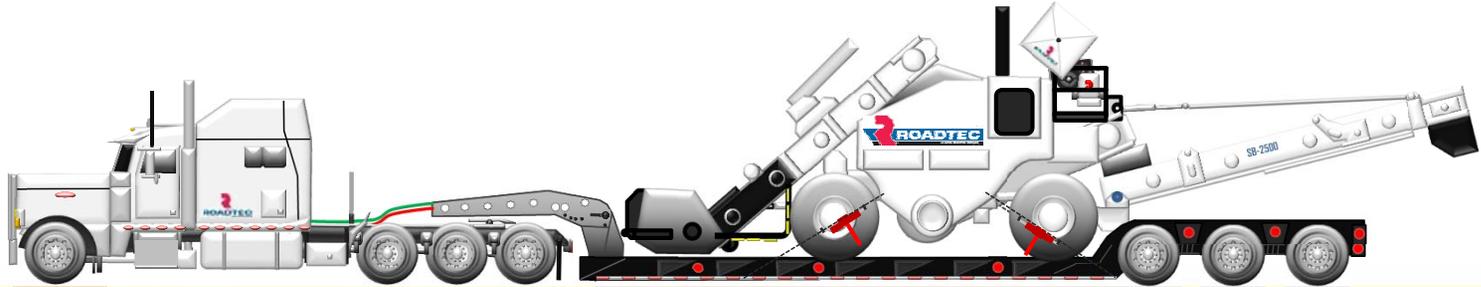


Cleanout

- » If there is asphalt left in the machine it is going to create excess wear (and a harder job for you tomorrow)



Questions?



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