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TRB Webinar: Pavement Performance— Fundamentals and New Technologies

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1:30 – 3:00 PM



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Learning Objectives

- Identify new technologies that can improve pavement construction
- Determine individual technologies and combinations of technologies to improve construction quality

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1.5 Professional Development Hours (PDH) – see follow-up email

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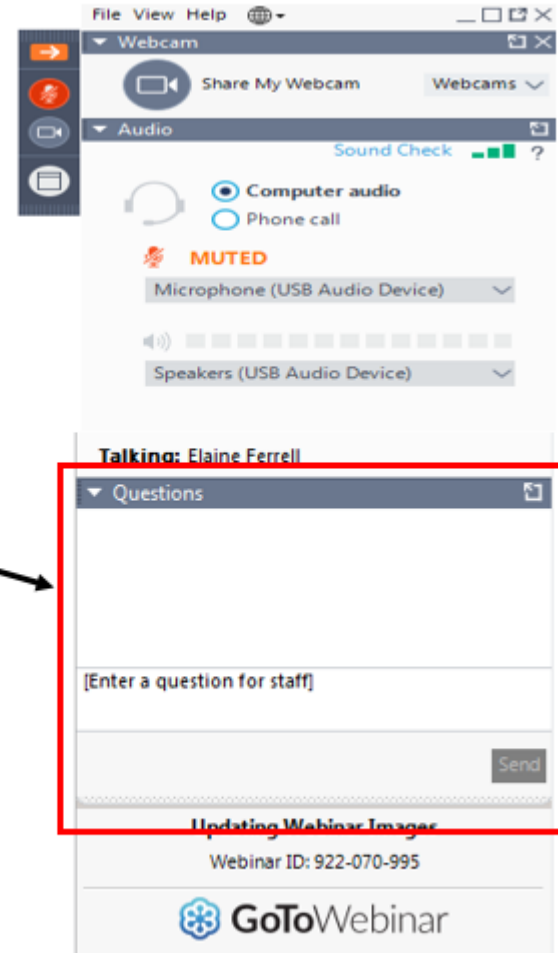
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- Please type your questions into your webinar control panel
- We will read your questions out loud, and answer as many as time allows



Today's presenters



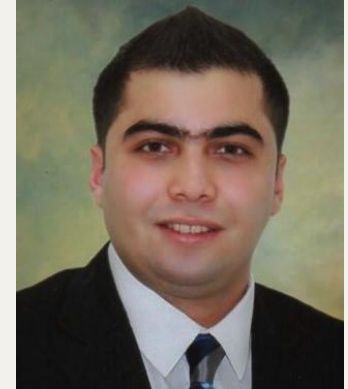
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Fundamentals of Quality Paving Practices

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Paving Fundamentals – Top 5



1. Paver setup and takeoff
2. Temperature
3. Continuous Paving
 - Balanced Paving & Compaction operation
 - Smoothness
 - Quick starts & stops
 - Head of Material
 - Automatic Grade & Slope Controls
4. Segregation
5. Compaction
 - Longitudinal Joints

1. Paver Setup & Take Off



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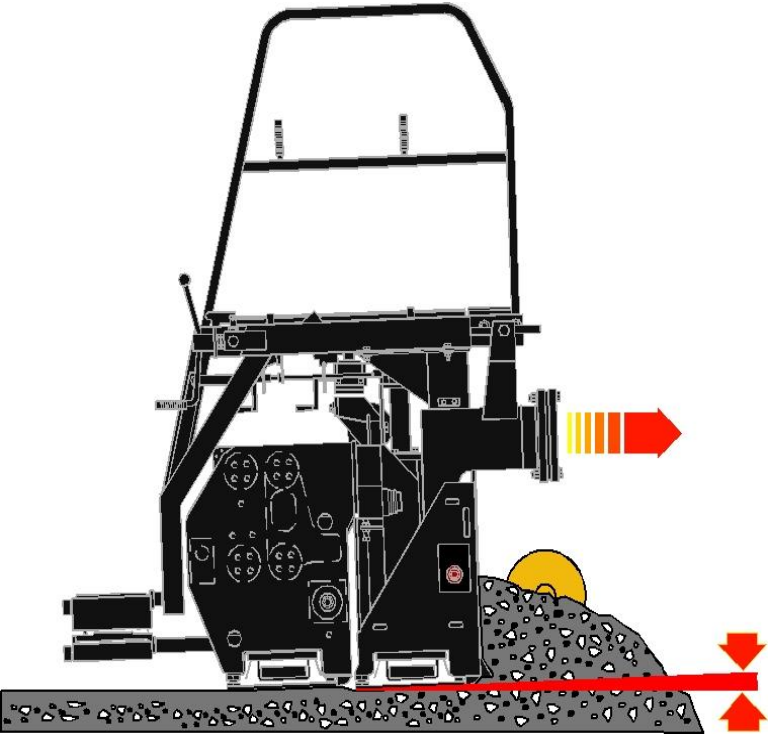
1. Heat the screed
2. Set the tow points
3. Set paving width
4. Set crown
5. Set extender height
6. Set extender slope
7. Lower screed and remove slack
8. Null the screed
9. Position end gates
10. Set auger height
11. Position feeder sensors
12. Set feeder controls
13. Fill auger chamber/place in auto
14. Set accessory functions
15. Pull off starting reference



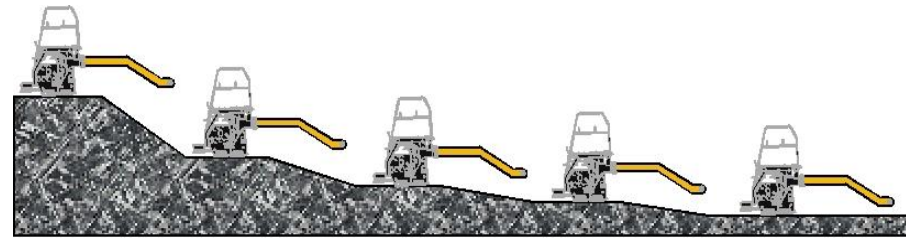
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Angle of Attack



- Angle of attack is the relationship between the nose of the screed & the trailing edge of the screed
- Nose up attitude
- Screed reaches equilibrium



Erratic Screed Behavior – lack of control

- Chatter in the mat
- Affects smoothness
- Affects density (compaction)



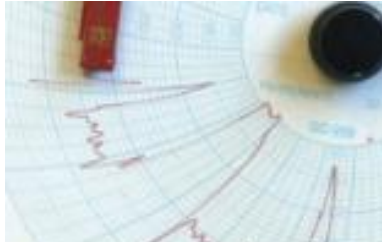
Variable Mat Texture



- Shiny or open texture
- Match height lines



2. Managing Temperature



- At the plant
- During the haul
- Through the paver
 - smoothness
- During compaction
 - Uniformity of compaction



CONSISTENCY!

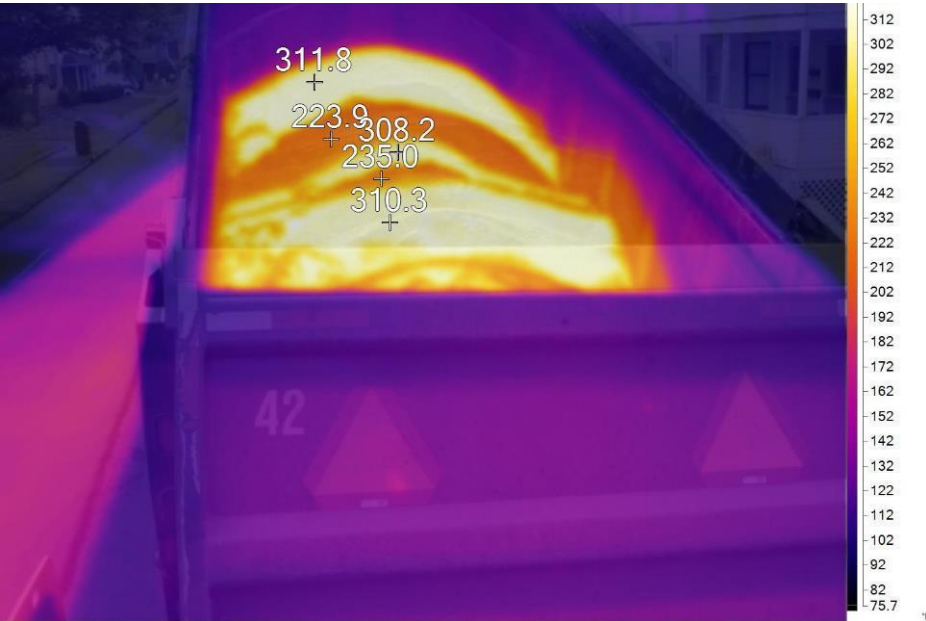
Managing Temperature

- silos

Batchers working?



Managing Temperature



3. Continuous Paving



- MTVs can help
 - Windrow elevators
 - Re-mixing type
- Approximately 15% improved smoothness

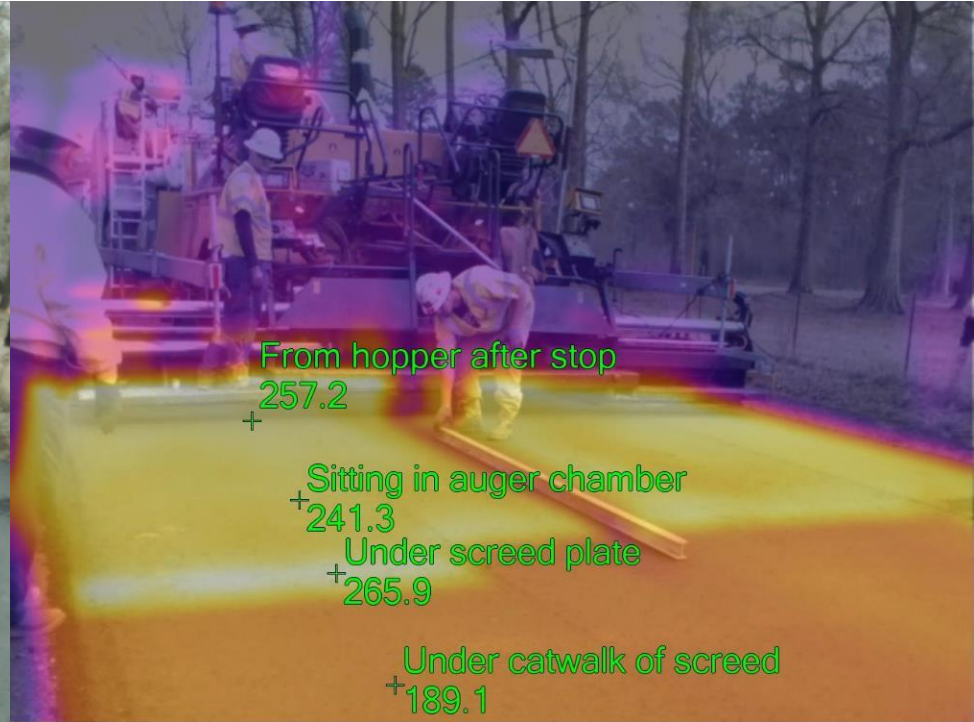
Paver Stops & Starts...



- Smoothness issue
- Non-uniform compaction
 - Temperature differentials
- Inefficient trucking



Paver Stops - density & smoothness



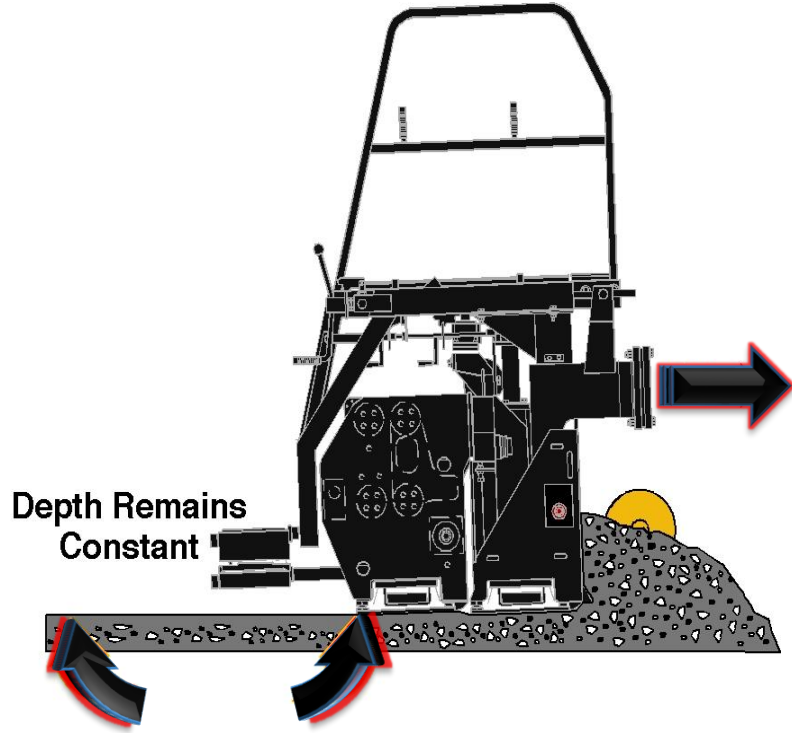
Planning a Balanced Paving Operation



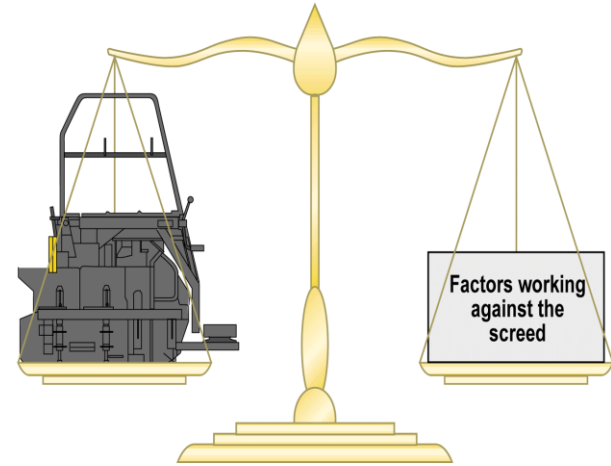
- Goal is non-stop paving
- Set to match mix delivery
- Balance with rollers
- Quick starts/stops
- 60 fpm maximum



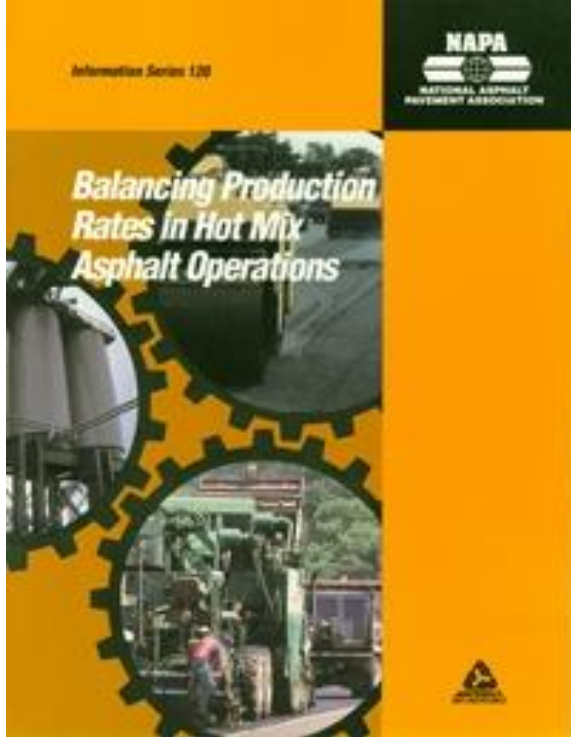
Pavement Smoothness



- Shear factor is constant
- Depth remains constant



Planning ≈ 20 minutes

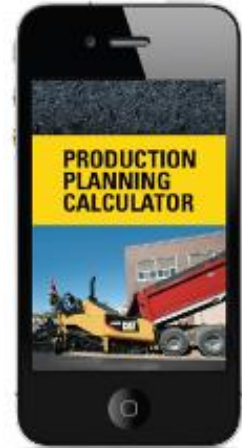


Pre- paving planning

- Tons per day
- Number of trucks needed
- Paver speed
- Roller speed
- Rolling Pattern
 - Density
 - Smoothness

Tools available

- NAPA IS-120
- Paving Production Calculator App
- PaveCool App



Paver Speed - Real World Paving

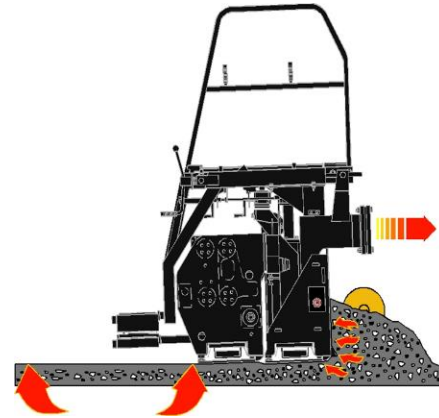
- Do not panic
- Stay with the plan
- Get rid of trucks in an orderly fashion
- Establish a uniform trucking pattern
- Will help density & smoothness



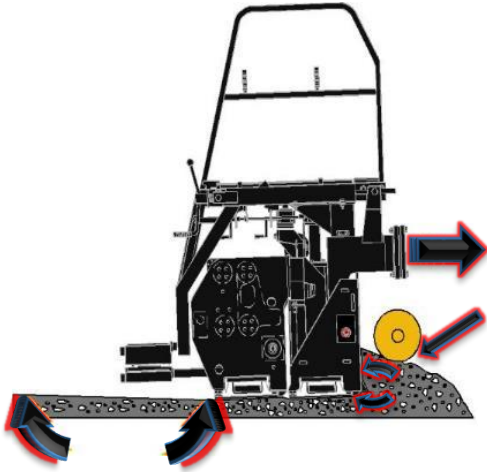
Managing Head of Material @ 1/2 Auger



1. Ratio dials (or flow gates)
2. Auger height
3. Auger speed
4. Feed sensor position

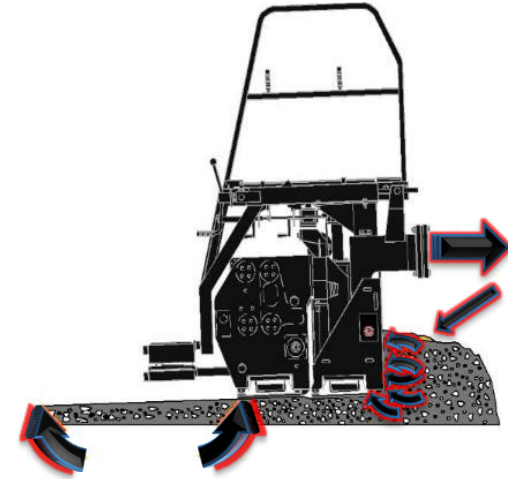


Changes in Head of Material



Head of Material Decreases

- Resistance decreased
- Depth decreases

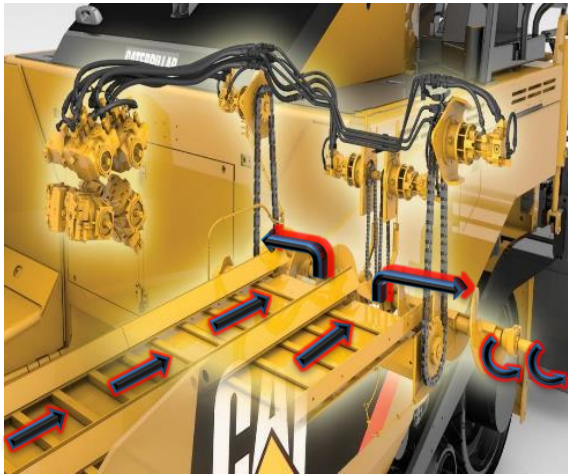


Head of Material Increases

- Resistance increased
- Depth increases

Controlling Head of Material

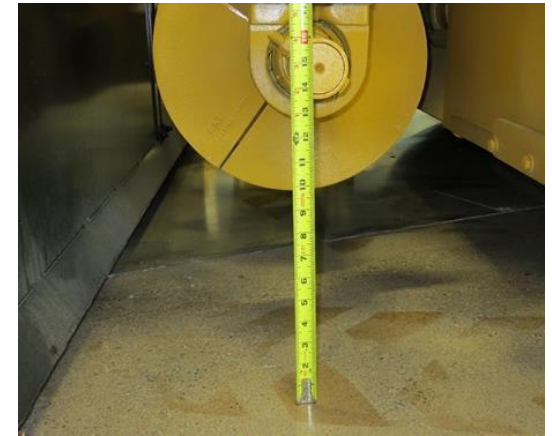
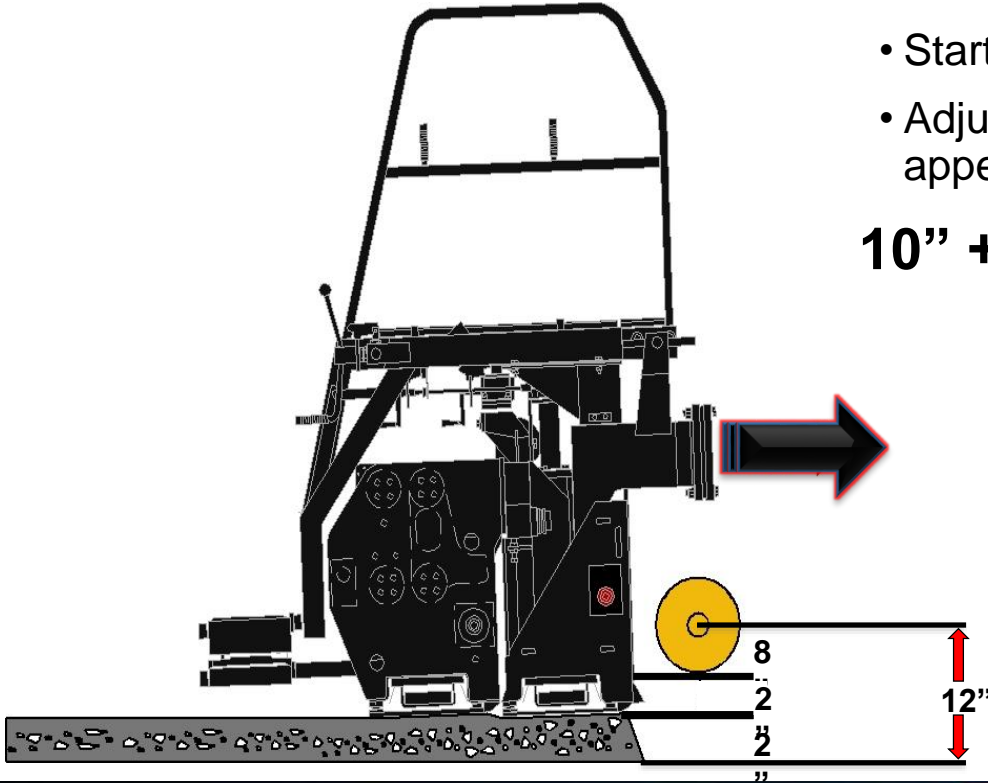
- Material level at center of auger chamber
- Material level in center area controls auger speed
- Flow gates on some pavers



Controlling Head of Material: Auger Height

- Start at 2" above level of mat
- Adjust up or down depending on mix type and appearance of mat

10" + mat thickness = auger height



Controlling Head of Material: Auger Speed



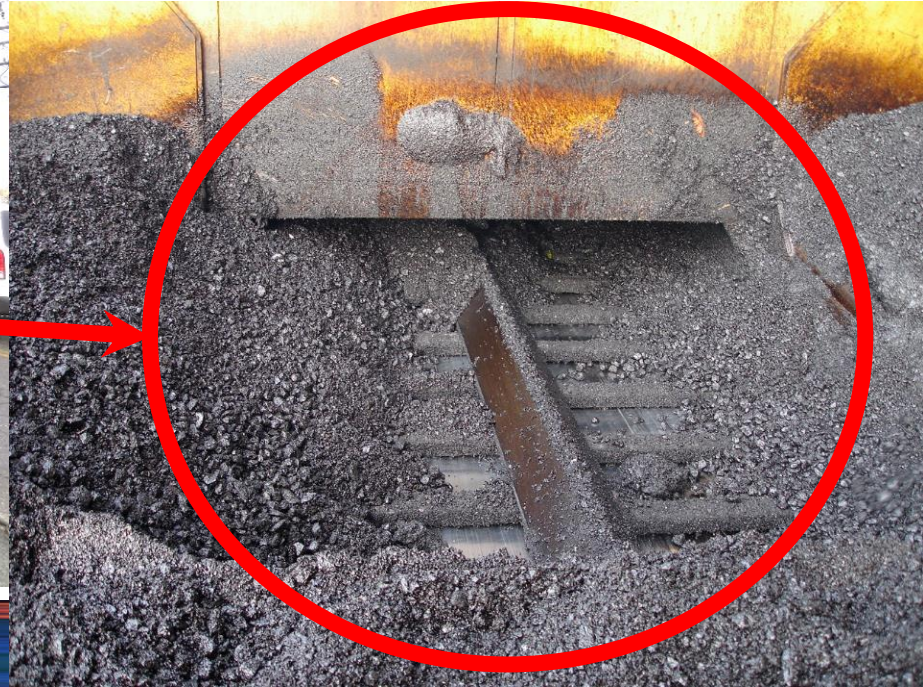
- Auger speed uniform
- 20-40 rpm
- 2s per revolution
- Auger speed too high or too low can cause stripes in the mat

Aiming Sonic Feed Sensors

- Mechanical or sonic
- Control level of material
- Position Sensor 18" from end of augers



Truck Exchange – HoM – Bumps & Dips



Quick Starts & Stops



4. Managing Segregation



Managing Segregation – Truck Exchange



Four step procedure

1. Release truck
2. Continue paving
3. Pave & fold hopper wings
4. Stop quickly

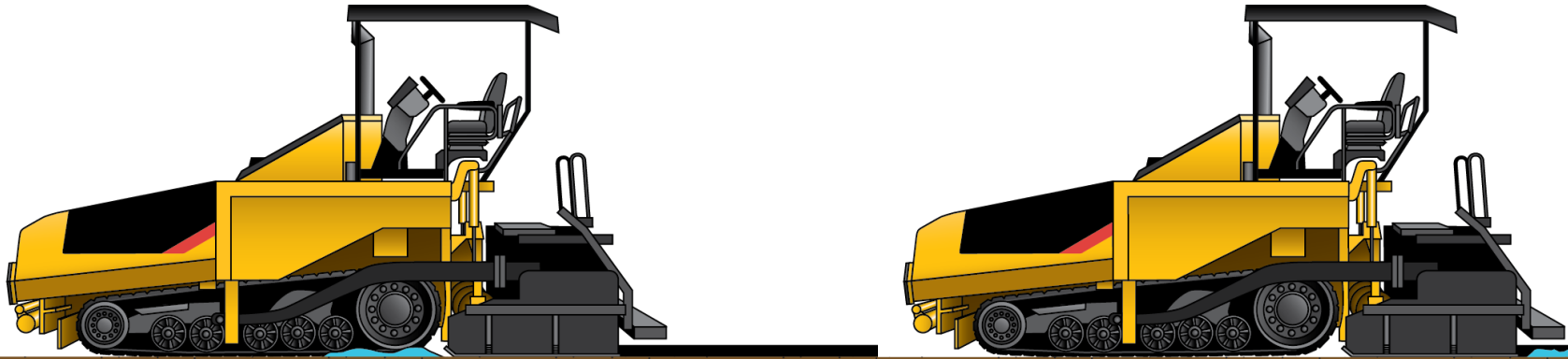
Managing Segregation – Truck Exchange



Defects Related to Truck Exchange



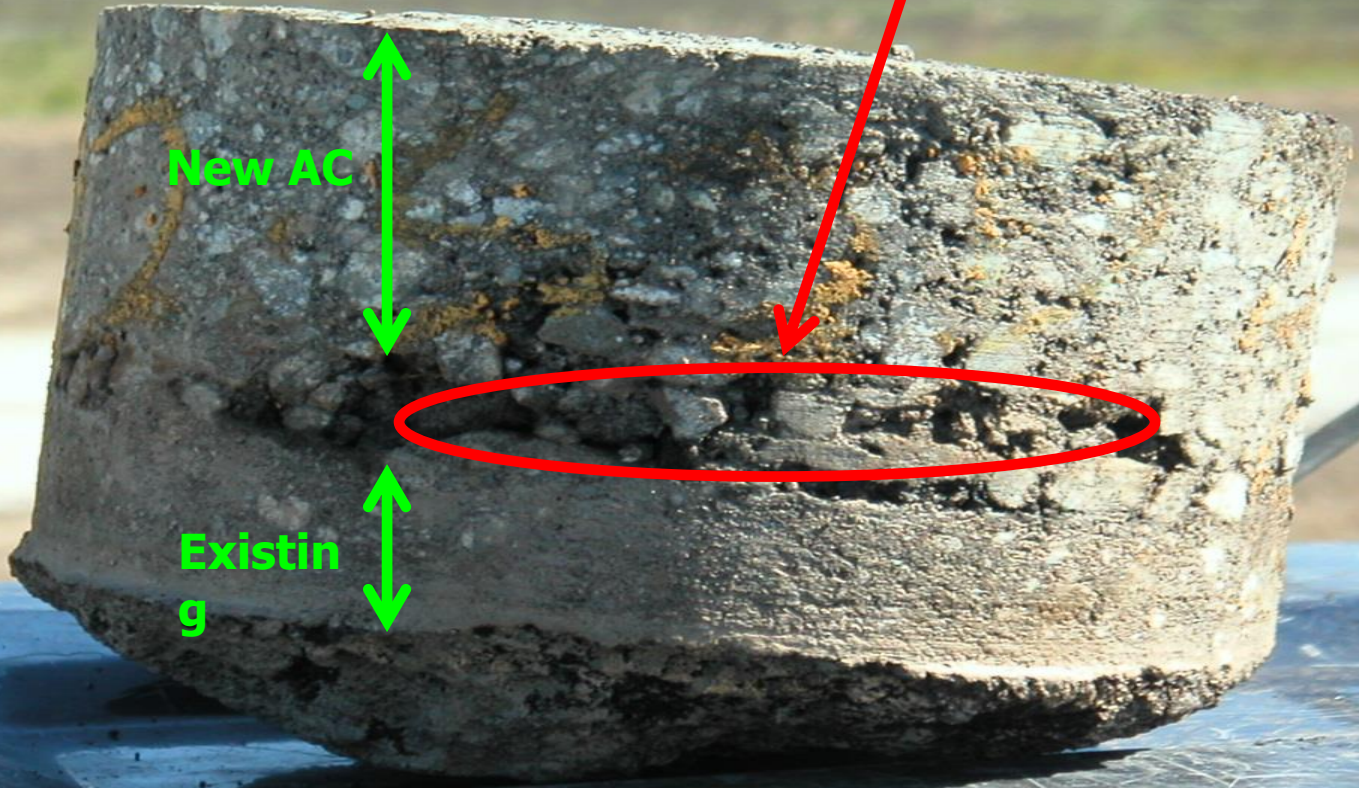
Spills on grade are BIG mistakes!







Low Density

New AC

**Existin
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5. Compaction & Rolling Patterns

	Breakdown	Intermediate	Finish
%TMD	90-92%	92-94%	94% + take out marks
			
Temp	280-252°F (138-122°C)	252-230°F (122-110°C)	200-163°F (93-73°C)
Coverage	2 (5-pass pattern)	3 (7-pass pattern)	2 (1 vibrate/1+ static)
Settings	High A, Low F	90 psi	Low A, High F, static
Distance	← 120 feet →	← 200 feet →	← 200 feet →
Speed	252 fpm	300 fpm	350 fpm

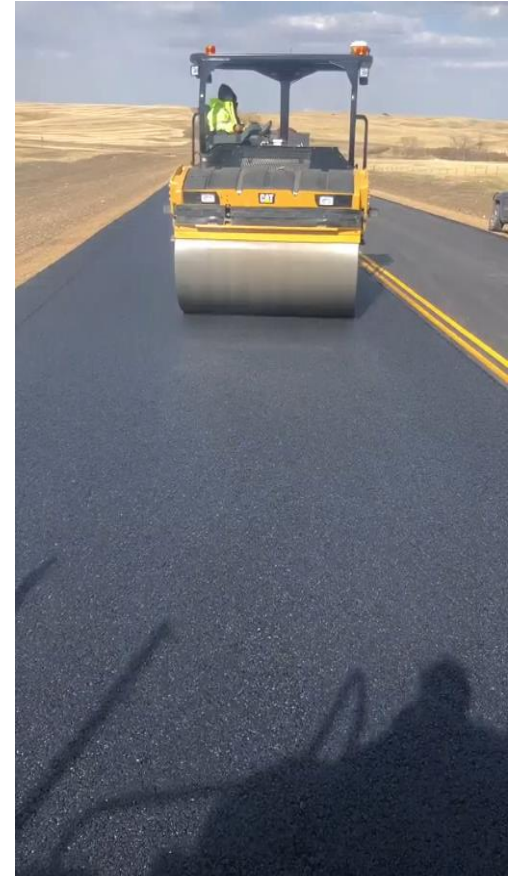
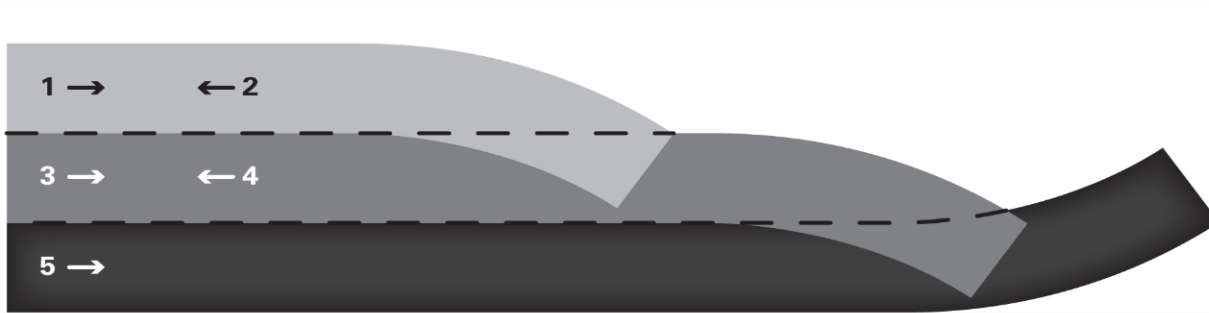
10 – 14 Impacts per Foot (ipf)



Stop at an angle to the mat

- Roller stops at an angle
- Turn off vibration before roller turns out
- Next pass rolls through stop mark
- Stop marks are staggered

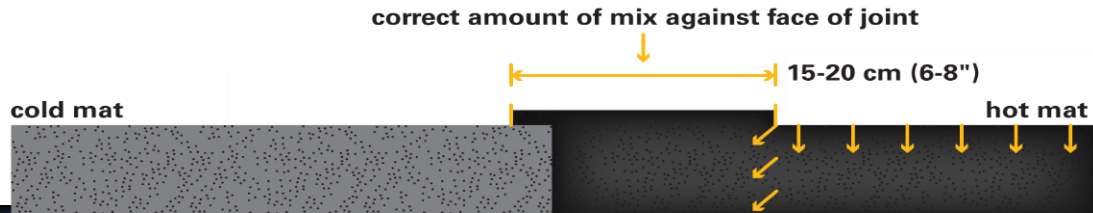
REVERSING



Don't Stop Square to the Mat = Bump



Longitudinal Joints



CONSISTENCY is the Key to Success!

1. Paver setup and takeoff

2. Temperature

3. Continuous Paving

Balanced Paving & Compaction operation

Smoothness

Quick starts & stops

Head of Material

Automatic Grade & Slope Controls

4. Segregation

5. Compaction

• **Do the fundamentals right**

• **Avoid BIG mistakes**

• **Quality costs nothing**



Thank-you for your attention!

*What technologies do we have to help us measure, track
and do a better job “doing the fundamentals right?”*



Types of Technologies Available Today

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Outline

- Bomag
 - Intelligent Compaction Solutions
- Moba
 - Pave IR
 - MOBA Matic & Big Ski
 - 3D-Matic
- Trimble
 - 2D & 3D Asphalt, Milling & Concrete
 - IC
 - Thermal Imaging
- Topcon
 - Intelligent Paving Products
 - Smooth Ride
 - MMGPS Paving
 - IC
 - Thermal Imaging
- CAT
 - eROUTES
 - Paving Process Monitoring System
- Wirtgen
 - Milling for smoothness
- Vogele
 - Roadscan (Thermal Imaging)
 - WITOS Paving Plus / Docu
- HAMM
 - IC
 - WITOS HCQ
 - Gateway Portal

BOMAG intelligent compaction solutions



Indicate



Control



Document



Looking at compaction from a different perspective:

BOMAG ECONOMIZER - The navigator for optimal compaction

- ECONOMIZER measures the stiffness of material
- ECONOMIZER indicates optimal compaction

Available for:

Reversible vibratory plates, trench compactors,
light and heavy articulated tandem rollers,
single drum rollers



TERRAMETER

TERRAMETER for soil compaction

- Shows compaction progress and EVIB value
- displays “**EVIB**” in MN/m² (EVIB is the soil stiffness)
- ”Finished message” for roller operator
- Optional printer available

Available for:

single drum rollers



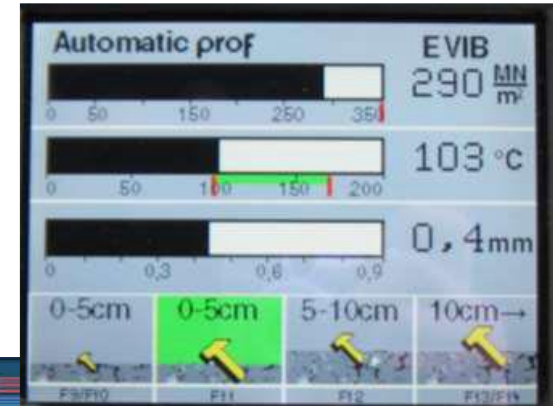
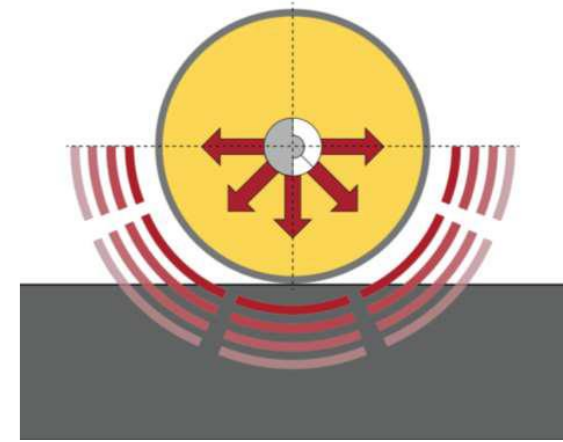
Intelligent compaction

The unique features of ASPHALT MANAGER:

- Infinitely adjustable amplitude
- Automatic control
- Linear oscillation (manual oscillation mode available)
- Shows compaction progress and EVIB value
- As powerful as possible, as sensitive as needed

Available for:

Heavy tandem rollers, articulated and pivot steered



VARIOCONTROL (BVC)

Efficient and cost-effective compaction
Basically *ASPHALT MANAGER* for soil compaction

- Setting the specified compaction value
- Automatically controlled compaction
- Sensitive compaction close to buildings

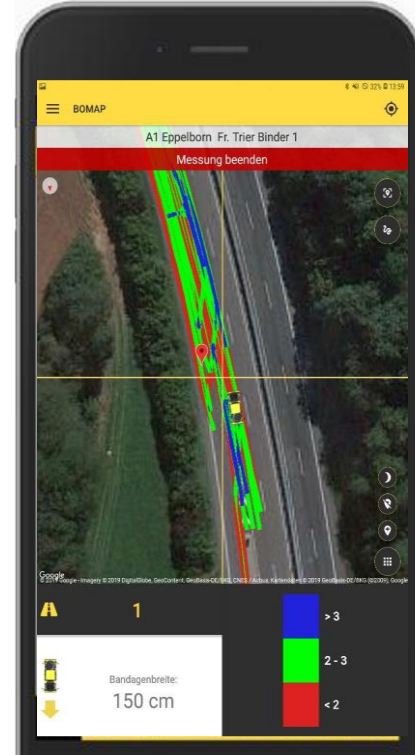
Available for:

Single drum rollers



Basic IC mapping for free

- Download the Android App for free
- Compatible with tablet or smartphone.
- GPS positioning via tablet/ smartphone(internal GPS).
- Works with any roller, not only BOMAG roller
- Plug & Play expandability:
- External GPS precision antenna (works also with 3rd party rollers)
- Connect to BOMAG machine data
- No expensive hardware needed.



BOMAP Connect

- Connect multiple rollers on the jobsite
- Let's operators see where other rollers have been already
- Offsite/remote project setup possible but not necessary
- Remote live monitoring
- Affordable licensing
- Extensive reporting capabilities
- **VETA** compatible

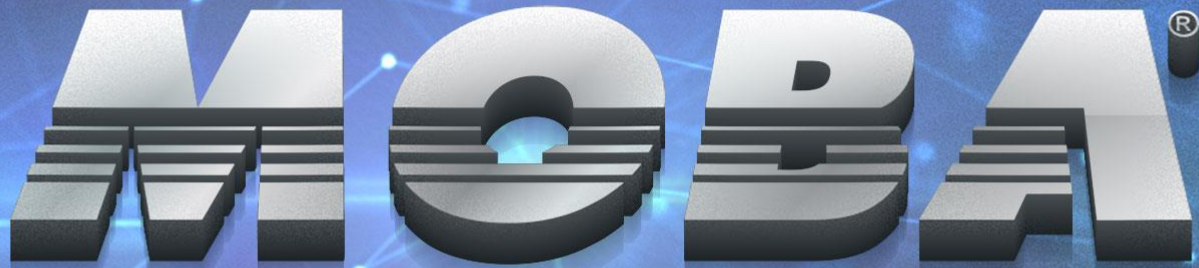


JOBLINK – The BOMAG IC Interface

Full scope of data. Now wire less.

- Displays all process relevant measurements for BOMAP.
- Automatic configuration of BOMAP.
- Works ECONOMIZER and upwards.
- Automatic connection setup to BOMAP.
- JOBLINK Dashboard shows all measurement values at a glance.
- Compatible with **Third Party Mapping** systems (Topcon, Trimble, Leica, Moba...)
- Currently available for Heavy Tandem Rollers, Single Drum Rollers and Pneumatic Tired Rollers



The logo for MOBA is rendered in a bold, 3D, metallic font. The letters are white with a dark grey shadow on the bottom and sides, giving them a three-dimensional appearance. A small registered trademark symbol (®) is located to the upper right of the letter 'A'.

MOBA[®]

MOBILE AUTOMATION

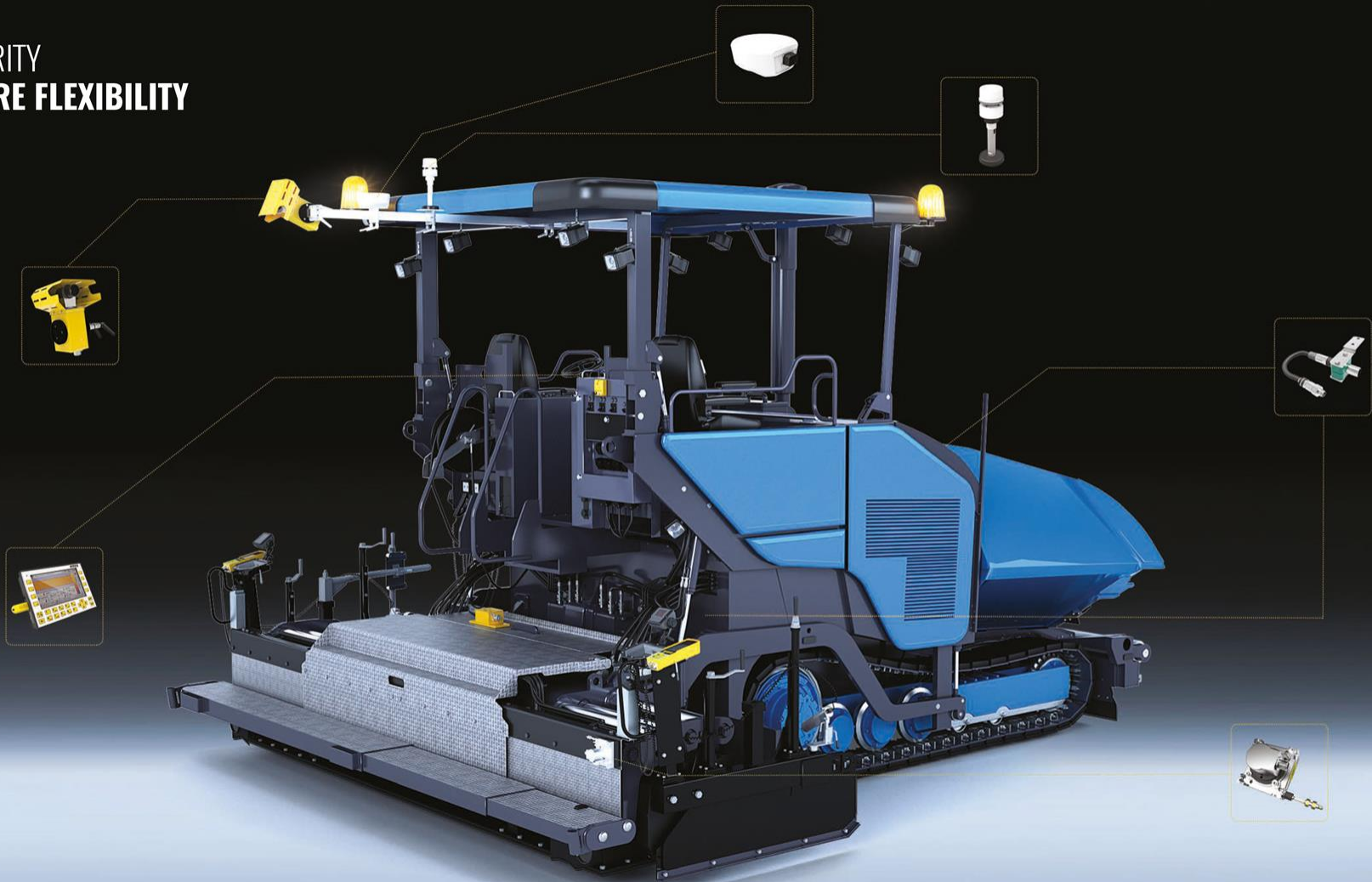
INSPIRING MOBILE AUTOMATION - FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS

PAVE-IR

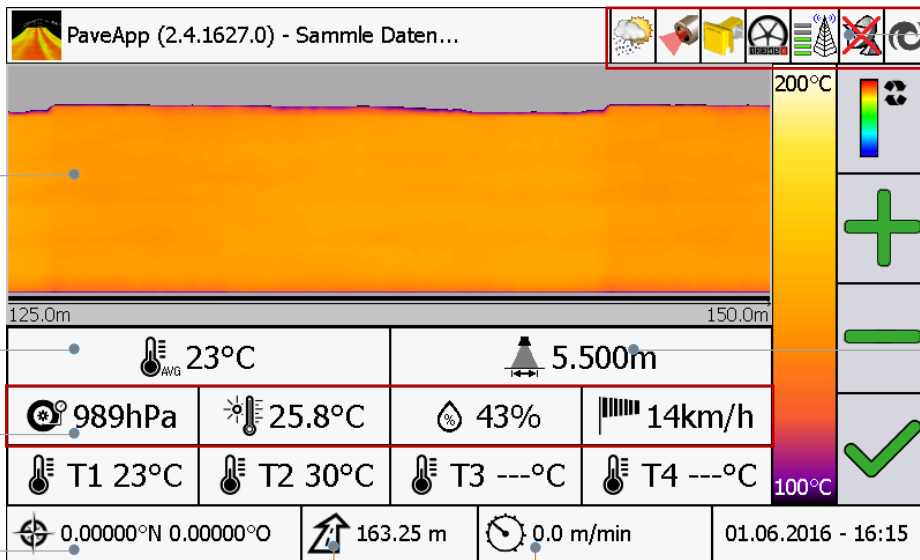
THERMAL PROFILE SYSTEM



MODULARITY FOR MORE FLEXIBILITY



MEASUREMENT



THERMAL PROFILE IN REAL-TIME

ASPHALT SURFACE TEMPERATURE

AMBIENT CONDITIONS

POSITION GPS

STATUS BAR

SCREED WIDTH

CURRENT SPEED

JOB DISTANCE

TELEMATICS & INTERFACE

PAVE-IR CLOUD SOLUTION

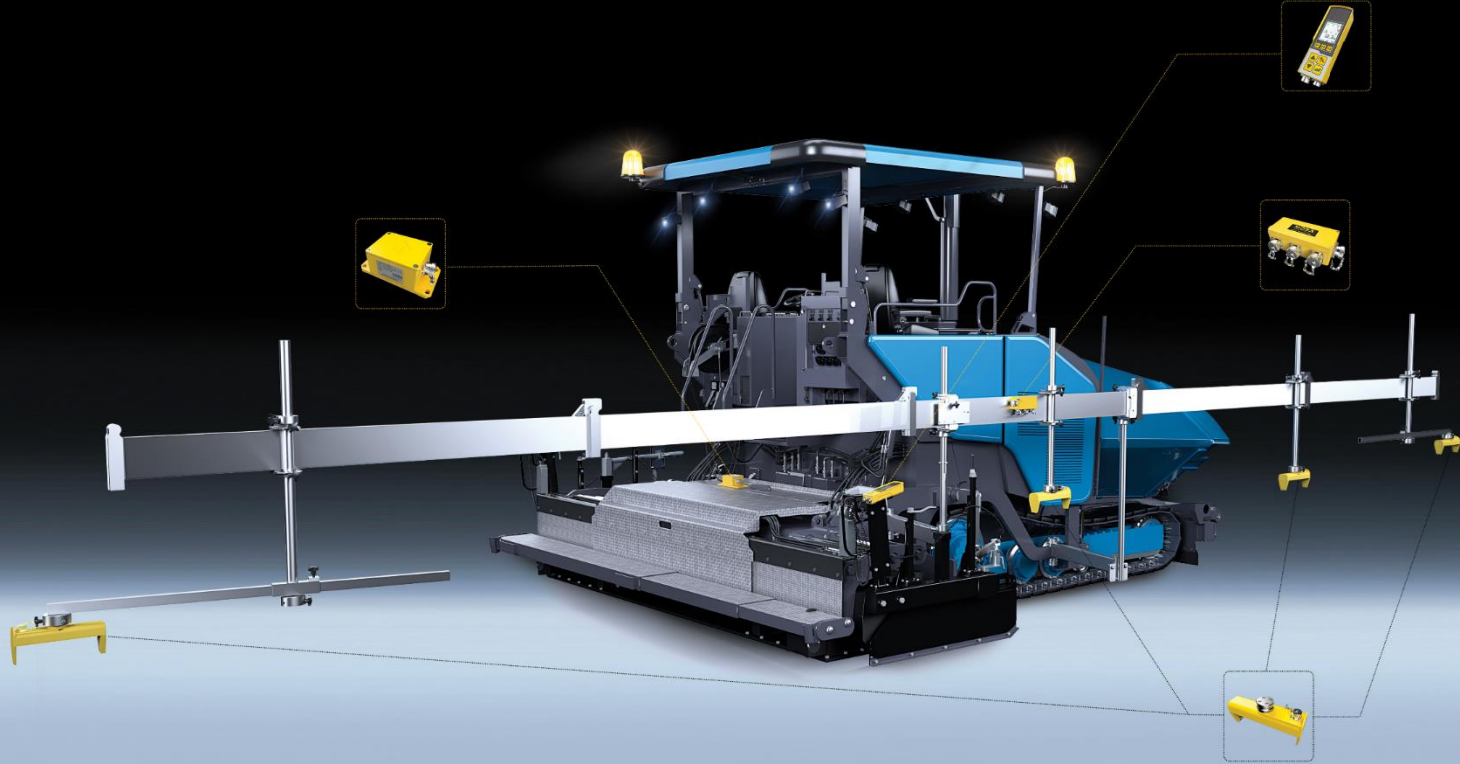
- Easy and automatic data storage via MOBA Cloud
- MOBA Cloud solution allows real-time data-exchange with other systems
- With automatic data transfer activated, you can retrieve and archive project data in the office in real-time
- Pave Project Manager allows in-depth analysis
- Create reports for optimization and improvement for the next construction site





MOBA MATIC &
BIG SONIC SKI

Build Smoother Roads



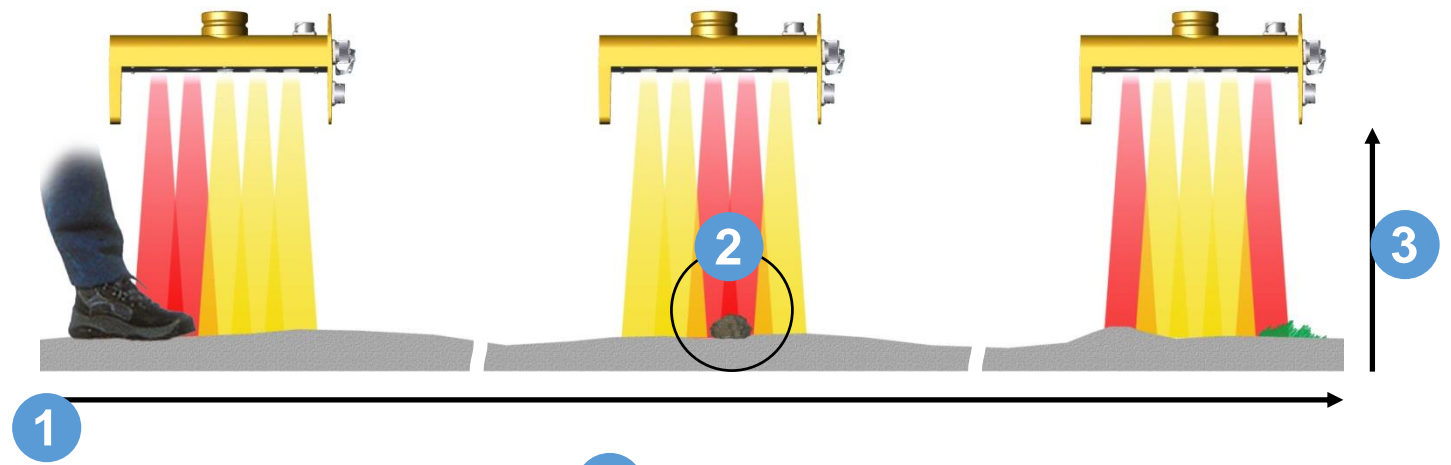
COMPONENTS

MOBA- MATIC II

- 3.5" COLOR DISPLAY
- INTUITIVELY CONTROLLABLE THROUGH SYMBOL LANGUAGE
- BACKLIT KEYS FOR NIGHT WORKS
- WORKS WITH A SECOND MOBA-MATIC
- MODULARITY ALLOWS INDIVIDUAL ADAPTION



MEASUREMENT – Intelligent Measurement Algorithm



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1 ROAD SURFACE

MEASUREMENT OF

2 Automatic measurement faults

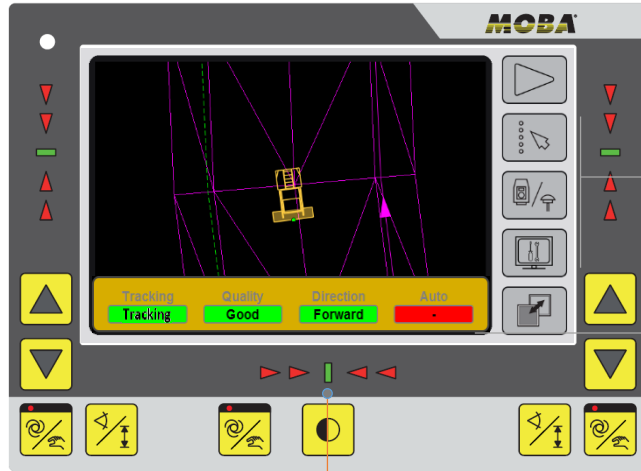
3 HEIGHT

A large yellow and black BOMAG MOBA 3D-Matic paving and milling machine is the central focus, parked in an outdoor lot. The machine features a prominent yellow hopper on the left side with the BOMAG logo and the model number 'BF700III'. The operator's cab is black with 'BOMAG' branding on the roof. The machine is mounted on a heavy-duty chassis with large tires. In the background, there are other vehicles, including a white car and a dark SUV, and a utility tower under a cloudy sky.

MOBA 3D-Matic
Paving & Milling System



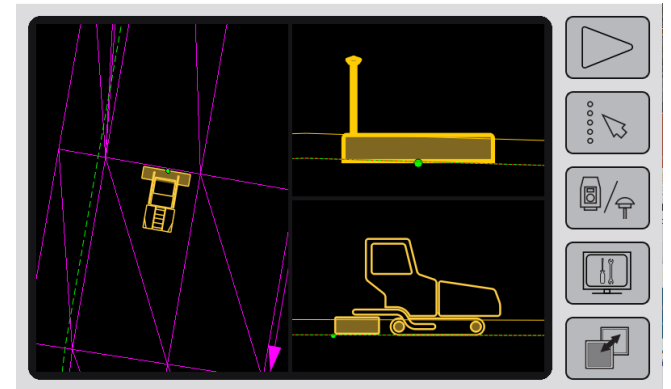
User interface



CONFIGURABLE KEYS

STATUS BAR

LED INDICATORS - DEVIATION





Trimble Paving Technologies

2D Asphalt Paving Solutions



- Reference the existing surface
- Pave a constant thickness
- Grade match to curb or subsurface
- Constant cross slope

3D Asphalt Paving Solutions



- Variable depth and slope paving
- Runways, interstate highways, race tracks
- Universal Total Station 3D guidance
- +/- 3mm vertical accuracy
- Utilizes 3D designs - does not use the existing surface for guidance



3D Milling Solutions



- Variable depth and slope milling
- Runways, interstate highways, race tracks
- Universal Total Station 3D guidance
- +/- 3mm vertical accuracy
- Utilizes 3D designs - does not use the existing surface for guidance

Intelligent Compaction Solutions



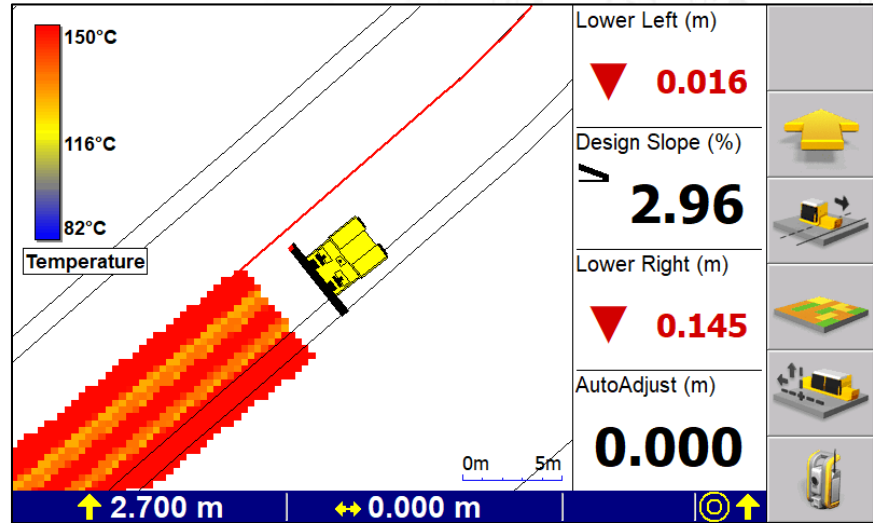
- Meets all Intelligent Compaction specifications
- Veta compatible
- Soil, asphalt, and landfill solutions
- Customizable systems for individual needs



Pavement Thermal Profile Solutions



- Veta output capable
- $\pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($\pm 3.6^{\circ}\text{F}$) or $\pm 2\%$ for ambient temperatures near room temperature
- Calibrated for 60°C to 400°C (140°F to 752°F)



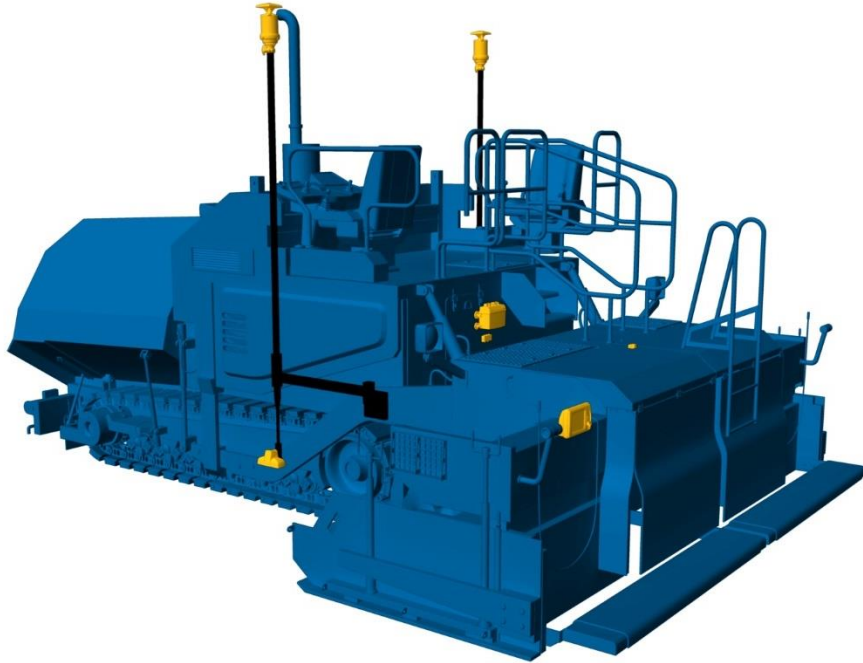
Intelligent Paving Products



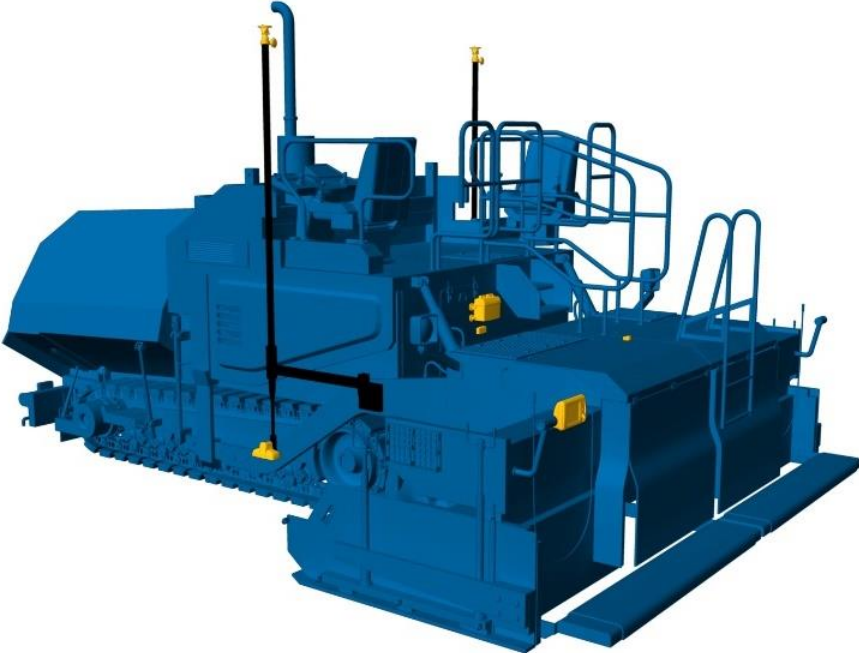


MMGPS HMA Paving

P-63 Millimeter Paving



Paver LPS Option

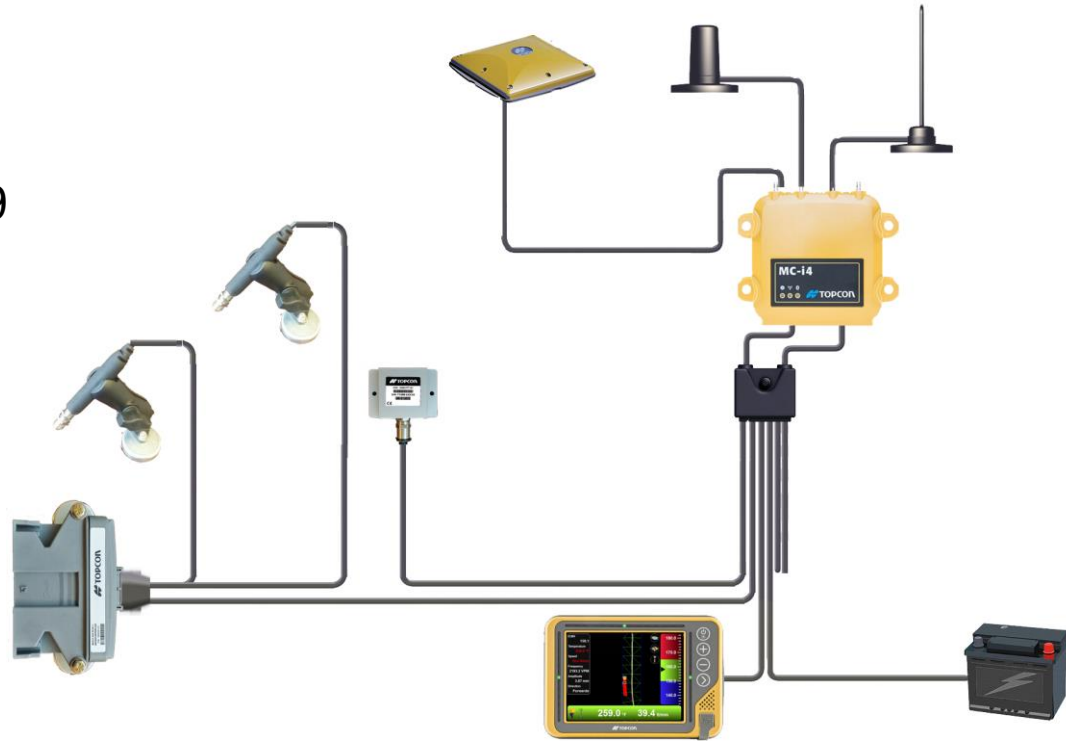




Intelligent Compaction

Compaction kit

- MC-i4
 - GNSS included
 - Radio included (DUHF / FH9)
 - Cell included (Sitelink)
- Display
 - GX-55
 - GX-75
- Sensor kit
 - IR temperature sensors
 - Accelerometer





Thermal Mapping



eRoutes

Paving Process monitoring system

eROUTES: ASPHALT - Plant, Truck and Paver

MOBILE GEOFENCES

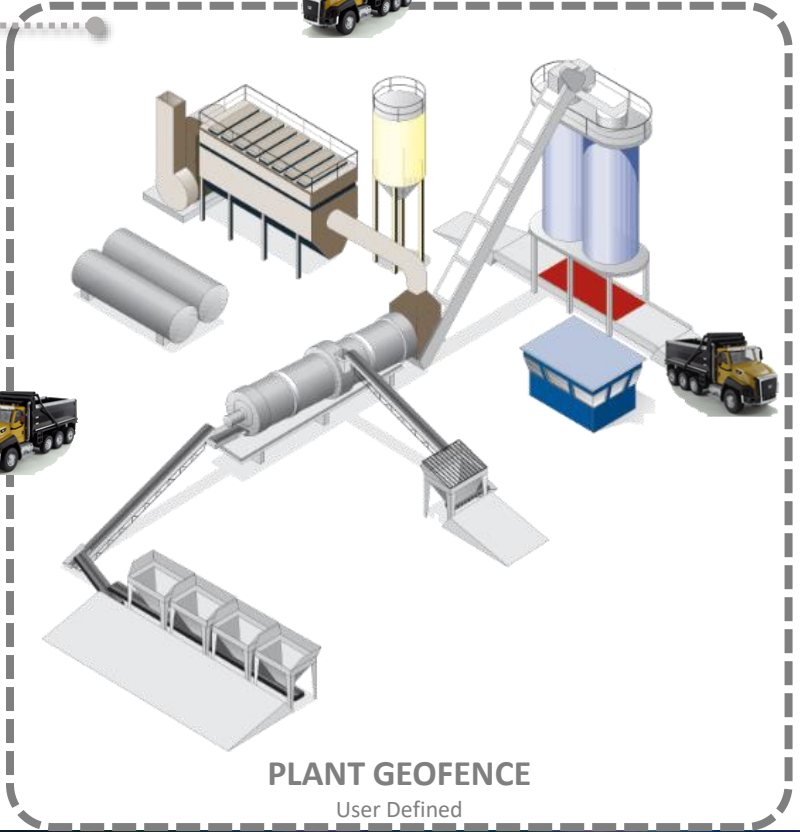
22 meters

400 meters

Plant arrival time
Load time
Ticket capture
Plant depart time

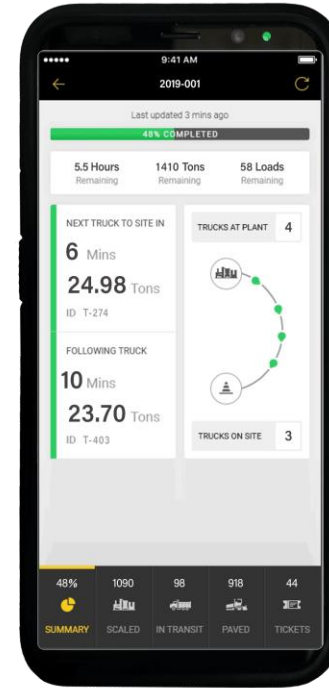
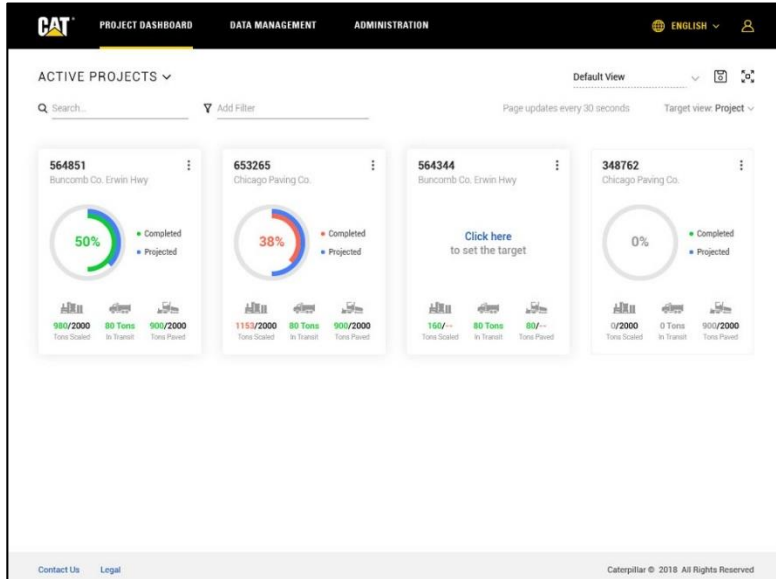
Truck route
Truck location

Jobsite arrival time
Dump time
Jobsite depart time



eRoutes User Interfaces

Web-based user interface primarily for management employees to monitor realtime information as well as post-process jobsite data.



Mobile application primarily for paving foremen and paving crew members giving them the information they need to do their jobs better.



**WIRTGEN
GROUP**

Vogele - Paving Solutions

RoadScan – Integrated System:

- *Camera Scan 10 m at all time*
- *Camera Easily mounted on a Designed Location*
- *All connections part of Paver Electrical System*



Vogele – WITOS Paving Plus

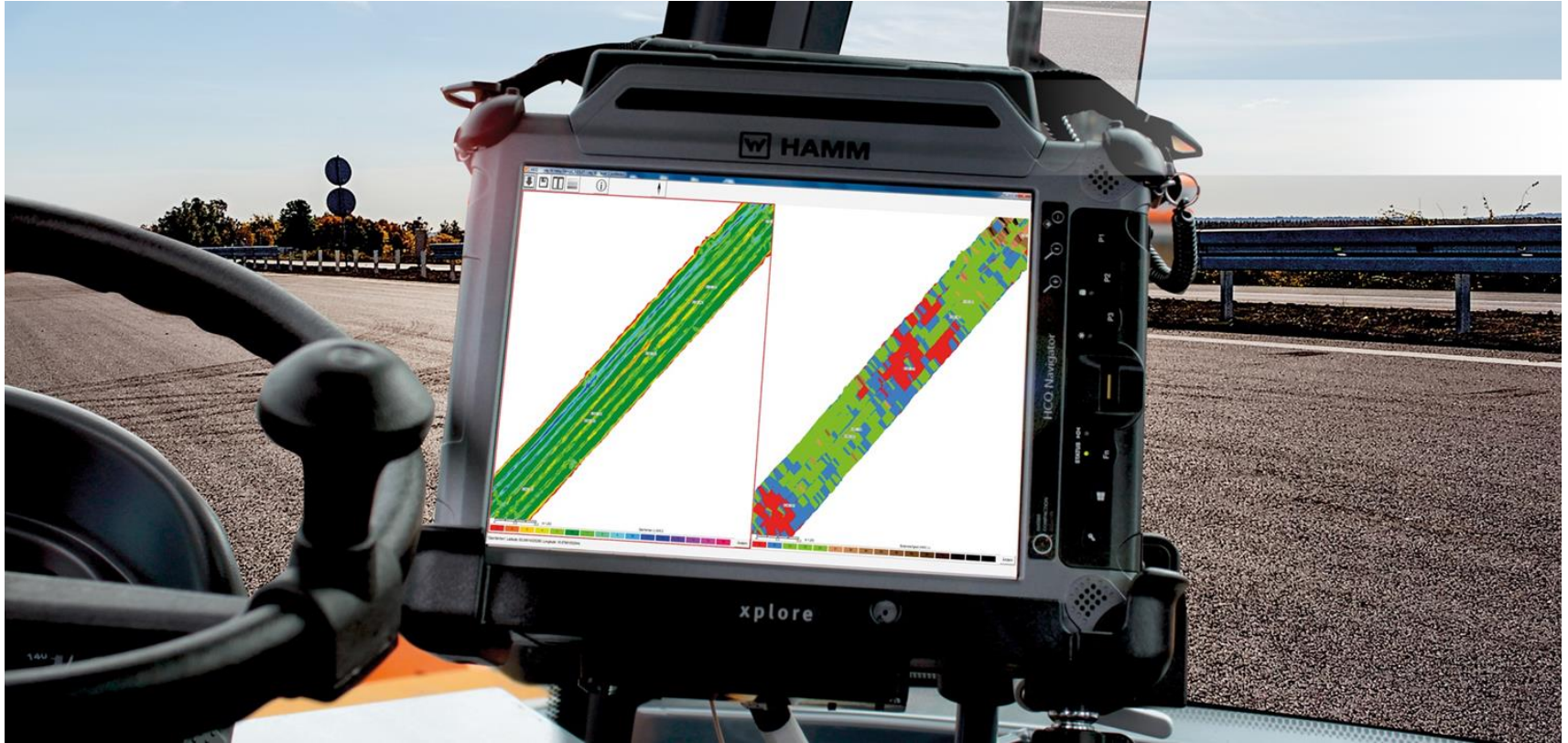
WITOS Paving Plus

WITOS Paving Plus -
New perspectives for asphalt paving



WITOS PAVING PLUS

HAMM – HCQ (Hamm Compaction Quality)

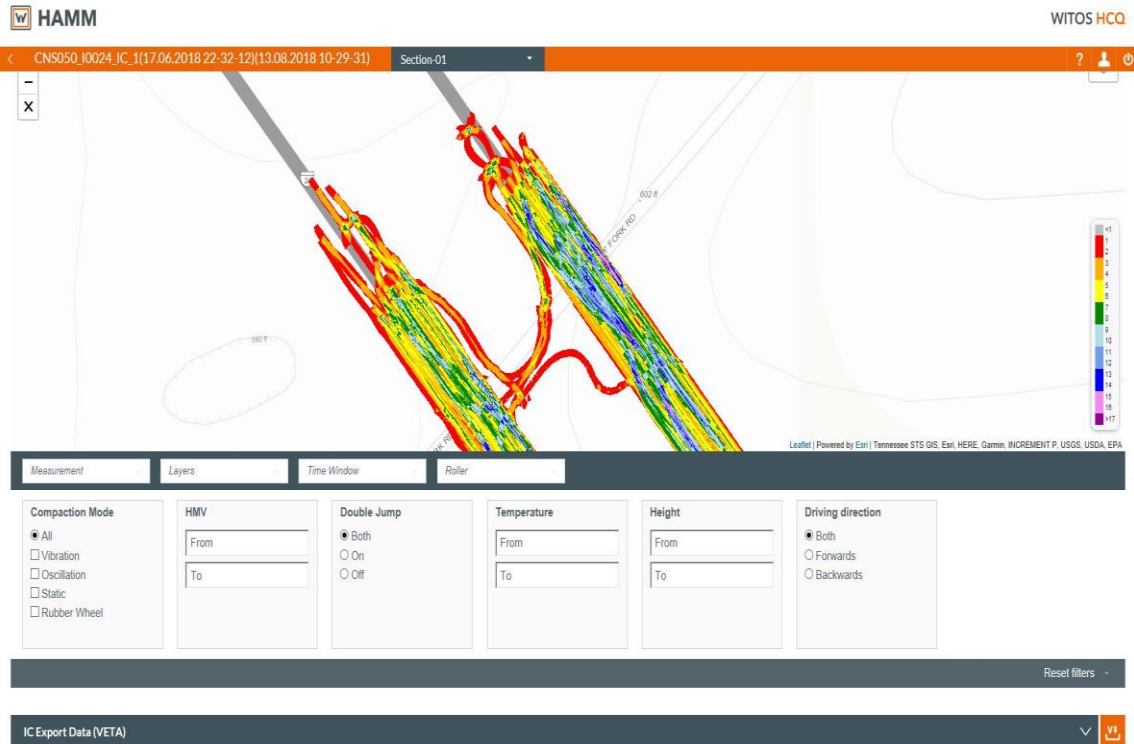


HAMM – WITOS HCQ Portal

Live Monitor

Simple data filtering options

- Compaction mode
- HMV
- Double jump
- Temperature
- Height
- Driving direction



HAMM – Gateway Portal





Thank-you for your attention!

***How can these technologies address obstacles to
quality paving practices?***

How these technologies address obstacles to quality paving practices

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Obstacles to Quality Paving Practices

- Issues: construction complications
- Obstacles: factors hindering progress
- Technology: application of scientific knowledge for practical purposes
- Can new technologies help?



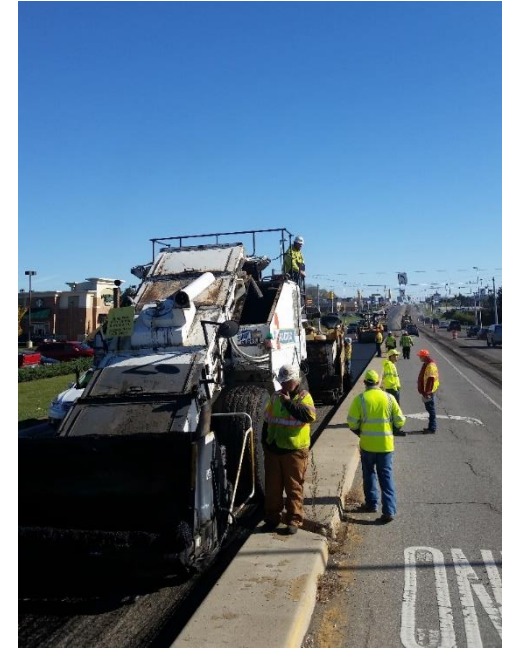
Obstacles from a Field Operations Perspective

- Three major obstacles:
 - Unbalanced paving operations
 - Lack of experienced or well-informed personnel
 - Equipment performance



Unbalanced Paving Operations

- Coordination in terms of following a paving plan
- Time constraints
- Existing conditions
- Hauling distances
- Quality assurance feedback loop
- Balance between production and quality



Lack of Experienced or Well-informed Personnel

- Training in the field
- Lack of knowledge of specifications
- Few motivation for field staff to follow best practices
- Short supply of qualified personnel (i.e., equipment operators)
- Personnel turnover



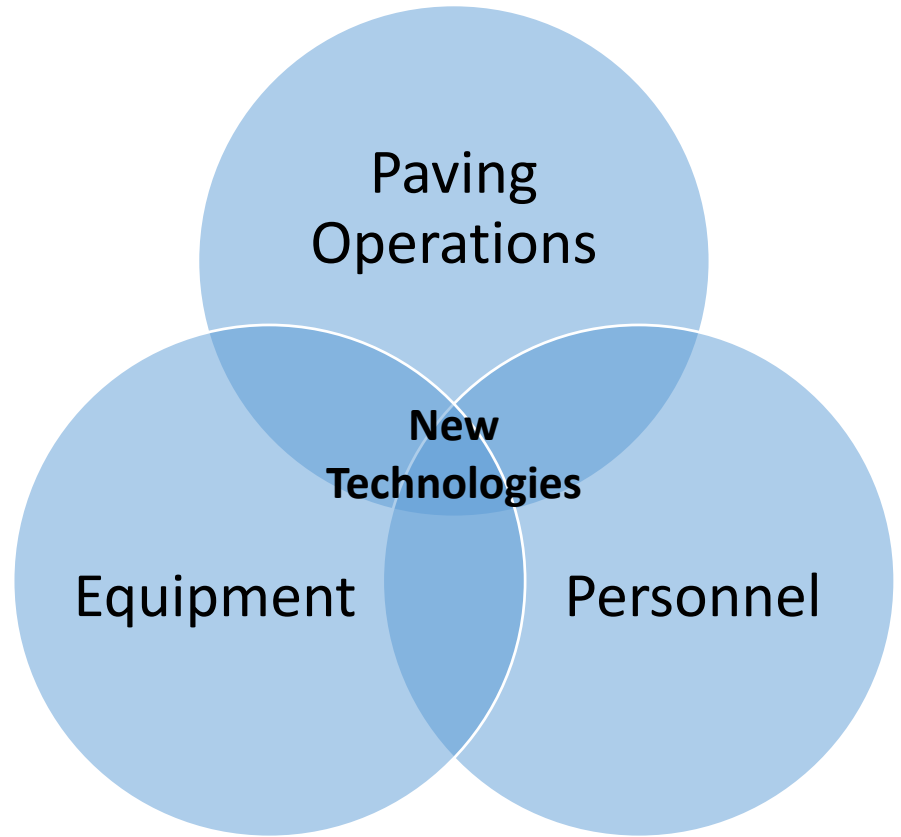
Equipment Performance

- Equipment maintenance
- Equipment usage (i.e., speed)
- Equipment breaking down
- Plant operations



New Technologies

- Connectivity
- Automation
- Digitalization
- Electrification



New Technologies

- Must produce quality in all the paving components
- Overall quality is no stronger than the weakest link



Challenges

- Keeping up with the changes in technology
- Consistently utilize new technology
- New technology awareness
- Adoption from different stakeholders



Different Perspectives

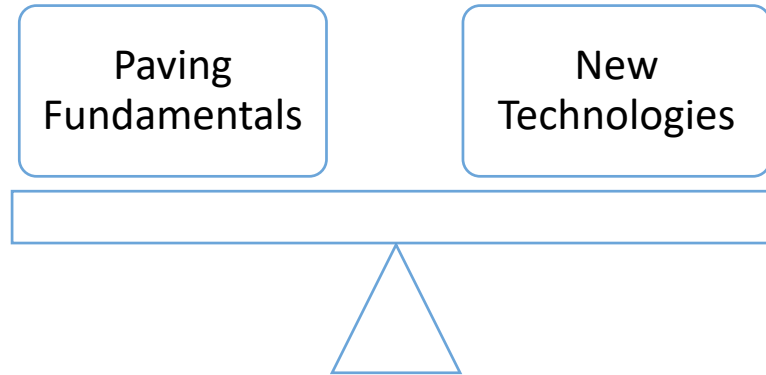
- Contractor: How do new technologies impact paving practices? Do they lead to quality?
- Agency: QC or QA tool? How can an agency appropriately incentivize contractors to take advantage of new technologies?
- Equipment Manufacturer: How to keep up with training customers and make sure new technologies are used as intended?
- Other Stakeholders: What new paradigms these new technologies will develop?

New Technologies

- Will
 - Address paving issues/obstacles if used effectively
 - Help to quantify the impact of using best construction practices
- Will not
 - Provide quality without applying the fundamentals correctly
 - Substitute paving fundamentals, planning, experience, training, etc.

Path to New Technologies

- Equilibrium between paving fundamentals and new technologies
- Incremental changes rather than disruptive transitions
- Implementing new technologies will take effort
- The path to new technologies is paving fundamentals



Thank you!

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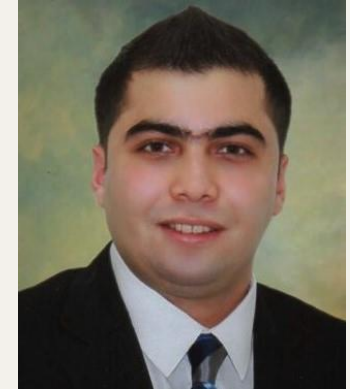
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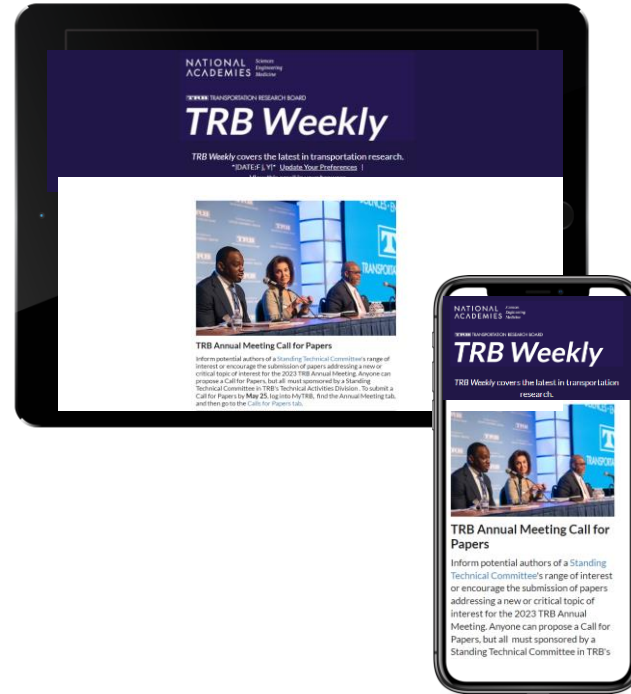


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