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Purpose Statement

This webinar will explore ways to integrate these considerations with construction best practices to promote efficient pavement systems. Presenters will provide insights on key challenges and potential solutions for advancing the current state-of-the-art in pavement design, construction, and management.

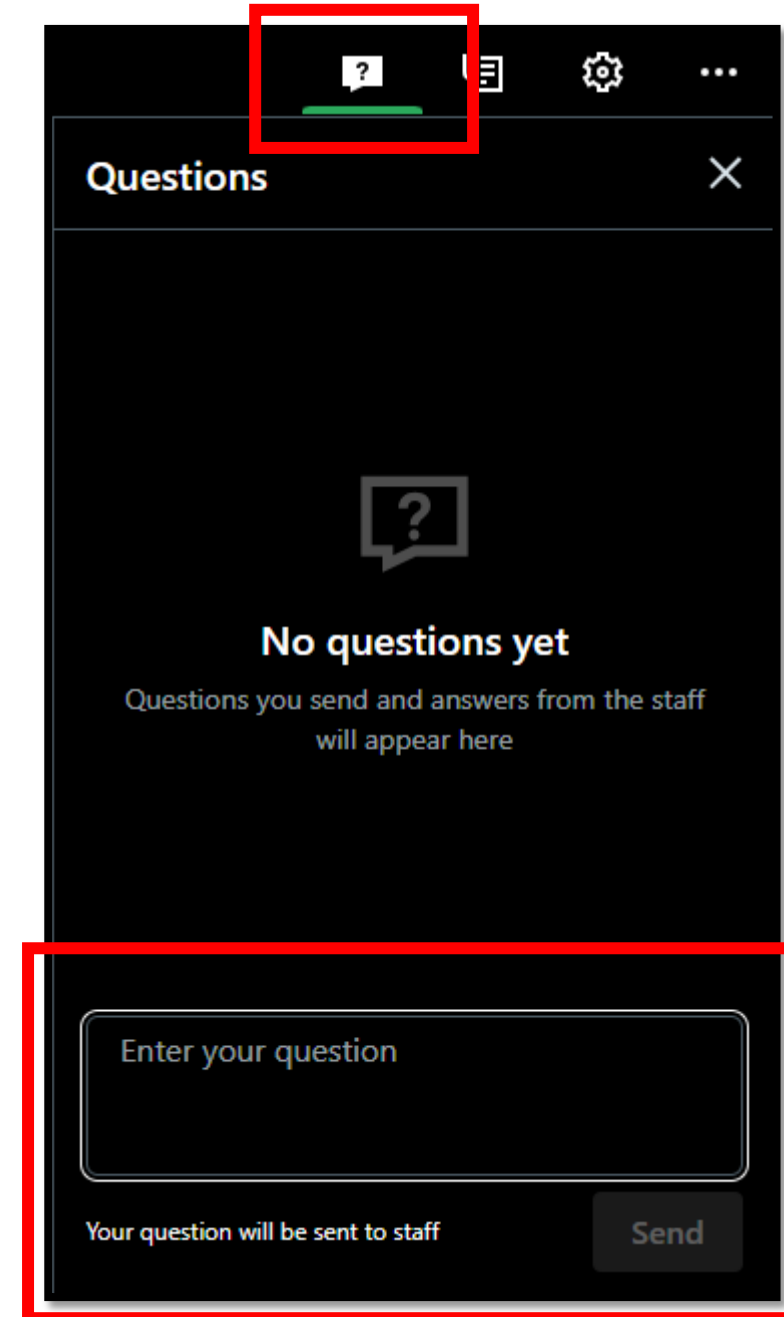
Learning Objectives

At the end of this webinar, you will be able to:

- Understand the benefits of integrating diverse datasets for efficient pavement management
- Use strategies for overcoming challenges in systemic data integration
- Apply real-world insights from experts on best practices and emerging technologies

Questions and Answers

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



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Data-Driven Strategies for Efficient Pavement Systems

Transportation Research Board Webinar Introduction

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Origin

- *TRB Subcommittee Meeting AKT20(1) - Integrating the Flexible Pavement Life Cycle*
 - *Webinar proposed as part of the TRB Committee AKT20 - Pavement Preservation, formerly led by Dr. DingXin Cheng*
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Webinar conceived in the TRB subcommittee committee during January 2025 in Washington, DC., USA as a step in the direction of reorganizing the activity of the past subcommittee AKT20(1): final goal of increasing attention to the area and eventually launching a call for papers

Motivation & Purpose of Webinar

- *Current context for roadway infrastructure management*
 - *Static decision trees*
 - *Expert judgment*
 - *Pros: Structured guidance*
 - *Cons: Optimizing solutions for multiple objectives such as performance & cost efficiency*
- *Strategy for management of efficient pavement systems*
 - *context-specific, &*
 - *data-driven decision-making processes*

Purpose: explore the critical role of integrating materials/products, designs, best construction practices, and pavement management databases, to promote efficient pavement systems

Learning Objectives: Key Takeaways

- *Understand the benefits of integrating diverse datasets for efficient pavement management*
- *Use strategies for overcoming challenges in systemic data integration*
- *Apply real-world insights from experts on best practices and emerging technologies*

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Pavement Management – Florida's Perspective and Progress

Leverage Data and Technology for Strategic Alignment

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September 5, 2025

A Robust Pavement Management System

The Key to Preserving our Pavement Investments,
The Key to Maintaining the Serviceability at Lowest Life-cycle Cost.

Key Element 1 - Pavement Condition Assessment: Accurate and Continuous

Leveraging advanced data collection and analysis tools, integrating AI and ML for automated assessment and reporting to achieve precision, digitalization, and automation.

Key Element 2 - Pavement Performance Modeling: Intelligent and Efficient

Connecting materials, design, construction, and maintenance decisions to anticipated pavement performance and their financial implications.

Address agency needs at the project, network, and strategic levels

The Ongoing Struggle



Identifying the Root Causes of Premature Pavement Distresses: Despite the vast datasets at our disposal, pinpointing the specific causes remains elusive.



Forecasting the Impact of Design Changes: Whether altering materials or modifying installation methods, predicting performance outcomes is still fraught with uncertainty.



We have plenty, but not what we need most:
Hidden correlation and patterns between policy/practices and pavement performance



Experiencing Thirst In a Vast Ocean of Data

Where to Begin?

In an Ever-Changing World:

- A vast array of options can be overwhelming.
 - Constant changes can be too intimidating to act.
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Find the Constant:

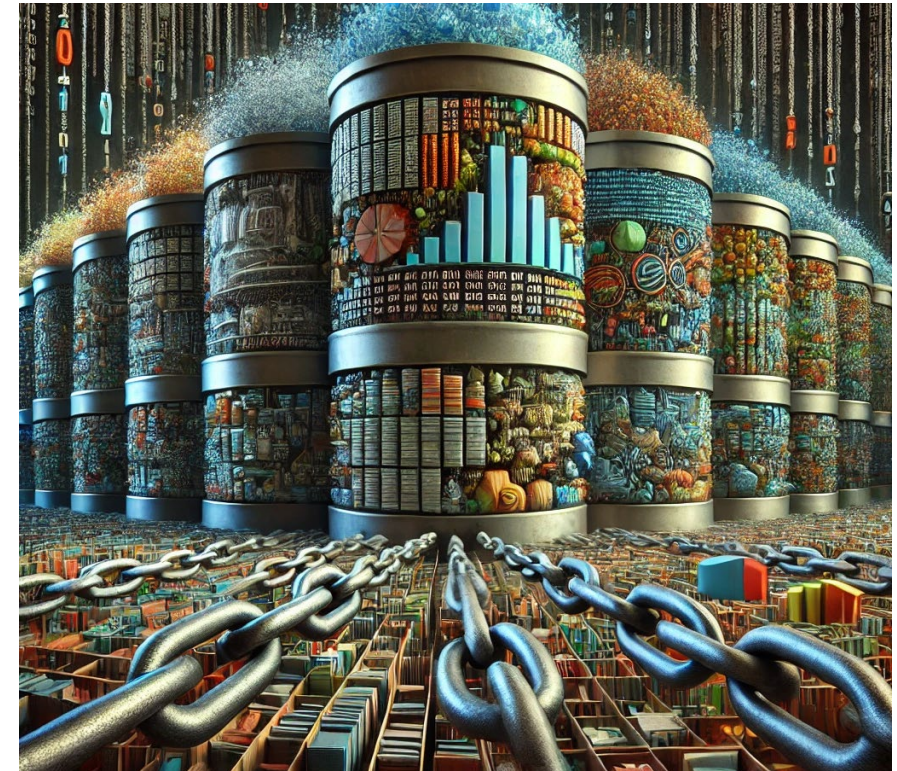
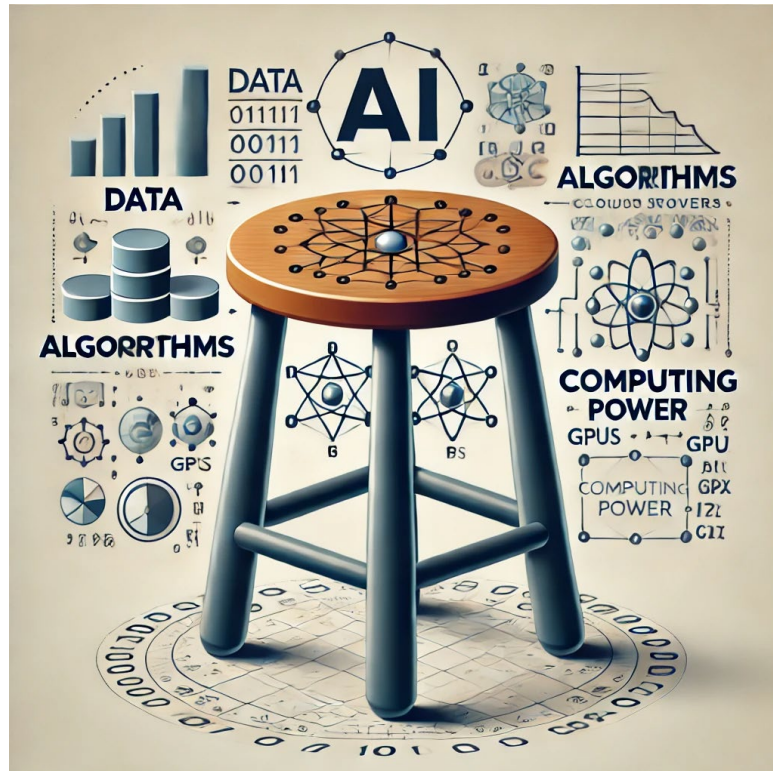
“In an exponentially changing world, focusing on things that do not change provides a strong foundation for long-term success.” (*Jeff Bezos*)

What are the things that are stable and foundational in the era of technology?

Constants

Data is Lifeblood of AI
Data is Fuel of AI engine

Integrate the Temporal, Multidimensional,
and Cross-function Data
by **Breaking Down Data Silos**



Four-Stage Life Cycle

1

Planning and Engineering: Collect geotechnical borings, drainage studies, and other preliminary data.

2

Design: Utilize Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD), Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR), and coring data to define pavement structure and layer thickness.

3

Construction and Acceptance: Record mix designs, material testing data, core densities, and final acceptance data to ensure construction quality.

4

Maintenance and Operations: Document repair records, traffic data, and weather data to manage ongoing pavement performance.

An Intelligent Pavement Management System

Pavement (Actor)

Create a digital version “twin” of the pavement with design and construction data, its DNA

Working Conditions (Stage)

Create a digital version of its working condition with environmental and mechanical loading data

Performance

Create a digital version of its performance as characterized by “biomarkers”(cracking, raveling, rutting, smoothness, friction) during maintenances and operation.

A Vision

- Create a dynamic digital twin of pavement that integrates diverse engineering data from the physical world into a virtual replica.
- The built-in capabilities to continuously learn, calibrate, and improve its predictive accuracy, enabling smarter decisions for pavement design, construction, and maintenance.



A Roadmap

Architect the Platform

- Develop a robust GIS platform capable of integrating diverse data sets.
- Ensure data interoperability and real-time data updating capabilities

Digitalize - Create Digital Versions

- **Pavement Digital Twin:** Integrate design and construction data to create a digital representation of the pavement.
- **Service Conditions Digital Twin:** Incorporate environmental and traffic data to simulate service conditions.
- **Performance History Digital Twin:** Compile historical performance data to track and predict future pavement conditions

Develop Correlations and Causations through Machine Learning

- Implement machine learning algorithms to analyze the integrated data.
- Develop new models for design, impact analysis, and forecasting based on the identified patterns and correlations

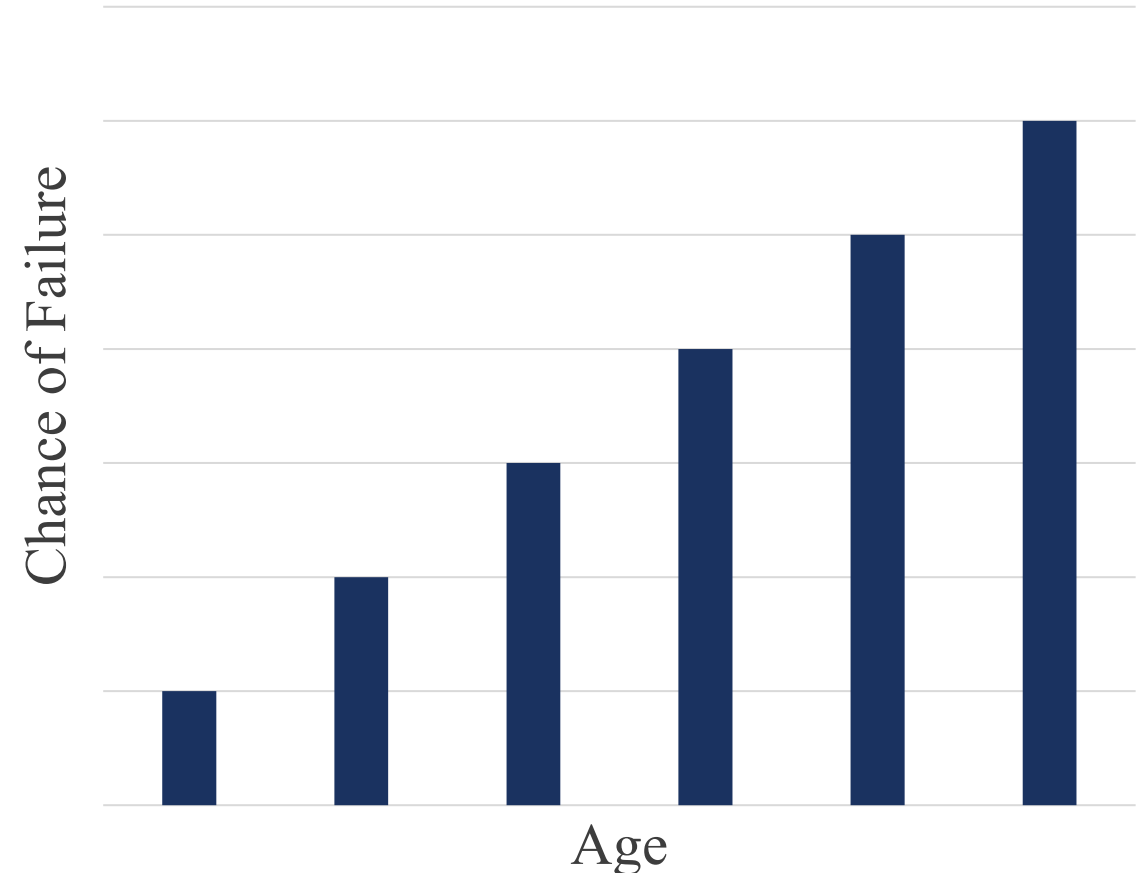


Improved Pavement Deficiency Forecasting with Artificial Intelligence

LEVERAGE DATA AND TECHNOLOGY FOR STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

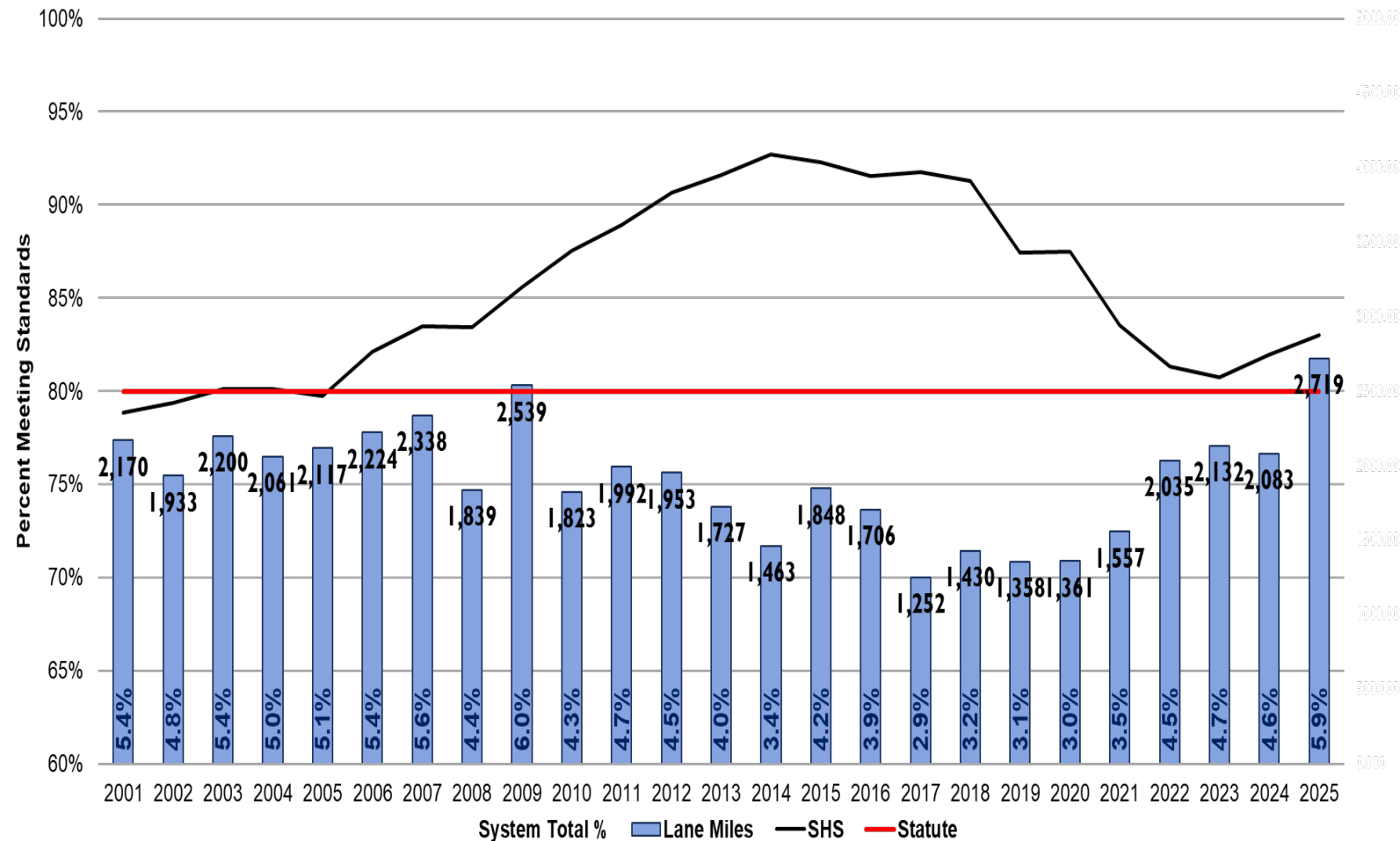
BACKGROUND: CURRENT FORECASTING MODEL

- Network level probabilistic model
- Data:
 - PCS Pavement Performance Rating
 - Pavement Age
 - District
 - System (Arterial, Interstate, or Turnpike)
 - Surface Type (Open or Dense)



ANNUAL PAVEMENT PERFORMANCE FORECASTING GOAL

- Accurately predict future pavement deficiency
- Recommend lane mile targets for resurfacing
- Provide stable long term resurfacing targets
- Ensure statewide sufficiency remains above the mandated 80%



LIMITATIONS OF CURRENT FORECASTING MODEL

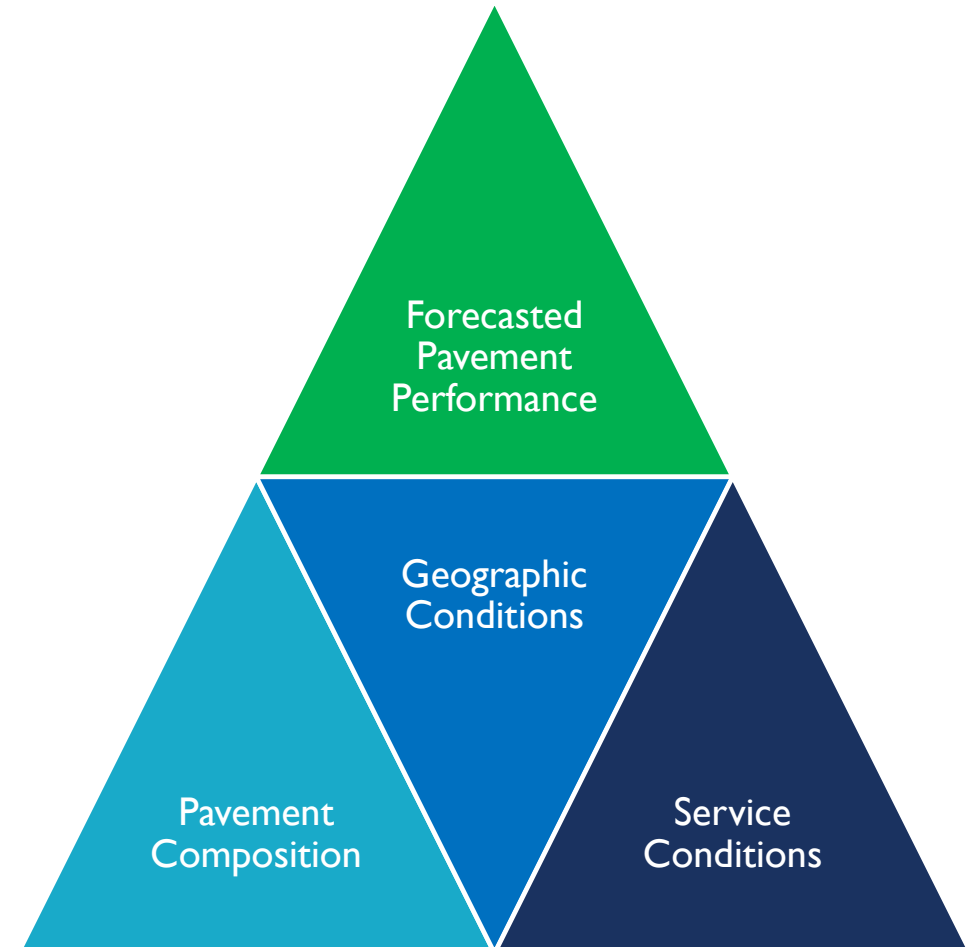
- FDOT's current **probabilistic model** for estimating deficient lane miles is empirical and relies heavily on historical performance data. This limits its ability to account for dynamic interactions between pavement performance factors.
- Key factors such as the **pavement design, traffic loads, weather, construction materials/quality, and maintenance practices** are not comprehensively integrated, leading to less accurate predictions.
- The current forecasting approach poses risks for long-term sustainability and resource allocation, necessitating an **engineering-based, and advanced analytical model**.

THE AI EFFICIENCY PROJECT

- **Objective:** To enhance efficiency and reduce costs by utilizing artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) to improve the Department's pavement forecasting model.
- **Benefits:**
 - Integration of all Available & Relevant Pavement Data
 - Improved Accuracy and Reliability of Pavement Performance Predictions
 - Optimized Resource Allocation

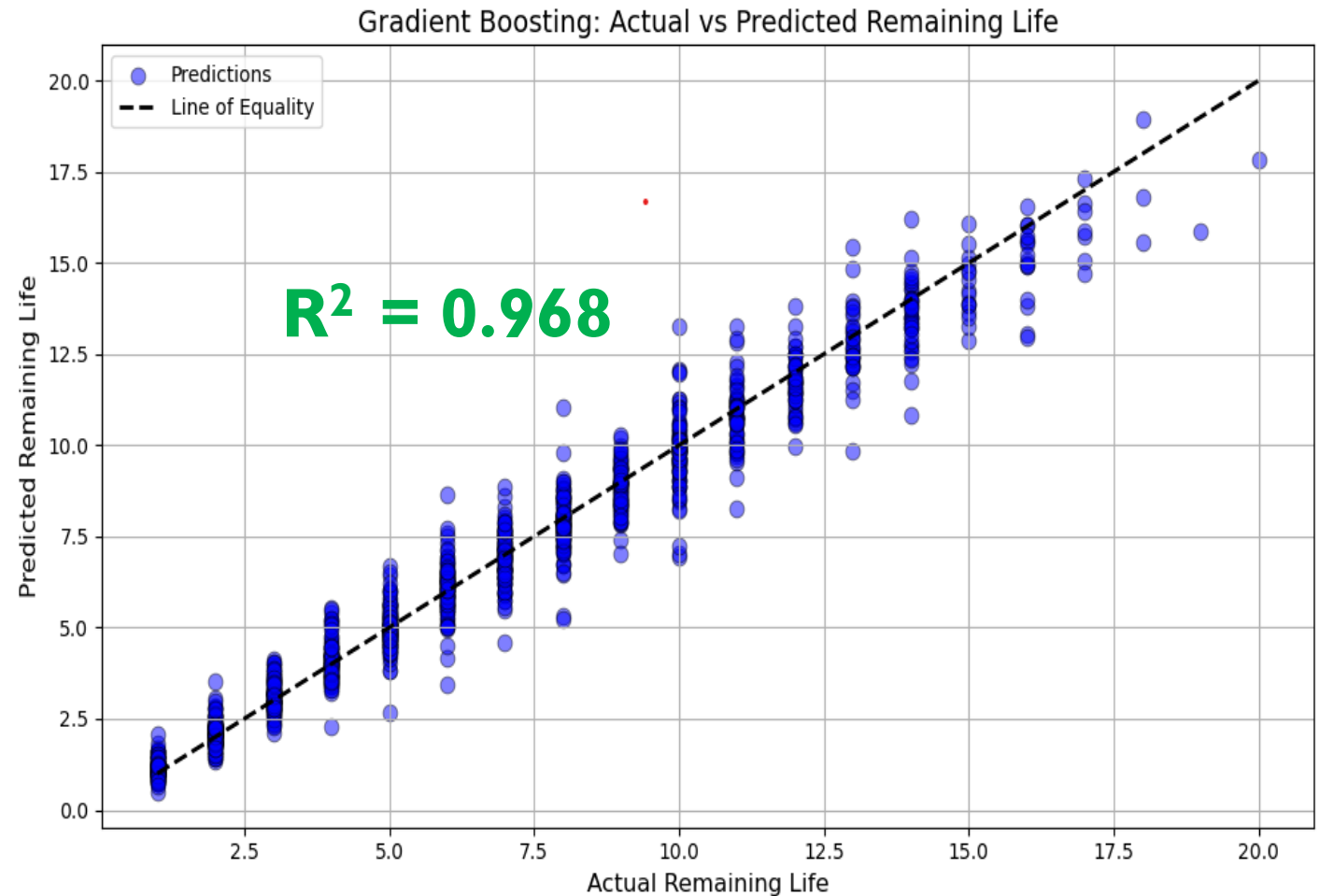
AI POWERED MODEL

- Predict pavement performance using the underlying engineering characteristics
- Pavement performance is determined by:
 1. Pavement Composition
 2. Geographic Conditions
 3. Service Conditions
- Our model aims to characterize those three categories and use them to more accurately predict pavement performance



PROOF OF CONCEPT

- Models cracking for Interstates and Turnpike
- Project level modeling for remaining life
- Data:
 - Crack Rating
 - Age
 - Past Service Life
 - Location (Latitude)
 - Truck %
 - Base Deflection Index (FWD)
 - FWD Data
 - Embankment Resilient Modulus
- Gradient Boosting Regression Model

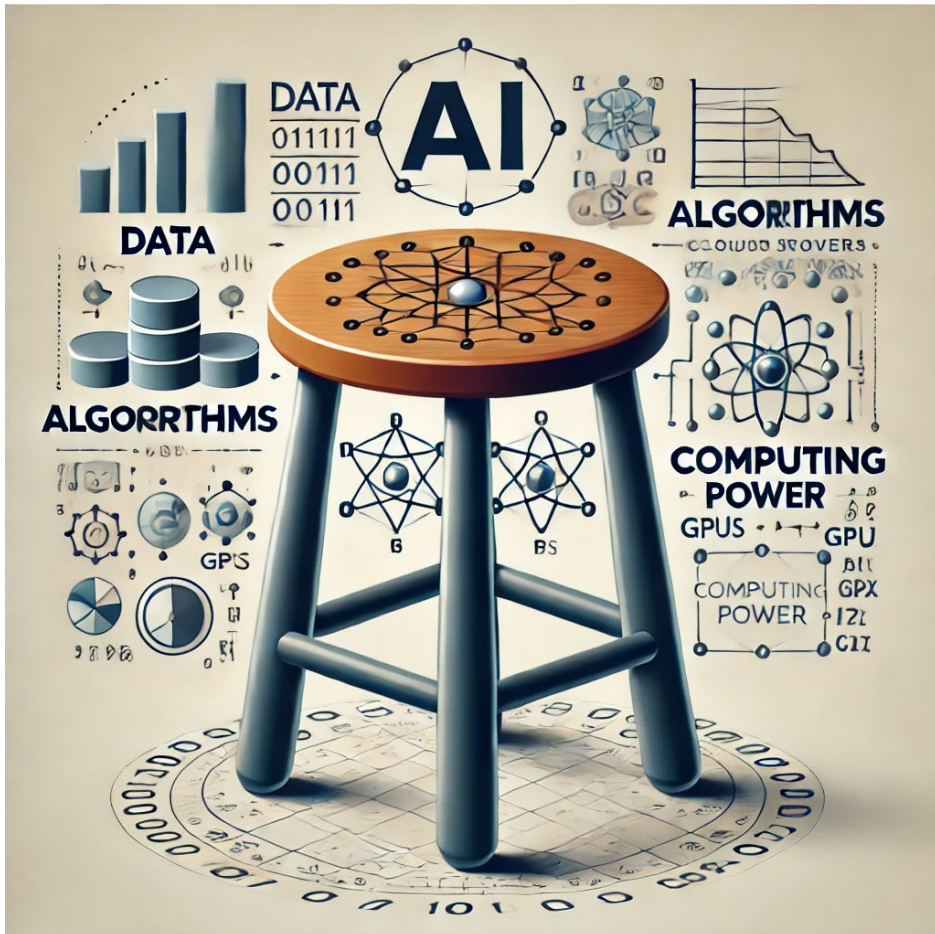


ADDING ARTERIALS

- Arterials make up ~75% of the State Highway System
- Arterial pavement composition can be more variable
- Accounting for this variability will improve the reliability of our model



IDENTIFYING KEY VARIABLES



- Comprehensive, quality, datasets are essential
- Perfect world: Integrate all datasets and determine data for model from there
- Real World: Use engineering judgement to identify most important datasets first
- Work has begun to integrate 17 key datasets identified by statewide engineers

Improved Data Integration

Current Model

Rutting Rating

Cracking Rating

Surface Type

Smoothness Rating

Age

District Location

Failure
Chance

Age

AI Powered Model

Age

Crack Depth

Design ESALS

Pavement
Thickness

Binder Grade

Texture

Milling Depth

Raveling

Rutting

Embankment
Modulus

Cross slope

Pavement
Density

Water Table

Stabilized
Subgrade

Location

Ride

Base Type

Base
Thickness

Effective
Binder

Air Voids

Pavement
Design

BDI

Base Modulus

Mix Design

Weather

Gradation

Traffic

Surface Type

Binder
Content

Aggregate
Type

RAP

Design Life

VMA

KEY ENGINEERING VARIABLES IDENTIFIED

Pavement Composition

- Surface Texture
- In-place Mixture Binder Content
- In-place Mixture Volumetrics
- In-place Mix Design Properties
- In-place Density
- FWD Data
- Crack Type / Depth prior to Resurfacing
- Pavement Design / Milling Depth

Geographic Condition

- Location
- Weather

Service Conditions

- Design / Cumulative ESALS
- Historic Service Life
- PCS Ratings (Crack, Rut, Ride, Ravel)
- Pavement Age Since Last Resurfacing
- Traffic Patterns (Urban versus rural / Arterial versus Limited Access)

INTEGRATING DATA

- Each Office in the Department has its own “Data Silo(s)”
- These silos are not inherently connected and require “cross-walks” to connect
- Our objective:
 - Integrate data by standardizing and connecting data silos



DATA AVAILABILITY

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GROUNDWORK FOR THE FUTURE

DATA

Rutting	Pavement Thickness	Binder Grade
Binder Content	Design ESALS	Age
Density	Stabilized Subgrade	Base Thickness
Embankment Modulus	Air Voids	Location
Milling Depth	Gradation	VMA
Mix Design	Pavement Design	Texture
Ride	Effective Binder	RAP
Raveling	BDI	Aggregate Type

AI POWERED MODELS



INSIGHTS

Pavement Life Forecasts

Optimized Materials

Improved Construction Practices

Many More!

PATH FORWARD



Continue working with other offices to access data

Develop paths to connect data sources

Review datasets for accuracy and completeness

Leverage connected datasets to develop a new AI based model

Develop real-time reporting tool



Paving the Way to Better Roads: A Unified Approach to Material, Construction, Maintenance, and Performance Data

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Goals

Methodology

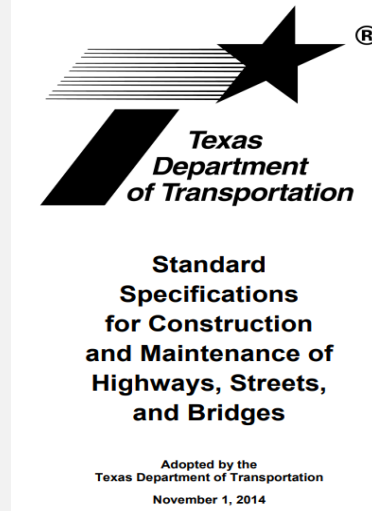
System Development

Achievements

Motivation

A system evaluating the performance of specification Items

- 200,000 lane-miles
- > 15 million tons/yr of hot mix asphalt



Goal

Develop an online application with statewide accessibility



Evaluate the performance of specification Items



Incorporate maintenance activities

Methodology



Identified and
integrated data



Analyzed data



Developed
dashboards



Developed text
and video guides



Sought feedback
from
Divisions/Districts

Identified and integrated data



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QCQA/mix design data

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ACP OVERLAY
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2 SC, PAV MRK, & ADA CURB RAMP
7 SEAL COAT
11 LANDSCAPE
3 REHABILITATION OF EXISTING RD
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1 CONSTRUCT AUXILIARY LANES
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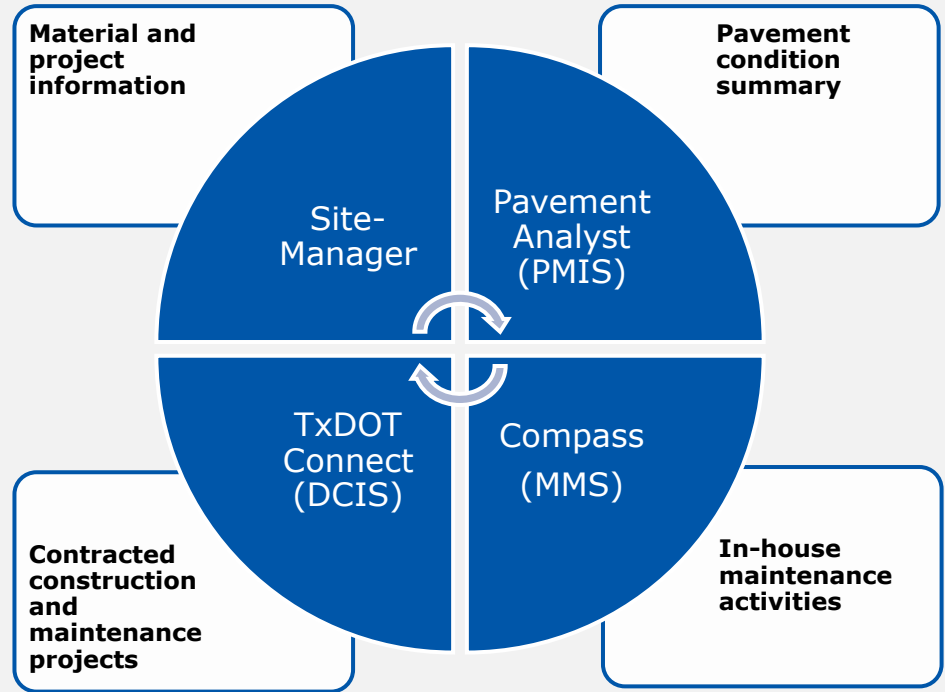
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Developed a unified system

Developed a unified system that integrates pavement performance, specification Items, maintenance activities, and construction projects



System Development

Project Performance

Project
level
analysis

Item/mix Performance

Item/mix
level
analysis

Material Performance

Material specific analysis



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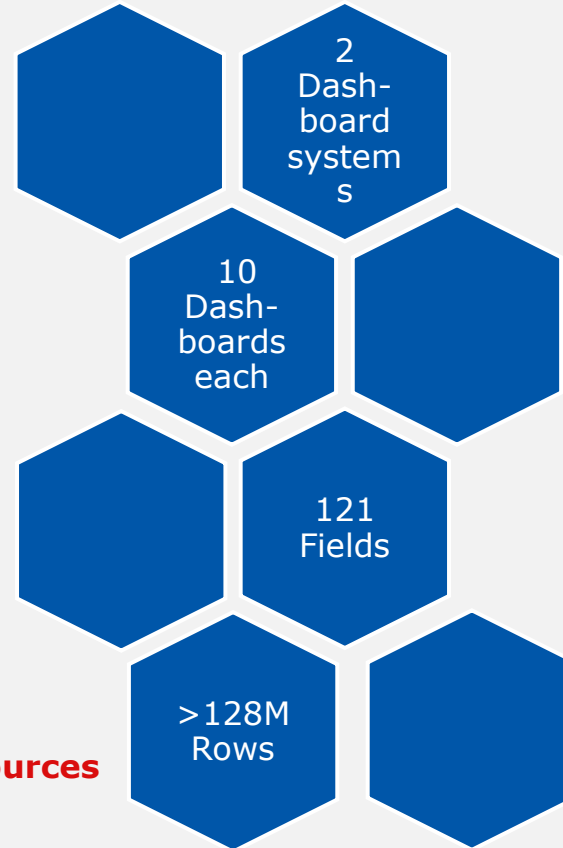


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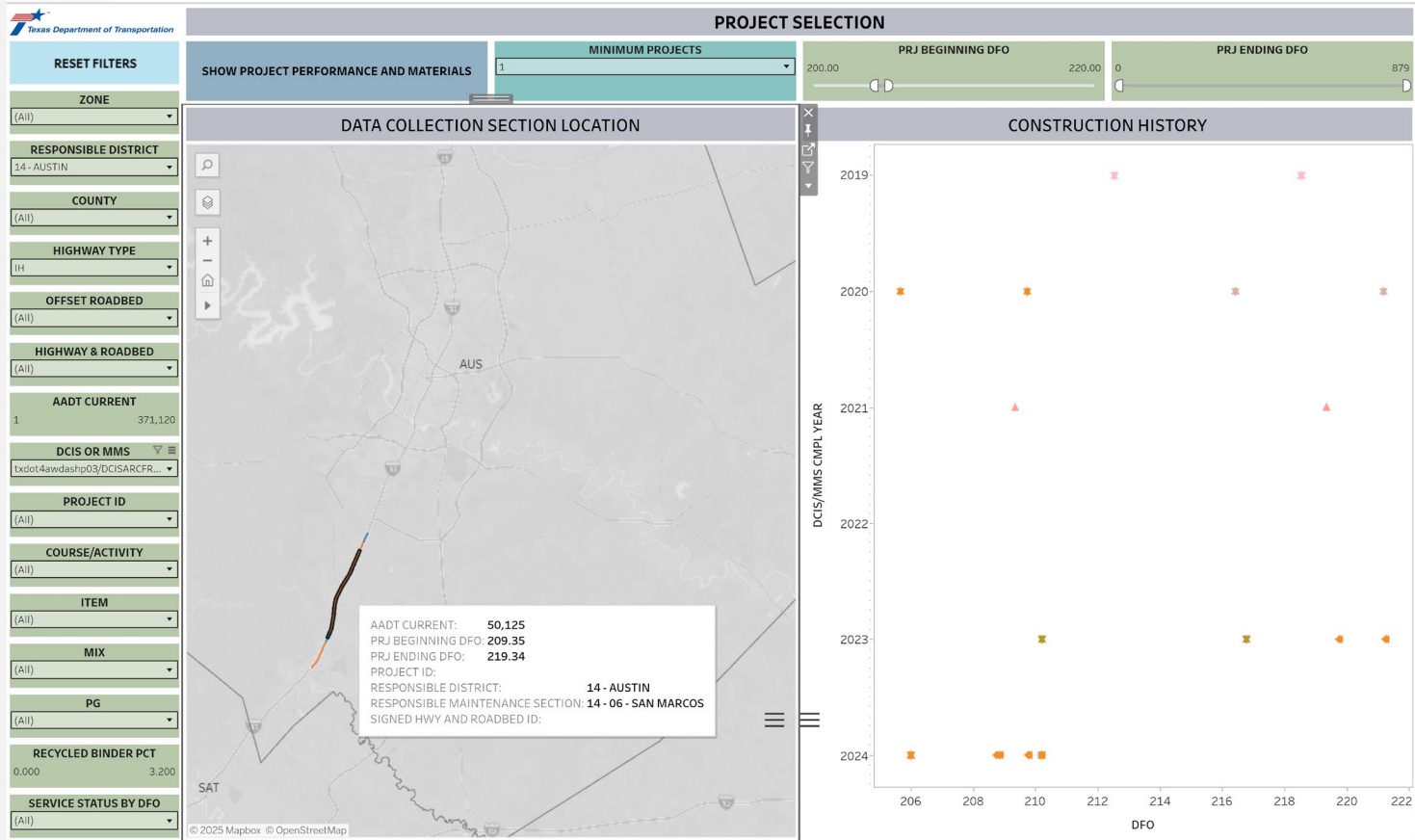
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8 Data sources

A first-ever unified system



A first-ever unified system



PROJECT PERFORMANCE AND MATERIAL INFORMATION

SELECT PROJECTS

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AVG ALLIGATOR CRACKING PCT

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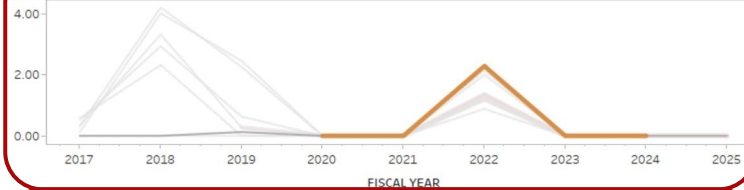
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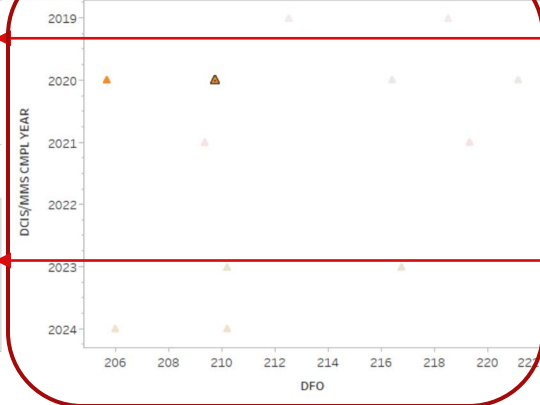
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CONSTRUCTION HISTORY



Project locations with construction year

Performance History

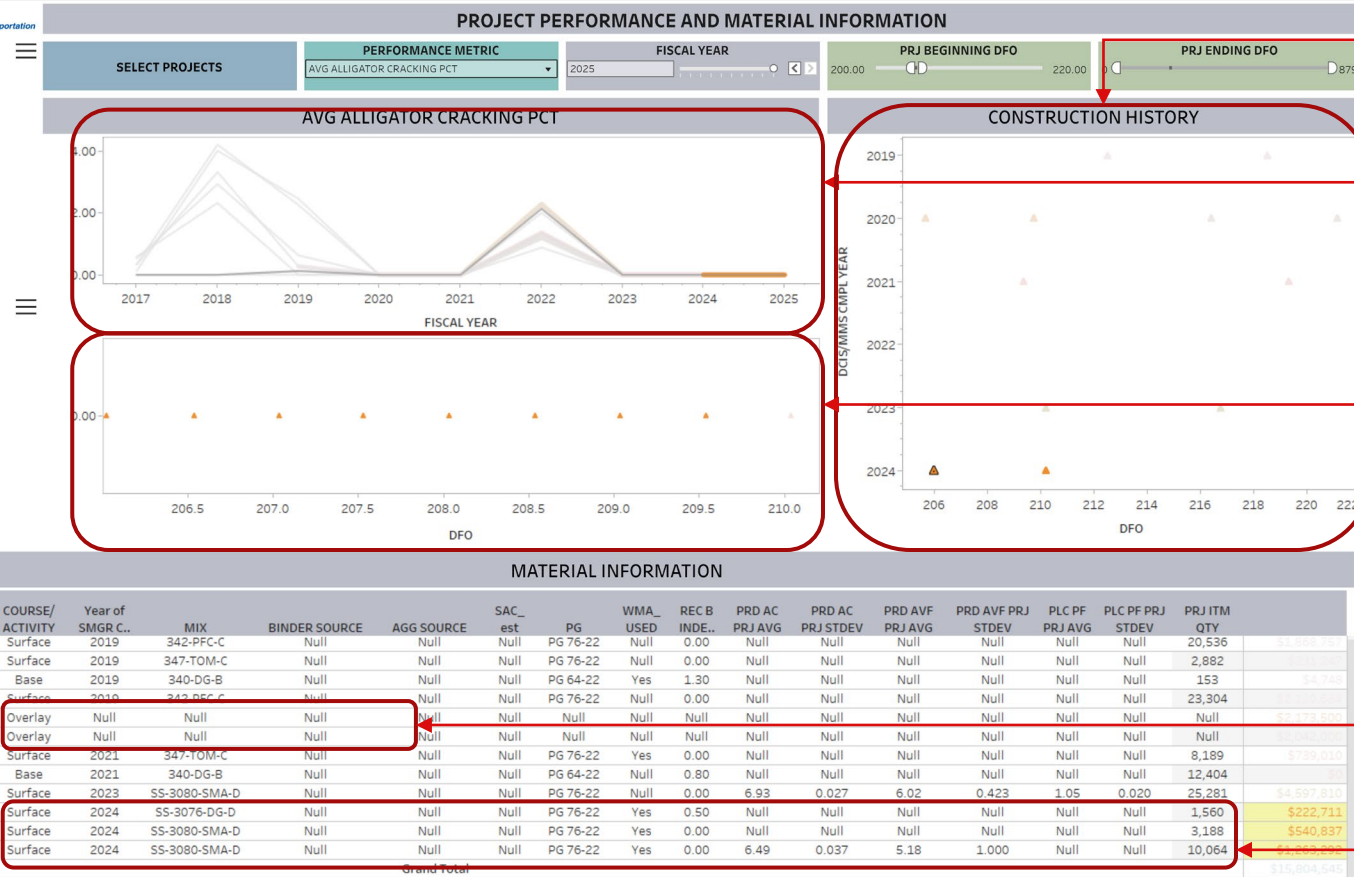
Project local performance

MATERIAL INFORMATION

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Contracted maintenance projects

A first-ever unified system



Project locations with construction year

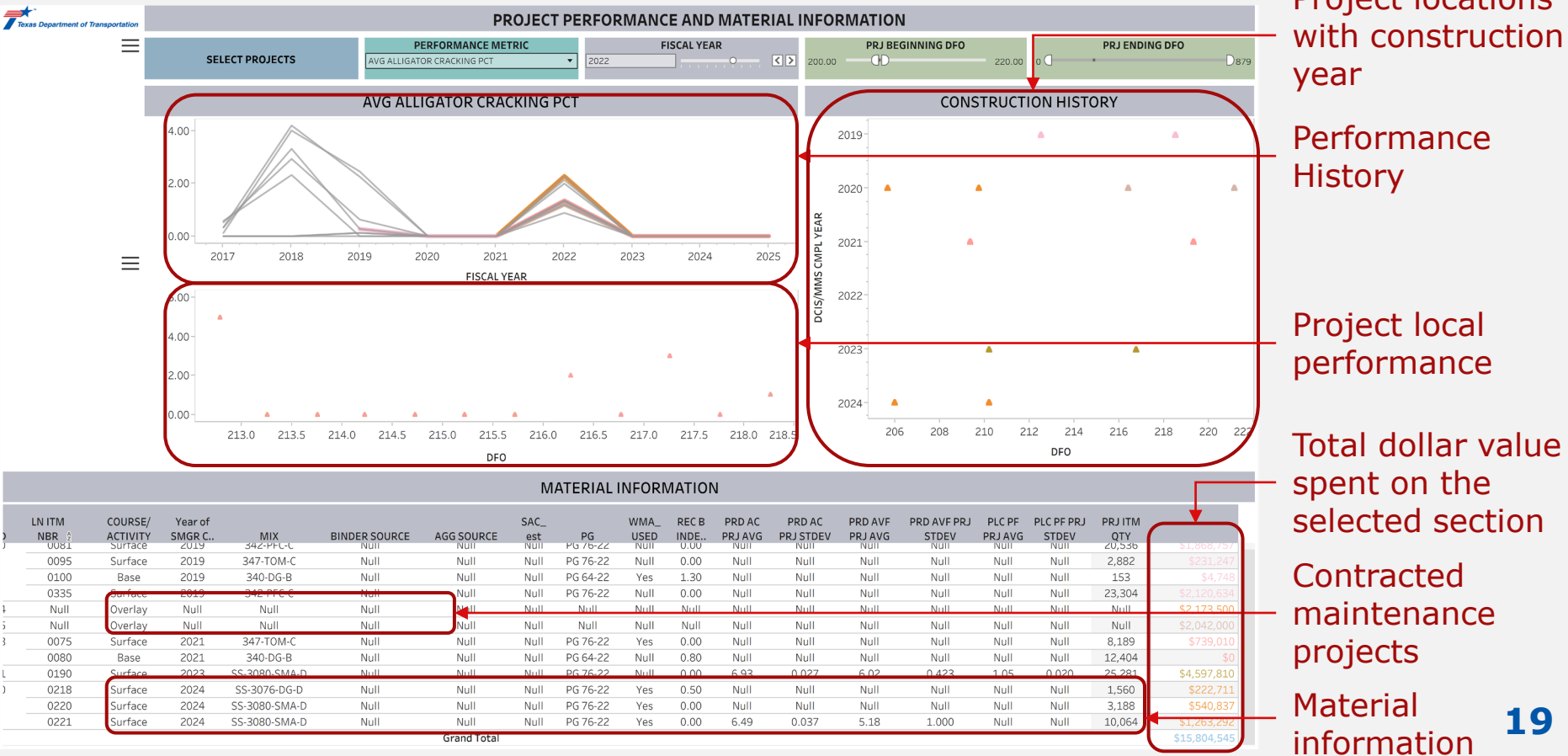
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Project local performance

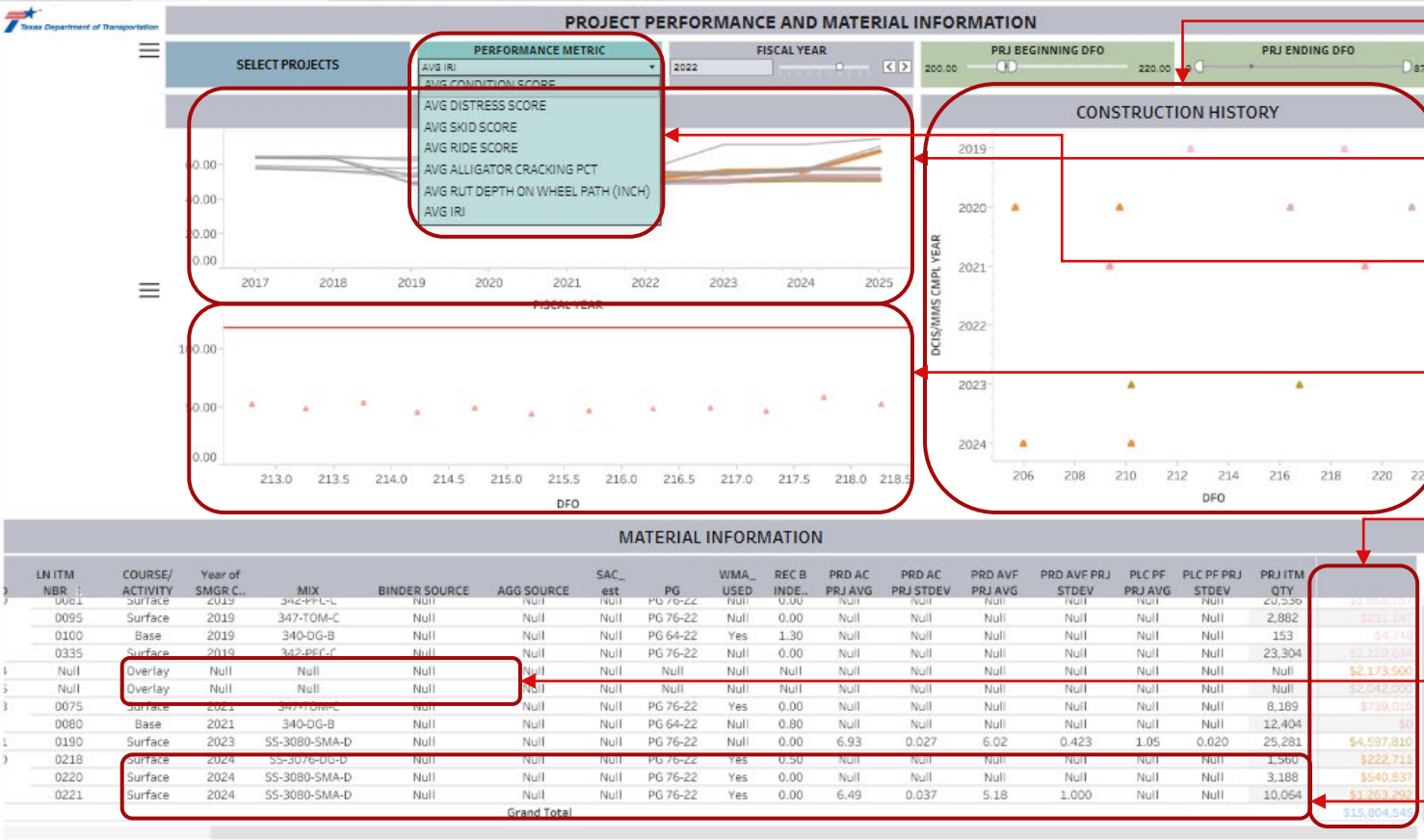
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Material information

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Project locations with construction year

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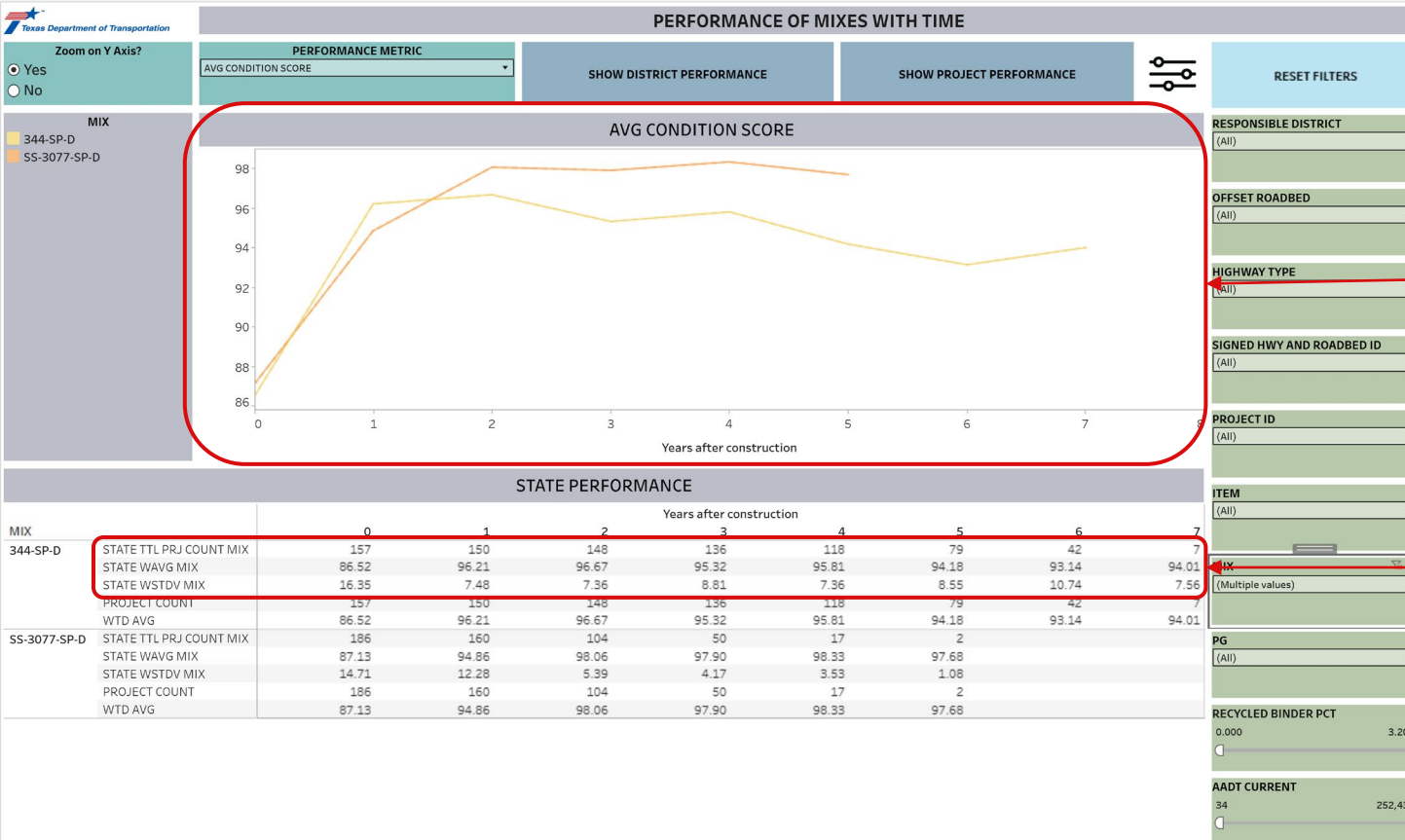
Project local performance

Total dollar value spent on the selected section

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Material information

A benchmarking tool



Comparative analysis of specification items with time

Statewide item performance

A near real-time web application

Overview	Connections	Scheduled Tasks	Run History	Subscriptions	Lineage			
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Pavement condition
data and new
planned project
update

Regular
updates

Key accomplishments



**A first-ever
unified system**



**A near real-time
web application**



**A benchmarking
tool**



**An investigative
tool**



**A Foundational
framework**

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A map of Sweden with a dense network of roads colored in red, yellow, and green, representing different pavement conditions. The colors are distributed across the country, with a higher concentration in the southern and central regions. A dark grey rectangular box is centered over the map, containing the title text. Below the box, a smaller white box contains the presenter's name and email. At the bottom, a row of four blue boxes contains additional information. The salbo.ai logo is in the bottom right corner, and a small copyright notice is at the very bottom right.

INTEGRATING AGENCY DATA FOR DATA-DRIVEN PAVEMENT DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT DECISION-MAKING: THE SWEDISH EXPERIENCE

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THE STATE 2024
CURRENT SITUATION

THE STATE 2034
CURRENT BUDGET

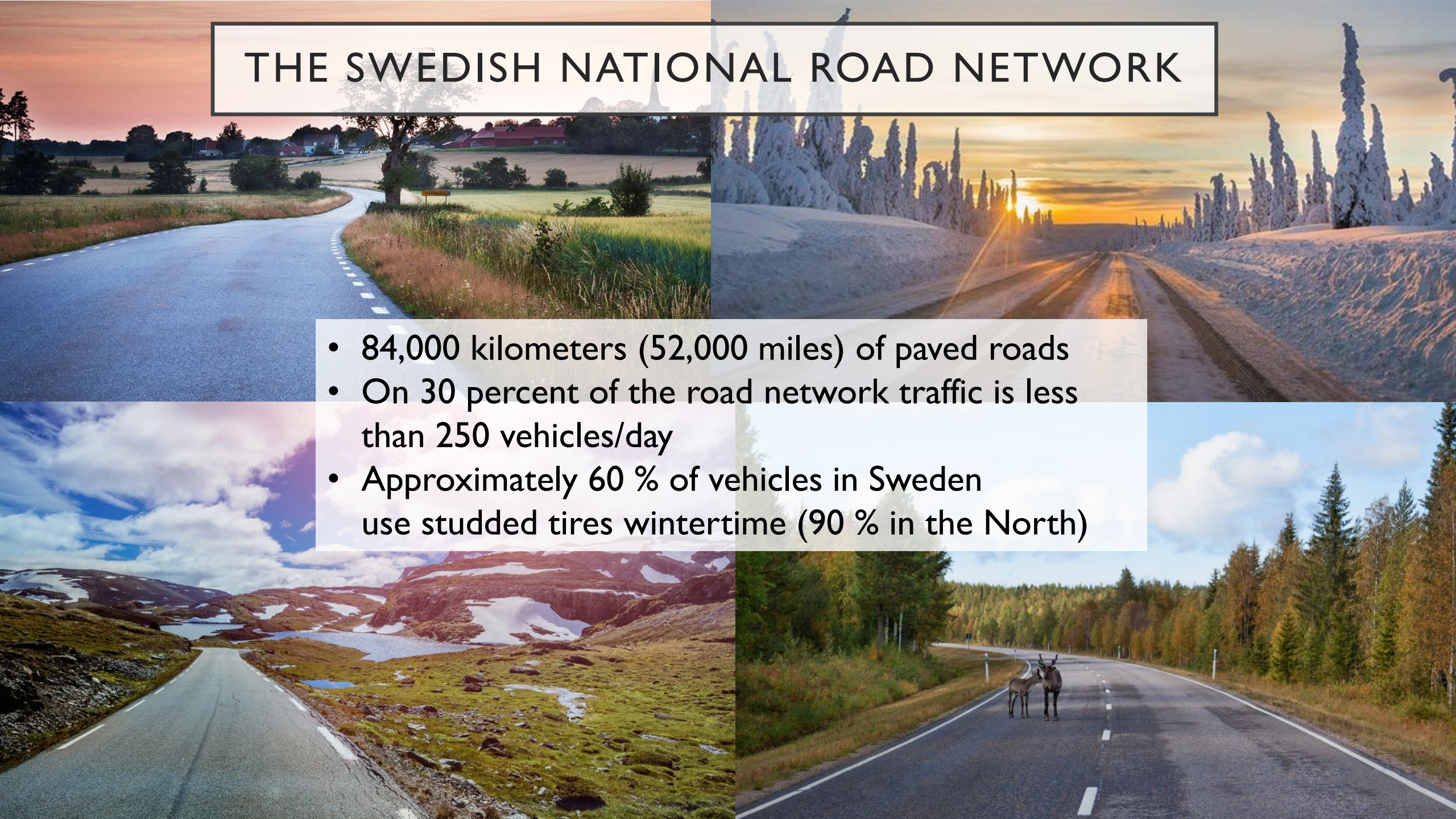
CONDITION 2034
+2 BILLION/YEAR

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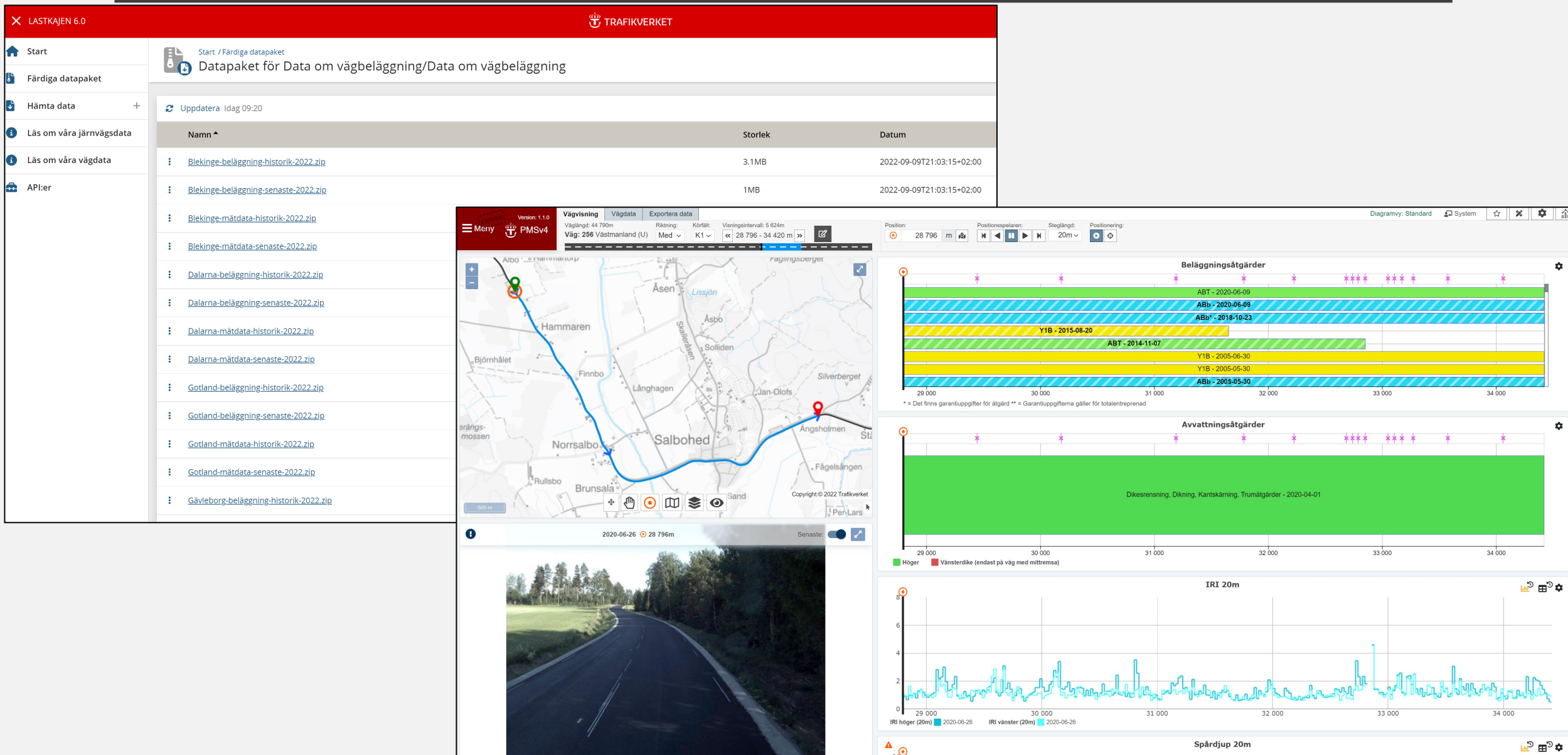
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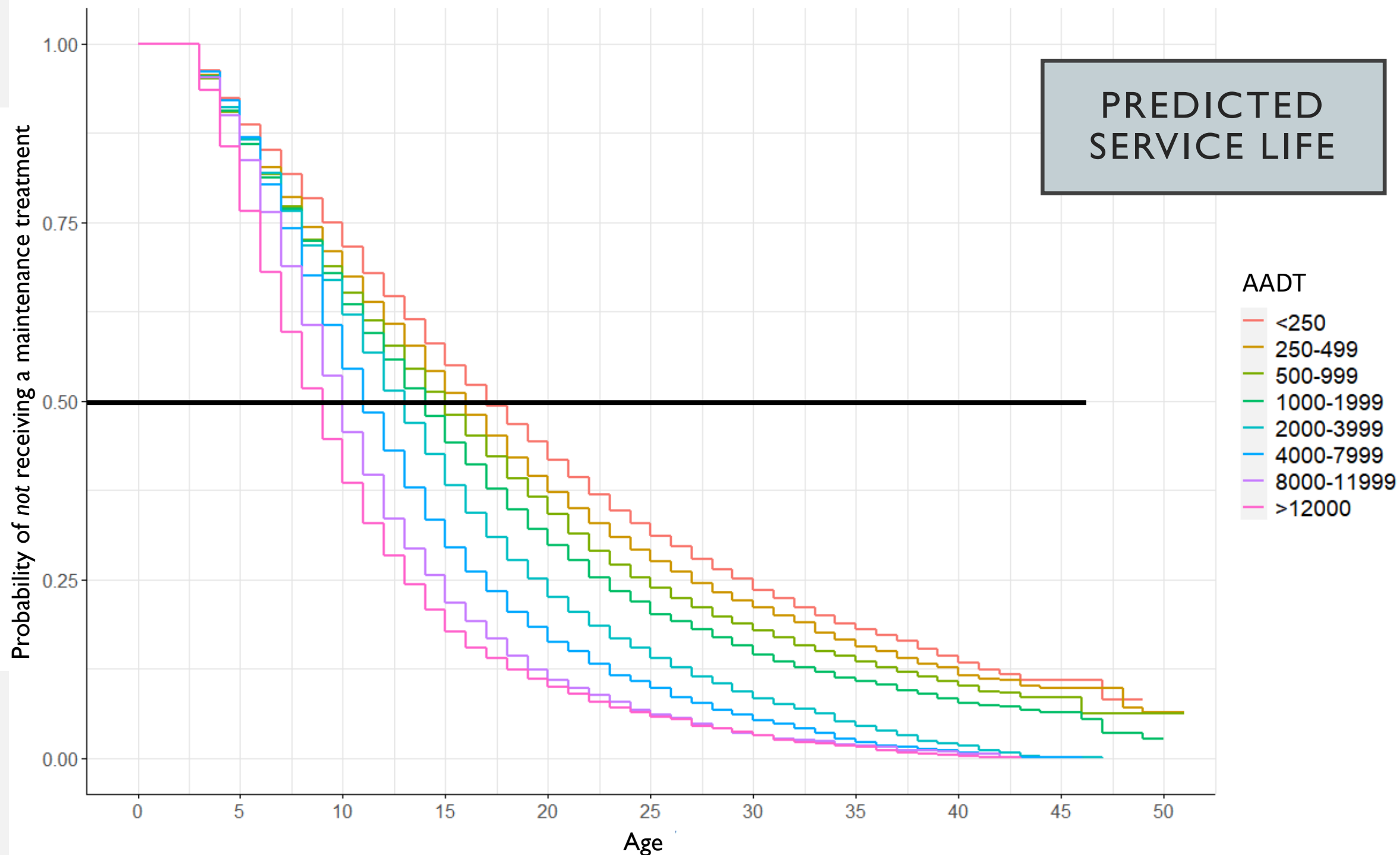
THE SWEDISH NATIONAL ROAD NETWORK

- 84,000 kilometers (52,000 miles) of paved roads
- On 30 percent of the road network traffic is less than 250 vehicles/day
- Approximately 60 % of vehicles in Sweden use studded tires wintertime (90 % in the North)



SWEDISH TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATION OPEN DATA





Variables

☐ Traffic (AADT)

☐ Heavy traffic (AADT heavy)

☐ Region

- North
- Middle
- Stockholm
- East
- West
- South

☐ Pavement type

- Asphalt concrete
- Seal coat
- Grouted macadam
- Half-warm mix
- Ultra-thin bonded wearing course
- Surface dressing bituminous
- Surface dressing on gravel

☐ Stone size

- <10 mm
- 10-15 mm
- 15-20 mm
- >20 mm

☐ Road width

☐ Speed limit

☐ Bearing capacity class

- Max 64 metric tonnes
- Max 51.5 metric tonnes
- Max 37.5 metric tonnes
- Max 74 metric tonnes

☐ Binder (layer 1 and layer 2)

- Bitumen
- Viscosity grade bitumen
- Bitumen emulsion
- Polymer-modified bitumen
- Cut-back
- Asphalt rubber
- Polymer-modified emulsion

☐ Road type

- Ordinary road
- 2+1 road
- Motorway
- 4-lane road

☐ Construction year

- 1950-1959
- 1960-1969
- 1970-1979
- 1980-1989
- 1990-1999
- 2000-2009
- 2010-

☐ Rut bottom distance

- Mix: <1500 mm
- Studded tyres: 1500-1700 mm
- Mix: 1700-2000 mm
- Heavy traffic: >2000 mm



EXAMPLE: NATIONAL ROAD 50 FALUN- BORLÄNGE

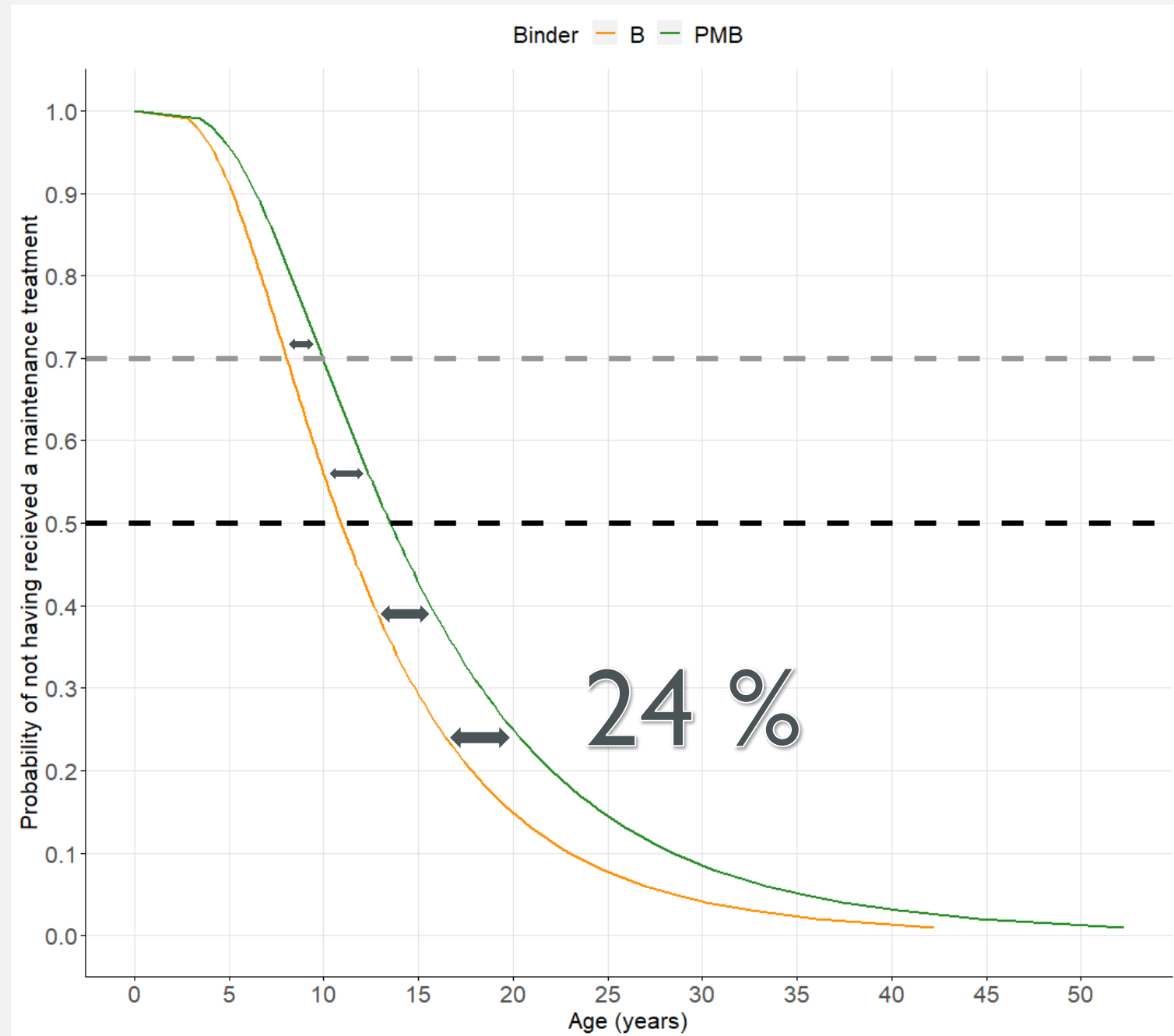
4-lane road built 2000-2009, located in region Middle with a speed limit of 110 km/h.

AADT 8,730 of which 935 are heavy vehicles.

Latest treatment date was 2016-06-15.
Treated with stone mastic and a stone size of 10-15 mm.

Rut bottom distance indicates that the main driver of rutting is studded tires.





MODEL ESTIMATED LIFETIMES FOR NATIONAL ROAD 50

Layer 1	Layer 2	Lifetime	Mean error
B	B	10 y 6 m	5 m
B	PMB	11 y 4 m	9 m
PMB	B	12 y	6 m
PMB	PMB	12 y 11 m	11 m

Assessing Sweden's Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Road Maintenance using Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs) and Network Lifecycle Optimization

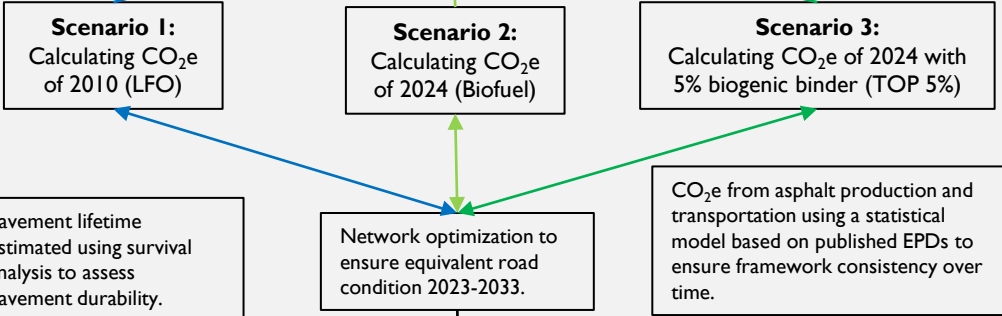
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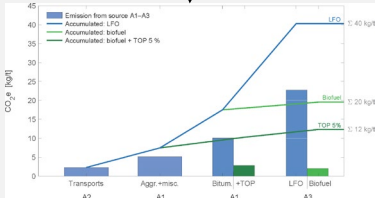
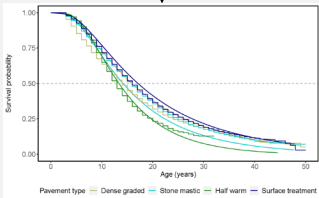
What?

Is Sweden's pavement maintenance aligned with the emission target of the Paris Agreement?

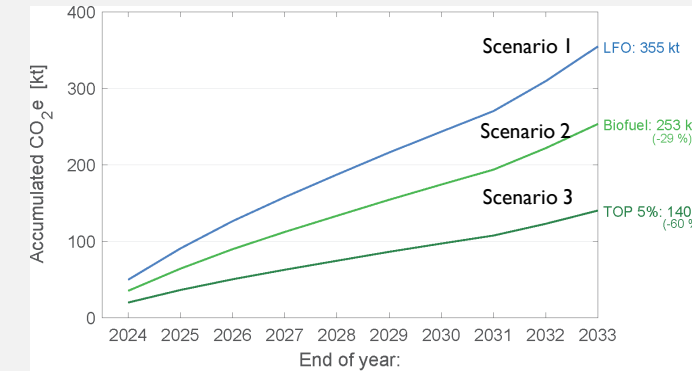
How?



Models?



Accumulated CO₂e in metric tons for an optimized ten-year pavement management program with maintained road condition.



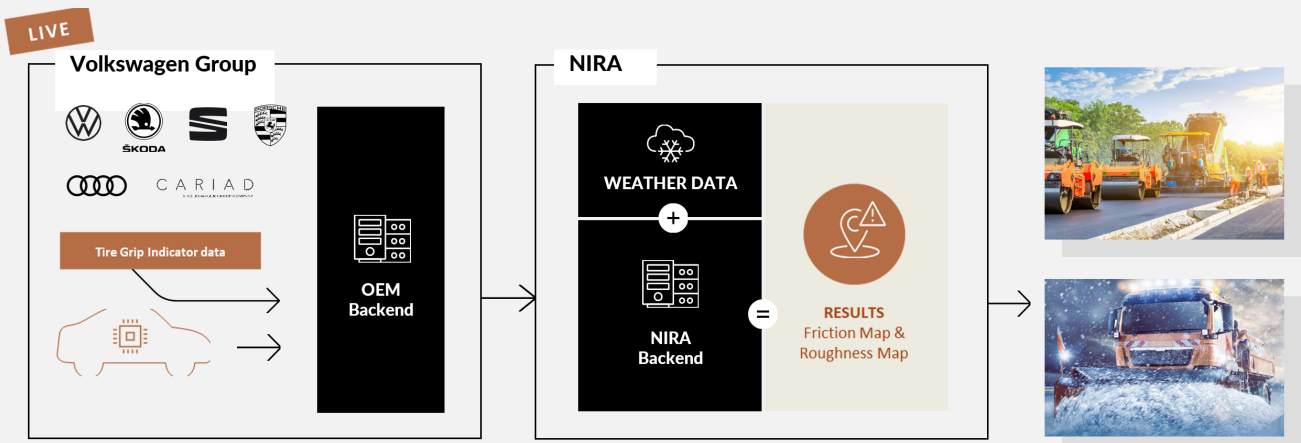
Summary

Sweden has lowered its emissions from pavement maintenance with 29 % since 2010, primarily by increasing the usage of biofuel in asphalt plants and increasing the amount of reclaimed asphalt.

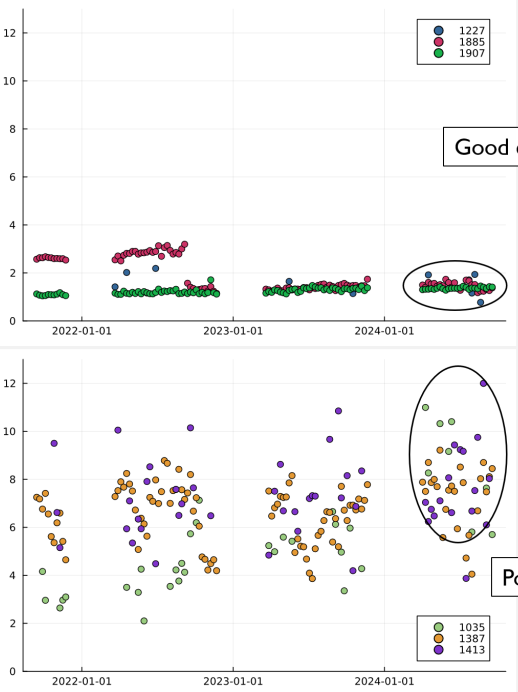
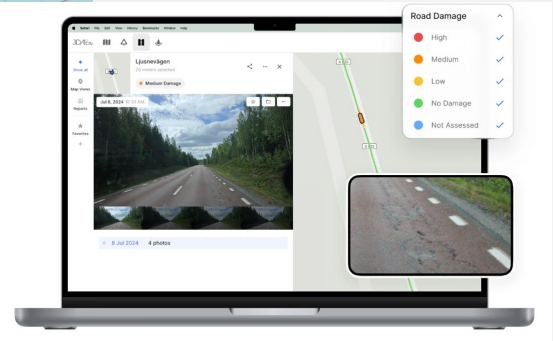
Sweden can reach 60 % emission reduction by incorporating 5 % biogenic binders in its asphalt.

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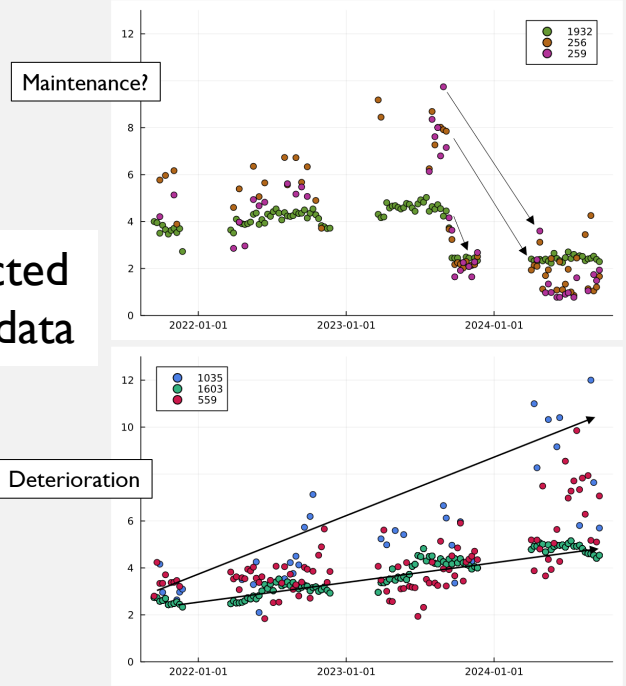
EMERGING TOPICS



LCAA informed by AI classified road damages



Connected vehicle data



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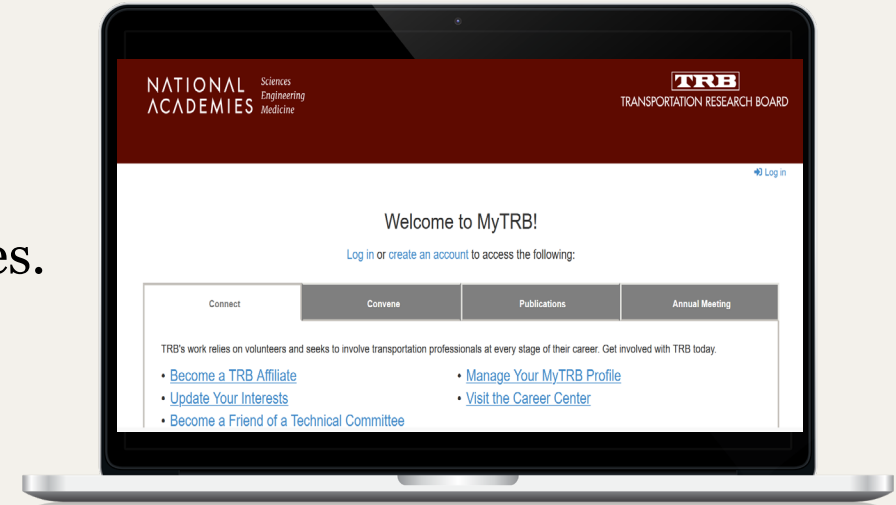


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