MAINTENANCE PLANNING GUIDELINES

01/2014

ACTIVITY: Roadway Shoulders (R225)

MAJOR & MINOR

ACTION: Chip Seal

DEFINITION: The time and expenses incurred to expand installation and maintenance of asphalt concrete and aggregate roadway shoulder, approaches and clear zones.

PURPOSE: To seal out moisture and restore the surface of cracked and deteriorated bituminous shoulders.

SCHEDULING: When temperature is above 50°F, humidity is low, and no rain is forecast.

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RECOMMENDED EOUIPMENT:

- Asphalt Distributor(s)
- Dump Truck(s) w/Spreaders or Chip Spreaders
- Pneumatic Roller
- Broom/Sweeper
- Traffic Control Equipment; (See EPG 616.23 Traffic Control for Field Operations)

RECOMMENDED MATERIAL:

- Liquid Binder Sealing Grades
- Check with Materials Office for proper selection of aggregate. ½ in. Aggregate (maximum).

RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE:

- 1. Consult with Materials Office and vendor for design and application rates.
- 2. Contact Dig Rite and others to mark utilities.
- 3. Place traffic control devices as required. Review guidance for use of "Fresh Oil" and "Loose Gravel" signs <u>EPG 616.23.2.7.6</u> and pavement marking <u>EPG 616.23.2.5.7</u>
- 4. Sweep the existing surface to clean and remove loose debris.
- 5. Check application rate for distribution of aggregate and binder depending on field specific conditions. Adjust as necessary for each job.
- 6. Roll immediately.
- 7. Excess aggregate should be swept off and removed when surface is cured.
- 8. Remove traffic control devices.

SAFETY: Care should be taken to reduce the amount of loose aggregate. Motorists should be warned to drive slowly and watch for fresh asphalt and moving equipment. Refer to the *Comprehensive Safety Program sharepoint portal*. Wear all appropriate PPE. Refer to the *Risk Based Assessment* for additional information.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS: May substitute lightweight aggregate to minimize vehicle damage claims. Use a pneumatic roller to improve rock retention by asphalt. It is advisable to hold a traffic control planning session prior to projects. Care should be taken to avoid shoulder build-up to ensure proper drainage.

REFERENCES: Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction; Sections 409, 1003, 1015.