

PERFORMANCE ENGINEERED MIXTURES (PEM) FOR CONCRETE PAVEMENTS

***DELIVERING CONCRETE TO
SURVIVE THE ENVIRONMENT***

NC2 in Kalispell, MT - 2019

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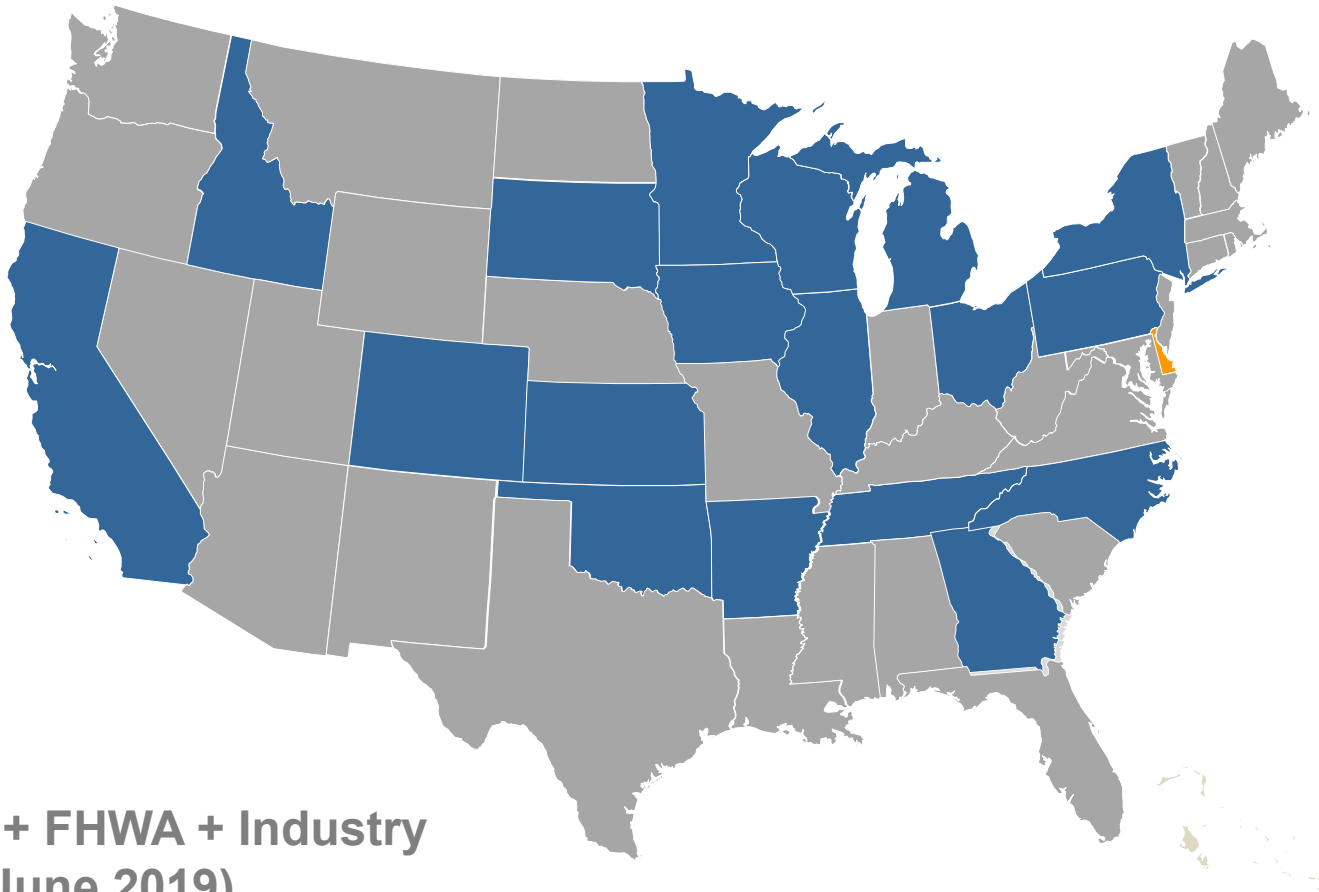


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18 States + FHWA + Industry
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PEM ACTIVITY 2019



- One-day engineering level PEM Workshop
- Specification review and SHA assistance in establishing their PEM implementation strategy
- Technician training
- Shadow testing data collection/analysis
- Test refinements and new tests (AASHTO Task Force)
- PP-84-20 revision
- Construction specification development
- Monitoring FHWA Incentive/Shadow Testing Projects
- MCT/PEM Open House/Demos in NC, CA (2), NV, KS, and IL
- Working with the states at various levels of PEM implementation

PEM ONE DAY WORKSHOP AGENDA

- 8:30 Road to PEM –Why change things?
- 9:00 Group discussion – What makes a good specification?
- 9:30 AASHTO PP-84, philosophy and goals
- 10:00 Break
- 10:30 Group discussion – Barriers to performance evaluation
- 11:00 Science and tests for PEM (Property-Test-Remedy)
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:30 Science and tests for PEM (Property-Test-Remedy)
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- 2:00 Group Discussion – What next?
- 2:30 Break
- 3:00 PEM in practice, Quality, Implementation, Training
- 4:00 Wrap up

Table 3—Specification Worksheet

Section	Property	Specified Test	Specified Value		Mixture Qualification	Acceptance	Selection Details	Special Notes
6.3 Concrete Strength								
6.3.1	Flexural Strength	T 97	4.1 MPa	600 psi	Yes	Yes	Choose either	—
6.3.2	Compressive Strength	T 22	24 MPa	3500 psi	Yes	Yes	or both	—
6.4 Reducing Unwanted Slab Warping and Cracking Due to Shrinkage (if cracking is a concern)								
6.4.1.1	Volume of Paste	—	25%		Yes	No	Choose only	—
6.4.1.2	Unrestrained Volume Change	ASTM C157	420 μ e	At 28 days	Yes	No	one	Curing conditions
6.4.2.1	Unrestrained Volume Change	ASTM C157	360, 420, 480 μ e	At 91 days	Yes	No	—	—
6.4.2.2	Restrained Shrinkage	T 334	Crack free		Yes	No	—	—
6.4.2.3	Restrained Shrinkage	TP XXX	$\Sigma < 60\%$ f'r	At 7 days	Yes	No	—	Dual ring test is currently under consideration as an AASHTO Provisional Test Method
6.4.2.4	Probability of Cracking	Appendix X1	As specified		Yes	No	—	—
Commentary	Quality Control Check	—	—		No	Yes	—	Variation controlled with mixture proportion observation or F factor and porosity measures
6.5 Durability of Hydrated Cement Paste for Freeze–Thaw Durability								
6.5.1.1	Water to Cementitious Ratio	—	0.45	—	Yes	Yes	^a	—
6.5.1.2	Fresh Air Content	T 152, T 196, TP 118	5 to 8	%	Yes	Yes	Choose only	—
6.5.1.3	Fresh Air Content/SAM	T 152, T 196, TP 118	$\geq 4\%$ air; ≤ 0.2	%, psi	Yes	Yes	one	—
6.5.2.1	Time of Critical Saturation	“Bucket Test” Specification	30	yr	Yes	No	^{a, b}	Variation controlled with mixture proportion observation or F factor and porosity measures
6.5.3.1	Deicing Salt Damage	—	35%	SCM	Yes	Yes	Choose only	Are calcium or magnesium chloride used
6.5.3.2	Deicing Salt Damage	M 224	—	Topical treatment	Yes	Yes	one	Are calcium or magnesium chloride used; use specified sealers
6.5.4.1	Calcium Oxychloride Limit	Test sent to AASHTO	< 0.15 g CaOXY/g paste		Yes	No	—	Are calcium or magnesium chloride used
6.6 Transport Properties								
6.6.1.1	Water to Cementitious Ratio	—	≤ 0.45 or ≤ 0.50	—	Yes	Yes	Choose only	The required maximum water to cementitious ratio is selected based on freeze–thaw conditions
6.6.1.2	Formation Factor	Table 1	≥ 500 or ≥ 1000	—	Yes	Yes	—	Based on freeze–thaw conditions; other criteria could be selected
6.6.2.1	Ionic Penetration, F Factor	Appendix X2	25 mm at 30 yr		Yes, <i>F</i>	Through ρ	—	Determined using guidance provided in Appendix X2
6.7 Aggregate Stability								
6.7.1	D Cracking	T 161, ASTM C1646	—	—	Yes	No	—	—
6.7.2	Alkali Aggregate Reactivity	R 80	—	—	Yes	No	—	—
6.8 Workability								
6.8.1	Box Test	Appendix X3	< 6.25 mm, $< 30\%$ surface void		—	No	—	—
6.8.2	Modified VKelly Test	Appendix X4	15–30 mm/root s		—	No	—	—

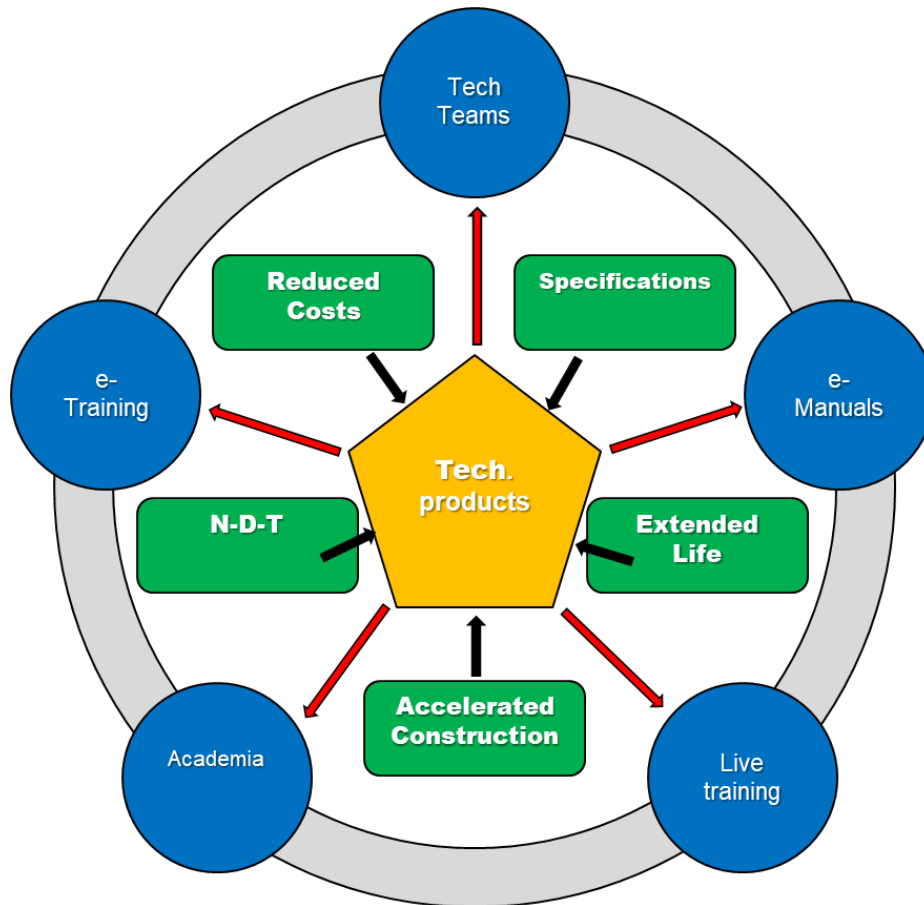
Notes:

^a Choose either 6.5.1.1 or 6.5.2.1.

^b Choose either 6.5.1.2, 6.5.1.3, or 6.5.2.1.

ADVANCING CONCRETE PAVEMENT TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

(FHWA Cooperative Agreement)



➤ Design criteria and specifications

PEM

- QC for PEM
- Precision & Bias for PEM Tests
- Proficiency training
- E-Construction

LOOKING AHEAD

FOCUS

- Continued collaboration with SHAs, FHWA and Industry along the road toward PEM implementation for concrete pavements – (Specs/Training/Questions)
- Emphasis on a PEM QC guide/control charts
- Shadow testing-shadow testing-shadow testing
- Data gathering/analysis/sharing for PEM test verification and long term pavement performance records
- Precision and Bias for PEM tests
- Training/Certification(?) for PEM technicians (Who, when, where and how)
- A PEM model construction specification
- Pilot projects

PEM POOLED FUND TAC MEETING

November 18-19, 2019

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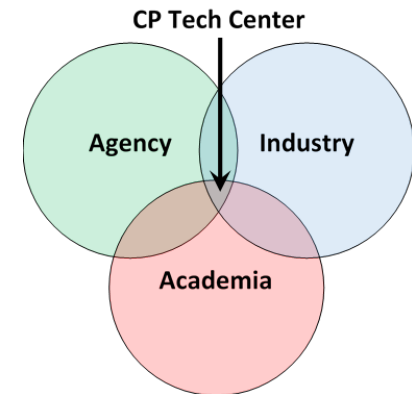


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