



# Rapid Technologies to Enhance Quality Control on Asphalt Pavements

## Infrared (IR) Scanner Workshop

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# Our Focus for Today



## Workshop Objective ...

1. Describe the Infrared Scanner Technology (What is it and Why it is needed?)
2. Understand how to use the IR Equipment & Software
3. Discuss the results from the Virginia DOT and Eastern Federal Lands Demonstration Projects
4. Discuss the Contractor's and Agency's Perspective as a QC or QA Tool
5. Know Implementation Strategies

# Infrared Scanner Workshop

## AGENDA:

Time	Topic/Presentation
12:30	Registration
1:00	Call to Order
1:00 to 1:15	Welcome and Introductions
1:15 to 1:45	Introduction to Infrared Technology: What is it and Why is it Needed?
1:45 to 2:00	Equipment and Software: How to use it? Getting Real Time Information for Decision Making
2:00 to 2:30	Data Analyses and Findings: What was learned from the Demonstration Project; Outcome and Lessons Learned from the Field Demonstration Projects
2:30 to 3:00	Agency Perspective as a QA Tool: Agency overview of the technology in ensuring a higher uniformity of the mat, as well as how the agency plans to implement the technology in the short-term.
3:00 to 3:30	Contractor's Perspective as a QC Tool: Contractor overviews their points and advantage of the technology in minimizing the penalties and maximizing their incentive.
3:30 to 3:45	Implementation Strategies (focus on Agency use): 1. Products and Application of Products 2. Trouble Shooting Guide Lead Agency Strategies/Specifications Lessons Learned
3:45 to 4:30	Questions/Answers and Closing Comments
4:30 to 5:00	IR Workshop Wrap-Up
5:00 to 5:25	Presentation and Demonstration of Ground Penetrating Radar Equipment



# Infrared Technology (IR)

## What is it and why use it?

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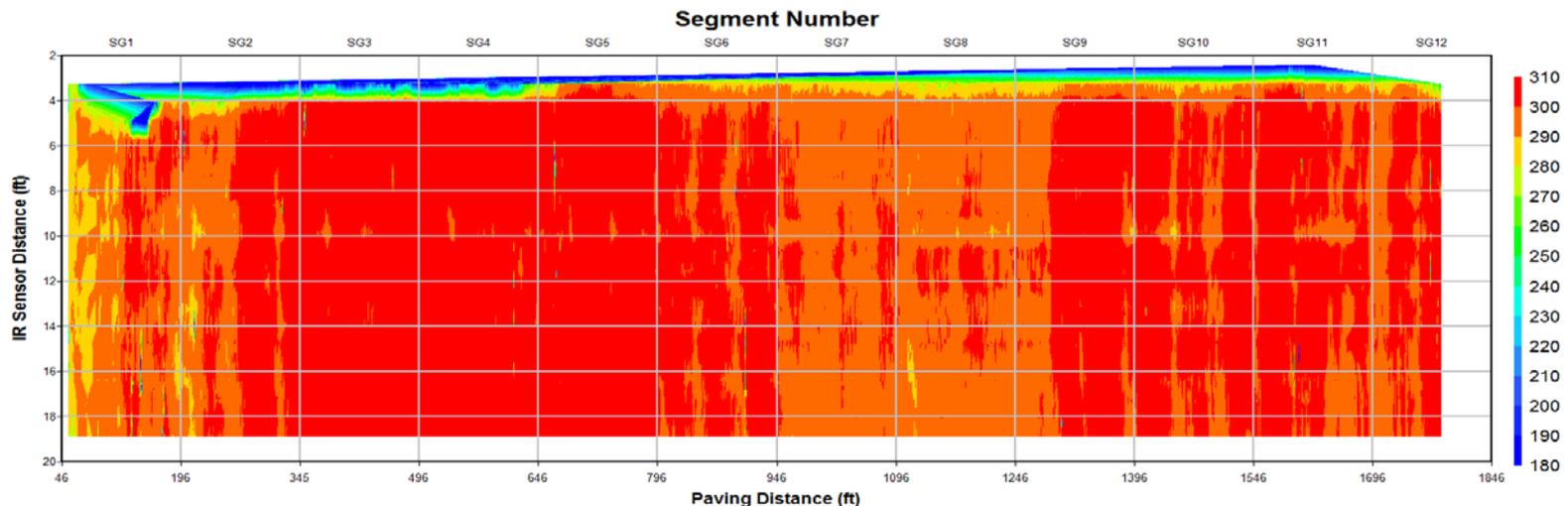
# IR – What is it & why use it?

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2. How is it measured?
3. Why is it important?

# IR – What is it & why use it?

## Infrared Thermography:

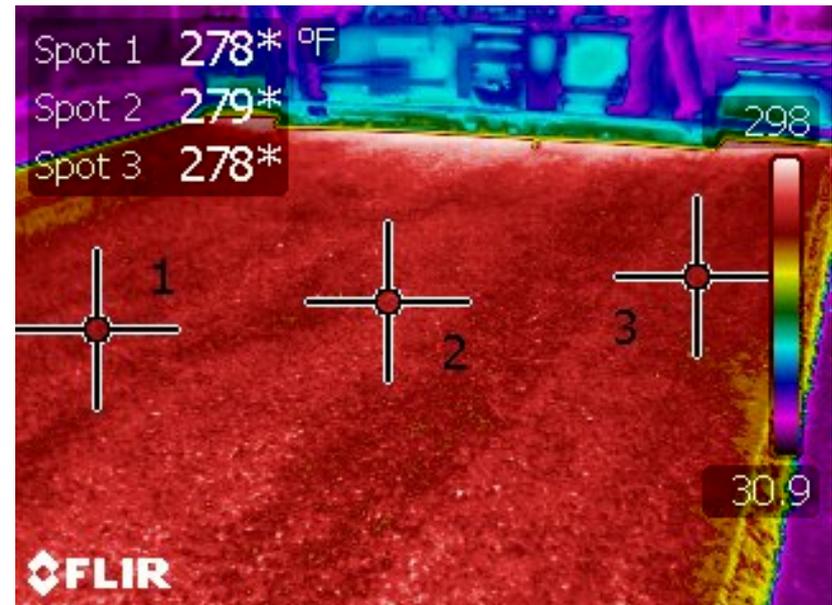
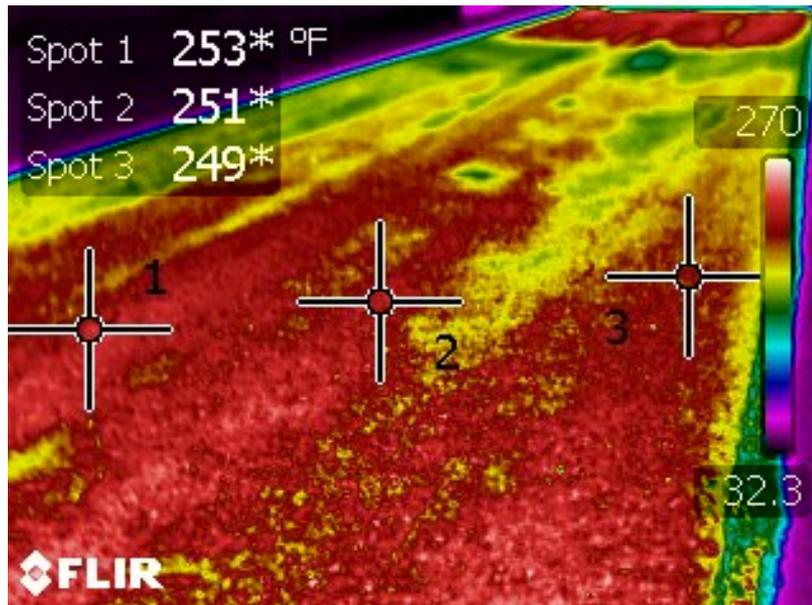
- The mapping of temperature contours (equal temperature) over the surface of a material.
- Contours are used to evaluate materials by measurement of their surface temperature and its variation.



# IR – What is it & why use it?

## Temperature segregation (differential):

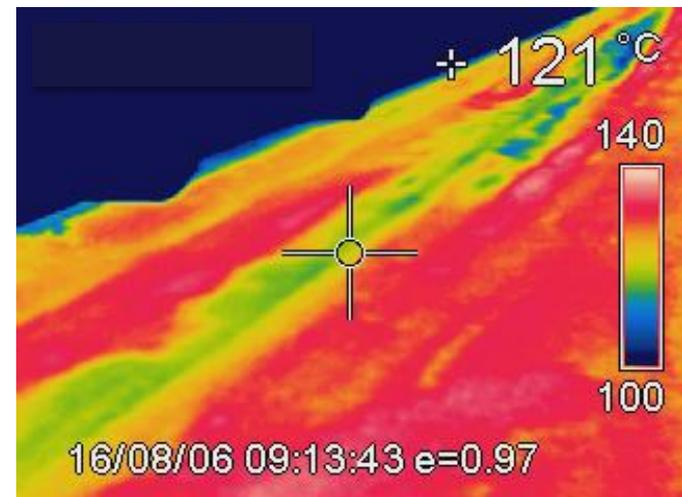
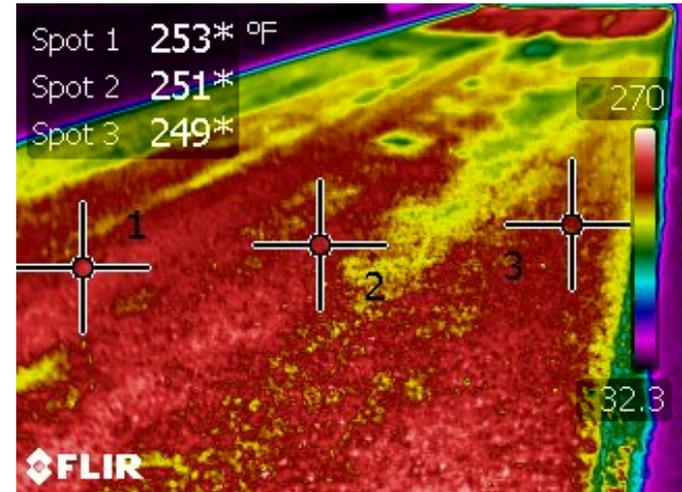
- More than 25 °F difference in mat temperature behind screed.



# IR – What is it & why use it?

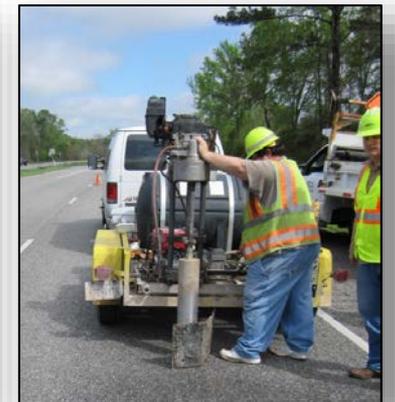
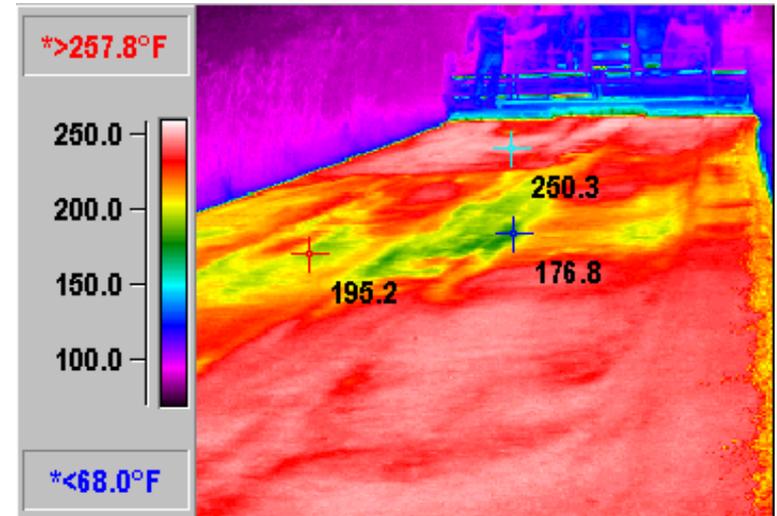
## Types of Temperature Differences:

1. Cold spots
  - Truck to truck temperature differences
  - Improper loading and unloading of trucks
2. Thermal streaks
  - Longitudinal segregation
  - Inadequate or non-uniform amount of material across the mat



# IR – What is it & why use it?

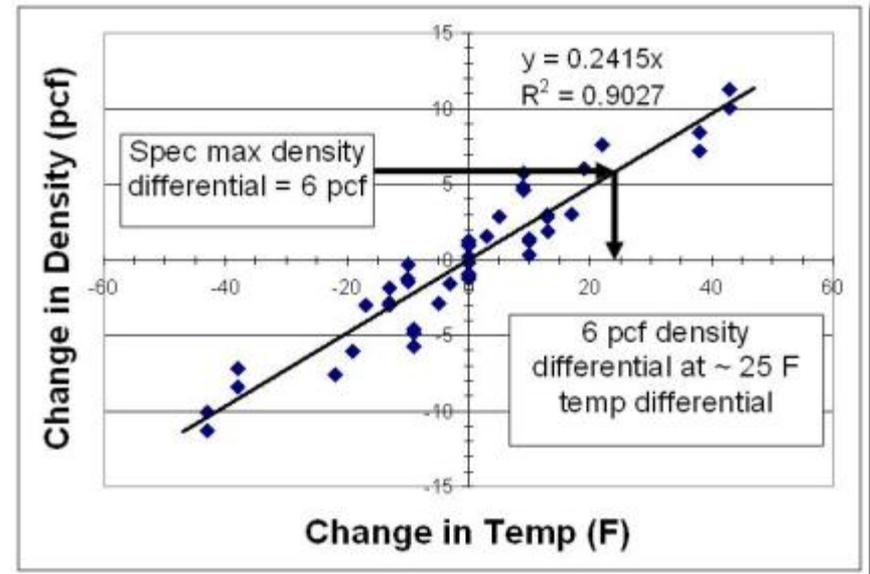
- Cold spots
  - Temperature difference of mat between truck exchanges – common.
  - Areas with higher air voids
- Focused testing have validated higher air voids
  - Coring
  - Radar (full coverage)
  - Nuclear gauge



# IR – What is it & why use it?

## Background

- 1996 through 2000s – field work concluded temperature differences could be accurately detected and quantified:
  - Low temperatures result in low density zones in mat
  - A few States adopt temperature uniformity specification



Temperature profile criteria based on desired density uniformity.

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# IR – What is it & why use it?

## History; Mat Temperature Measurements

- Temperature guns
  - Point readings
- Temperature cameras
  - Time specific to identify areas with cold spots or thermal streaks



# IR – What is it & why use it?

## History; Mat Temperature Measurements

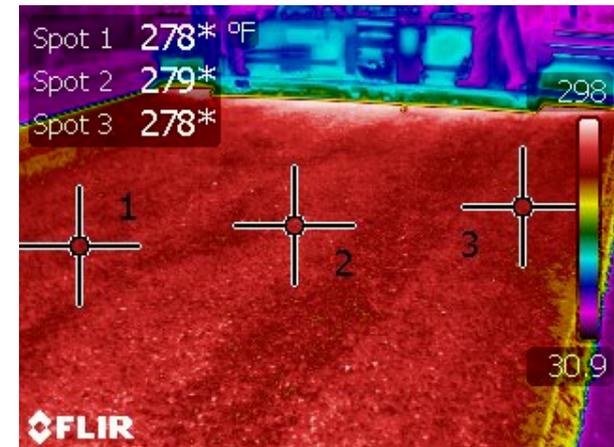
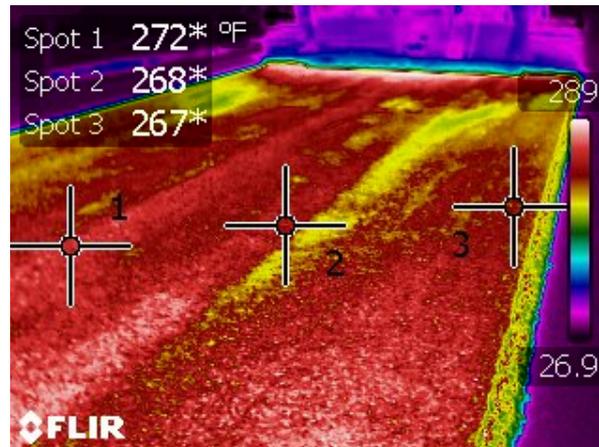
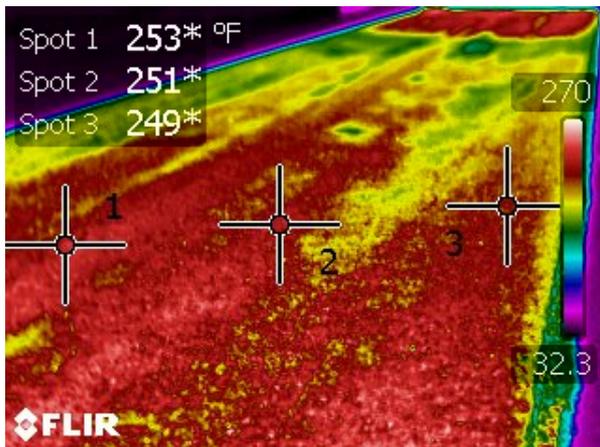
- IR sensors, IR-Bar; first device for continuous readings
- Pave-IR Scanner; second generation device for continuous readings



# IR – What is it & why use it?

## Application & use of temperature cameras

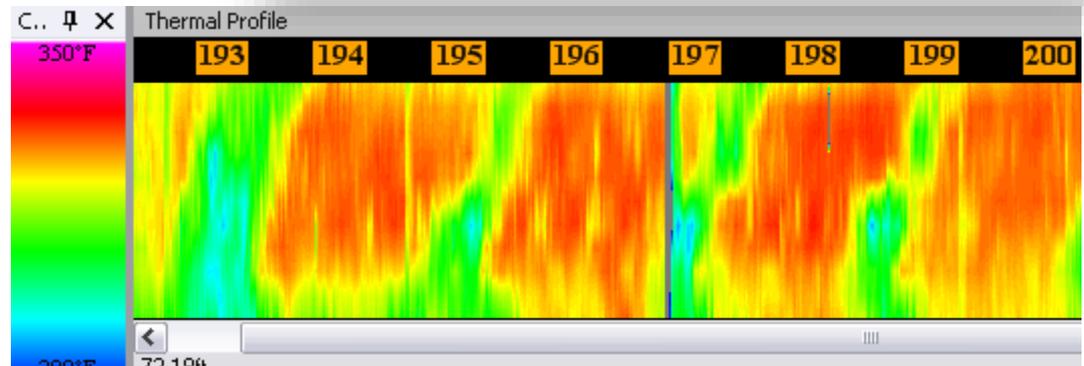
- Identify areas with cold spots for biased sampling in density specification
- Identify thermal streaks



# IR – What is it & why use it?

## Application & use of IR-Bar and Scanner

- Continuous readings to evaluate mat uniformity through temperature uniformity.
- Non-uniform temperatures usually mean, non-uniform densities.

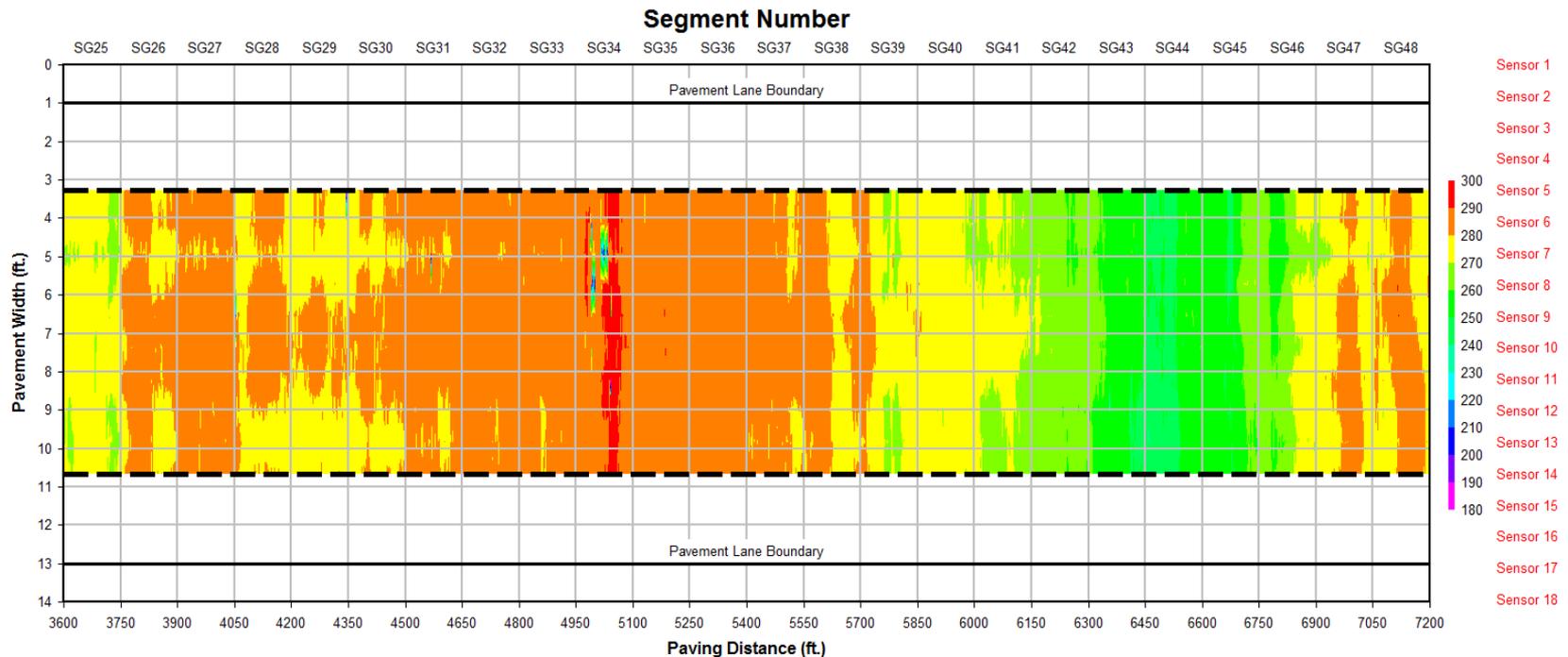


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# IR – What is it & why use it?

- Aggregate segregation in mat = temperature segregation
- Non-uniform temperatures usually result in non-uniform densities



# IR – What is it & why use it?

*Segregation* – A difficult issue to resolve, when it is difficult to identify or confirm.



# IR – What is it & why use it?

- *Truck to truck segregation* results in cold spots; IR can accurately identify these areas.



# IR – What is it & why use it?

- Both sided longitudinal and centerline segregation result in thermal streaks; IR can identify these areas.



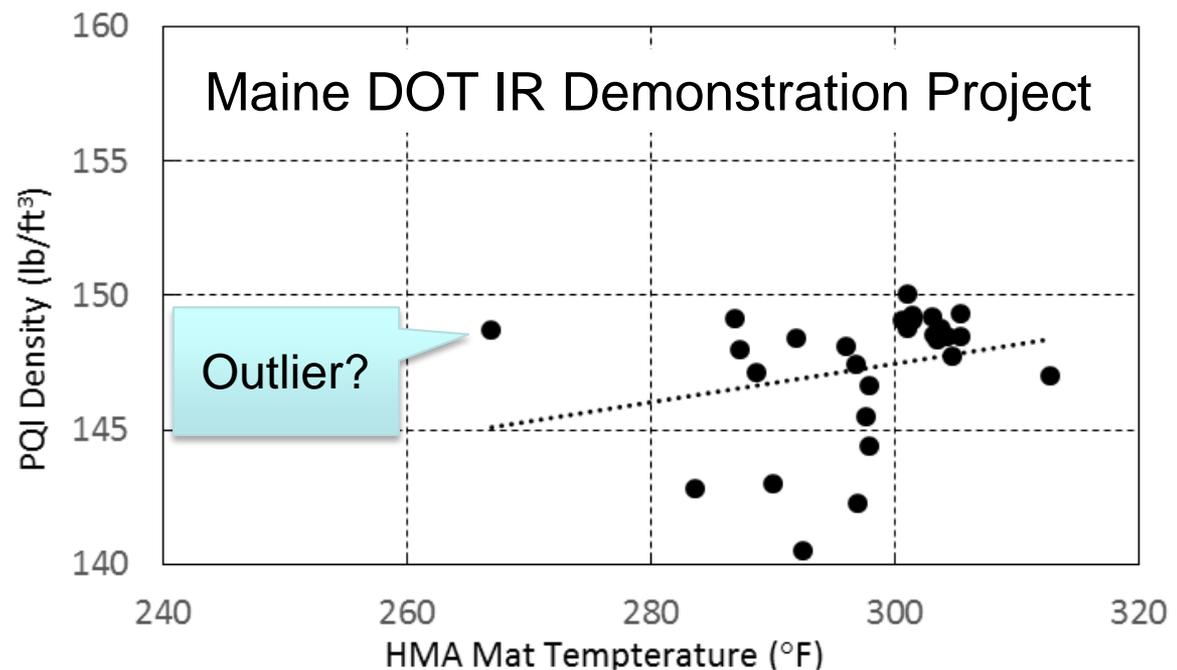
# IR – What is it & why use it?

- Effect of cold spots, low mat temperatures on percent compaction; densities are:
  - Lower
  - More variable



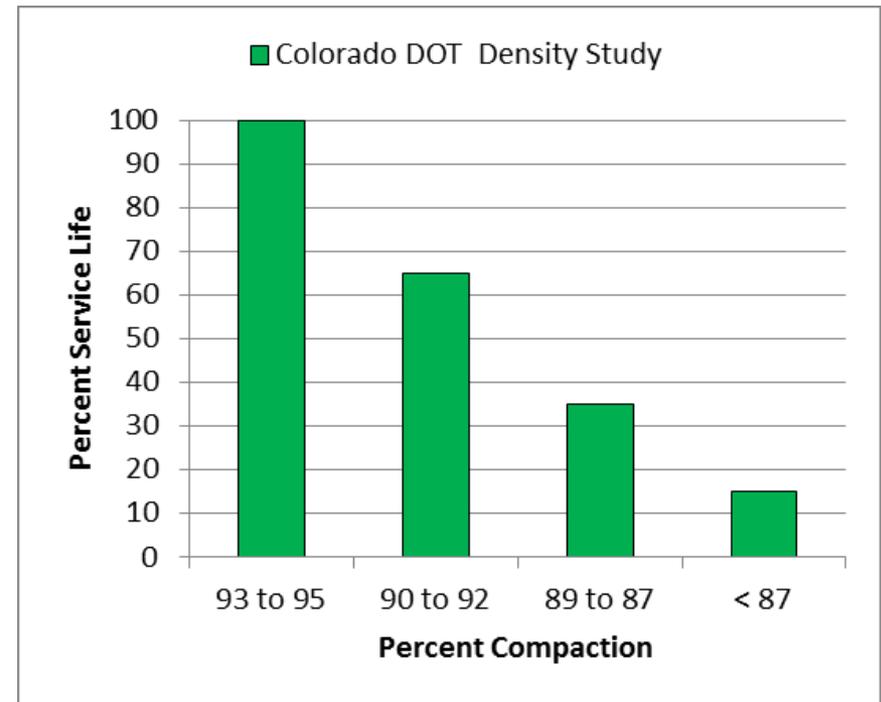
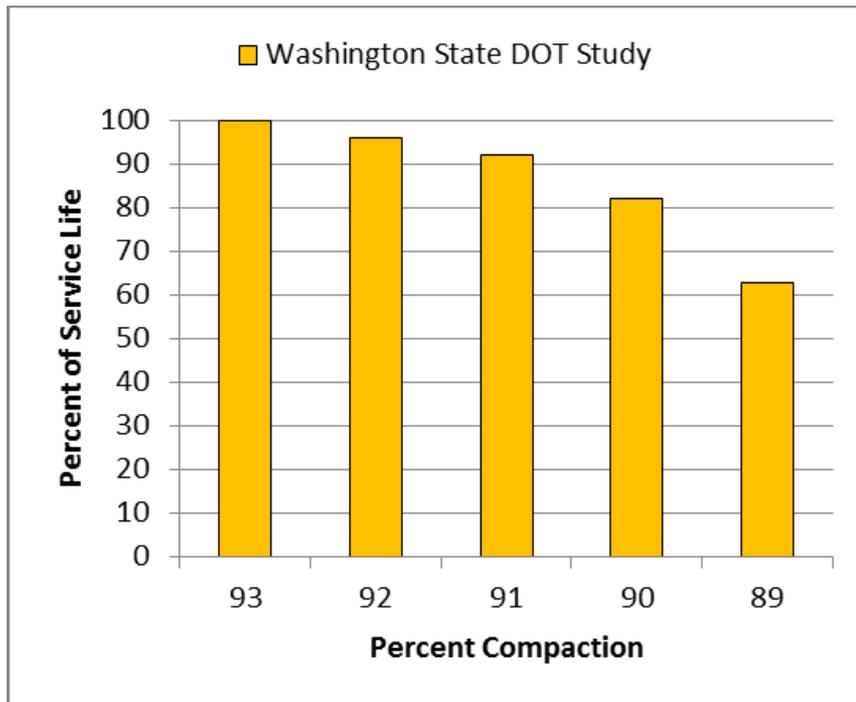
TTI Study:  
 $\Delta 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F} \sim \Delta 6\text{ pcf}$

Maine DOT:  
 $\Delta 20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{F} \sim \Delta 4\text{ pcf}$



# IR – What is it & why use it?

- Effect of reduced compaction because of lower mat temperatures or inadequate rolling.



# IR – What is it & why use it?

Impact of temperature differences or areas with low temperatures.



# IR – What is it & why use it?

Cold spots; areas with increased potential for:

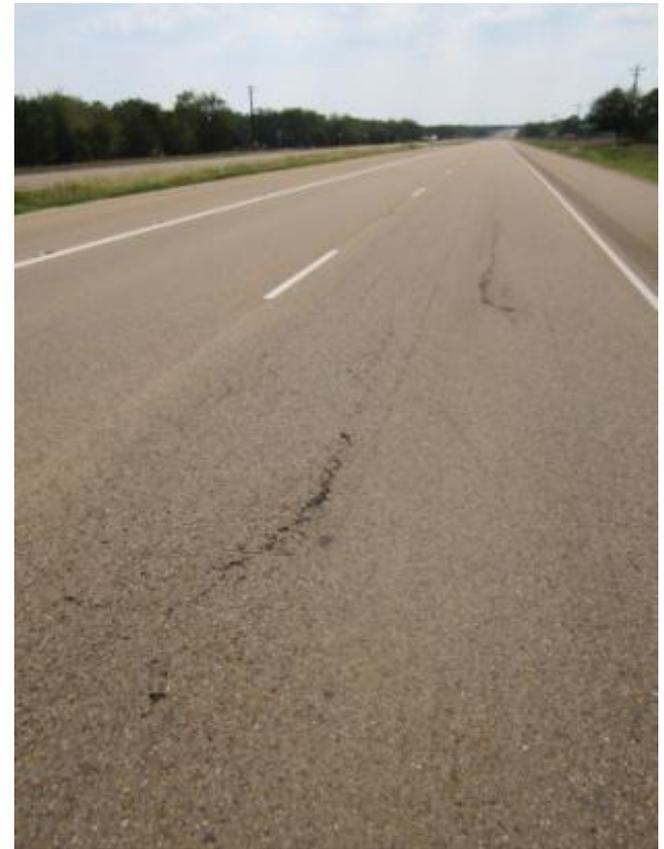
- Fatigue cracks
- Raveling
- Pot holes



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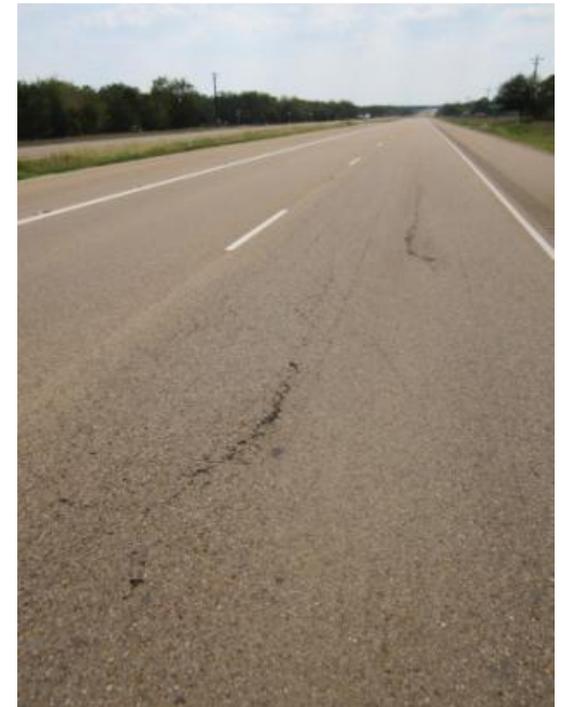
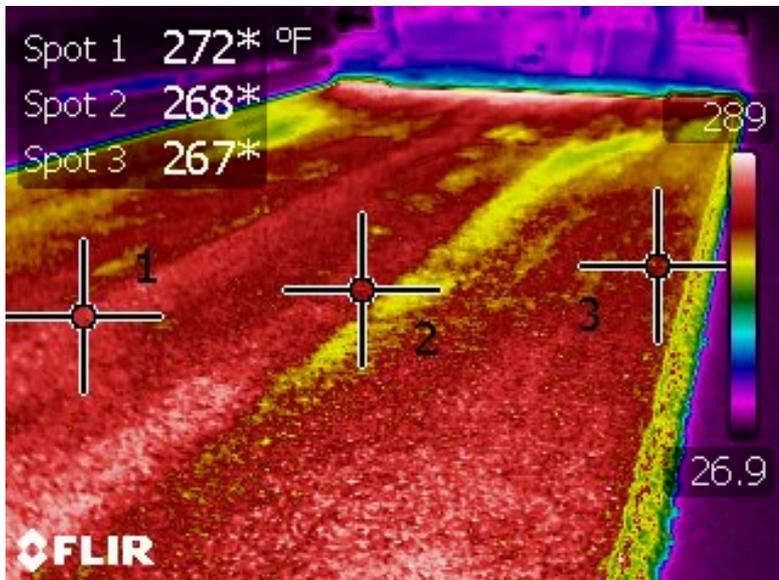
Thermal streaks; longitudinal areas with increased potential for:

- Longitudinal cracking



# IR – What is it & why use it?

- Thermal streaks can be very damaging, depending on the level of density achieved in localized areas.
- Measuring the density, accurately, in a localized area is complicated.



# Questions?



NEXT:

- Equipment and Software: How to use it?



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## IR Equipment and Software: How to Use It?

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# IR Equipment and Software

1. Equipment and Installation
2. Software and Its Features

# IR Equipment and Software

## Equipment

- Mast Base
- Mast Extension
- Mast Arm
- IR Scanner
- DMI
- GPS Unit
- Wiring
- Connection bolts & materials

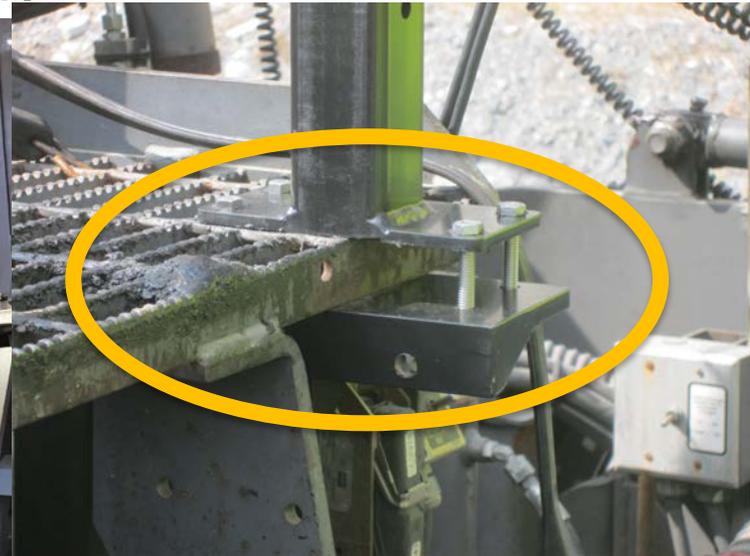


# IR Equipment and Software

IR mast base and extension  
attached to paver.



Mounted Directly to Screed



Mounted Directly to Work  
Platform



Mounted to a Steel Plate  
Attached to Work Platform

# IR Equipment and Software



- IR Scanner attached to paver; scans mat behind screed in one direction.
- GPS attached to the mast arm.



# IR Equipment and Software

IR scan screen used to see/monitor mat temperatures in real time; attached to the mast post or extension.



# IR Equipment and Software

DMI placed on wheel hub to measure distance during paving operation.



# IR Equipment and Software

1. Equipment and Installation
2. Software and Its Features

# IR Equipment and Software

Two models of data transfer and extraction



# IR Equipment and Software

- Online Web App: <https://eroutes.info/paveappweb/>
- Login is user specific

**eRoutes<sup>MC</sup>**  
Open a new session

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MINDS AT WORK, FOR THE ROADS OF THE WORLD

Username:

Password:

Domain:

Remember my username and domain

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# IR Equipment and Software

## Explore Data: MOBA Pave Project Manager Main Screen

The screenshot displays the MOBA Pave Project Manager software interface. The main window is titled "Pave Project Manager - Pave\_2015-09-16-110725.paveproj (Finished on 9/16/2015 9:22 AM)". The interface is divided into several sections:

- Color Map:** A vertical bar on the left side of the main window, showing a color gradient from blue at the bottom to red at the top. A callout box labeled "Color Map" points to this bar.
- Thermal Profile:** A large central area displaying a heatmap of temperature data. The top of this area is labeled with station numbers from 969 to 955. A callout box labeled "Thermal Profile" is centered over this area.
- Properties:** A panel on the right side of the window, titled "Properties". It contains a "Thermal Profile" section with the following details:

Thermal Profile	
<b>Actions</b>	
Interpolation	Linear
Sample Spots of Interest	Enabled
Stations	Show
Tooltip	Visible
<b>Profile View</b>	
Ignored Sensors	
Length	1513.78ft
Start	0.33ft
Units	Feet
Zoom	100.0%

A callout box labeled "Properties" is positioned below this panel.
- Diagrams and project information:** A bottom section titled "Project Properties" with tabs for "Time Diagram", "Speed Diagram", and "Temperature Class Diagram". The "Project Properties" tab is active, showing a table of project data:

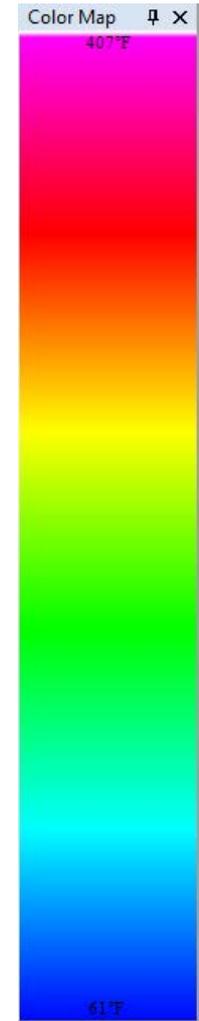
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Comment	passing lane w/4shld
Ignored Sensors	
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Lift	1
Measure height	9.58ft
MINDS Upload	No
Operator Name	paul
Paving width	11.48ft
Project ID	6700ef1e9424b24a0353a7f46367793

A callout box labeled "Diagrams and project information" is positioned over this section.

# IR Equipment and Software

## Color Map and Properties for Screen

Properties	
Color Map	
▲ <b>Temperature range</b>	
Max	<b>407°F</b>
Min	<b>61°F</b>



# IR Equipment and Software

## Thermal Profile Properties Screen

**Properties**

**Thermal Profile**

- ▾ **Actions**
  - Interpolation: **Linear**
  - ▶ Sample Spots of Interest: **Enabled**
  - Stations: **Show**
  - ▶ Tooltip: **Visible**
- ▾ **Profile View**
  - Ignored Sensors:
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**Project Properties** | Time Diagram | Speed Diagram | Temperature Class Diagram

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**Beginning location**  
The name of the location where the project began.

**Interpolation**  
Determines the kind of algorithm used when displaying the Profile.

Save

# IR Equipment and Software

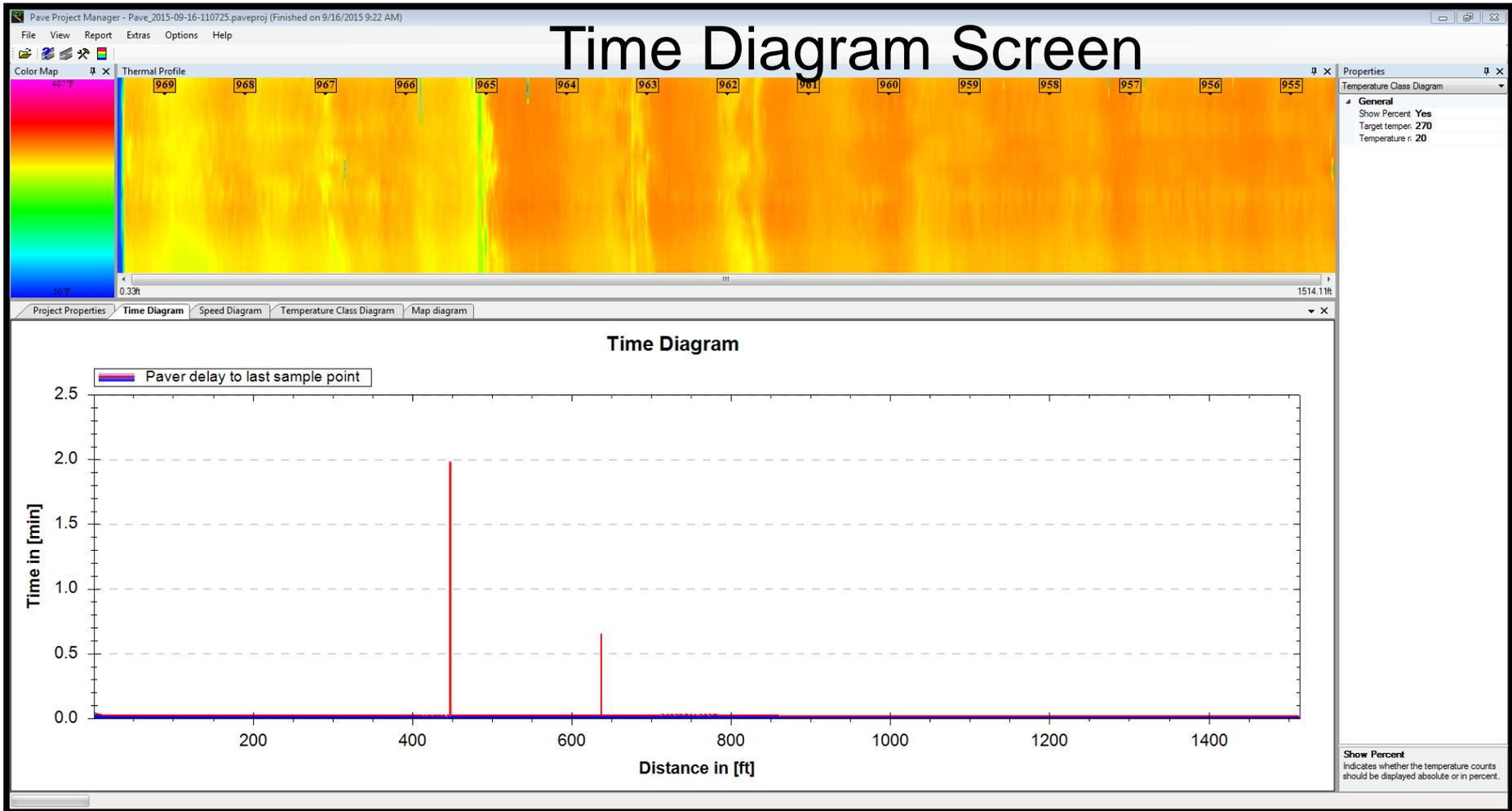
## Project Properties Screen

The screenshot displays the 'Project Properties' screen in the Pave Project Manager software. The main window shows a thermal profile heatmap with a color map on the left and station markers (969-955) at the top. A 'Project Properties' dialog box is open, displaying a table of project details and a description for the 'Beginning location'.

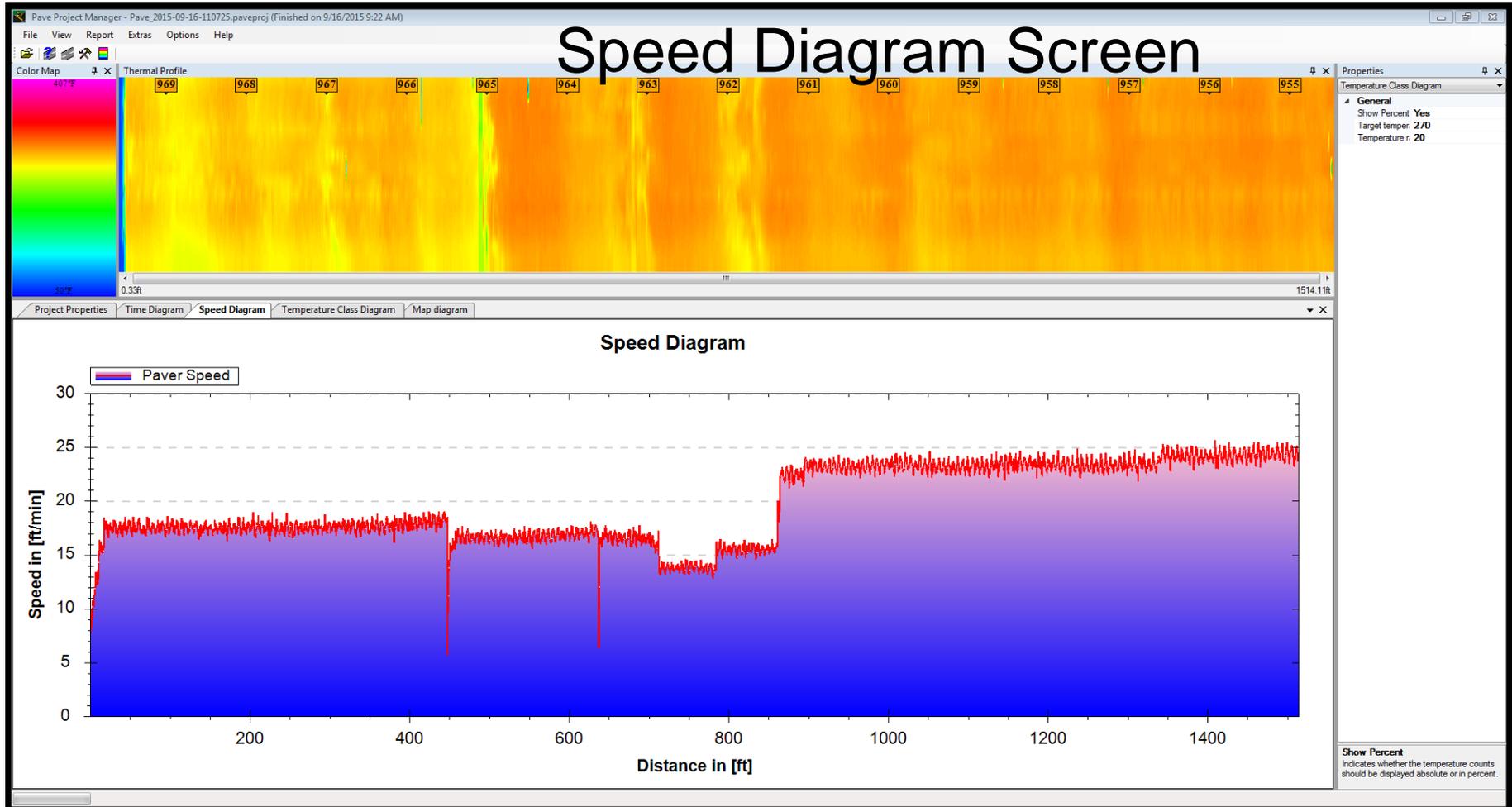
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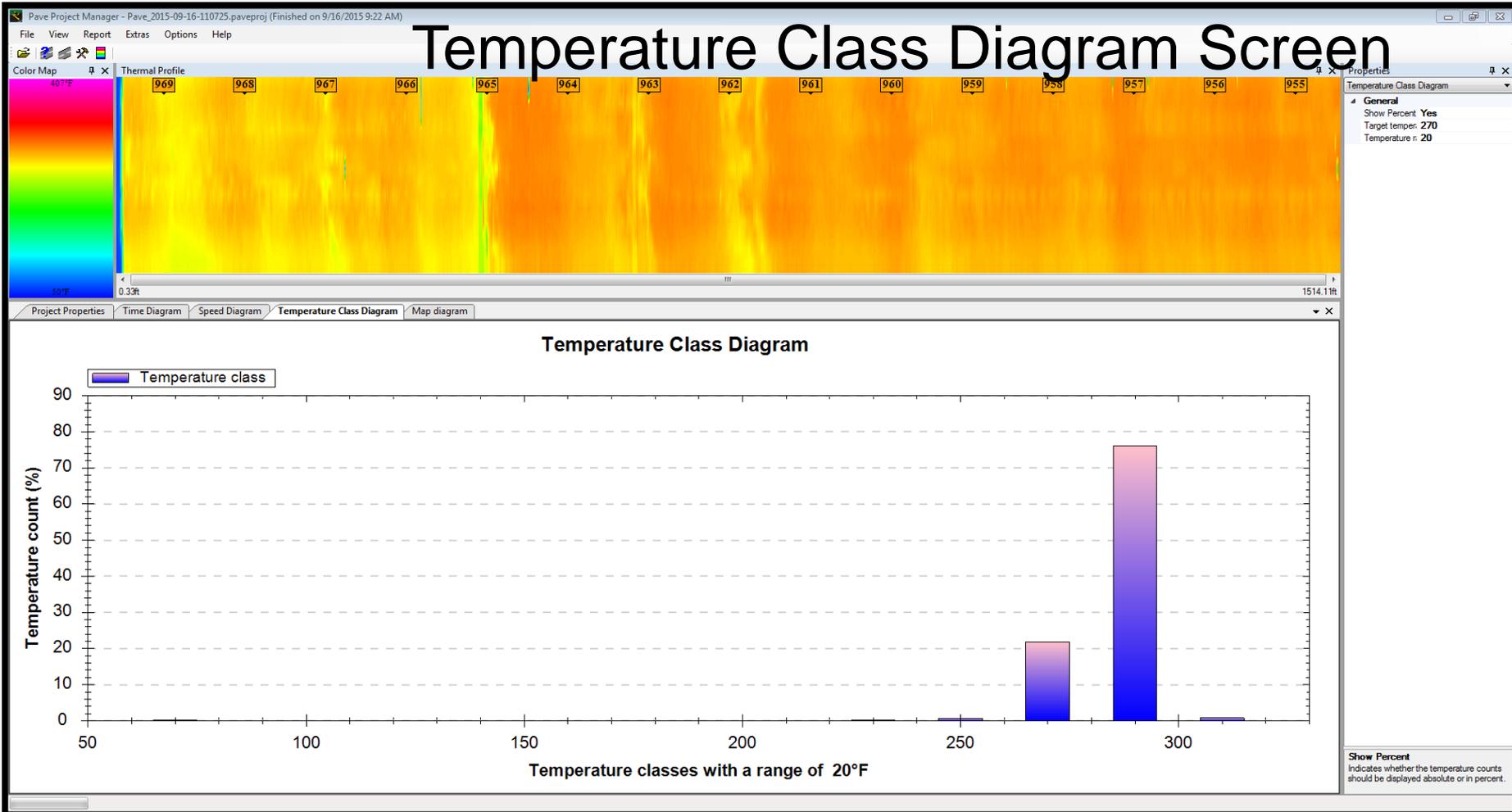


# IR Equipment and Software



# IR Equipment and Software

## Temperature Class Diagram Screen





# IR Equipment and Software

## Adding Point Measurements

Click any location on the thermal profile

The screenshot displays the Pavement Project Manager software interface. The main window shows a thermal profile with a color scale on the left ranging from 40°F (red) to 140°F (blue). The profile is divided into sections labeled 965 through 969. Several point measurements are overlaid on the profile, each showing temperature, height, coordinates, and satellite count. A semi-transparent box with the text 'Click any location on the thermal profile' is positioned over the profile. The bottom of the interface features a 'Map diagram' tab showing a map with red pins indicating the locations of the measurements. A 'Properties' panel on the right shows settings for the thermal profile, including interpolation (Linear), sample spots (Enabled), stations (Show), and profile view (Visible). The 'Profile View' section shows ignored sensor length (1513.78ft), start (0.33ft), units (Feet), and zoom (100.0%).

Point ID	Temperature (°F)	Height (ft)	Coordinates (W, N)	Satellites
967.25	283	232.9	67.83365311°W, 46.14118346°N	10
965.07	223	451.1	67.83446667°W, 46.14099723°N	10
965.48	280	410.4	67.83431842°W, 46.14103203°N	11
961.91	278	767.4	67.83564739°W, 46.14072025°N	9
961.82	271	776.2	67.83568142°W, 46.14071210°N	9
961.91	276	767.4	67.83564739°W, 46.14072025°N	9
958.57	295	1100.7	67.83691530°W, 46.14042614°N	11
968.72	261	85.6	67.83309889°W, 46.14131155°N	11

**Properties Panel:**

- Interpolation: Linear
- Sample Spots: Enabled
- Stations: Show
- Tooltip: Visible
- Profile View: Visible
- Ignored Sensor Length: 1513.78ft
- Start: 0.33ft
- Units: Feet
- Zoom: 100.0%

**Map Diagram:**

Ignored Sensors: Enter the sensor IDs you don't want to be displayed. ID 1 is the outer left sensor. Ex...

# IR Equipment and Software

## Generating Reports

The screenshot shows the Pavement Project Manager software interface. The main window displays a color-coded profile view of a road surface. A 'Generate Report' dialog box is open, allowing the user to select a report name. The 'Report name' dropdown is set to 'Detailed Report 9/4/2015 8:48 AM'. Below the dialog, the 'Tex-244-F Part II Input' form is visible, containing various fields for report generation. A callout box with an arrow points to the form, stating 'Generates PDF Report'.

**Generate Report**

Choose a report by name. This will identify the Report Data and Layout.

Report name:

**Tex-244-F Part II Input**

The Tex-244-F Part II report contains some fields of project description on page 1. You can complete the fields by using this form. You can also leave this form blank. Then the fields in the report are also blank.

<b>Report Name</b>	Tex 244-F
<b>Profile ID</b>	95sb
<b>Profile Number</b>	Not availale
<b>Status</b>	
<b>County</b>	
<b>Tested By</b>	
<b>Test Location</b>	houlton off ramp
<b>Material Code</b>	
<b>Material Name</b>	
<b>Producer</b>	
<b>Area Engineer</b>	
<b>Profile Date</b>	9/16/2015 7:11 AM
<b>Letting Date</b>	Not availale
<b>Controlling CSJ</b>	
<b>Spec Year</b>	Not availale
<b>Spec Item</b>	
<b>Special Provision</b>	
<b>Mix Type</b>	
<b>Project Manager</b>	

**Generates PDF Report**

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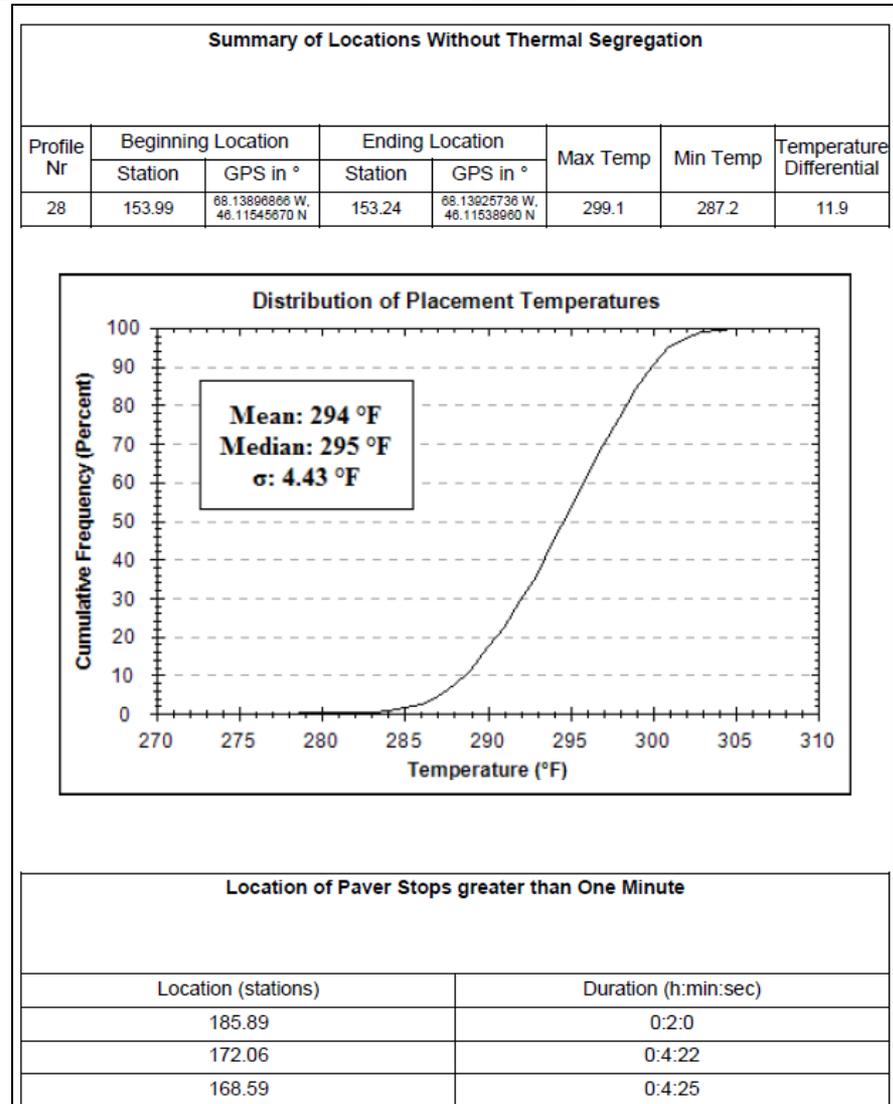
## Generating Reports

Tex 244-F				
Thermal Profile Summary Report				
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Profile Number:		Letting Date:		
Status:		Controlling CSJ:		
County:		Spec Year:		
Tested By:		Spec Item:		
Test Location:	194	Special Provision:		
Material Code:		Mix Type:		
Material Name:				
Producer:				
Area Engineer:		Project Manager:		
Course/Lift:	3	Temperature Differential Threshold:	25.0	
Segment Length (ft):	150	Sensors Ignored:	-	
Thermal Profile Results Summary				
Number of Profiles	Moderate 25.0°F < differential <= 50.0°F		Severe differential > 50.0°F	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
28	0	0	0	0

Summary of Locations Without Thermal Segregation							
Profile Nr	Beginning Location		Ending Location		Max Temp	Min Temp	Temperature Differential
	Station	GPS in °	Station	GPS in °			
1	194.49	88.12363437 W, 46.11892049 N	193.00	88.12418593 W, 46.11879052 N	303.4	287.8	15.7
2	192.99	88.12419985 W, 46.11878960 N	191.50	88.12478079 W, 46.11866149 N	304.9	289.6	15.3
3	191.49	88.12478285 W, 46.11866104 N	190.00	88.12532427 W, 46.11853654 N	301.1	286.3	14.8
4	189.99	88.12533012 W, 46.11853523 N	188.50	88.12589203 W, 46.11840836 N	299.3	285.8	13.5
5	188.49	88.12589363 W, 46.11840800 N	187.00	88.12645626 W, 46.11828259 N	297.7	285.4	12.2
6	186.99	88.12645906 W, 46.11828176 N	185.49	88.12702186 W, 46.11815402 N	298.9	283.5	15.5
7	185.49	88.12702379 W, 46.11815360 N	183.99	88.12758506 W, 46.11802607 N	302.2	283.8	18.4
8	183.98	88.1275889 W, 46.11802512 N	182.49	88.12815126 W, 46.11789818 N	303.1	292.6	10.4
9	182.49	88.12815319 W, 46.11789773 N	181.00	88.12871395 W, 46.11777111 N	306.1	288.1	18.0
10	180.99	88.12871821 W, 46.11777052 N	179.50	88.12928274 W, 46.11764036 N	302.2	284.4	17.8
11	179.49	88.12928577 W, 46.11763968 N	178.00	88.12985205 W, 46.11751058 N	302.9	287.6	15.3
12	177.99	88.12985387 W, 46.11751020 N	176.50	88.13042113 W, 46.11738235 N	302.0	288.0	14.0
13	176.49	88.13042482 W, 46.11738148 N	175.00	88.13099093 W, 46.11725309 N	301.8	289.2	12.6
14	174.99	88.13099275 W, 46.11725266 N	173.50	88.13155886 W, 46.11712703 N	302.2	288.0	14.2
15	173.49	88.13155883 W, 46.11712618 N	171.99	88.13212684 W, 46.11699931 N	303.6	286.3	17.3
16	171.99	88.13212071 W, 46.11699898 N	170.49	88.13269254 W, 46.11687031 N	302.9	286.5	16.4
17	170.48	88.1326963 W, 46.11686947 N	169.00	88.13325913 W, 46.11674378 N	305.8	288.9	16.9
18	168.99	88.13326314 W, 46.11674285 N	167.50	88.13382973 W, 46.11661558 N	302.0	286.0	16.0
19	167.49	88.13383168 W, 46.11661512 N	166.00	88.13439373 W, 46.11648481 N	298.6	284.2	14.4
20	165.99	88.13440119 W, 46.11648382 N	164.50	88.13497078 W, 46.11635549 N	298.4	282.9	15.5
21	164.49	88.13497271 W, 46.11635503 N	163.00	88.13554162 W, 46.11622699 N	297.5	282.4	15.1
22	162.99	88.13554551 W, 46.11622616 N	161.49	88.13611883 W, 46.11609795 N	296.1	283.6	12.4
23	161.49	88.13612069 W, 46.11609752 N	160.00	88.13668796 W, 46.11596968 N	301.6	277.2	24.5
24	159.99	88.13669173 W, 46.11596883 N	158.49	88.13725815 W, 46.11584140 N	299.7	281.1	18.5
25	158.49	88.13725879 W, 46.11584082 N	157.00	88.1378221 W, 46.11571525 N	301.6	287.4	14.2
26	156.99	88.13782589 W, 46.11571440 N	155.50	88.13839327 W, 46.11558715 N	302.2	288.5	13.7
27	155.49	88.13839721 W, 46.11558631 N	154.00	88.1389655 W, 46.11545741 N	302.2	289.8	12.4

# IR Equipment and Software

## Generating Reports



# IR Equipment and Software

## Exporting Data

- Export to .txt (semicolon separated)
- Save as .paveproj

# Questions?



## NEXT:

- Data Analyses and Findings: US-1 Fort Belvoir, VA; and US Route 15, Culpeper, VA



## Infrared Technology (IR)

### Data Analyses and Findings: West Virginia Route 10, Logan, WV

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# Data Analyses & Findings

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# Data Analyses & Findings

West Virginia  
Route 10  
near Logan,  
WV

New  
Construction  
of 4 lane  
Highway



# Data Analyses & Findings



Mixtures placed with  
Wirtgen Voegle Rubber  
Tired Paver

Mixture delivered to site with  
end dump discharge trucks.



# Data Analyses & Findings

Compaction Train; all steel wheel rollers



# Data Analyses & Findings

Cores, Nuclear & non-nuclear density gauge used to measure mat density and superimposed on temperature profiles.



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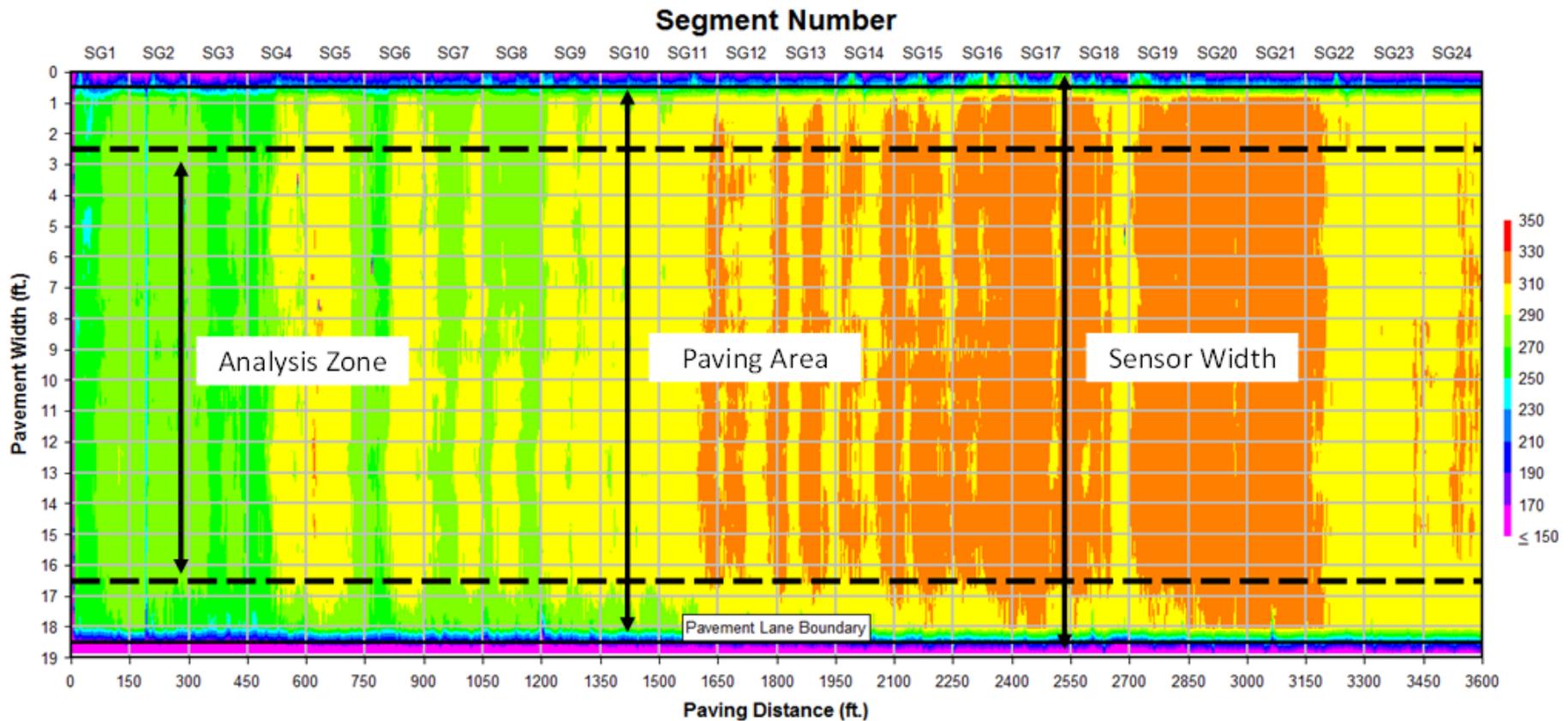


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Raw Temperature Profile for first part of the first lot.

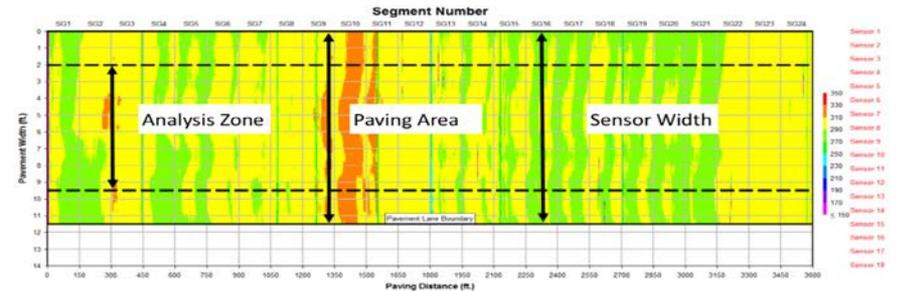


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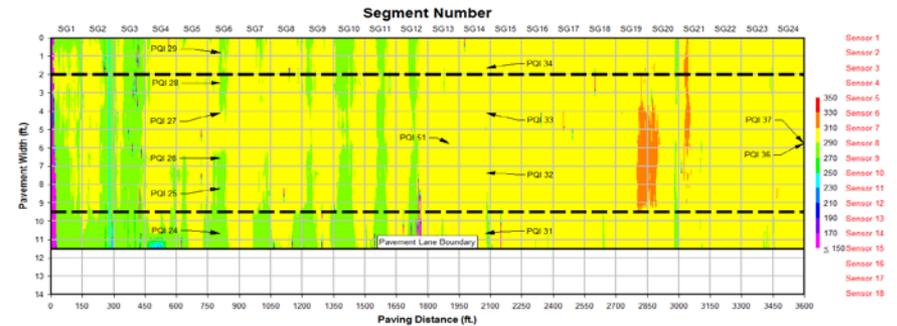
Raw Temperature Profile showing continuous improvement or more uniform mat temperatures as paving progresses.

Example from Maine demonstration project.

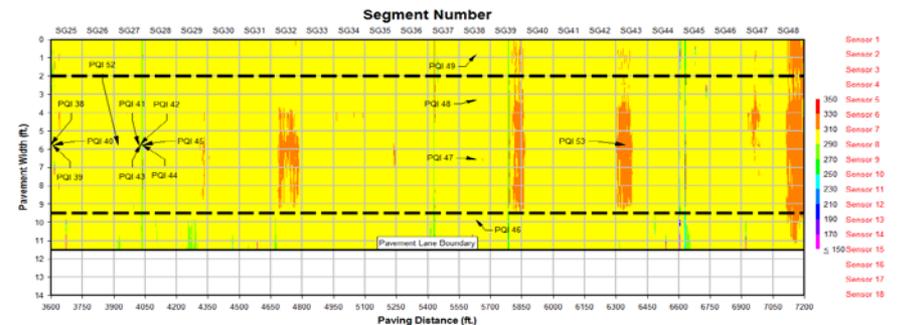
Near Start of Lot



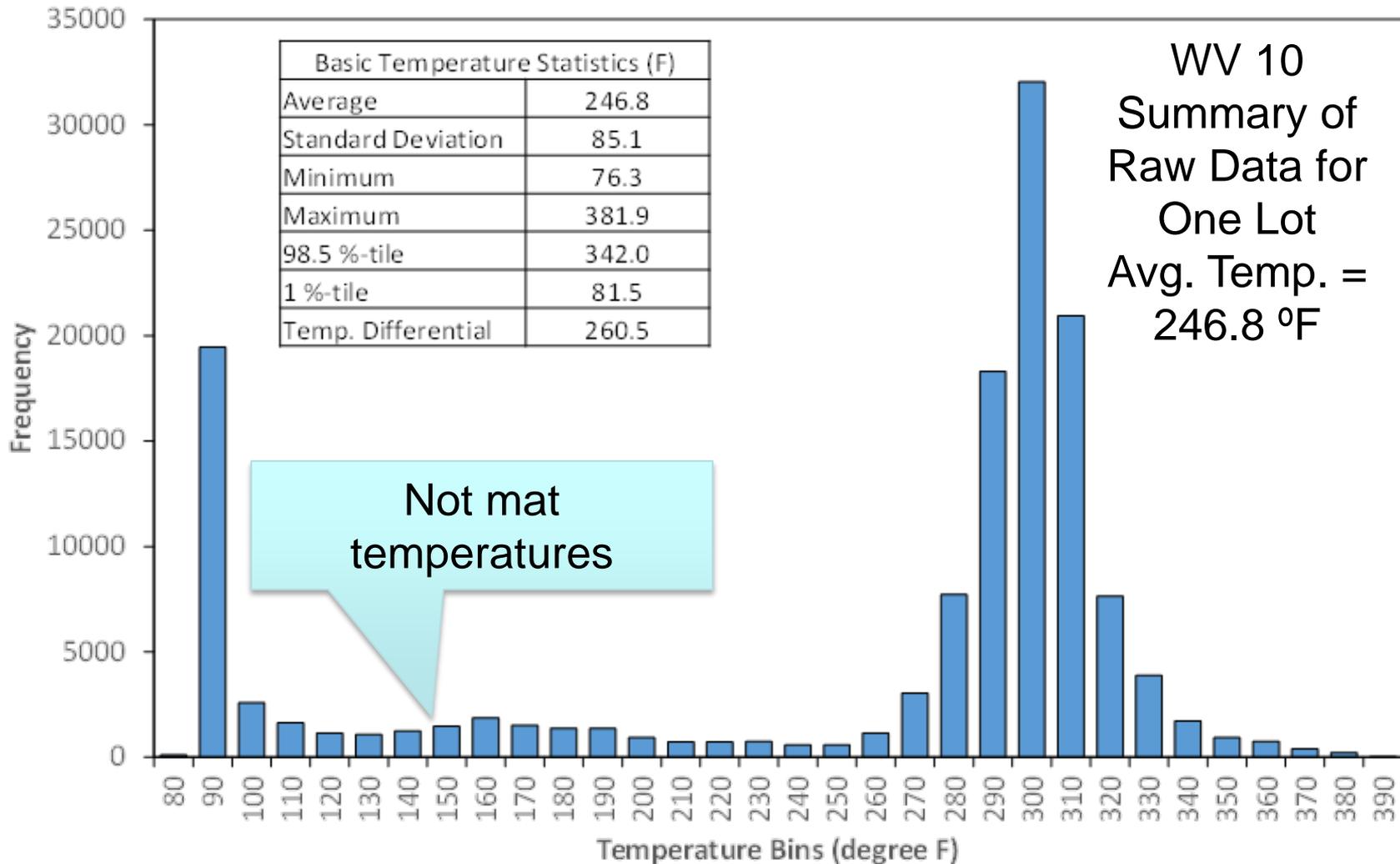
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Near End of Lot



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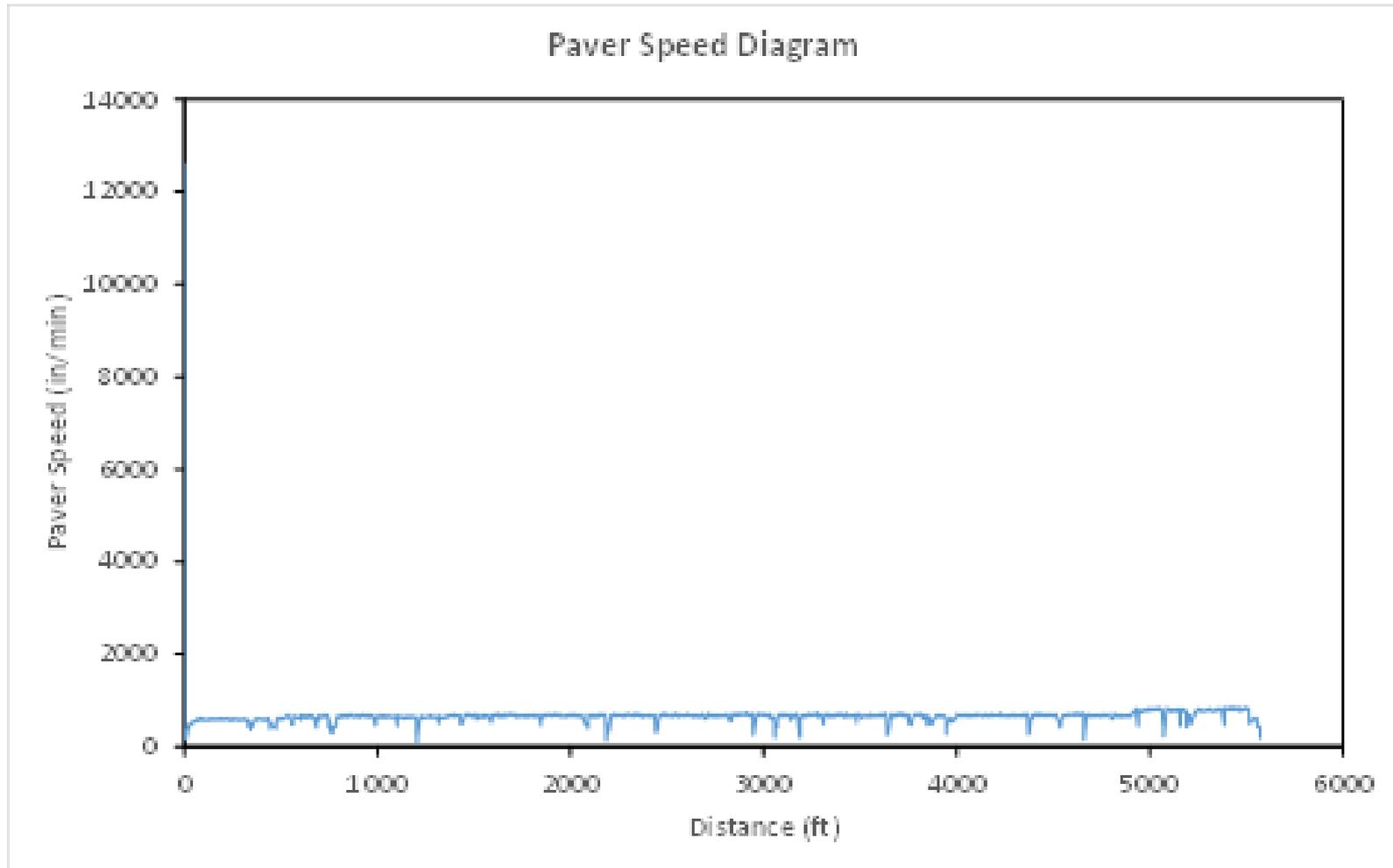


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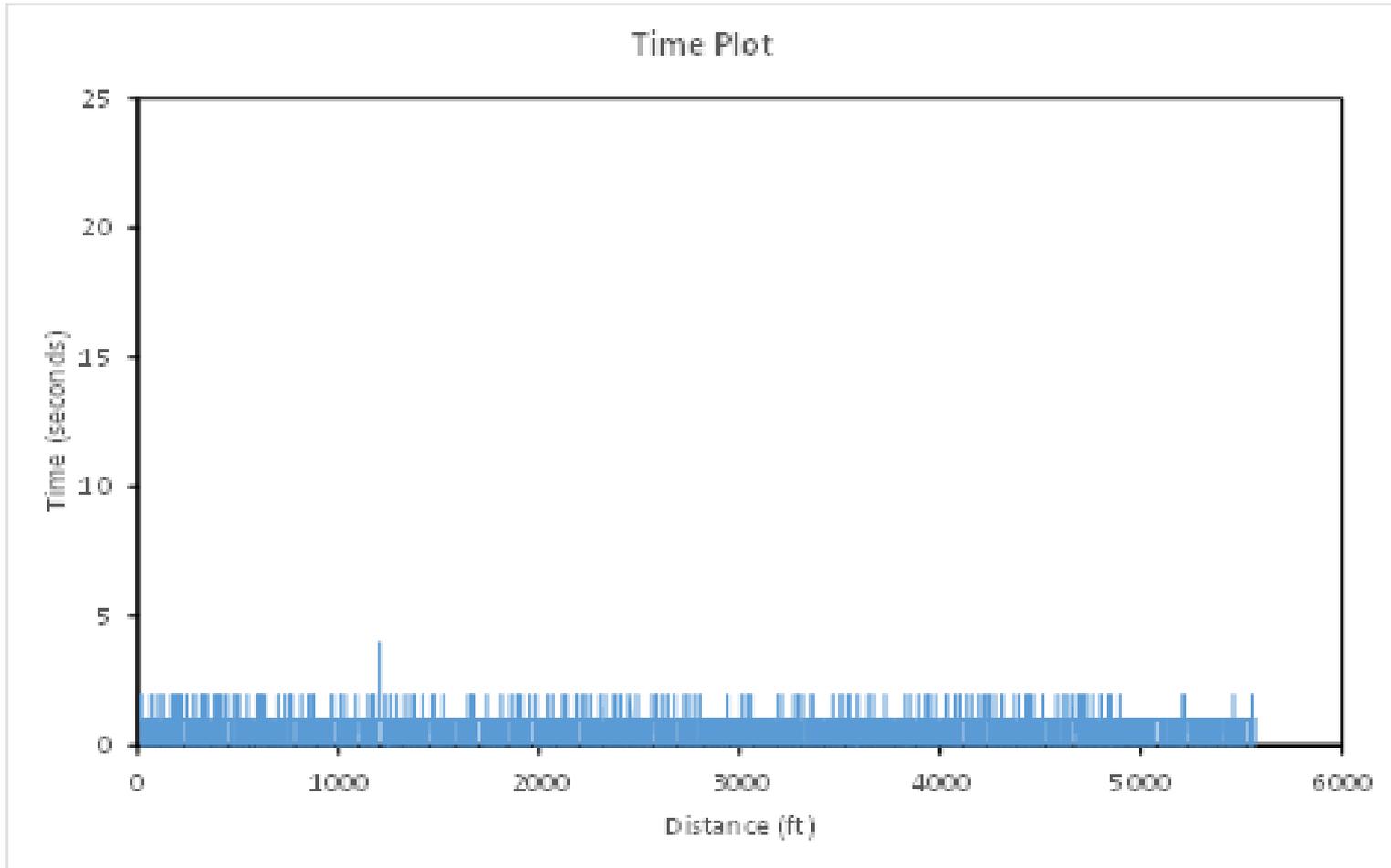
Data diagrams reviewed during production:

1. Paver speed diagram
2. Time plot
3. Average temperature plot

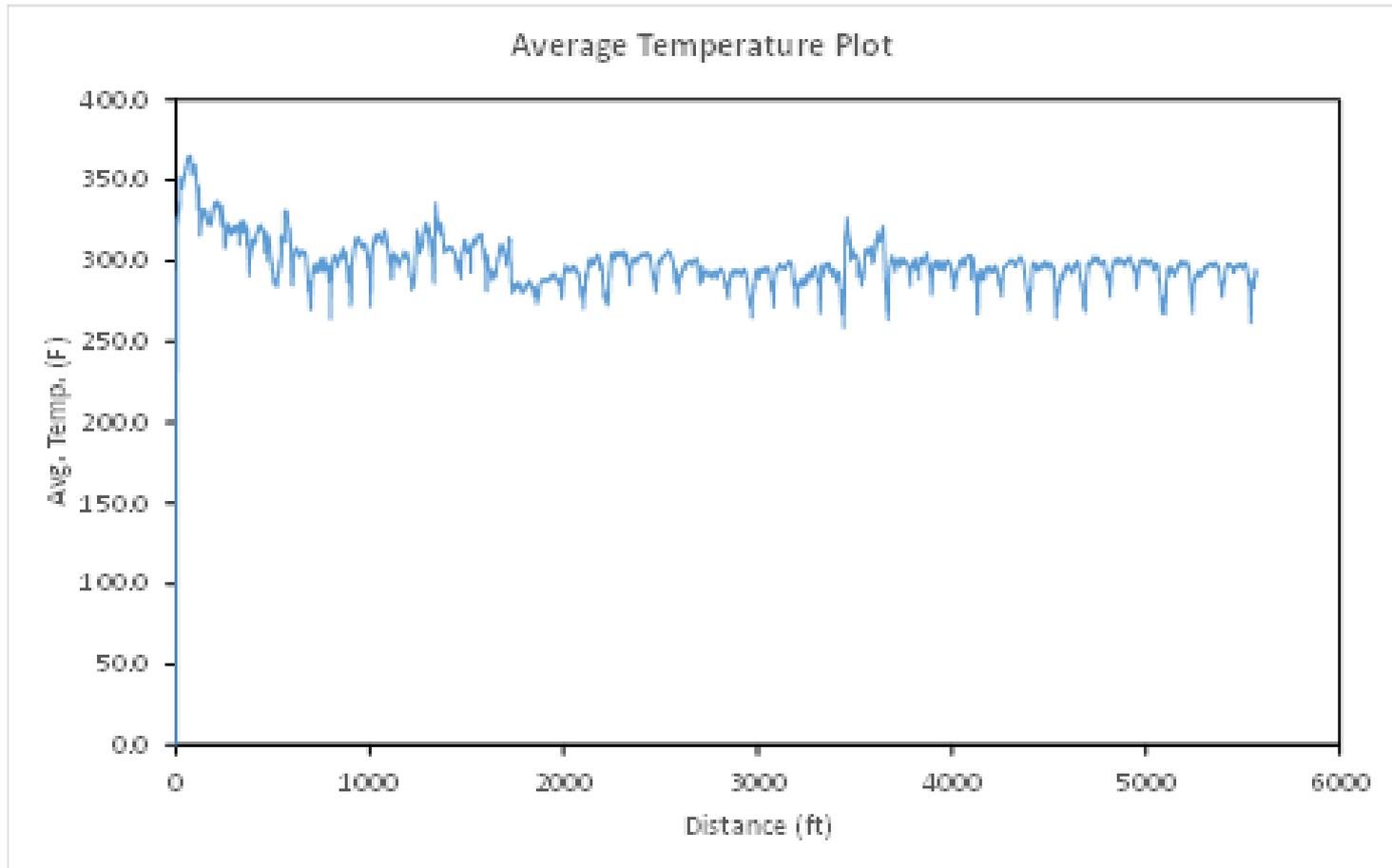
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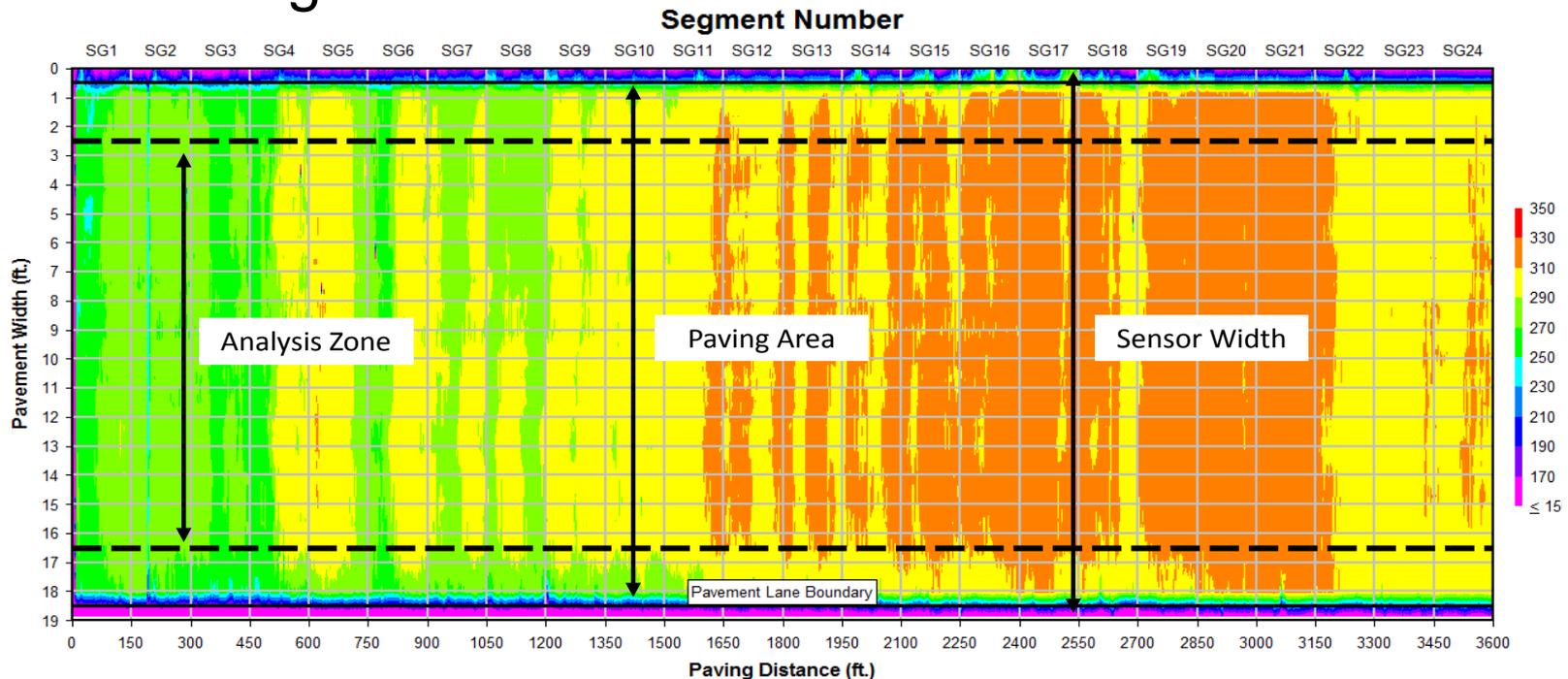
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Data Processing—eliminate invalid temperature measurements:

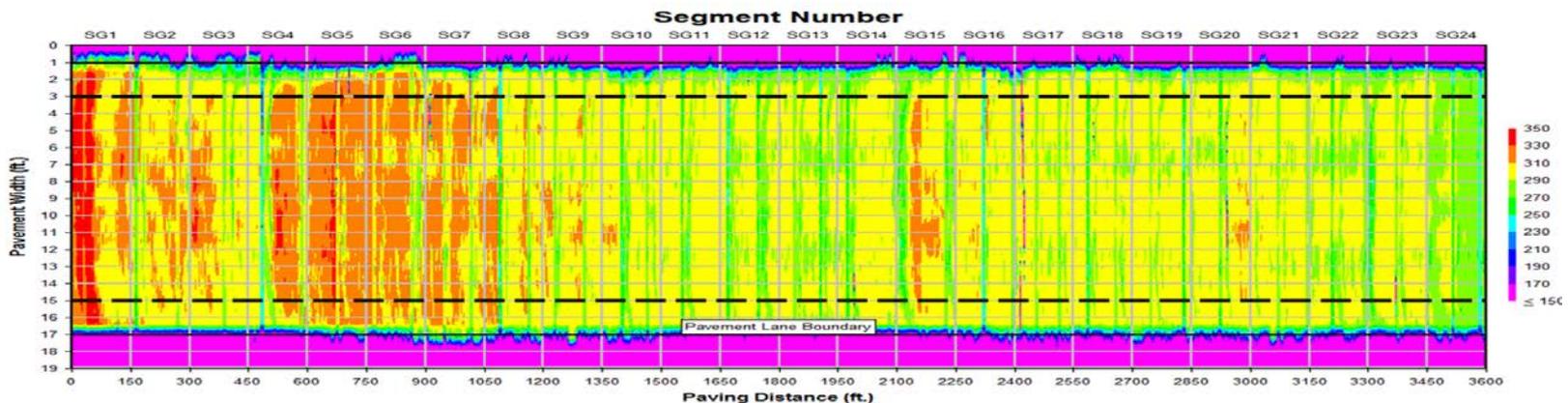
1. Eliminate measurement locations within 2 feet of the mat's edge.



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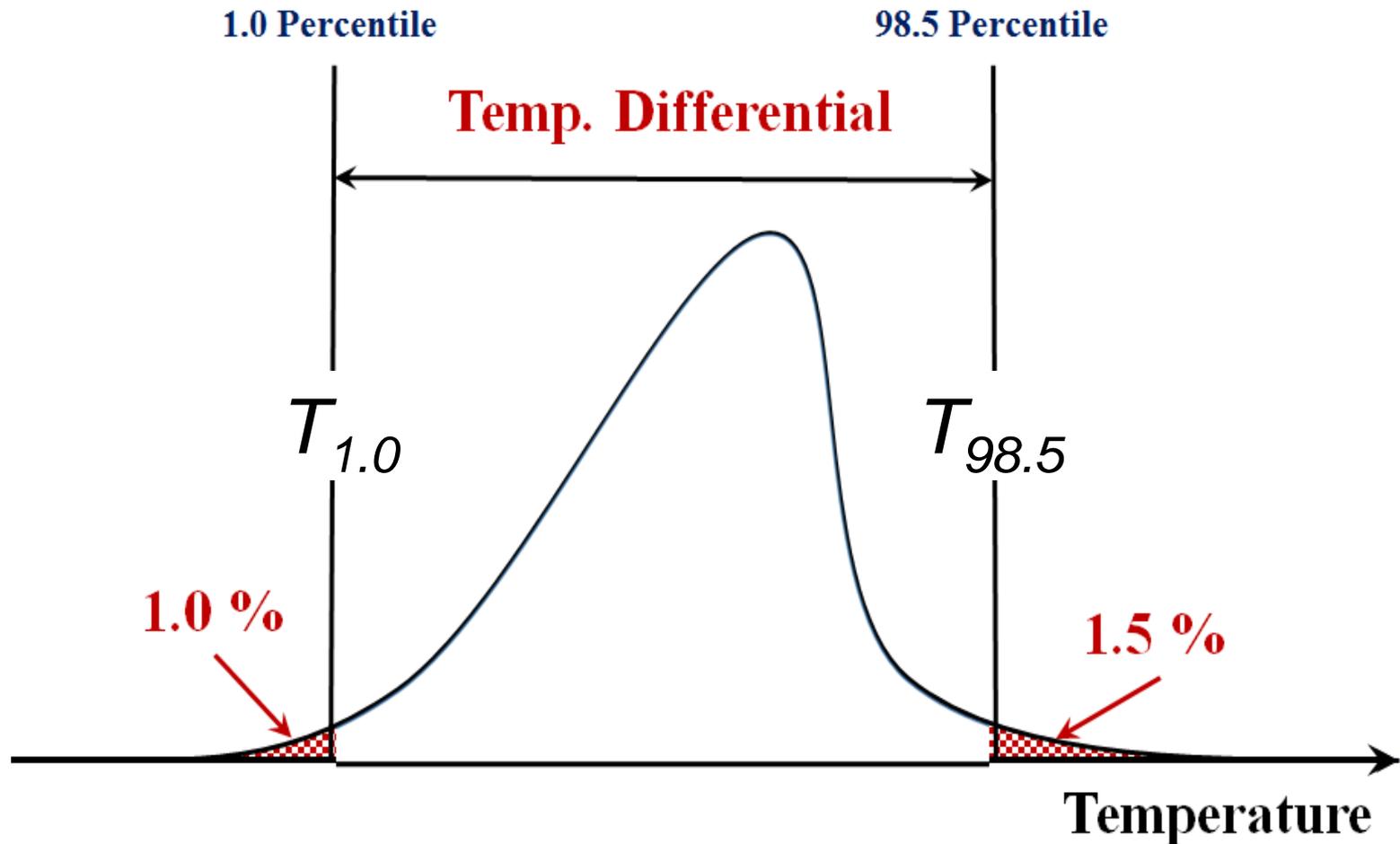
Data Processing—eliminate invalid temperature measurements:

2. Eliminate data with paver stops greater than 10 seconds, between locations:
  - 2 feet behind measurement location of stop
  - 8 feet in front of measurement location of stop
3. Eliminate temperature readings  $< 170$  °F and  $> 400$  °F.



# Data Analyses & Findings

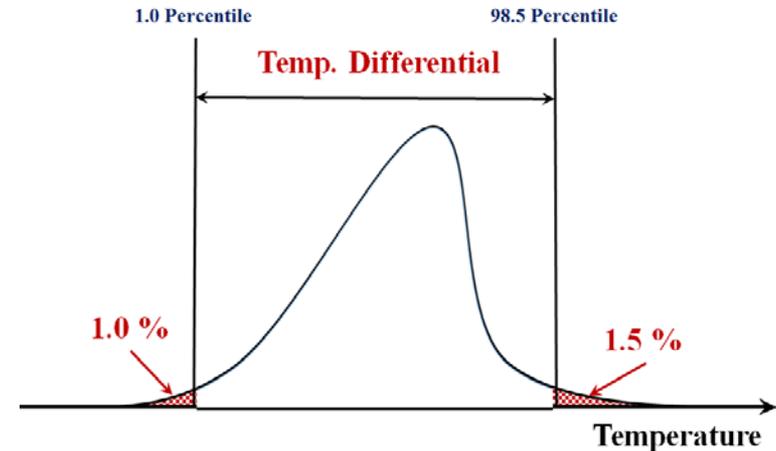
- Temperature Differential, each 150 foot segment



# Data Analyses & Findings

- Temperature Differential Criteria, each 150 foot segment:

$$T_{Diff} = T_{98.5} - T_{1.0}$$



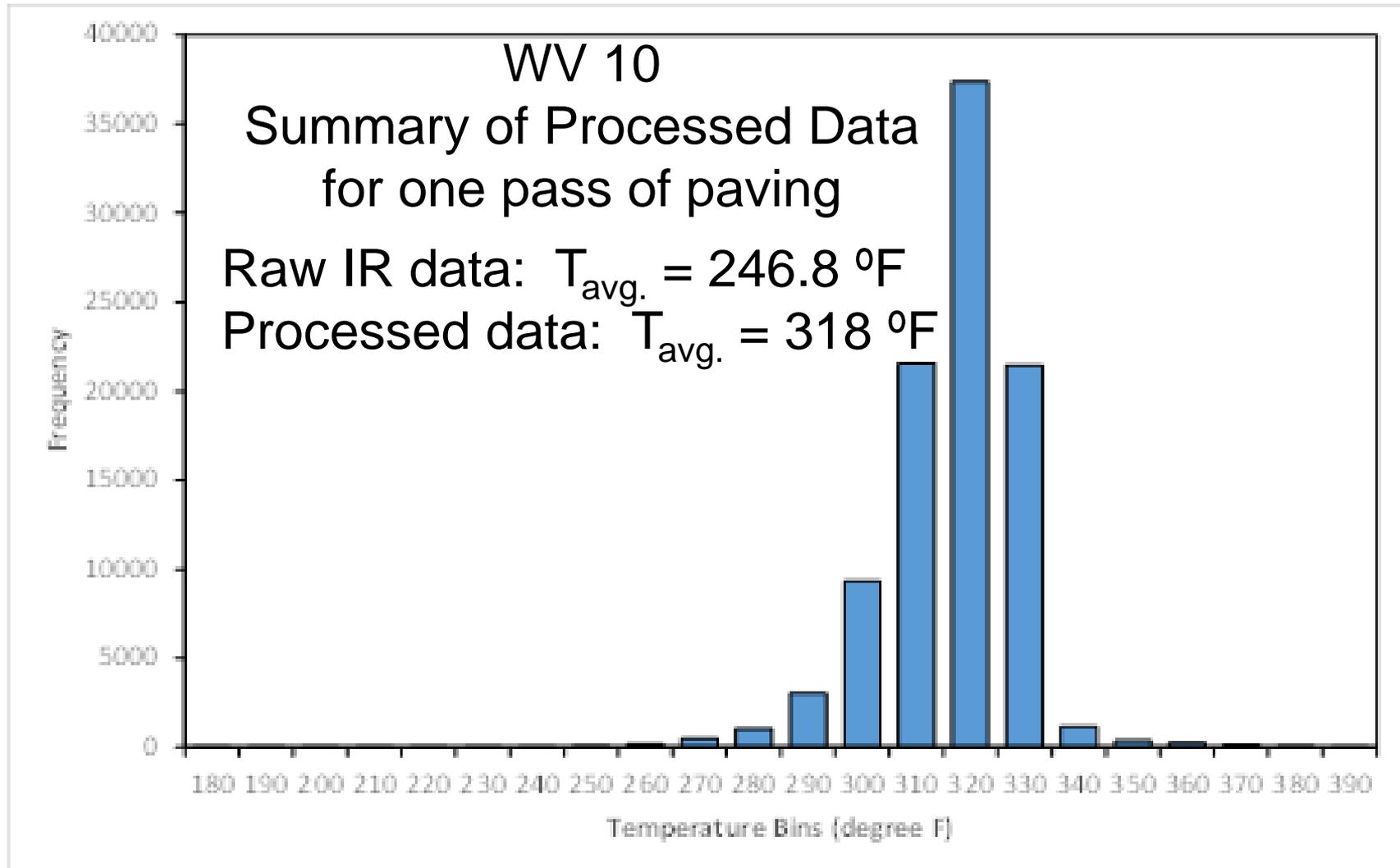
- $T_{diff} \leq 25$  °F
- $25$  °F  $< T_{diff} \leq 50$  °F
- $T_{diff} > 50$  °F

**No temperature difference**

Moderate temperature difference

**Severe temperature difference**

# Data Analyses & Findings



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# Data Analyses & Findings

## Difference in Traffic Levels – Haul Time



WV 10



US 1 - EFL

# Data Analyses & Findings

## Processed Data

Paver Stops	Total Number of Increments	Number of Increments within Temp. Regimes			Thermal Streaking
		Minor	Moderate	Severe	
<b>WV 10 Project AC Base</b>					
<b>Exclude</b>	99	0	74	25	None
<b>Include</b>	99	0	58	41	None

To include or exclude paver stops?  
If paver stop cause severe temperature differences:  
they should be included. However:

# Data Analyses & Findings

**Required paver stops due to sampling should be eliminated from temperature difference profiles.**



# Data Analyses & Findings

## Processed Data for WV 10

Paver Stops	Total Number of Increments	Number of Increments within Temp. Regimes			Thermal Streaking
		Minor	Moderate	Severe	
<b>Exclude</b>	99	0	74	25	None
<b>Include</b>	99	0	58	41	None

Minnesota DOT's specification:

- Minor Temperature Difference: +\$20 per Increment
- Moderate Temperature Difference: \$0 per Increment
- Severe Temperature Difference: -\$20 per Increment

**Total Disincentive to Contractor:**

**-\$820** for the project segment [Including paver stops].

# Data Analyses & Findings

## Processed Data – Include Additional Data With and Without an MTV

Condition	Total Number of Increments	Number of Increments within Temp. Regimes			Thermal Streaking
		Minor	Moderate	Severe	
<b>Excludes Paver Stops<sup>1</sup></b>	273	133	99	41	None
<b>Without MTV<sup>2</sup></b>	99	0	74	25	None
<b>With MTV<sup>3</sup></b>	159	133	19	7	None
<b>Includes Paver Stops<sup>1</sup></b>	274	105	112	57	None
<b>Without MTV<sup>2</sup></b>	99	0	58	41	None
<b>With MTV<sup>3</sup></b>	159	104	47	8	None

<sup>1</sup>Data from all dates (7/26, 7/27, 7/28, 8/3, 8/4)

<sup>2</sup>Data collected on 7/27/2016 and 7/28/2016 only

<sup>3</sup>Data collected on 8/3/2016 and 8/4/2016 only

# Data Analyses & Findings

In summary: infrared scanner identified areas or locations with higher temperature differences.



# Data Analyses & Findings

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# Questions?



NEXT:

- Implementation: West Virginia DOT and Contractor Points of View



# Infrared Technology (IR)

## Implementation: West Virginia DOT, and Contractor Points of View

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# Agency/Contractor Deployment

## 1. Agency:

- Reasons for deploying IR Technology
- Benefits – Agency points of view
- Plans to implement IR Technology; short-term plans
- Schedule for deployment

## 2. Contractor:

- Reasons for using IR Technology
- Benefits – Contractor points of view
- Making decisions in real time to minimize penalties
- Use of future projects

# Agency/Contractor Deployment

## Some Typical Questions for Deployment:

1. How many projects has Pave-IR Scan™ been used on?
2. How many projects were for quality assurance?
3. What percent of profiles exhibited medium & severe temperature differences?
4. How easy is it to set up the project in Pave-IR Scan™?
5. Any problems experienced with the equipment?
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8. How easy is the IR data to extract and process?
9. Do you review the Pave-IR reports at the end of the day?
10. Do you think you are getting a higher quality mat at the end of the day using the Pave-IR system?



# Infrared Technology (IR)

## Implementation Products and Strategies

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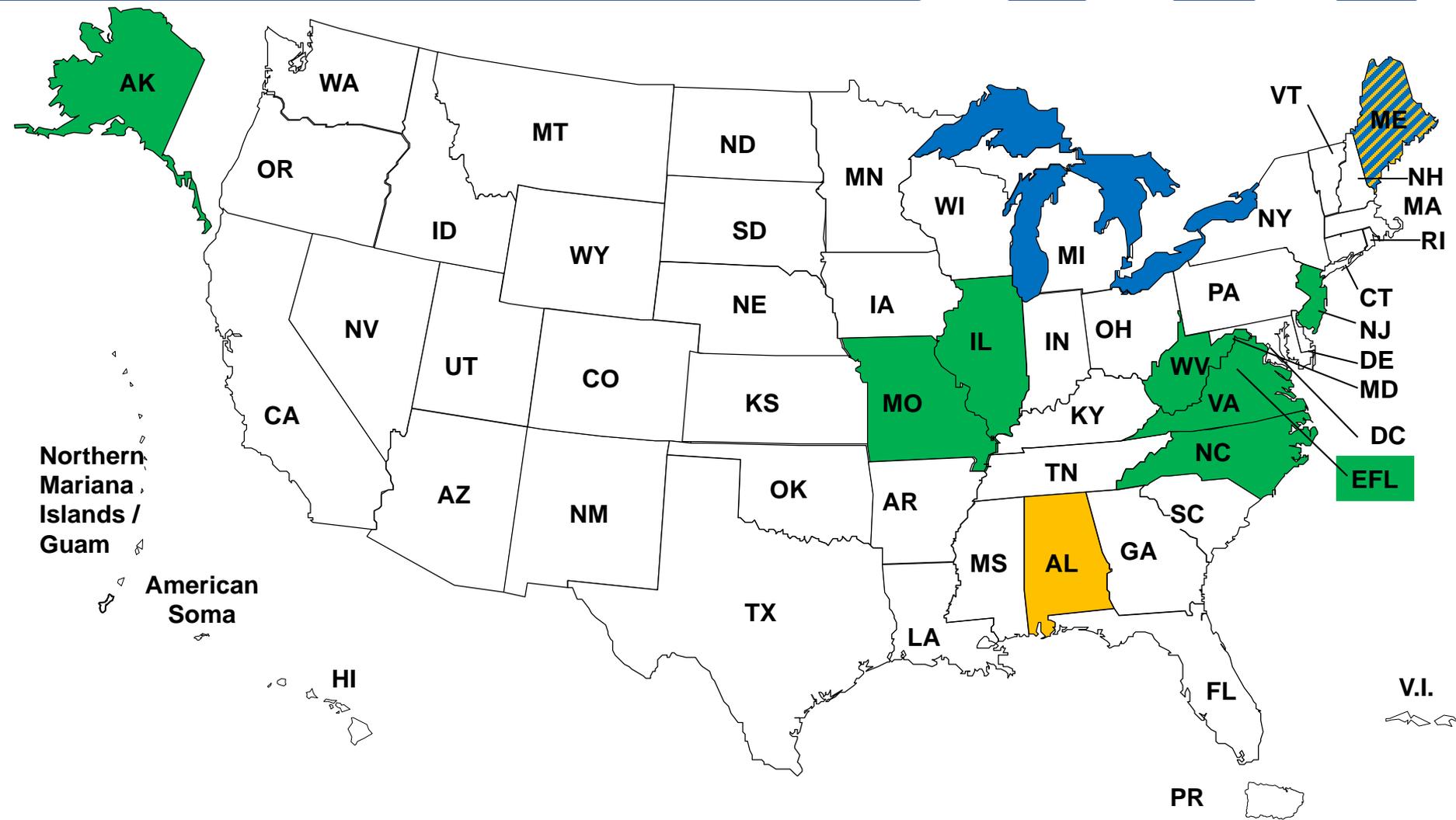
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# Implementation Products and Strategies



1. Field Demonstration Projects and Products
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# Demonstration Projects and Products



# Demonstration Projects and Products



1. Case Study/Demonstration Report
2. Showcase
3. Trouble Shooting and Best Practices Guide
4. Specification Guide
5. IR Guide/Primer

# Demonstration Projects and Products

1. Field Demonstration Projects and Case Study Report:
  - Purpose/Focus
    - a) Enhance the deployment and use of the IR technology.
    - b) Identify/summarize lessons learned from field trials.
    - c) Confirm Pave-IR can identify the different types of temperature differentials that affect mat density and pavement performance.
    - d) Demonstrate and discuss value added using IR technology to agency and contractor

# Demonstration Projects and Products

## 2. Showcase:

- Purpose/Focus
  - a) Highlight IR technology, provide training & operation.
  - b) Attendance includes agencies, contractors, industry, consultants and academia.
- Missouri DOT Hosted
- June 1, 2016

Attended by Mike Pumphrey of WVDOT and Joey Farrell of Jobsite Technologies

# Demonstration Projects and Products

## 3. Trouble Shooting and Best Practices Guide

- Purpose/Focus

- a) Provide guidance on:

- Setting up the equipment and getting started.
    - Interpreting the raw data for making decisions.

- b) Identify data collection and maintenance issues with the equipment and software.

# Demonstration Projects and Products

## 4. Specification Guide; AASHTO PP 80-14

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**Standard Practice for**  
**Continuous Thermal Profile of**  
**Asphalt Mixture Construction**

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AASHTO Designation: PP 80-14<sup>1</sup>

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# Demonstration Projects and Products

## 4. Specification Guide, continued

- Purpose/Focus

- a) Advance standardization of IR equipment and testing protocols through AASHTO.
- b) Agencies can customize it to their needs
- c) Revised/Enhanced AASHTO PP 80-14
- d) Agency Experience: Minnesota DOT, Texas DOT, etc.

# Demonstration Projects and Products

## 5. IR Guide/Primer

- Purpose/Focus

- a) Introduce the Pave-IR method to transportation agencies and contractors.
- b) Increase awareness of how IR can improve paving operations and increase uniformity of mat.
- c) Demonstrate use of Pave-IR as a QC Tool.

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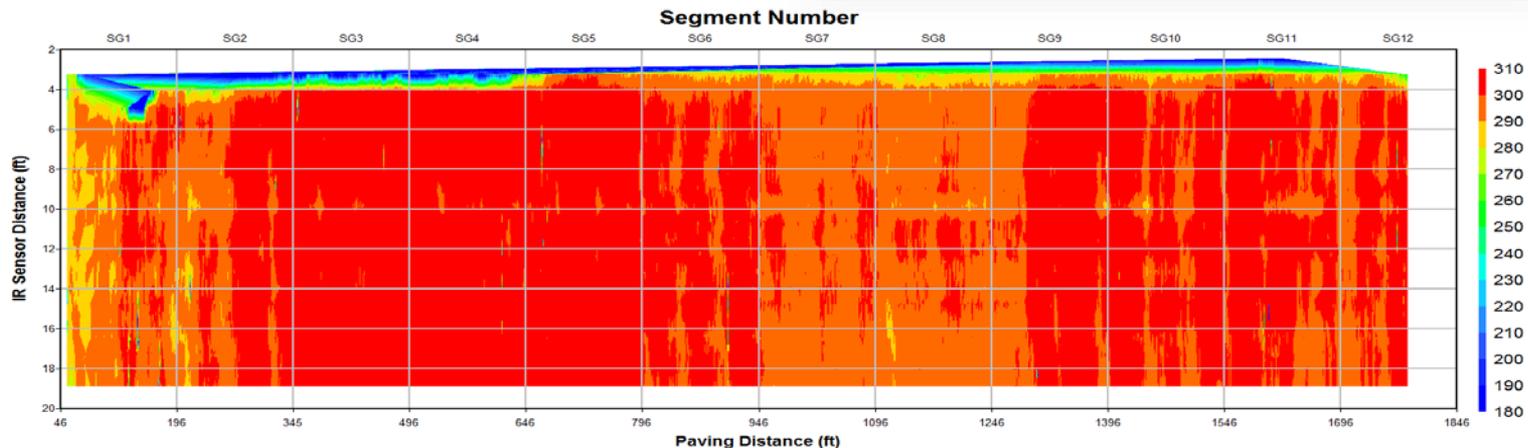


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# Application and Use: Examples

## Application & Use, WHY:

- Continuous readings to evaluate mat uniformity through temperature uniformity.
- Non-uniform temperatures imply non-uniform densities, which usually mean higher maintenance.



# Application and Use: Examples

## Role of IR in Quality Assurance Programs

1. Quality control plan; contractor
  - Improve communication between personnel
  - Reduce risk of being penalized
  - Forensic tool to trouble shoot low or non-uniform densities
2. Acceptance plan; agency
  - Reduce future distress and maintenance costs
  - Dispute resolution

# Application and Use: Examples

## *IR Role in Quality Control Plan; 4 examples*

1. Missouri demonstration project
2. Maine demonstration project
3. Virginia demonstration project
4. Federal Lands demonstration project

# Application and Use: Examples

## 1. Missouri demonstration project

- Increased communication between plant and paver to minimize temperature differentials of mat.



# Application and Use: Examples

## 1. Missouri demonstration project

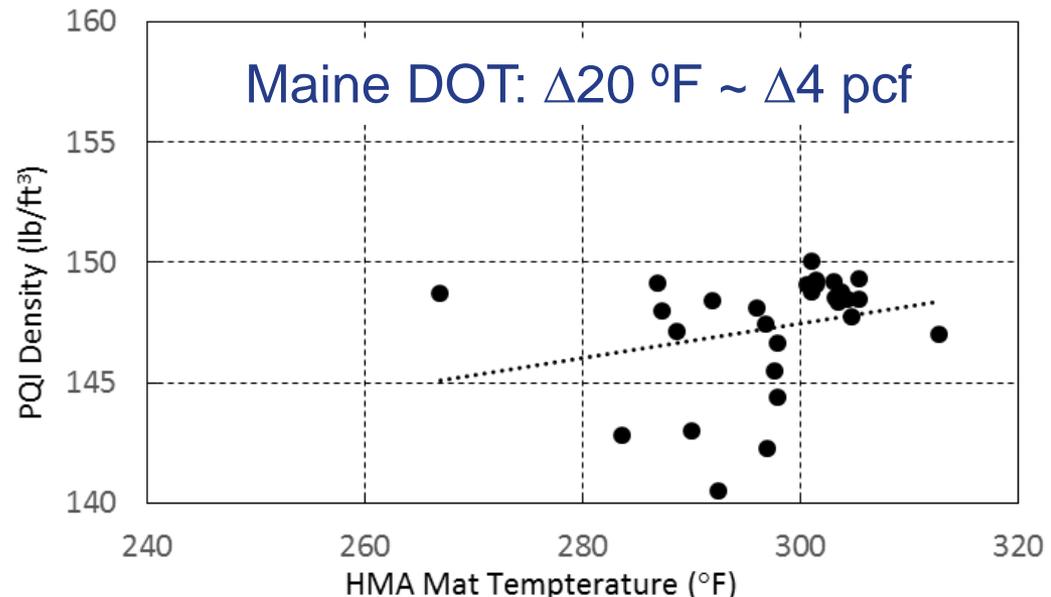
- Use of laboratory facilities to monitor paving in real time to adjust plant on the fly



# Application and Use: Examples

## 2. Maine demonstration project

- Monitor average temperature differential on a lot by lot basis for identifying need to take action.
- 85 percent of segments exhibited  $< 25$  °F.
- If average temperature differential exceeds 15 °F, risk for penalty increases.



# Application and Use: Examples

## 3. Virginia demonstration project

– Identify reason for severe temperature differentials and take action.

- Avg. temperature differential at start of paving project; about 30 °F.
- Avg. temperature differential after adding two trucks; about 15 °F.



# Application and Use: Examples

## 4. Federal Lands demonstration project

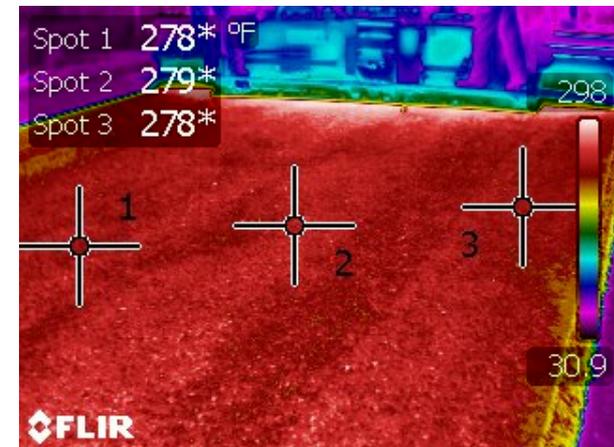
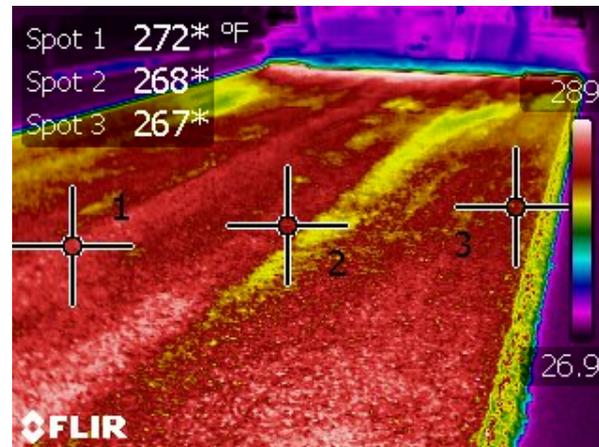
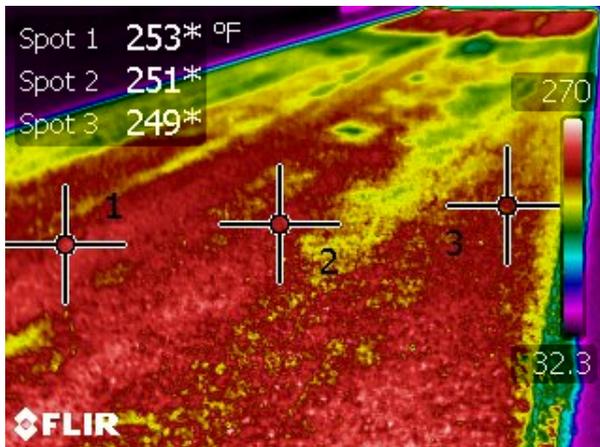
- Identify reason for severe temperature differentials and take action; loading of trucks.
- One dump of mix in truck bed – severe temp. differential
- Two dump, no stockpile – reduced temp. differential.



# Application and Use: Examples

## *IR Role in Acceptance Plan; examples:*

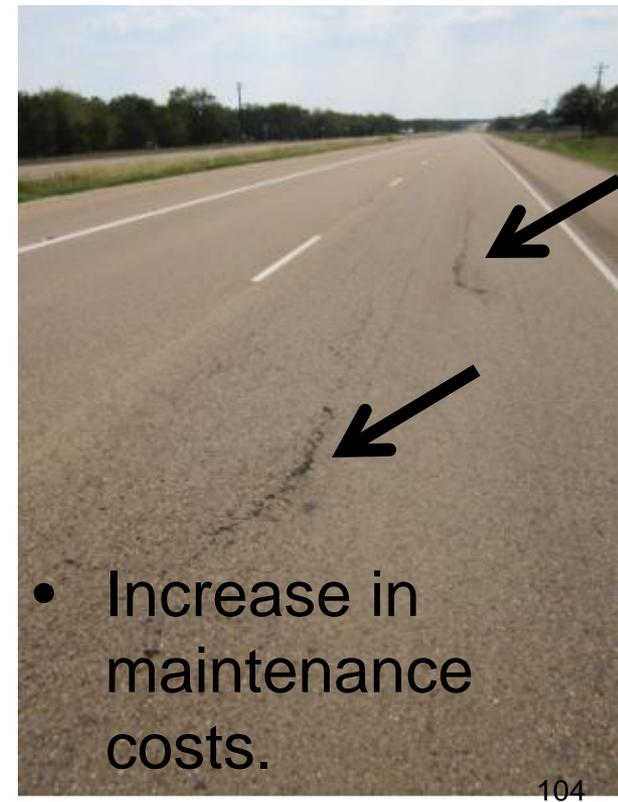
1. Identify cold spots
  - Colorado, Michigan, Minnesota, Quebec, Texas, Washington
2. Identify thermal streaks
  - Quebec



# Application and Use: Examples

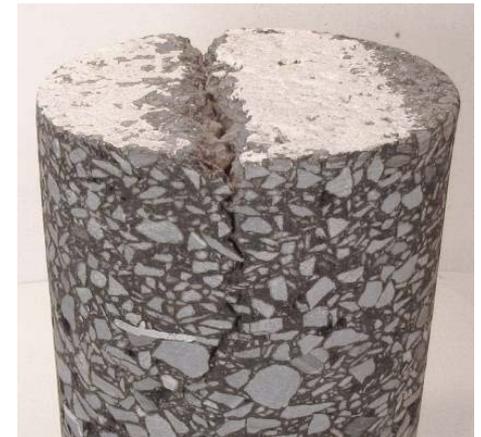
Cold spots; areas with increased potential for:

- Fatigue cracks
- Raveling
- Pot holes



# Application and Use: Examples

Thermal streaks; areas with increased potential for longitudinal cracking.



# Application and Use: Examples

## IR Role in Acceptance Plan

- Determine biased areas for sampling and testing
  - Washington DOT
- Determine pay factors
  - Minnesota DOT
  - Quebec
- Minnesota pay factors for each 150 foot segment:
  - \$20 bonus;  $<25^{\circ}\text{F}$
  - \$20 penalty;  $>50^{\circ}\text{F}$



### WSDOT SOP 733

#### Determination of Pavement Density Differentials Using the Nuclear Density Gauge

##### 1. Scope

This test method describes the procedure for locating and testing areas of suspected low cyclic density. Lower pavement density has been related to temperature differentials and areas of "spots, streaks" or visual pavement irregularities. This method uses infrared detection devices and visual inspection to identify areas of potentially low cyclic density.

##### 2. Definitions

- a. Temperature Differential Area- Any area where the temperature of the newly placed HMA pavement is **greater than**  $25^{\circ}\text{F}$  different than the surrounding area.
- b. Aggregate segregation- "Spots, streaks" or visual pavement irregularities in the newly placed HMA pavement that has a significant difference in texture when compared to the surrounding material.
- c. Systematic Density Testing - the testing of temperature differential areas or areas of aggregate segregation to determine if there is a pattern of low cyclic density.

##### 3. Equipment

- a. An approved infrared camera OR a handheld noncontact infrared thermometer (features for both should include continuous reading, minimum, maximum, and average readings, laser sighting, and a minimum distance to spot size ratio (D:S) of 30:1.
- b. Nuclear moisture-density gauge.
- c. Tape measure.
- d. A can of spray paint for marking test locations.
- e. Required report form.

##### 4. Testing Criteria

- a. Where temperature differentials are  $25^{\circ}\text{F}$  or greater a systematic HMA compaction test is required.
- b. Where temperature differentials are less than  $25^{\circ}\text{F}$  a systematic HMA compaction test is not required unless, an area shows signs of visual pavement irregularities, surface segregation or a significantly different texture.

##### 5. Determination of Systematic Density Testing Locations

Use either an infrared camera or a handheld non-contact infrared device to locate temperature differential areas as follows:

# Application and Use: Examples

## *Alaska DOT; Special Provision draft*

- IR and IC added to Glenn Hwy project
- After test strip is completed, monitor is covered for first lot, then removed for latter lots and compared to the first:
  - IR-Scanner
- Temperature Differential Area:  $> 25^{\circ}\text{F}$  and paver stops are included
  - Measured prior to compaction
- In temperature differential areas:
  - Perform density profiles
  - Adjust compaction and paving equipment operation to eliminate temperature differential areas.

# Application and Use: Examples

## *Texas DOT; Item 341, Tex-244-F*

- Equipment for measuring temperature differentials:
  - Infrared camera
  - IR-Bar or IR Scanner
- Temperature Differential Category, behind paver and paver stops are excluded:
  - $< 25^{\circ}\text{F}$  is minor thermal segregation
  - $25^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $50^{\circ}\text{F}$  moderate thermal segregation
  - $> 50^{\circ}\text{F}$  is severe thermal segregation
- In areas with severe temperature differential:
  - Eliminate or remove and replace.
  - Density profile not required when using IR devices

# Application and Use: Examples

## *Minnesota DOT*

- Equipment for measuring temperature differentials:
  - IR Scanner
- Temperature Differential Category and acceptance:

– $< 25^{\circ}\text{F}$ is minor thermal segregation;	\$20 bonus/sect.
– $25^{\circ}\text{F}$ to $50^{\circ}\text{F}$ moderate thermal segregation	\$0 bonus
– $> 50^{\circ}\text{F}$ is severe thermal segregation	\$20 penalty/sect.

# Application and Use: Examples

## Deployment Strategy, Common Steps/Tasks:

1. Define temperature differences that cause significant distress, increasing maintenance cost & reducing service life (Minnesota, Ontario, Texas, Washington).
  - a) Many published reports that document the importance of temp.
2. Identify mat property changes between areas with severe temperature differentials (Ontario, Texas).
  - a) Many research reports that identify how density affects the mat's properties related to performance.
3. Draft IR specification (Minnesota, Ontario, Texas, Washington)
4. Obtain comments from industry for revising specification; getting input from other partners (Ontario, Minnesota, Texas).
5. Host/sponsor training sessions with equipment/software

# Application and Use: Examples

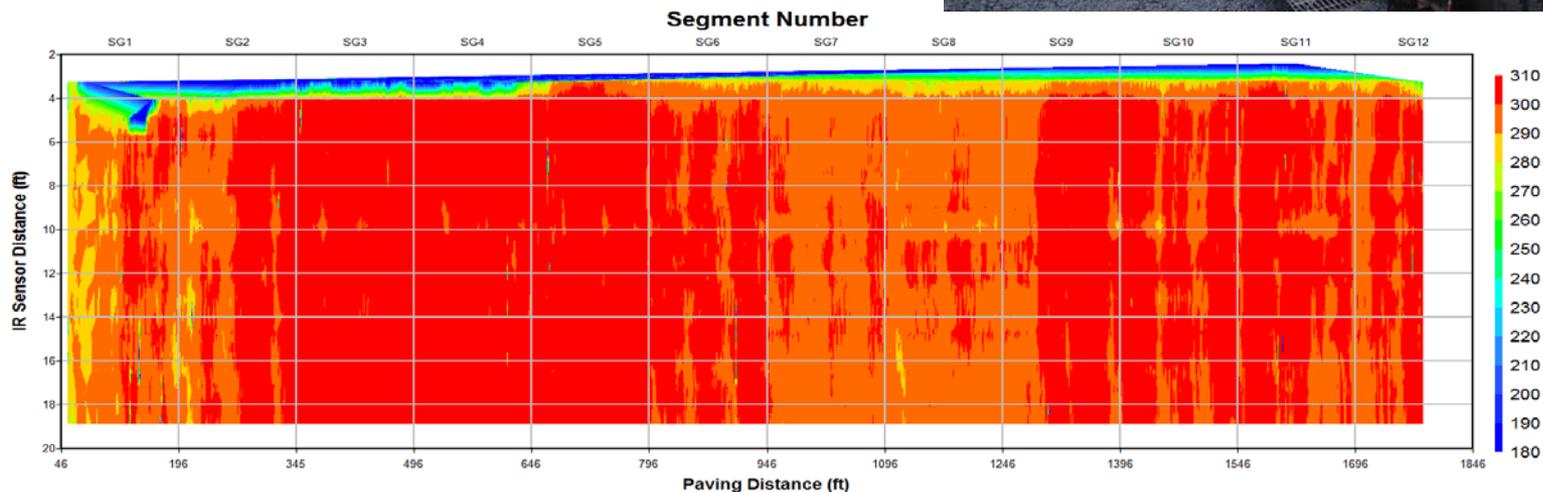
## Deployment Strategy, Common Steps/Tasks:

6. Execute pilot projects over 1 to 2 years (Minnesota, Ontario)
7. Educate industry/agency personnel on results (Ontario).
8. Update/revise specification (Minnesota, Ontario, Texas, Washington)
9. Establish actions based on temperature profile differences (all)
  - a) Increased density testing (Texas)
  - b) Biased testing (Washington)
  - c) Incentives/disincentives based temperature differentials (Minnesota, Ontario)
10. Confirm appropriateness of acceptance plan (Ontario)
11. Full deployment

# Application and Use: Examples

Conclusion from demonstration projects, to-date:

- Pave-IR scanner is one tool to confirm a uniform, high-quality mat.



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11. How have agencies/contractors used the IR products?

# Workshop Wrap-Up



## NEXT:

- Presentation and Demonstration of Ground Penetrating Radar Equipment

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# Workshop Wrap-Up



- Complete Workshop Forms – Right Pocket
  - Photo Release Form
  - Workshop Evaluation
  - PDH