

# Pavements of the Future: Environmentally- Friendly and Resilient Pavement

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# Typical Canadian Winter



## Presentation Overview

- Introduction
- Climate Change
- Natural Disasters
- Solar Pavement
- Sustainability
- Conclusions



- <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLbomPwqCgvwr3hPm4oeyfw>

## Climate Change Impacts

### THE ROAD WELL-TRAVELED:

Implications of Climate Change for  
Pavement Infrastructure in Southern Canada



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# What is a Natural Disaster?



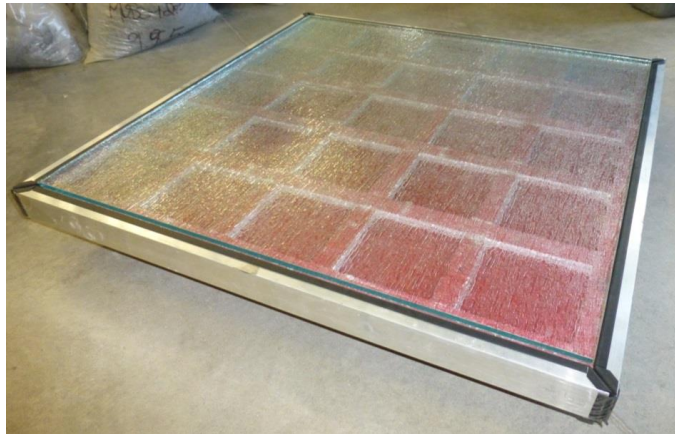
## Role of Engineers and Scientists

- Many of these could possibly be avoided by better design, construction, safety systems, early warning and planning.
- Scientists and engineers try to prevent damage by warning people the natural disaster is coming.
- Try to monitor the event and try to prevent damage.
- Develop plans for emergencies



# Why Solar Roads? An Electrical Perspective

- Vast Resource
- Minimize Land Use
- Distributed Generation
- Peak-Shaving Electricity



## Why Solar? A Pavement Perspective

- Offset Traditional Material Requirements
- Provide Additional Payback from Infrastructure
- Reduce CO2 Footprint of Pavements



# Prototype Design and Construction

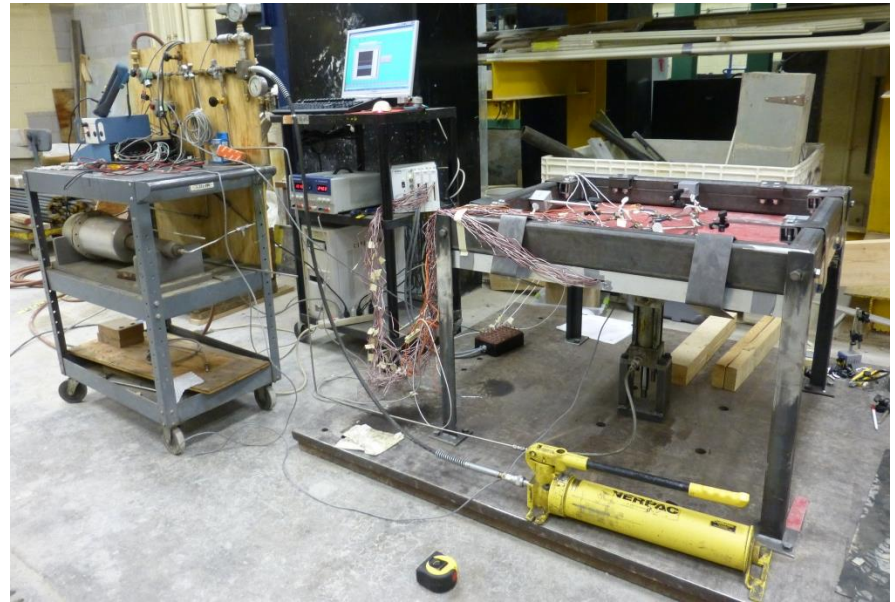
- Objective
  - Design and build a prototype solar road panel research platform
- Process
  - Review of Design Concepts
  - Design Requirement Drafting
  - Prototype Design
  - Prototype Construction



(Northmore, 2013)

## Structural Analysis

- Objective
  - Determine and model the structural performance of the prototype solar road panel
- Process
  - Structural Testing
  - Panel Model
  - Development
  - Pavement Load
  - Case Simulation



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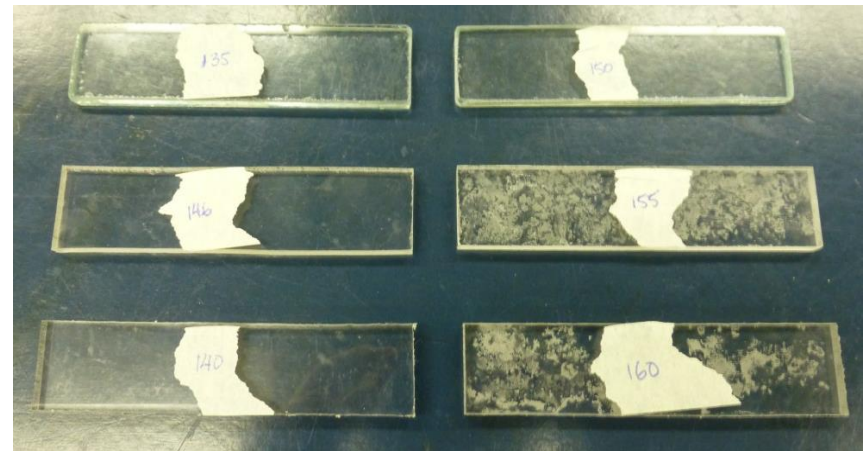
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- Objective

- Determine the effects of winter maintenance practices on transparent layer material options (Glass, Acrylic, Polycarbonate)

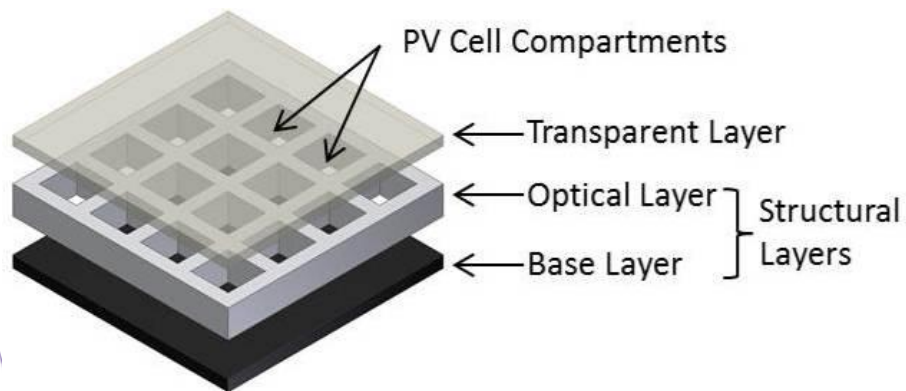
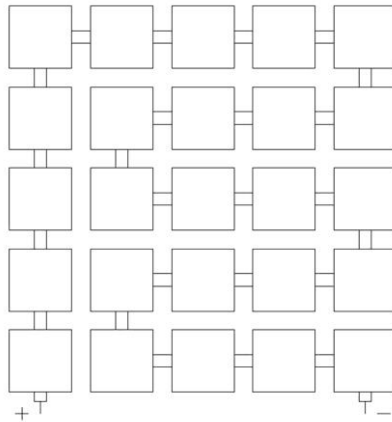
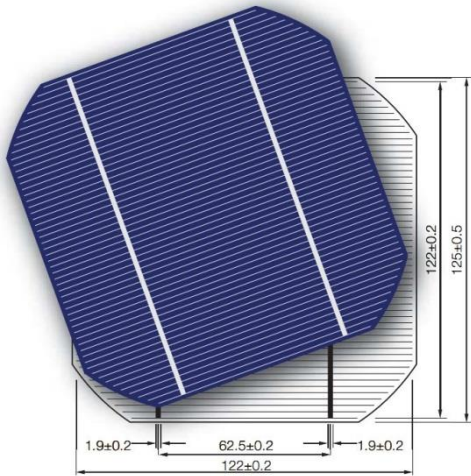
- Process

- Scaling Resistance of Acrylic, Polycarbonate, and Glass (ASTM C672)
- Three Point Bending
- Testing (ASTM D790)
- Friction Testing (ASTM E303)
- Optical Testing (ASTM E1175)



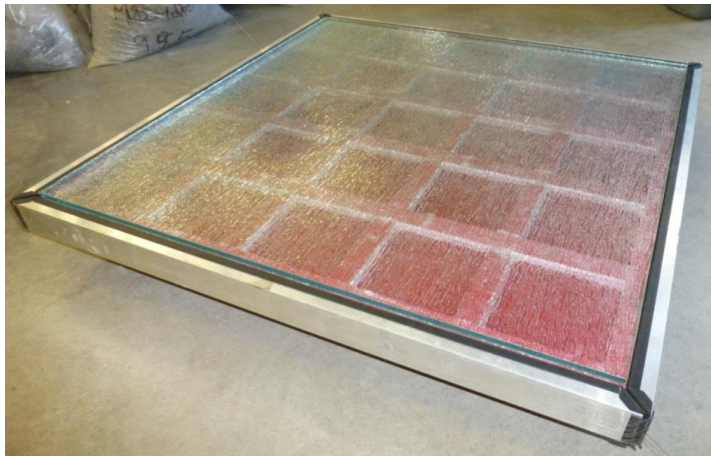
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# Prototype Design



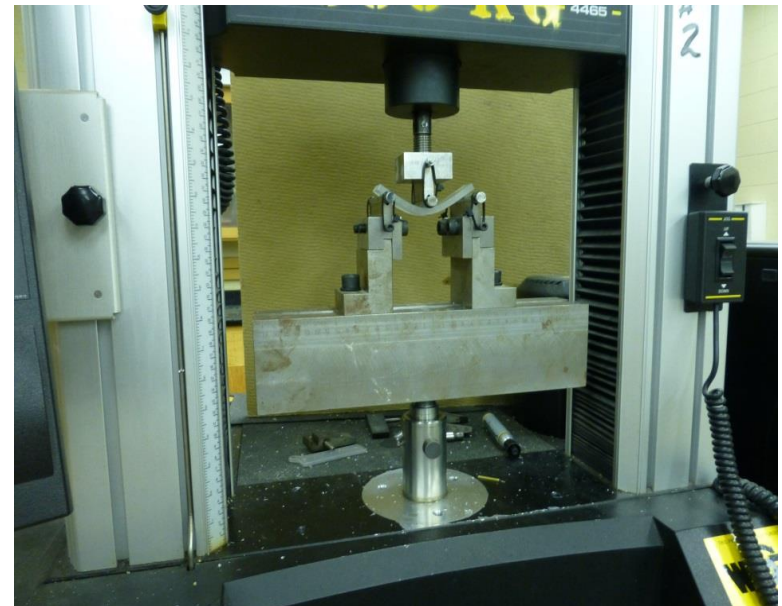
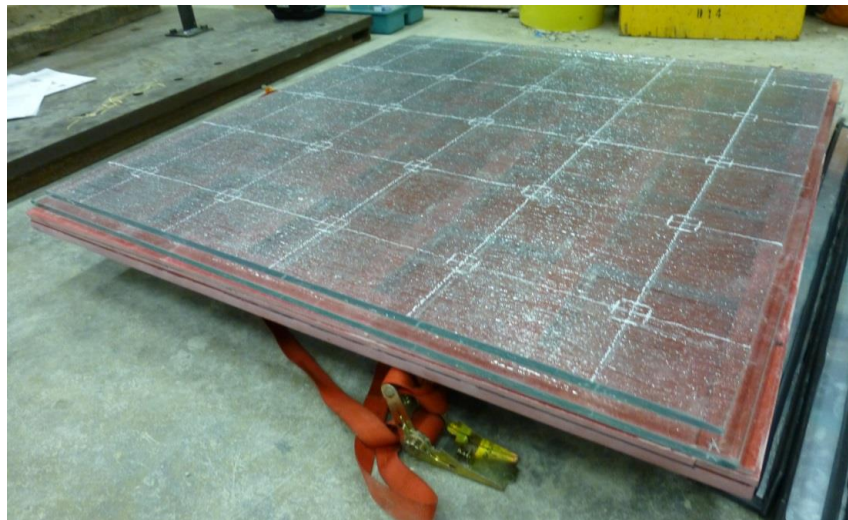
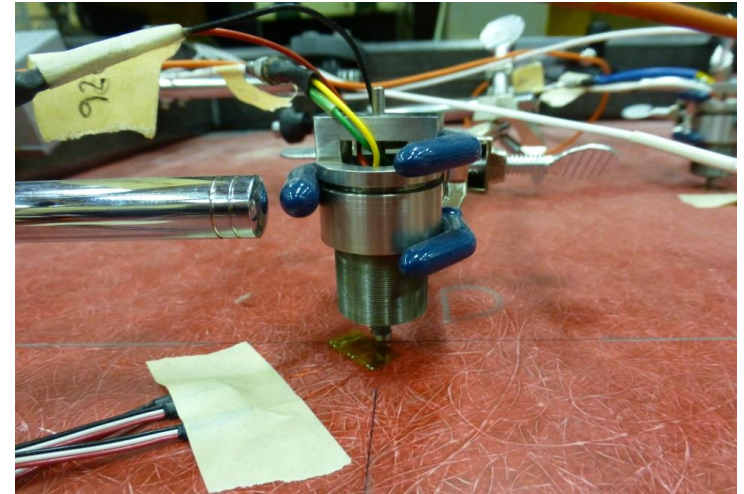
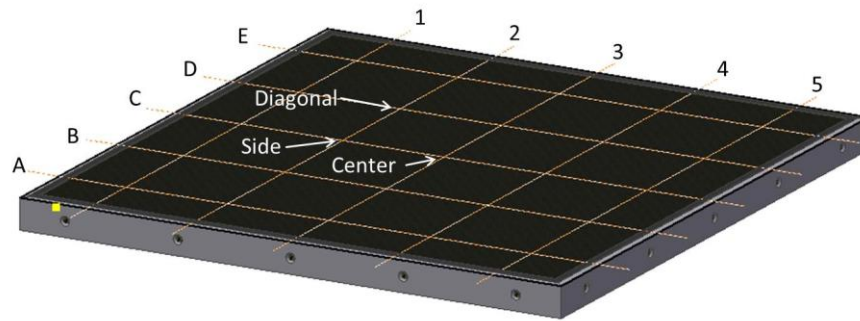
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## Construction: Prototype

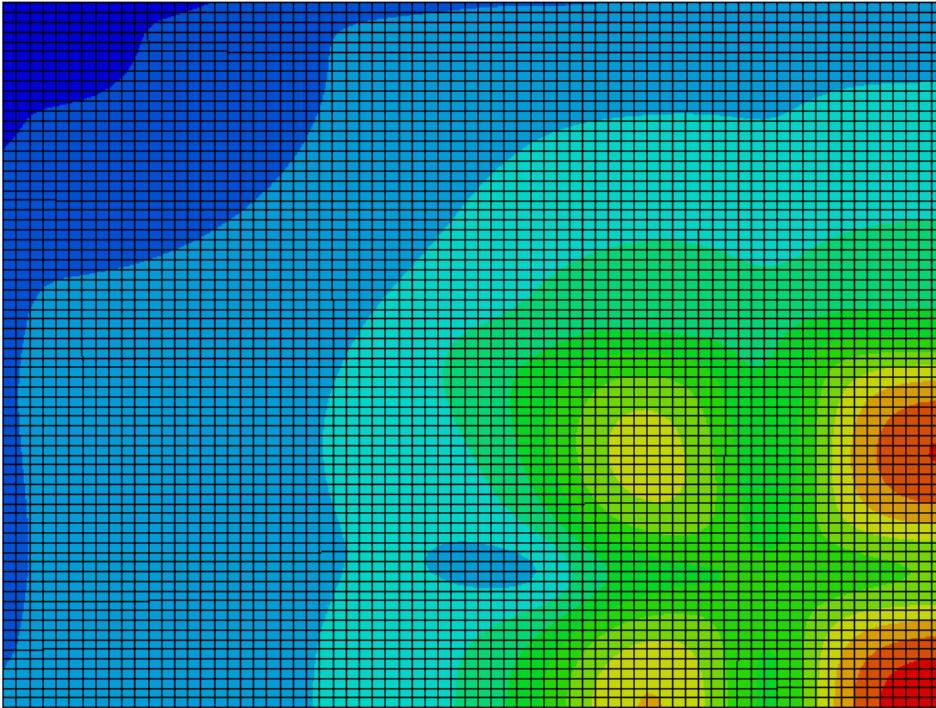


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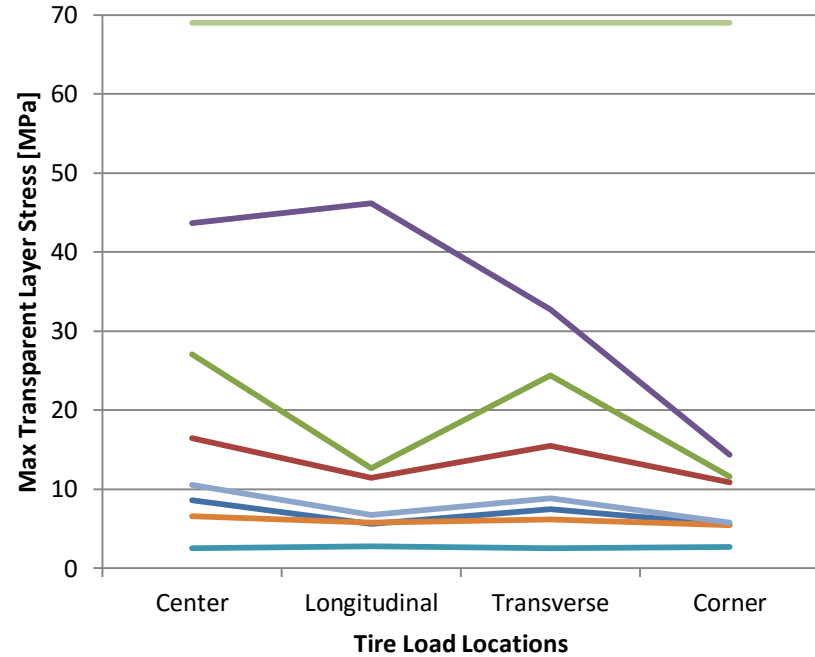
## Structural Analysis



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HMA base, center fatigue load  
glass stress



- PCC - Static
- HMA - Static
- Granular Static
- Subgrade - Static
- Tempered Stress
- PCC - Fatigue
- HMA - Fatigue
- Granular - Fatigue
- Subgrade - Fatigue

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## Solar Pavement Future?

- It is possible to design a solar panel to withstand Canadian structural and environmental loads
- Ideal materials: (Tempered glass transparent layer, GPO-3 (or like) optical layer,)
- Design optimization of:
  - Panel material thicknesses
  - Panel area dimensions
  - Structural bases
  - Friction development on glass surfaces through modification
  - In-situ load testing of a prototype



Sustainable pavement is a subset of sustainable transportation

Main focus on Pavement Design and Management; and Material Use and Recycling

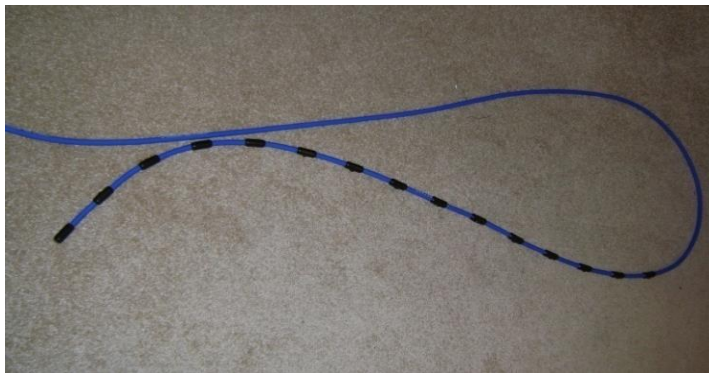
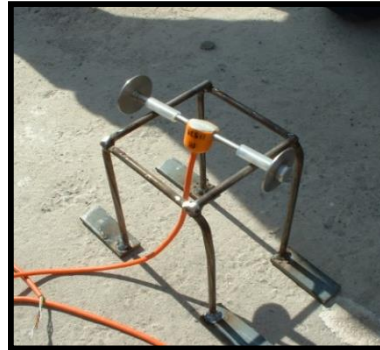
## Key Sustainability Issues

- Virgin Material Usage
- Alternative Material Usage
- Program for In-Service Monitoring and Management
- Air Quality/Emissions
- Water Quality
- Noise
- Energy Usage

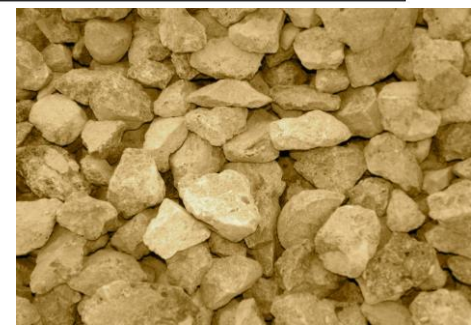
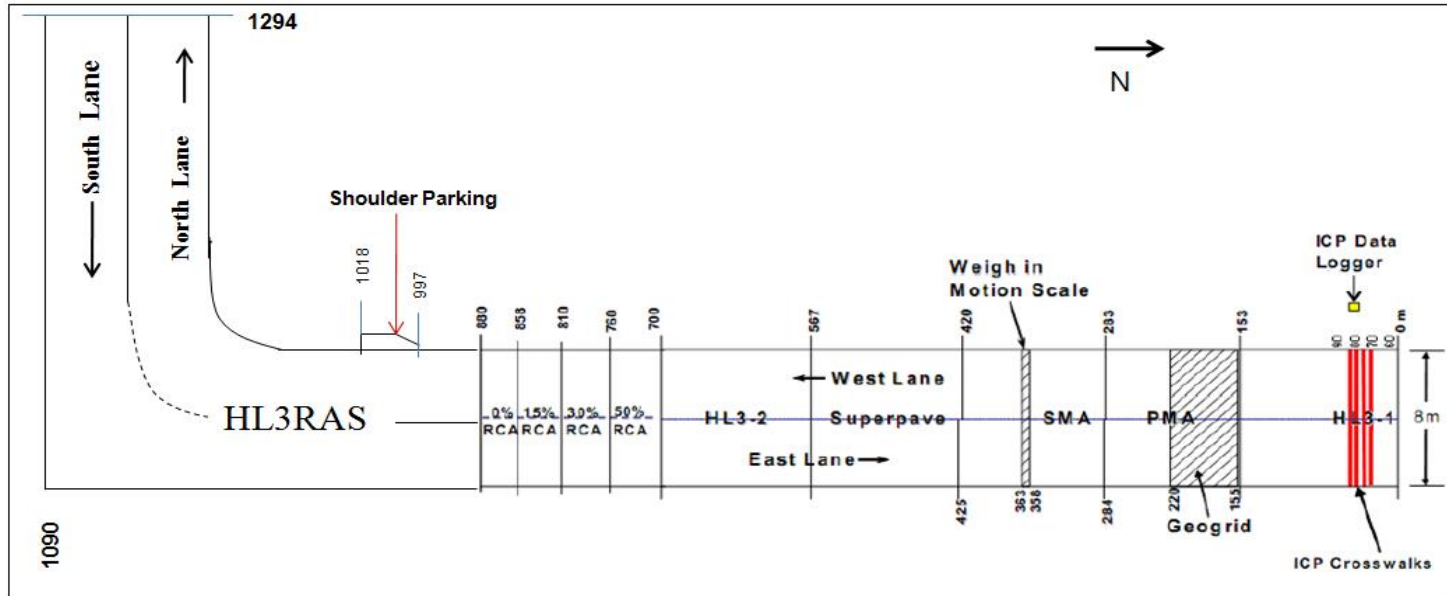


## Research Methodology

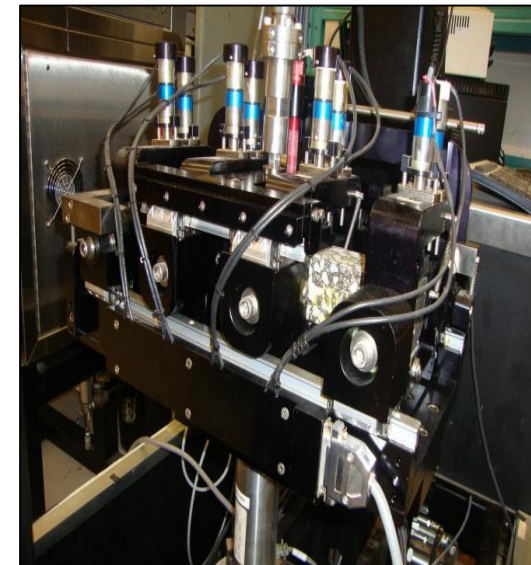
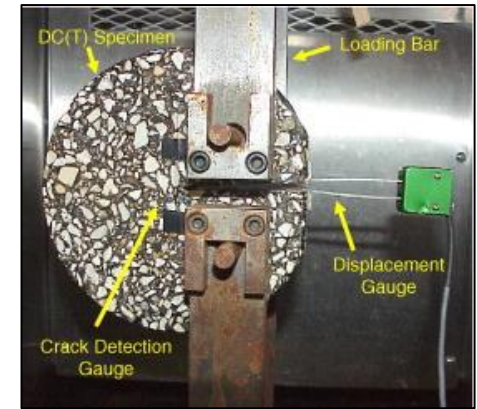
- Technical
- Economic
- Sustainable
- Costs/Benefits



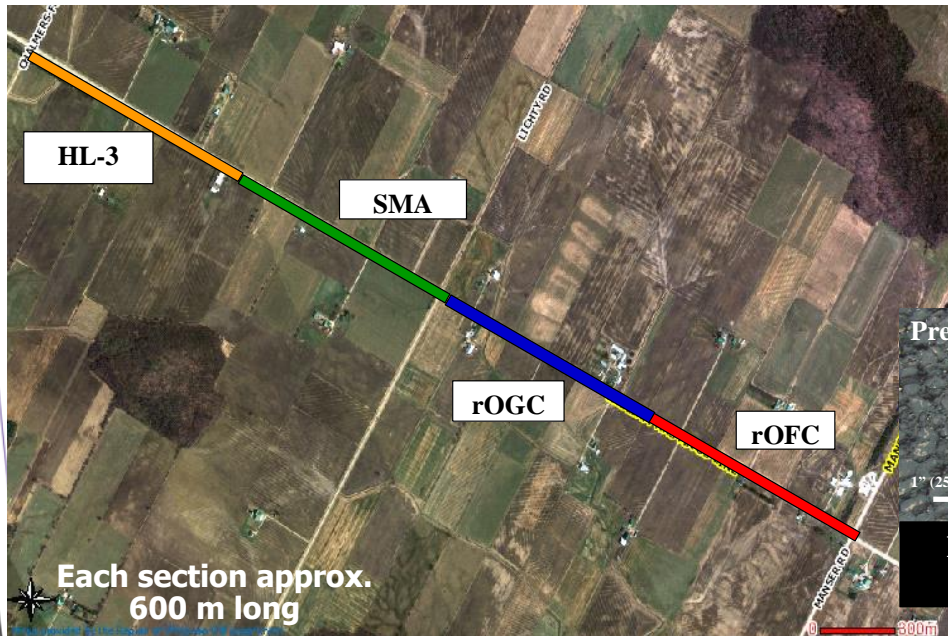
# Recycled Materials



## Examples of Projects



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**First truly controlled study  
Integrated CPX and PBM**

## Recycling Concrete



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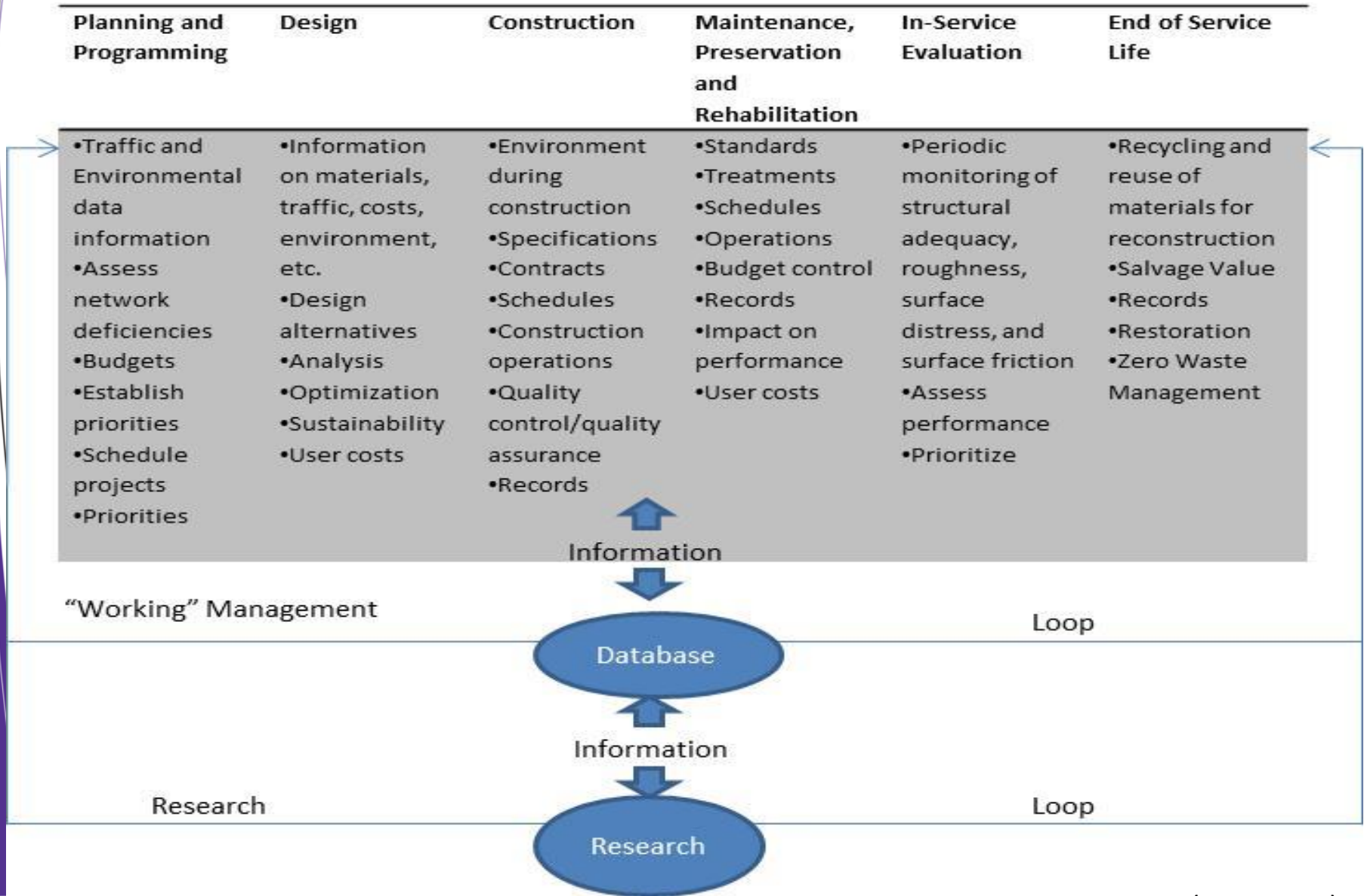
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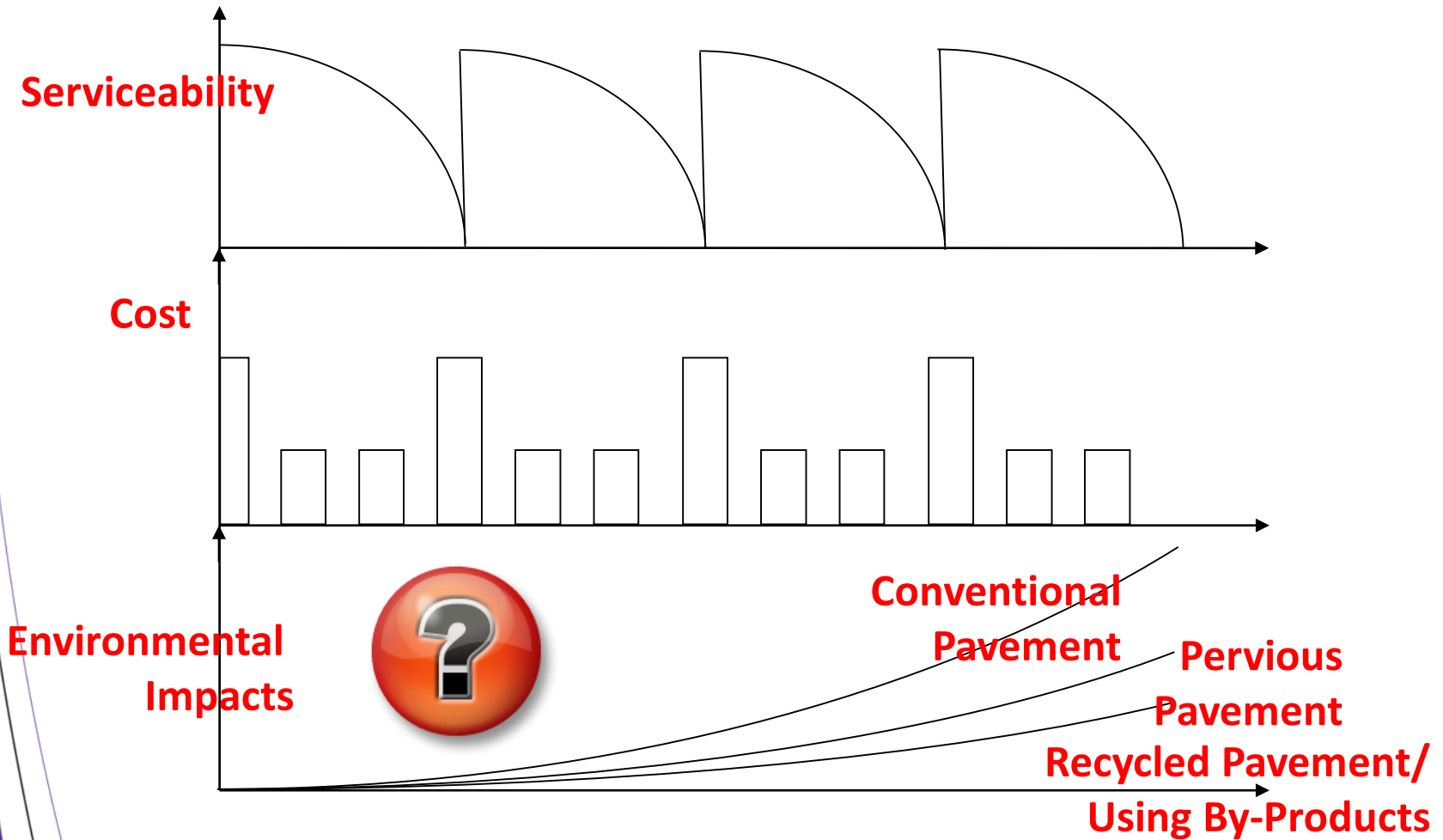
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Pavement Technology	PT-1	Long-Life Pavement Designs	3
	PT-2	Permeable Pavements	1
	PT-3	Quiet Pavements	3
	PT-4	Cool Pavements	2
Materials and Resources	MR-1	Recycled Content	6
	MR-2	Reuse of Pavement	3
	MR-3	Local Materials	3
	MR-4	Construction Quality	2
Energy and Atmosphere	EA-1	Reduce Energy Consumption	3
	EA-2	GHG Emission Reduction	2
	EA-3	Improve Rolling Resistance	1
	EA-4	Pollution Reduction	3
Innovation and Design Process	I-1	Innovation in Design	2
	I-2	Exemplary Process	2
Max Credit			36



## Quantify All Costs/Benefits



## Closing Remarks

- Sustainable Construction and Maintenance is achievable
- Good technology and People = Advances
- Climate Change must be examined for Long Life Infrastructure
- Staged process: lab testing, field testing
- Experimental Design Essential!!!
- Public-Private –Academic Partnerships Work
- Adoption of New Materials and Designs

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# Questions/Comments

