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SECTION 303 AGGREGATE SUBBASES AND AGGREGATE BASES:

303-2 Materials: of the Standard Specifications is modified to add:

Aggregate subbase and aggregate base material may be comprised in part of salvaged asphaltic concrete or Portland cement concrete materials.

The source of all salvaged materials shall be approved by the Engineer prior to use. Salvaged asphaltic concrete and Portland cement concrete materials shall not contain hazardous materials. All metal reinforcement materials shall be removed from salvaged Portland cement concrete prior to its use in aggregate subbase and aggregate base material.

Salvaged asphaltic concrete to be used in aggregate subbase and aggregate base material shall be produced by milling, pulverizing, or crushing. Salvaged Portland cement concrete materials shall be produced by crushing.

The contractor shall submit the percentages of salvaged materials and virgin aggregate materials which are intended to be used to the Engineer for approval. The percentages shall not be adjusted after approval, except to maintain a consistent gradation. Any significant change in the proportions must be approved by the Engineer prior to use.

A maximum of 50 percent salvaged material, by weight or volume, will be allowed. The 50 percent maximum shall include all salvaged materials, including any underlying base material recovered when full depth milling or pulverizing is used to remove the asphaltic concrete. Changes in proportions that result in more than 50 percent salvaged material will not be allowed.

Aggregate subbase and aggregate base material containing salvaged materials shall be thoroughly mixed using one of the following methods:

- (1) By means of a mechanical mixing device prior to placement.

The mechanical mixing device shall be a pugmill type mixer consisting of at least two motorized shafts with mixing paddles. The mixing device shall be designed such that the mixture of virgin aggregate and salvaged materials is moved in a near horizontal direction by the mixing paddles without the aid of conveyor belts for a distance of at least 3 feet. The rate of feed of the combined virgin aggregate and salvaged material shall not exceed the mixing device's rated capacity in tons per hour.

- (2) By means of mechanical mixing on grade.

Mixing on grade shall be accomplished using a full depth reclamation machine or pulverizer, manufactured for this purpose. The machine shall be equipped with a laser or wire grade control to ensure that underlying materials are not disturbed during mixing. Motor graders, gannon boxes, auger scrapers, or other similar devices will not be allowed for mechanical mixing on grade.

The total thickness of subbase or base material being placed shall include a layer of virgin aggregate immediately above the prepared underlying subgrade, subbase, or base. This layer shall not contain any salvaged material and shall not be disturbed during placement and mixing of subsequent subbase or base material. The required minimum thickness of this layer shall be 1 inch when geotextile or geogrid is not used and 4 inches when geotextile or geogrid is used. In addition, this virgin aggregate layer will not be included when the percentage of salvaged material allowable in the subbase or base is calculated. The percentage of salvaged material shall only apply to the weight or volume of subbase or base material placed above the layer of virgin aggregate specified herein.

Prior to mixing on grade, the required amount of virgin aggregate and salvaged material necessary to achieve the approved percentages of each shall be placed and uniformly spread on grade; the virgin aggregate being placed and spread first, followed by the salvaged material being placed and spread. Mechanical mixing of the virgin aggregate and salvaged material shall be performed such that the required minimum thickness of virgin aggregate is maintained as specified herein.

The method of mixing to be used shall be approved by the Engineer prior to the start of work.

When mixing of the virgin aggregate and salvaged materials is performed by means of a mechanical mixing device prior to placement, samples of the virgin aggregate shall be obtained from a stockpile or belt prior to blending with any salvaged materials. After blending and transport to the roadway area, samples of the blended virgin aggregate and salvaged materials shall be obtained from the windrow.

When mixing of the virgin aggregate and salvaged materials is performed by means of mechanical mixing on grade, samples of the virgin aggregate shall be obtained from the windrow prior to blending with any salvaged materials. After blending the virgin aggregate and salvaged materials, the contractor shall prepare a windrow area, at a location specified by the Engineer, for the purpose of obtaining samples of the blended material.

Virgin aggregate shall conform to the gradation, plasticity index, fractured coarse aggregate particles, and abrasion requirements for the class of aggregate specified.

Aggregate subbase and aggregate base material composed of virgin aggregate and salvaged materials shall conform to the gradation requirements for the class of aggregate specified. In addition, aggregate subbase and aggregate base material composed of virgin aggregate and salvaged Portland cement concrete shall conform to the plasticity index requirements for the class of aggregate specified.

If salvaged asphaltic concrete material contains underlying base material, the plasticity index of the salvaged material (including the underlying base material) shall conform to the requirements for the class of aggregate specified.

When determining gradation of aggregate subbase or aggregate base material composed of virgin aggregate and salvaged asphaltic concrete materials, drying to a constant weight shall be performed at a temperature of 140 ± 5 degrees F.

If suitable in-place aggregate subbase or aggregate base materials are available, the contractor shall have the option of re-using such materials as virgin aggregate. Should this option be selected, all existing pavement surface materials shall be removed first. The in-place aggregate subbase or aggregate base material shall then be processed and formed into a windrow for acceptance testing prior to use. When tested, the re-used aggregate subbase or aggregate base material shall conform to the gradation, plasticity index, fractured coarse aggregate particles, and abrasion requirements for the class of aggregate specified. Salvaged materials shall be blended with the accepted, re-used aggregate subbase or aggregate base materials by means of either a mechanical mixing device prior to placement, or by mechanical mixing on grade, both as specified above. The blended material shall be sampled and tested as specified above.

303-3.02 Compaction: of the Standard Specifications is modified to add:

Each layer of aggregate subbase and aggregate base material consisting in part of salvaged asphaltic concrete or Portland cement concrete material shall be compacted to at least 100 percent of the maximum density determined in accordance with the requirements of the applicable test methods of the ADOT Materials Testing Manual, as directed and approved by the Engineer. Arizona Test Method 235, "Field Density and Moisture Content of Soil and Soil-Aggregate Mixtures by the Nuclear Method", shall not be used to determine the field density or moisture content of aggregate subbase and aggregate base material containing salvaged asphaltic concrete.

When determining maximum density and optimum moisture content for aggregate subbase and aggregate base material composed of virgin aggregate and salvaged asphaltic concrete materials, drying to a constant weight shall be performed at a temperature of 140 ± 5 degrees F.