

# Pavement Surface Properties Consortium – Phase II (TPF-5[345])











A research program focused on enhancing the level of service provided by the roadway transportation system through optimized pavement surface texture characteristics.

- Equipment Rodeos (at Virginia Smart Road)
- Technology Transfer
- Research on Emerging Topics



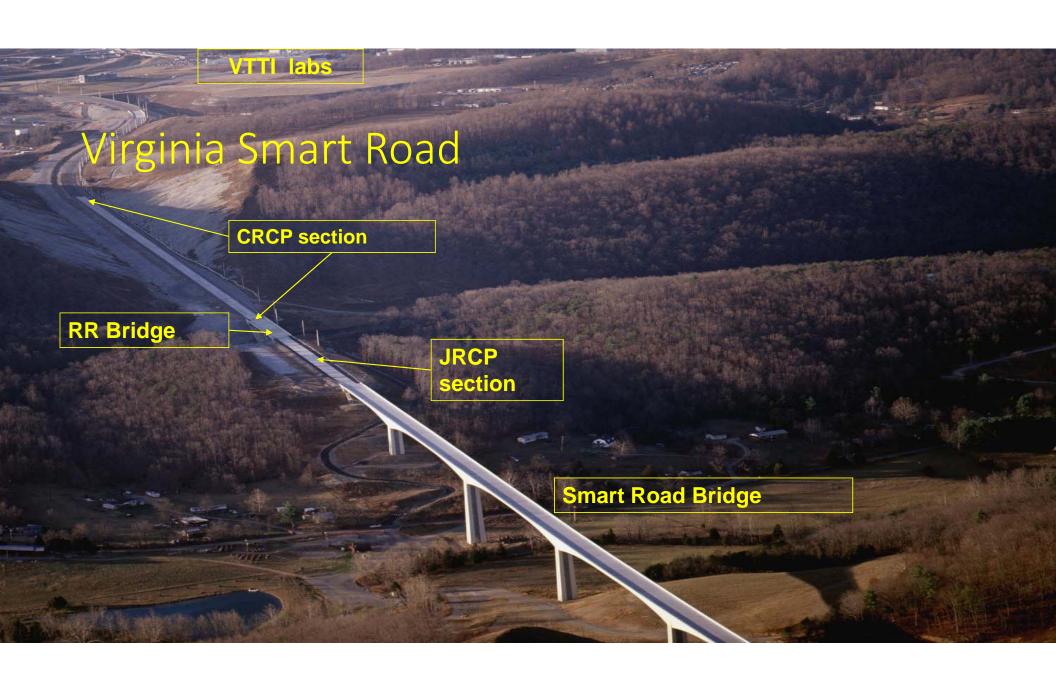


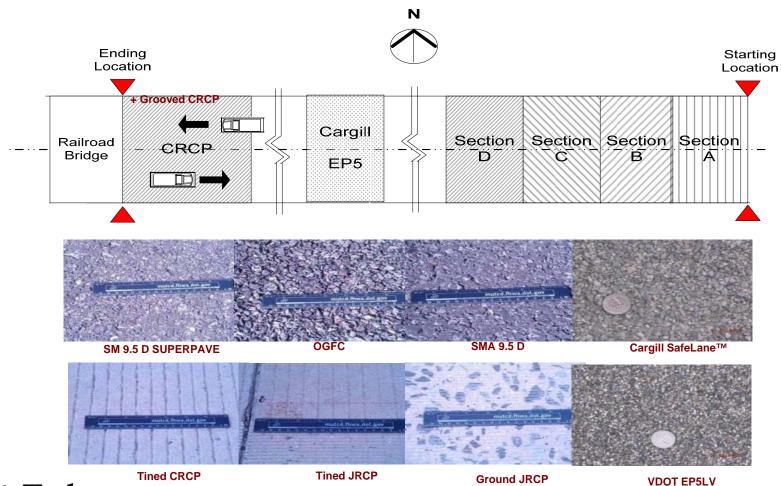


Annual Equipment "Rodeos" – since 2007













#### RPUG 2016 San Diego, CA November 1-4



Final Report 2007-2015



- Chronicles Annual Equipment Rodeo activities from 2007 thru 2015
  - Smart Road Test Surfaces
  - Surface Property Measurement Systems
  - Evaluation and Comparison of Systems
  - Special Studies
- Phase 1 "Products"
  - 28 journal articles and conference papers/ 2 final reports
  - Contributions to 9 other publications
  - Presentations at 10 national and international conferences





### LOOKING BACK

- 1. Annual equipment "rodeos" + verification
  - ✓ Profiler/IRI comparison testing
  - ✓ Friction/SN comparison testing
  - ✓ SURPRO training as requested?
- 2. Seasonal monitoring for friction COMPLETED
- 3. Evaluation & development of new technologies
  - ✓ Macrotexture , tire-pavement noise, etc.
- 4. Evaluation of high-friction surface (HFS) systems COMPLETED
- 5. CFME/GripTester Technology Demonstration COMPLETED?
- 6. Travel Support
  - PE 2010 Roanoke
  - SURF 2012 Norfolk
  - RPUG 2013 San Antonio
  - PE 2014 Blacksburg
  - RPUG 2015 Raleigh













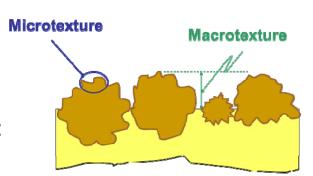
CFME = Continuous Friction Measurement Equipment



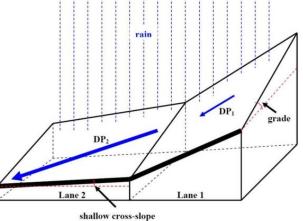
#### **MOVING FORWARD**

- 6. Travel Support (cont'd)
  - RPUG 2016 San Diego
  - RPUG 2017 Colorado?
  - RPUG 2018 South Dakota?
- 7. Friction technology transfer
  - ✓ Locked-wheel calibration
  - ✓ Pavement Friction Management
- 8. Related Research
  - Splash-Spray Assessment Tool Development (FHWA)
  - Acceptance Testing and Demonstration of CFME's (FHWA)
  - Dynamic Hydroplaning on Roadways (NCHRP 15-55)
  - Protocols for Network Macrotexture Measurement (NCHRP 10-98)
- 9. Exciting new facilities the "Virginia Automation Park"





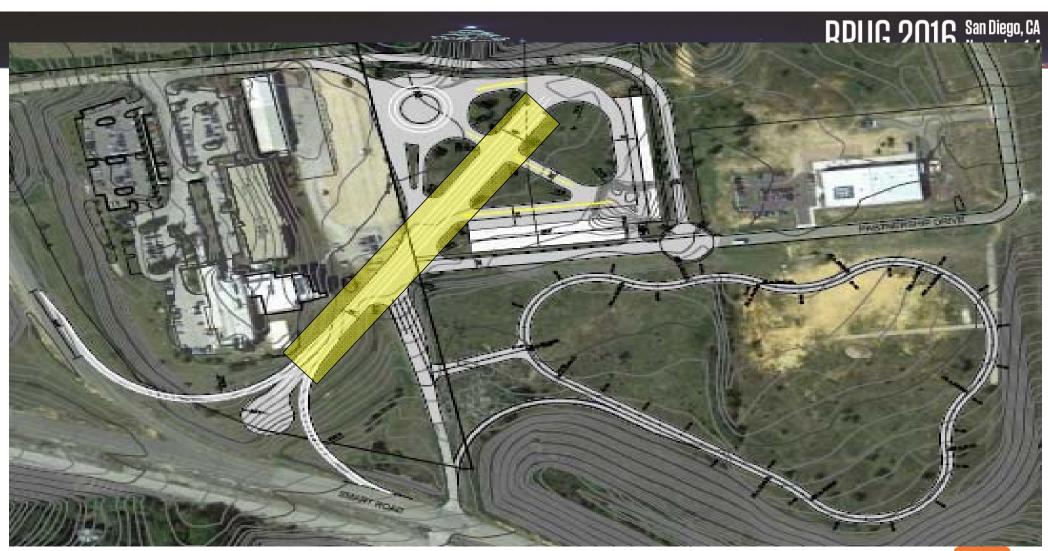




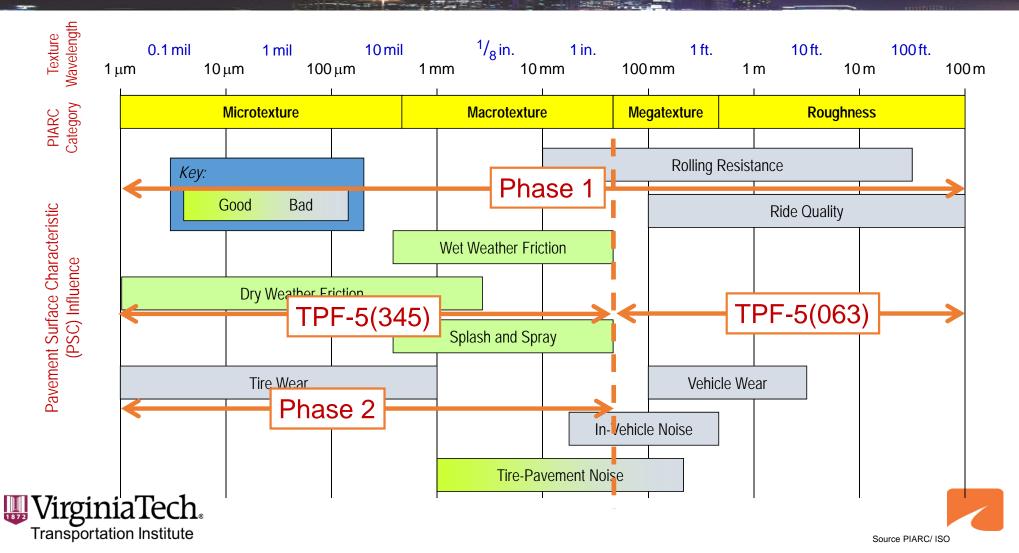


The Automation Park





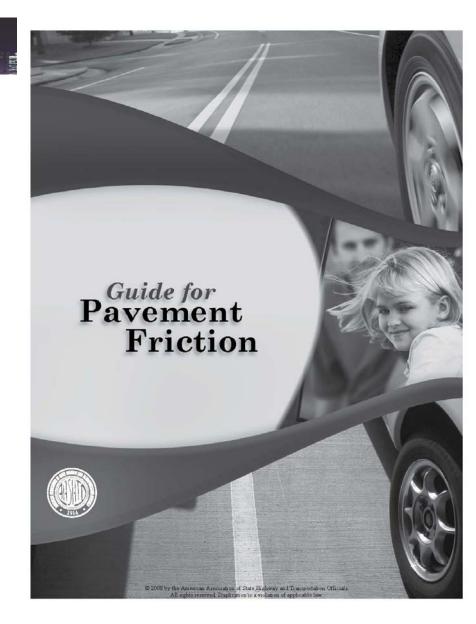




## PHASE 2 PRIORITY

## Managing Pavement Friction:

- Reduce highway crashes and related fatalities
- Apply the recommendations from the AASHTO's Guide for Pavement Friction

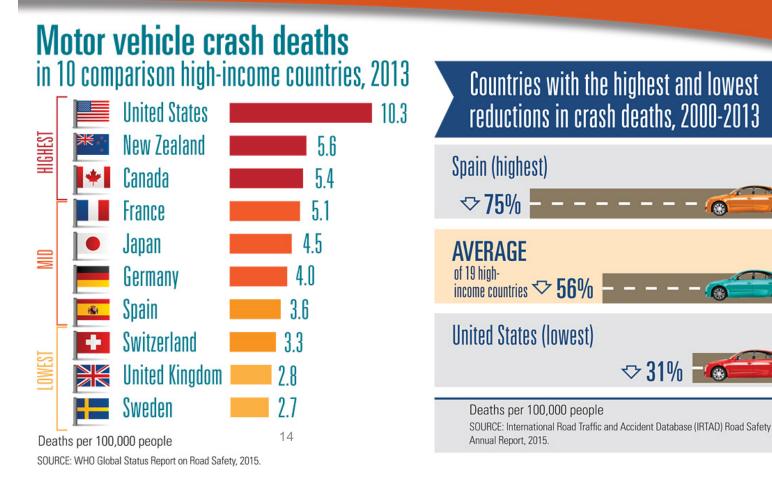




#### CDC 7/6/2016

- •Motor vehicle crash fatalities in the U.S. could drop by half with proven strategies
- •Lower death rates in high-income comparison countries suggest that progress is possible

# Road traffic deaths in the US and other high-income countries.



#### GOOD MODEL?

# FHWA's Development and Demonstration of Pavement Friction Management Programs (DTFH61-09-R-00035):

- Assist 4 states to develop Pavement Friction Management Programs (using pavement friction, texture\*, crashes, and other data)
- Develop and demonstrate methods
  - Compile friction, texture, crash, traffic, other data
  - Define friction demand categories
  - ➤ Set investigatory levels of friction/texture

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#### TESTING TECH.

- Friction
- Macrotexture
- •IMU + GPS
  - •Grade
  - Cross-slope
  - Curvature
- Video (front)
- •2,400 gallons
- •150 miles of continuous data per tank





## MANAGING TARGETS

# Friction Demand Categories Investigatory Levels

Road classification definitions		Investigatory level 30 mph							
	Road Classification definitions		0.35	0.40	0.45	0.50	0.55	0.60	0.65
А	Interstate highways								
В	Divided highways-no event								
С	Two lane road-no event								
Q	Approaches to Intersection (& roundabouts)								
K	Pedestrian crossings and other high risk areas								
R	Roundabout								
G	Slope 5-10%, longer than 160 feet								
G	Slope >10% longer than 160 feet								
S	Curve radius < 1600 feet - divided roads								
S	Curve radius < 1600 feet - two lane roads								

#### **TESTING STATUS**

#### Acceptance Testing and Demonstration of CFME/ SCRIM:

Washington 575 miles

Florida 875 miles

Indiana 875 miles

Texas903 miles

North Carolina ±500 miles

Virginia ±2,000 miles?

Your State?XXX miles?





#### MORE INFO?



#### Transportation Pooled Fund Program

http://www.pooledfund.org/Details/Study/594

#### Becoming a partner:

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# **QUESTIONS**



