



Full Depth Reclamation Fly Ash Stabilization

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Pulverize Asphaltic Pavement and Base Course

- Full Depth Reclamation – aka – Cold In-place Recycling [CIR]
- A reclamation technique in which the full flexible pavement section and a predetermined portion of the underlying materials are uniformly crushed, pulverized, or blended, resulting in a stabilized base course;
- Used to fix irregular cross sections, reflective/alligator cracking, heavy pothole patching, severe rutting/shoving, and insufficient base strength. Substantial savings can be realized while meeting environmental goals.

Typical Candidates for Pulverize Asphaltic Pavement and Base Course





Overview

- Cold In-place Recycling [CIR]
 - Proportioned mixture
 - Fly Ash – 10 to 12% by weight (110# per SY)
 - Aggregate (Reclaimed Asphalt Base)
 - Water – 9 to 12 % typical for optimum density
 - Mixed in-place and compacted (12" depth for sub-grade stabilizing; 8" depth for CIR)
 - Produces a strong and durable pavement base course (300 - 450 psi) for flexible pavements.
 - Typical cost ranges from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per SY complete – ready to pave.

Fly Ash Storage Hopper (Silo) to Tanker



Problems Solved by Recycling HMA Pavement & Base

- Bridges poor sub-grades and underlying soils.
- Provides medium to improve drainage.
- Provides a transitional load-bearing layer between the pavement layer and the underlying wet and unstable sub-grade soil.

Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Cold-in-place recycling begins with pulverizing the existing asphalt pavement and underlying base course.



- Top – Bomag [Light duty]
- Bottom – Wirtgen [Heavy duty]

Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Pulverized / blended material is then re-compacted and graded to proper crown and cross slope.
- In essence, a new base is created that can either serve as a stable foundation for a new asphalt surface.



- Top – Pulverize, re-grade & compact.
- Bottom – Evidence of soft & unstable sub-grade

Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Deliver Fly Ash and transfer to Vane Feeder
- Spread Fly Ash uniformly on the newly prepared recycled base.
- Vane feeder distributors controls concentration of ash and controls dust.
- Fly Ash is very fine and tends to blow about when windy or disturbed



- **Top** – Tanker truck transfer to vane feeder.
- **Bottom** - Spreading Fly Ash.

Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Reclaimer / Pulverizer follows water truck, mixing:
 - Fly Ash,
 - Recycled Base, and
 - Water – injected directly into the pulverizer

- Water is needed to begin the hydration process similar to cement.

- Moisture content is critical to performance



Base Stabilization – “The Process”

Water injected directly into the pulverizer



Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Immediately behind the mixing process, a vibratory pad-foot roller follows to produce the desired density.



- The compacted material is then graded to final profile, crown and cross slope.

Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Surface is again compacted and sealed using a smooth drum or pneumatic roller
- Occasionally, the surface is re-wetted to ensure completion of the hydration process
- Hydration will be complete in 3-4 hours.
- Monitoring moisture content is critical



Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- The new stabilized base is now ready for paving.

Base Stabilization – “The Process”



- Bottom Asphalt Layer – 106% payment based on densities

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Base Stabilization – “The Process”

→ Estimated Costs – Cold In-place Recycling (Merrill Airport)

1. Fly Ash application

- Applied at a rate of 120 lb./SY 12” average application depth.
- Very soft areas treated w/ heavier application rate or deeper.
- **COST - \$68,000**

2. EBS [Excavation Below Sub-grade]

- 18” deep.
- Replace EBS with CABC.
- **COST - \$132,000**

Base Stabilization – “The Process”

→ Estimated Costs – Base Stabilization (Langlade Co. Airport)

1. Fly Ash application

- Applied at a rate of 110 lb./SY 12” average application depth.
- Very soft areas treated w/ heavier application rate or deeper.
- **COST - \$58,000**

2. EBS [Excavation Below Sub-grade]

- 2-feet deep.
- Replace EBS w/ 1.5 ft. borrow material and 0.5’ ft CABC.
- **COST - \$120,000**



Thank You

Questions?