



Advantages of Chemical WMA in BMD

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Agenda

Brief History of WMA

Better Binder Performance

Improved Mix Performance

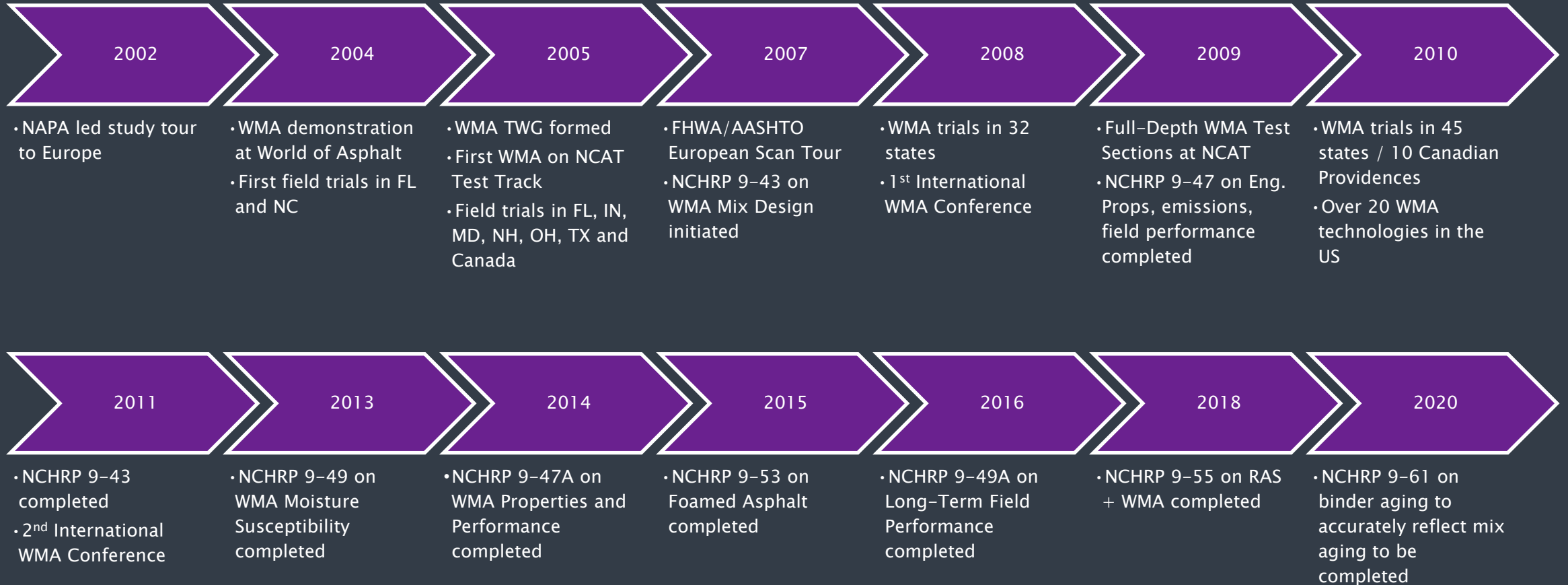
WMA Application - Compaction

Pavement Designed to Perform



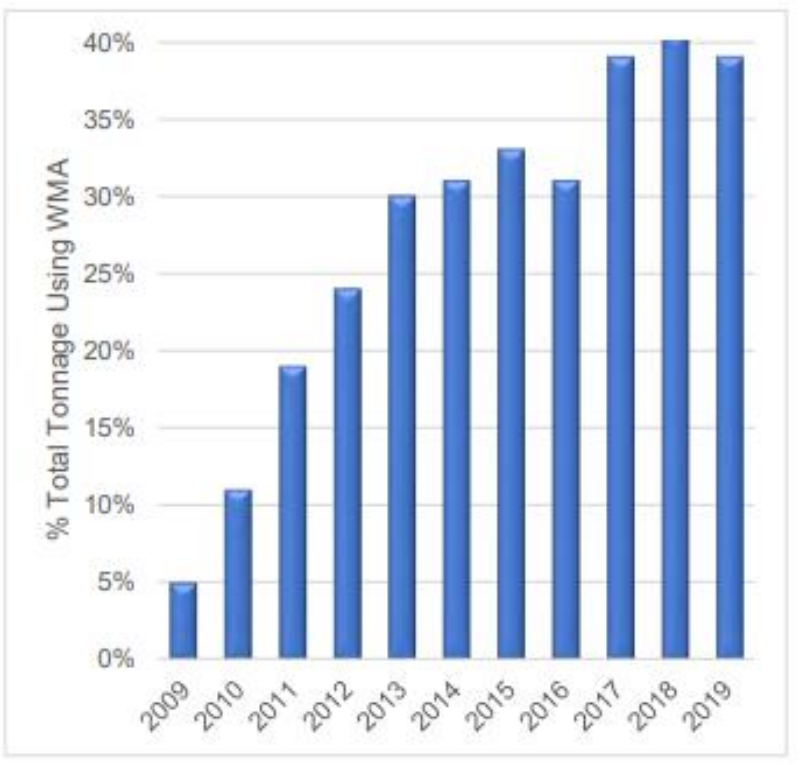
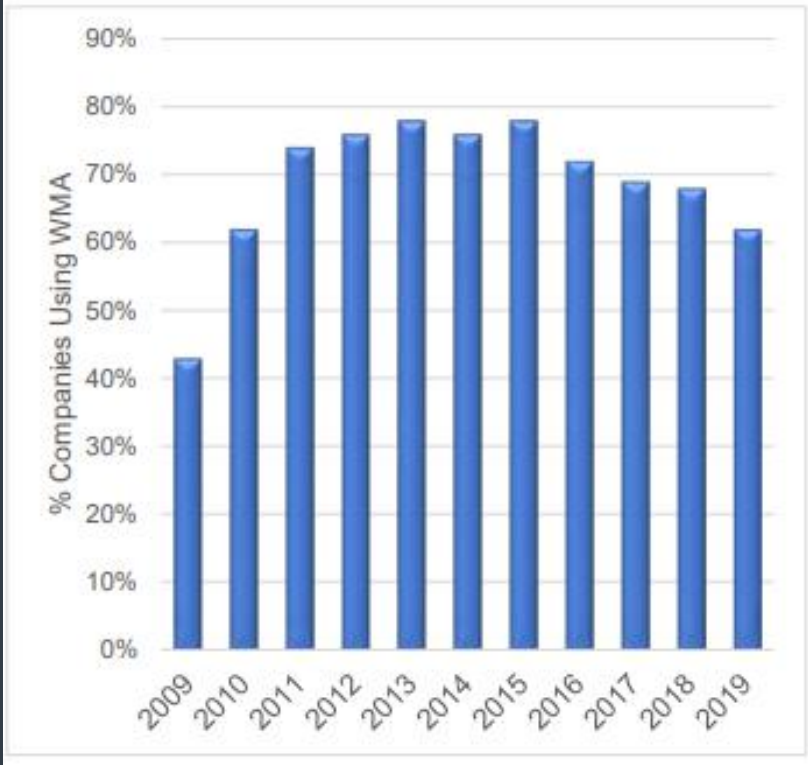
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History of WMA

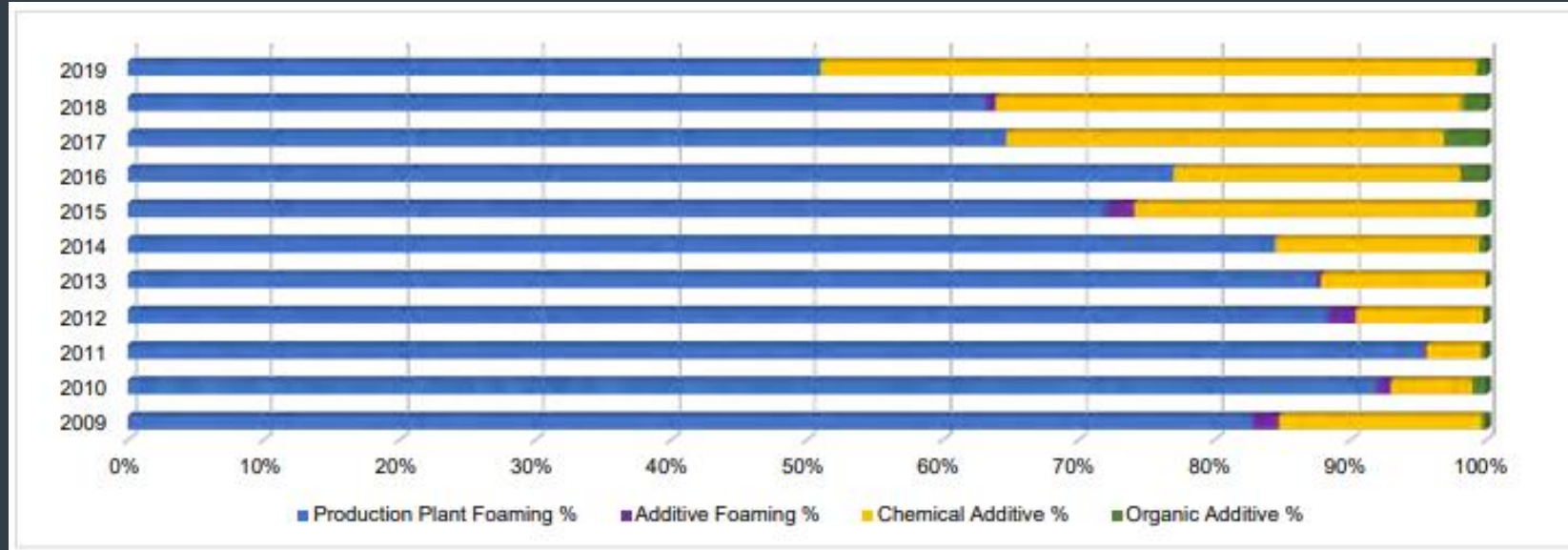


NAPA's WMA Usage Surveys

- The National Asphalt Paving Association (NAPA) has conducted a systematic survey of asphalt mixture producers across the United States to quantify the use of recycled materials and the production of WMA from 2009 until 2019.



NAPA Survey on WMA Usage



WMA Technology	% Production										
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Production Plant Foaming	83.0	92.0	95.4	88.3	87.0	84.5	72.0	76.9	64.7	63.2	51.0
Additive Foaming	2.0	1.0	0.2	2.0	0.3	0.0	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0
Chemical Additive	15.0	6.0	4.1	9.4	12.1	15.0	25.2	21.1	32.2	34.3	48.3
Organic Additive	0.3	1.0	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.5	0.7	1.9	3.1	1.8	0.7

Graphs are from NAPA's "Asphalt Pavement Industry Survey on Recycled Materials and Warm-Mix Asphalt Usage: 2019"

HIGHER RECYCLED
MATERIAL CONTENT

LONGER
HAUL
DISTANCES

LESS BINDER
OXIDATION

COLD WEATHER PAVING

FIBER-FREE SMA

MIX
TYPES:
OGFC
PMB
GTR ...
MAT DENSITY
MORE UNIFORM
SEGREGATION =
LESS THERMAL

BETTER COMPACTION
DENSITY = BONUS PAY

LIME REPLACEMENT

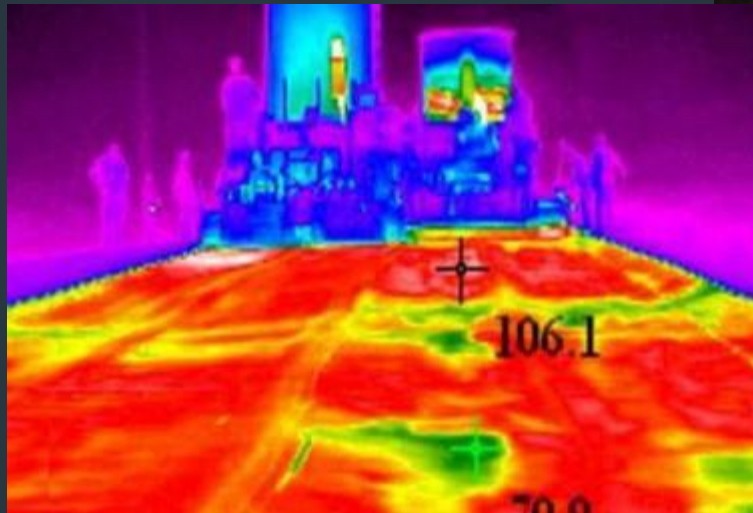
REDUCED AGGREGATE
ABSORPTION

Ingevity “Three Pillars Approach” to WMA

Binder Analysis

Mixture Performance

Pavement Design



What Influences Binder Aging?

Short-Term “Spurt” Aging

HMA

Time and Temperature ?
Micron film thickness



Process dependent
Controllable

In-Service Aging

Aging varies with environmental conditions.

- Temperature
- Hours of sunlight
- Moisture exposure

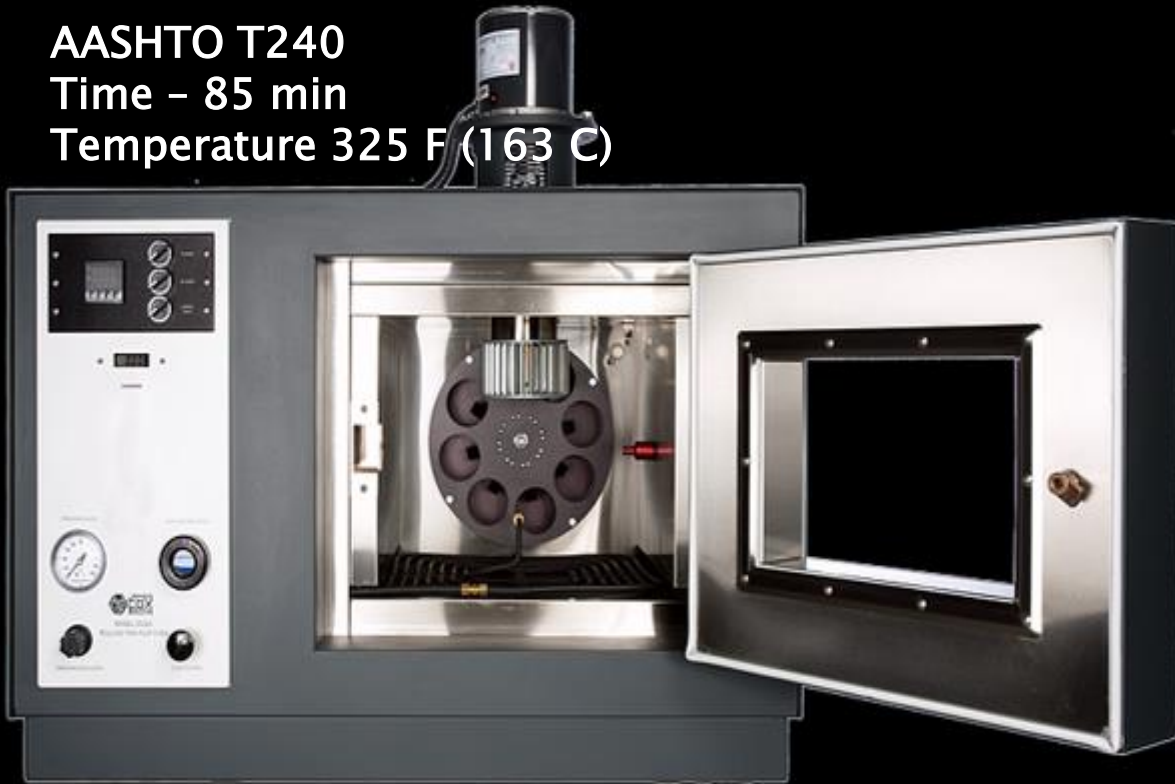


Environmental dependent
Predictive

How Our Industry Lab Ages Binder

Short-term Aging
Rolling Thin Film Oven

AASHTO T240
Time - 85 min
Temperature 325 F (163 C)



PG 64

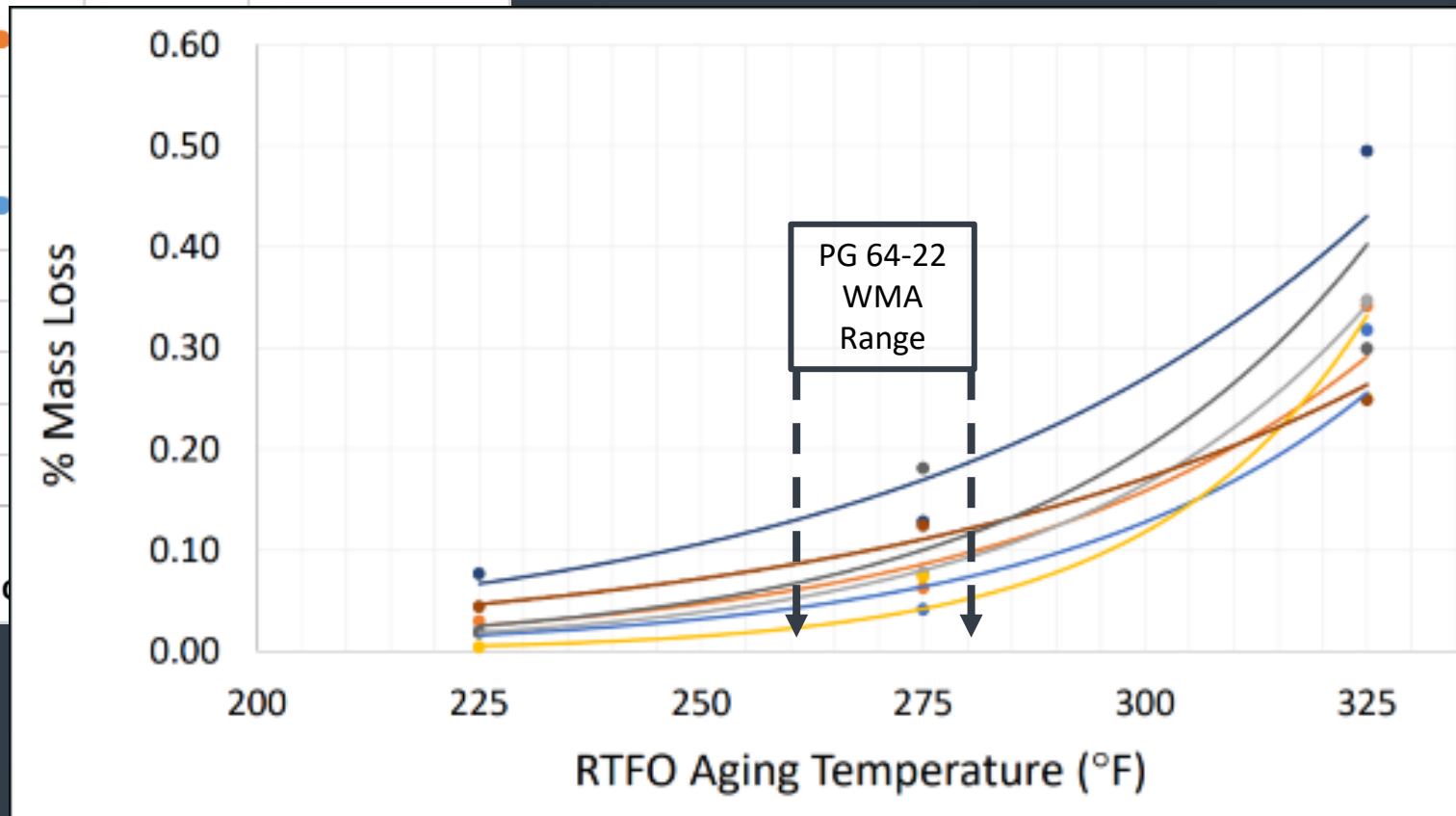
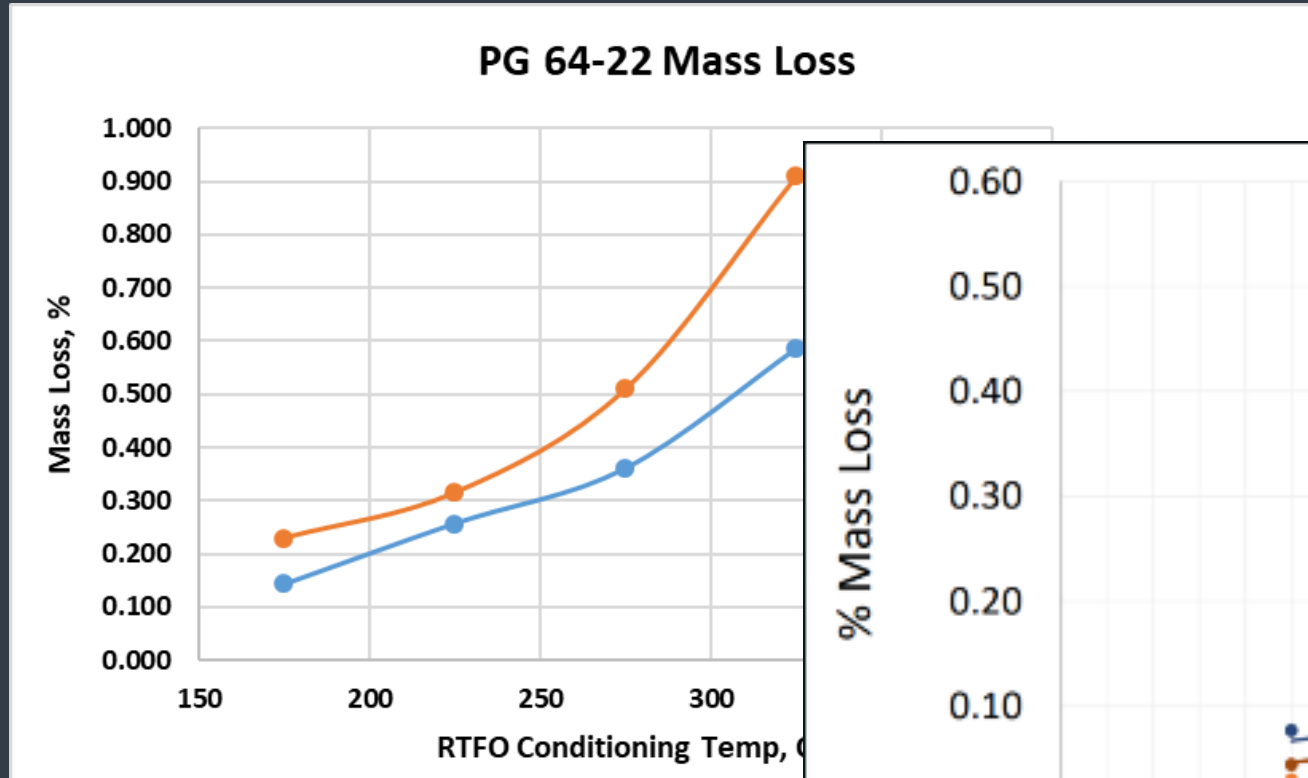
In-service Aging
Pressure Aging Vessel

AASHTO R28
Time 20 Hrs
Temperature 100 C
Air pressure 305 psi

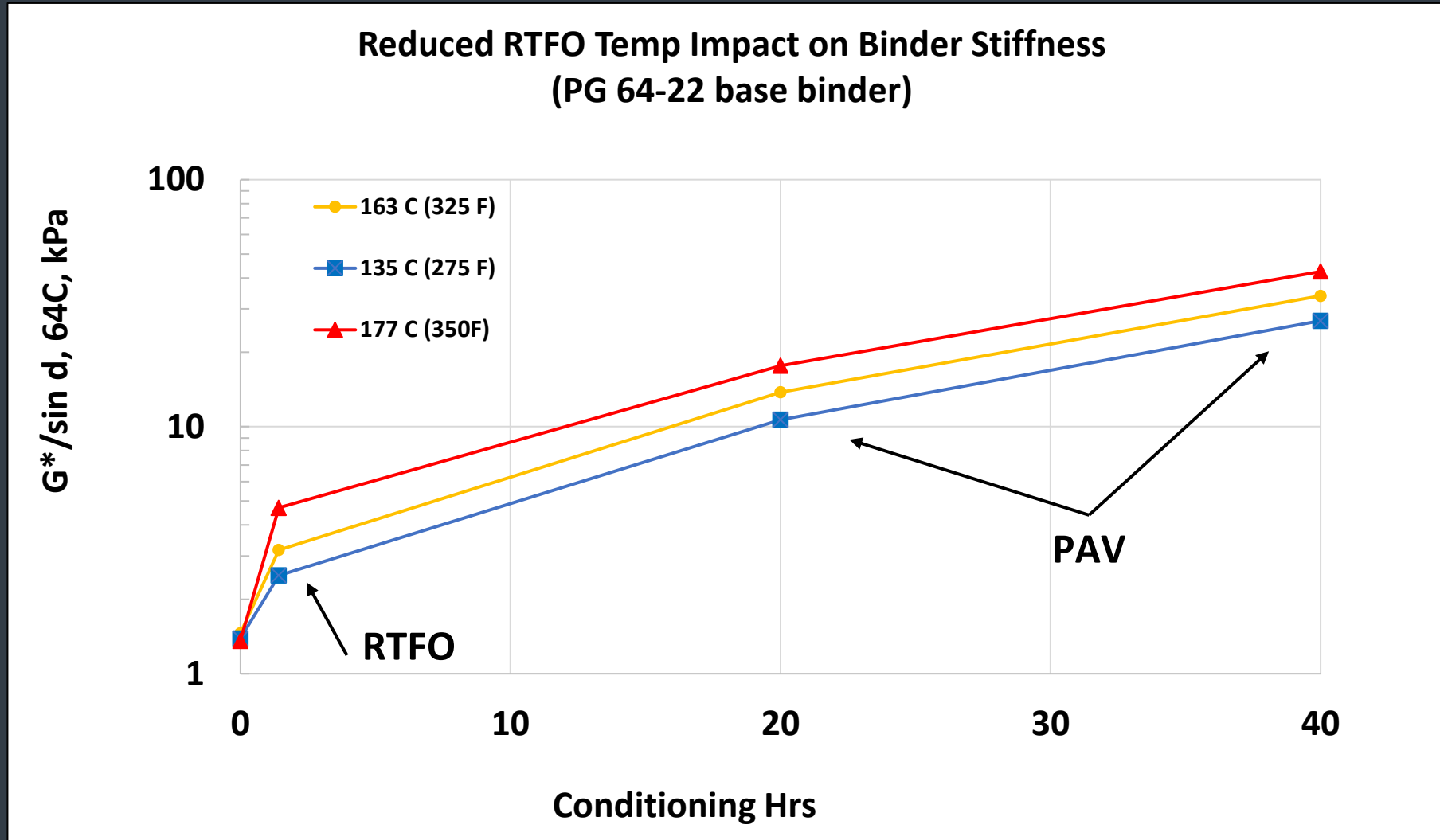


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Binder Mass Loss vs RTFO Temperatures

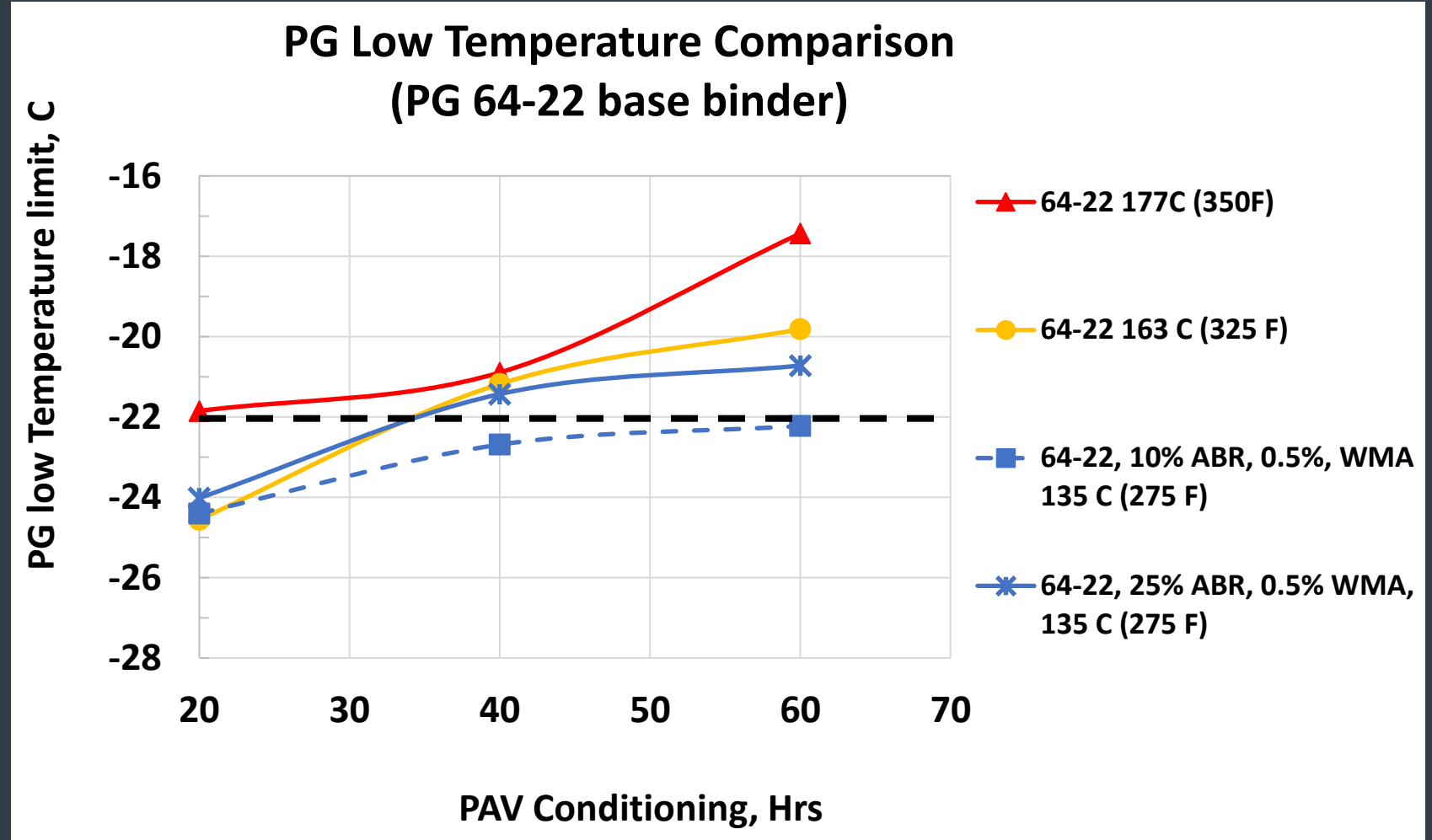


Binder Stiffness vs RTFO Temperatures



PG Low Temp After Extended Aging

- 20 Hr PAV is common aging limit for PG specifications
- PG 64-22 RTFO 350F is out of spec after 20 Hr PAV
- Reducing RTFO 50F still meets spec after 60 Hrs



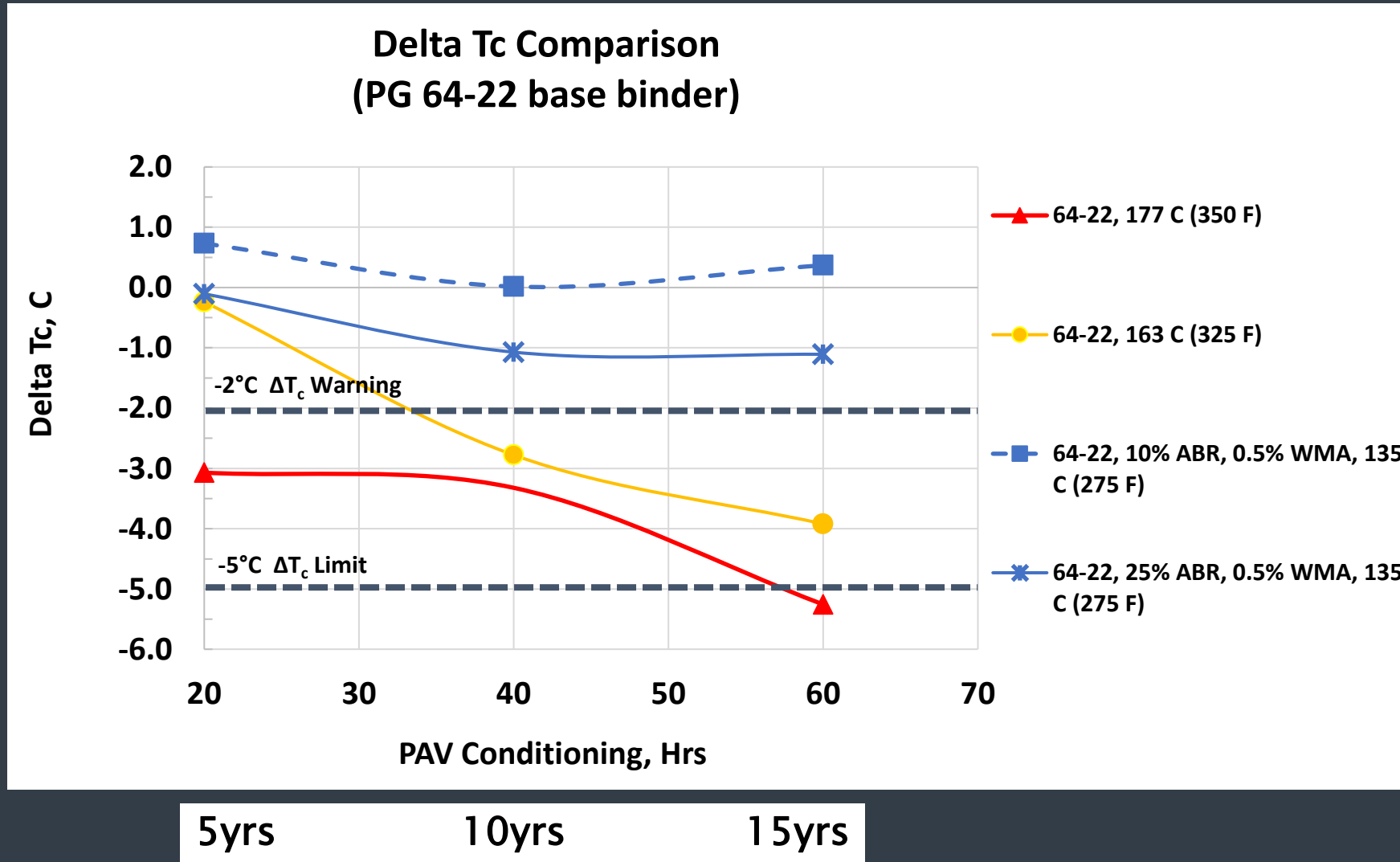
5yrs

10yrs

15yrs

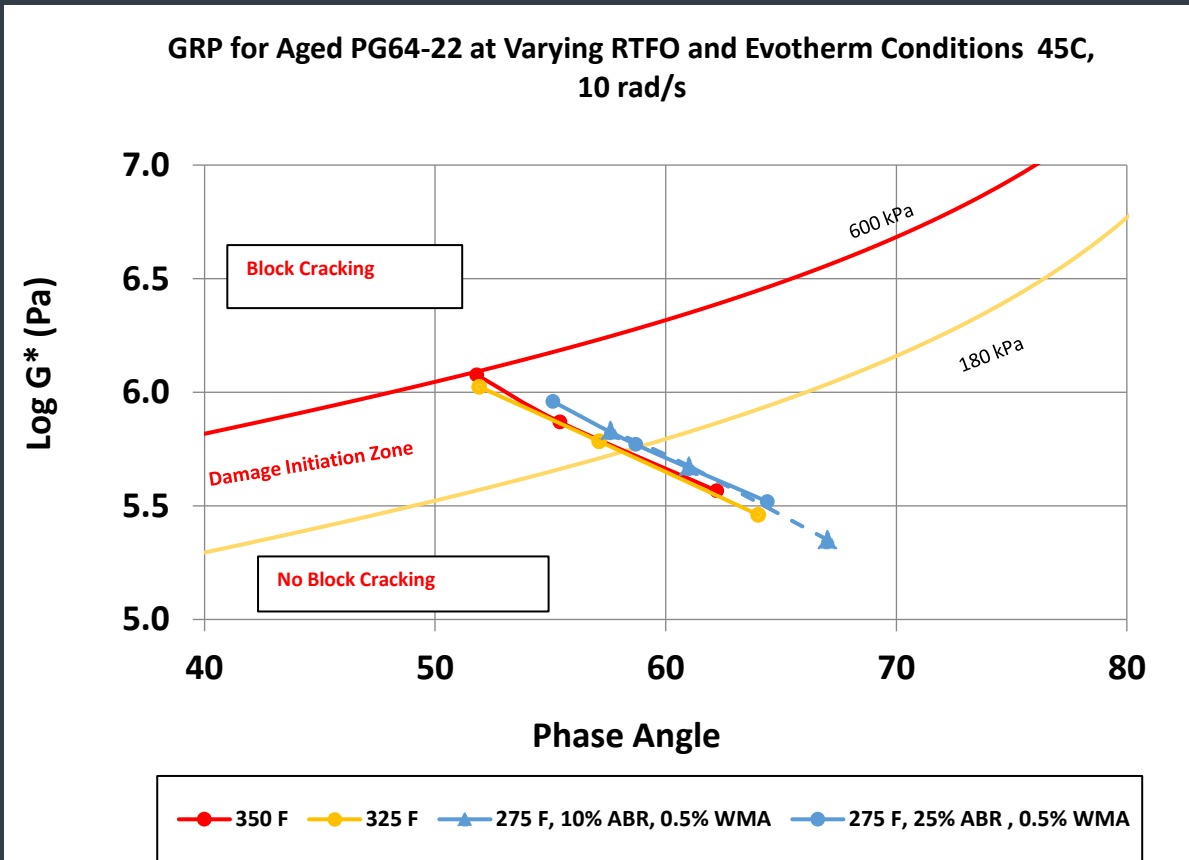
Lowering Temperature Improves Long-Term ΔT_c

$$\Delta T_c = T_{cont\ S} - T_{cont\ m}$$

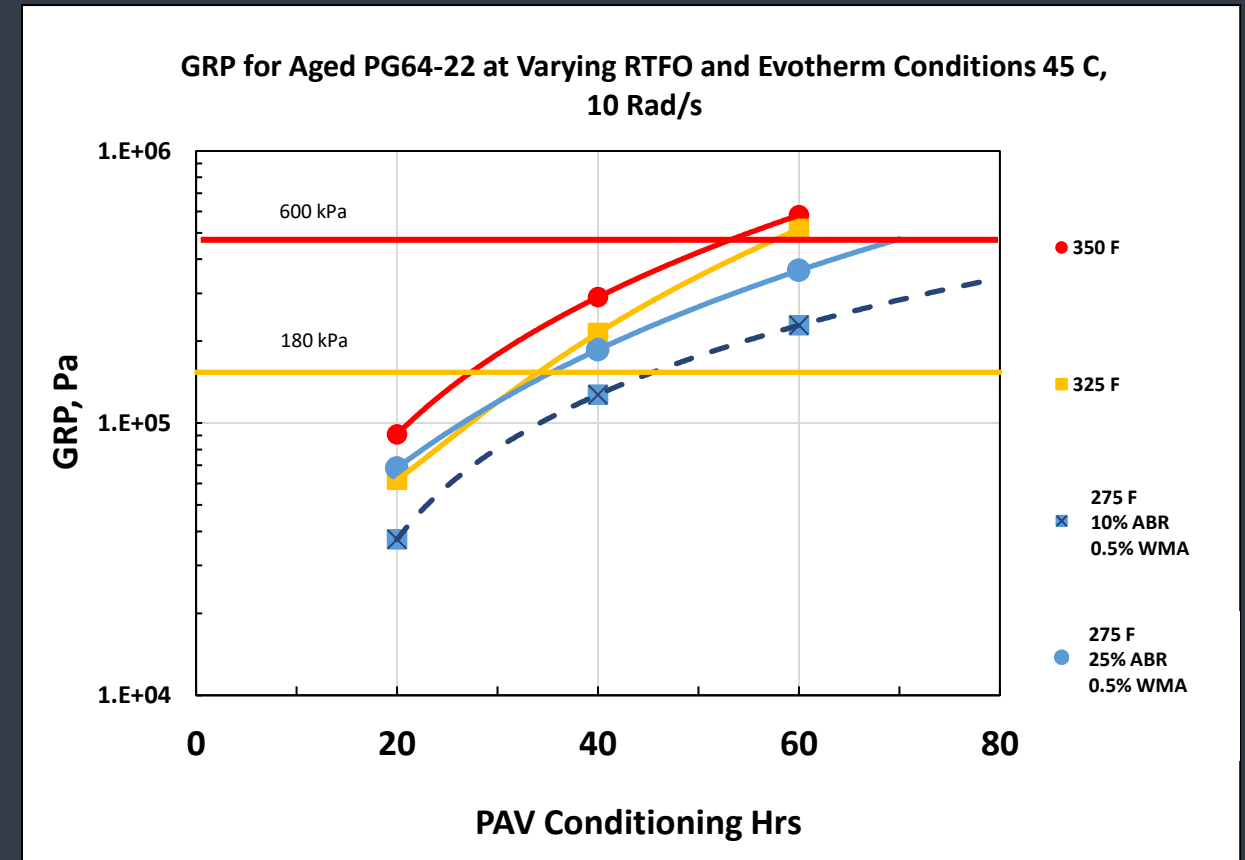


Glover-Rowe Parameter with Low Temperature

Black Space Diagram

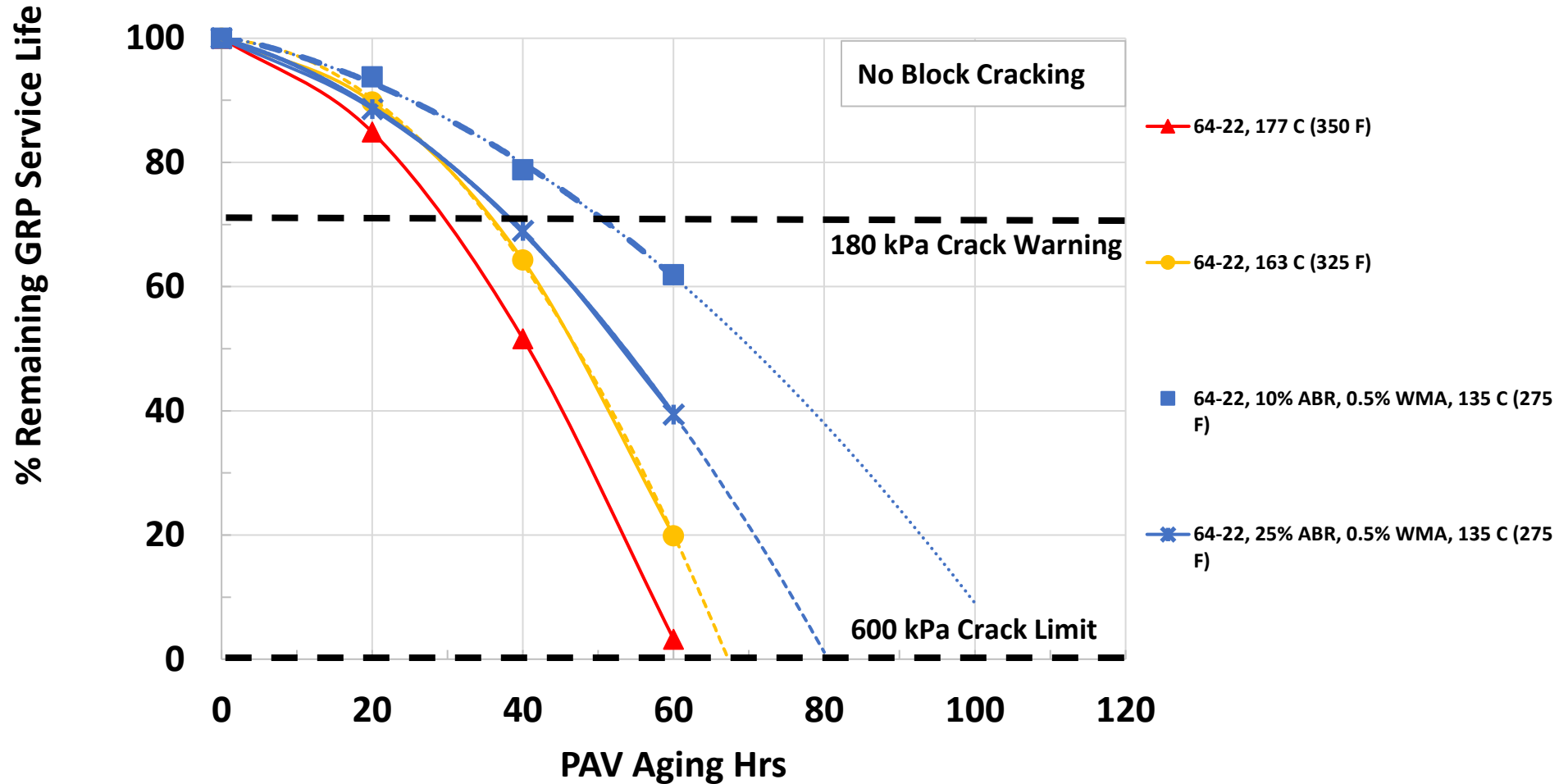


GRP Values



Glover-Rowe Service Life Predictions

Glover-Rowe Parameter Comparison
(PG 64-22 base binder)



$$GRP = \frac{G^*(\cos \delta)^2}{\sin \delta}$$

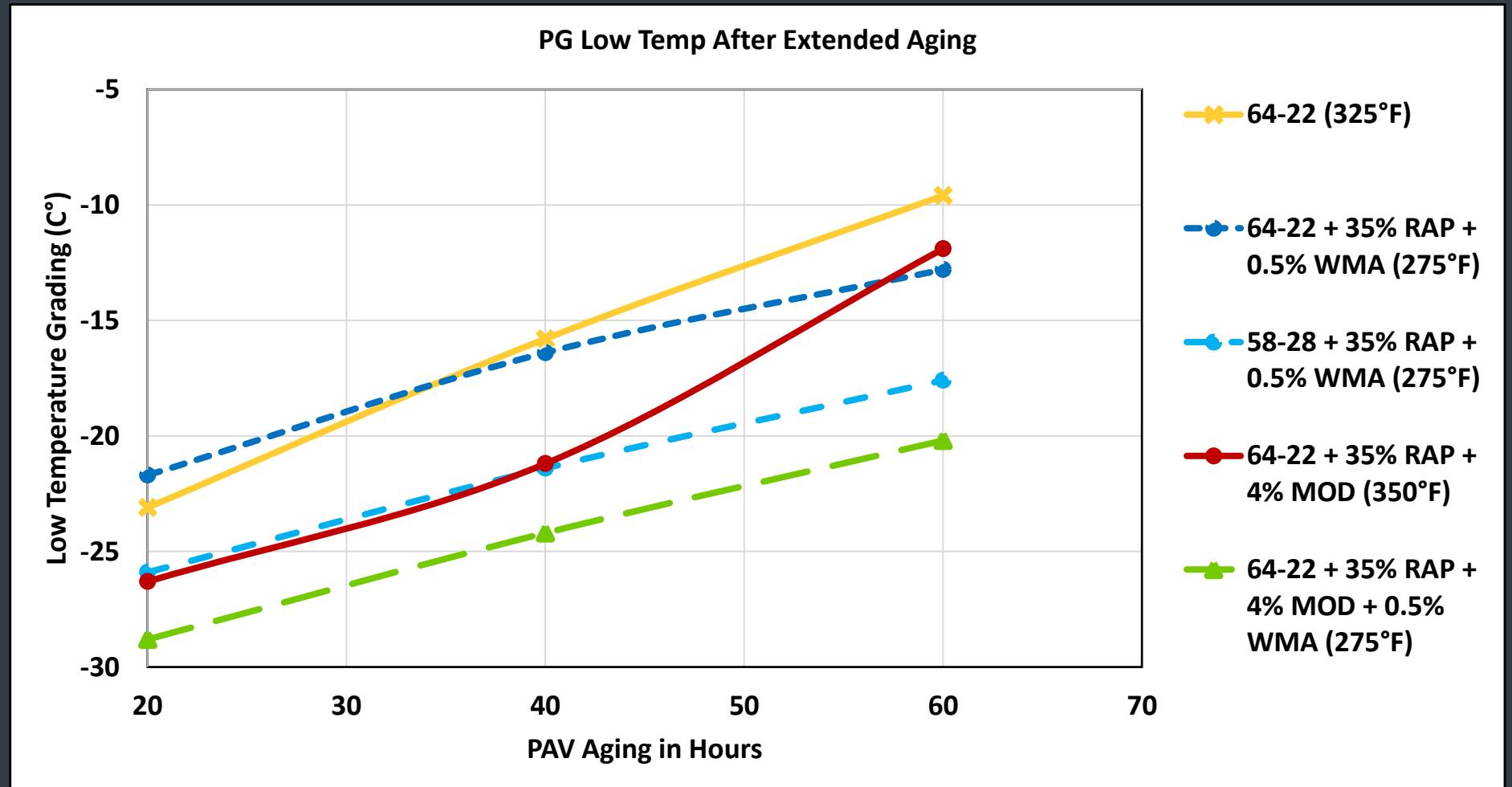
% remaining life =

$$\frac{(GRP_{limit} - GRP)}{GRP_{limit}} * 100$$

PG Low Temp After Extended Aging with Modifier Comparison

Grade bumping and Modifiers also shift graph.

WMA shift from lower mix temperature of greater significance



5yrs

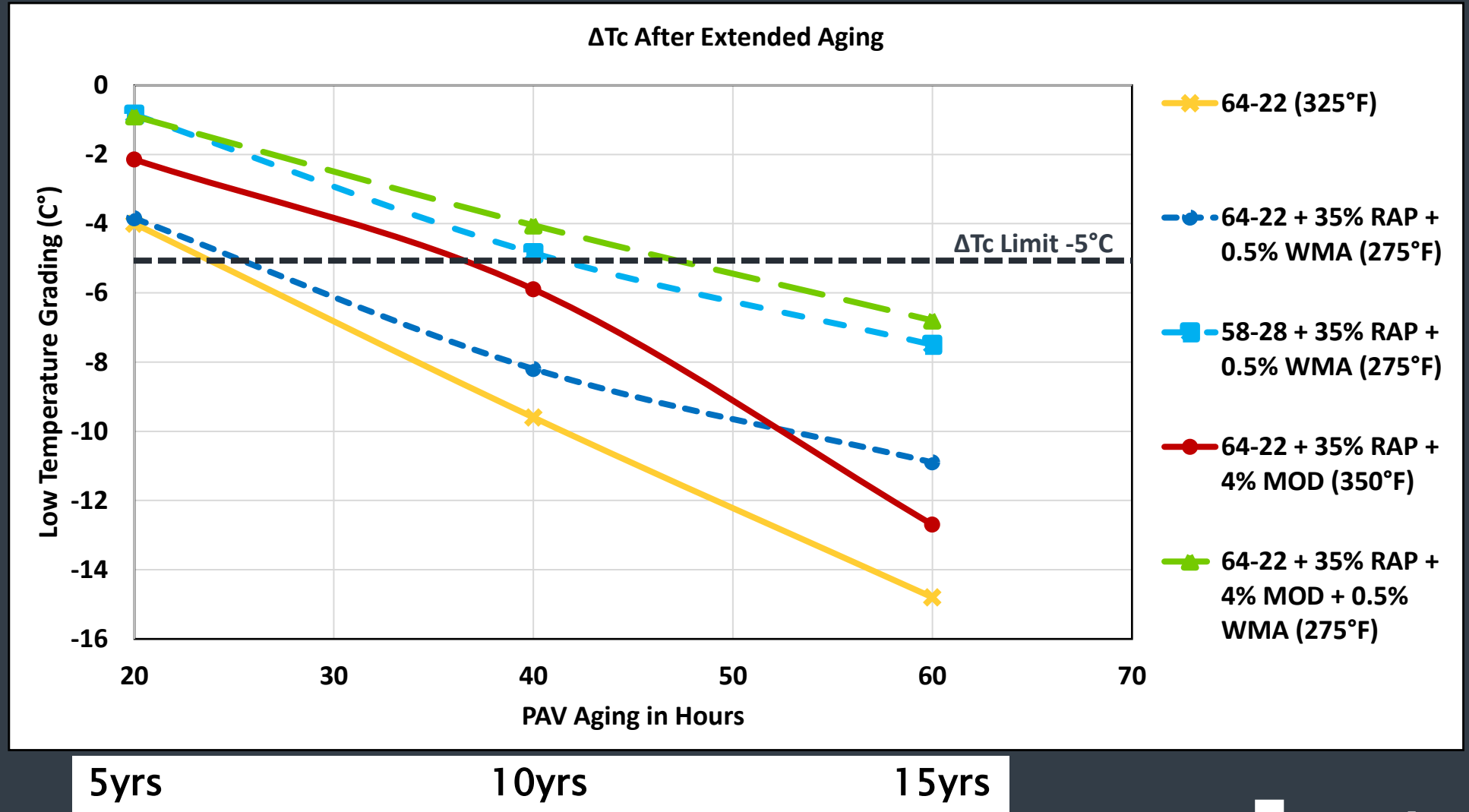
10yrs

15yrs

ΔT_c After Extended Aging with Modifier Comparison

Grade bumping and Modifiers also shift ΔT_c data.

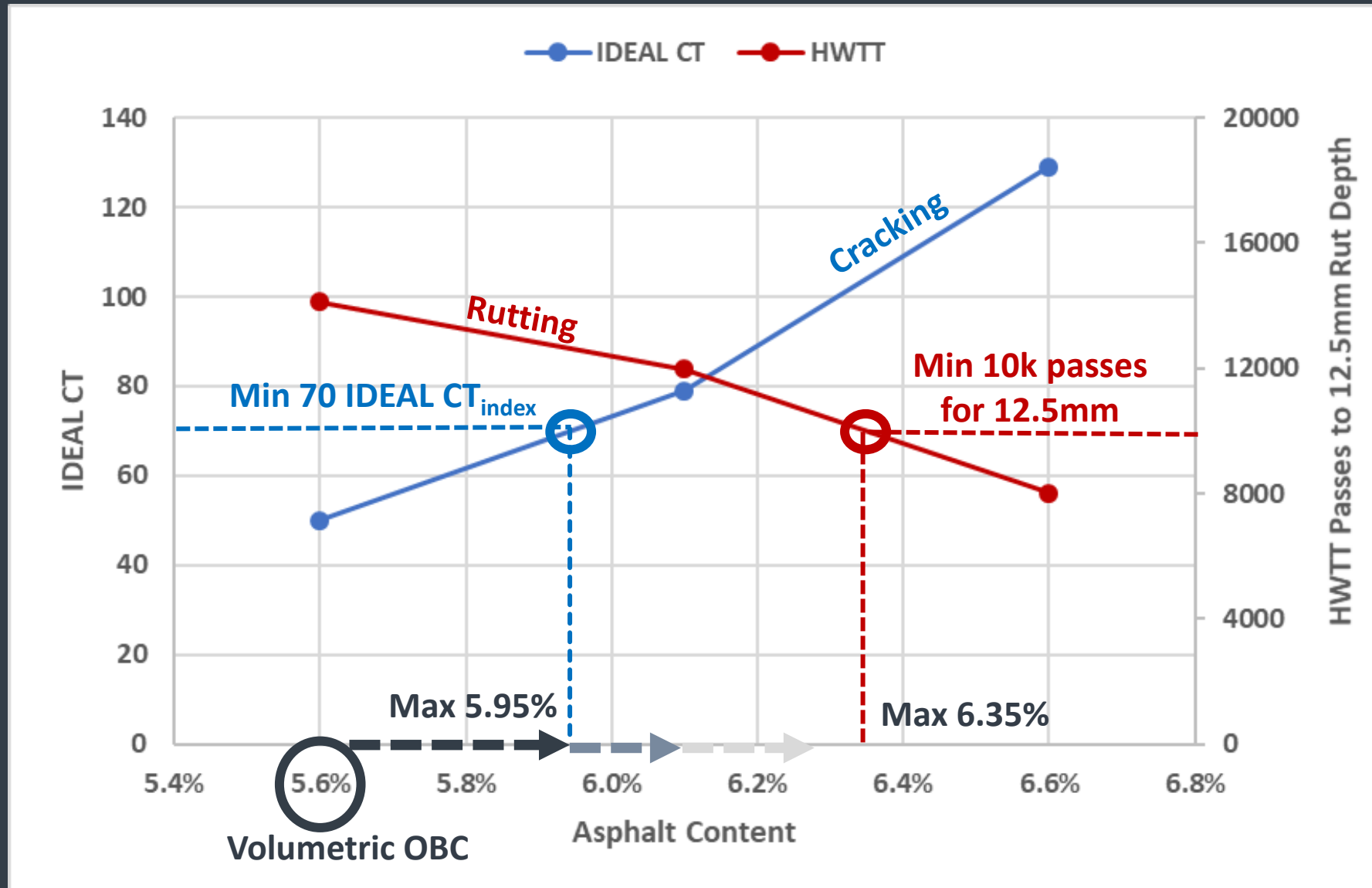
Elevated mix temperature can complete erode benefit from binder modification



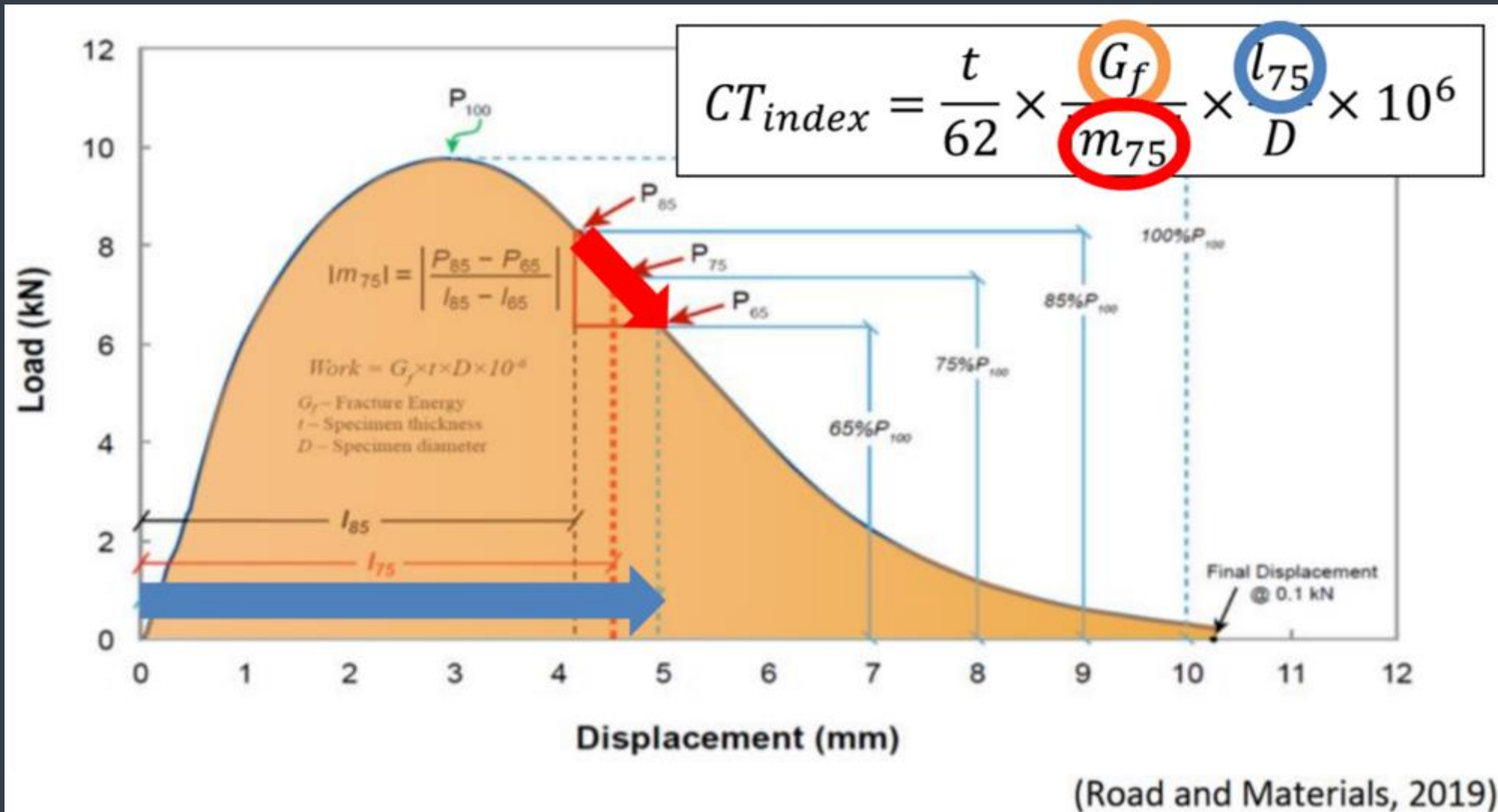
Mixture Performance Testing – Pillar II



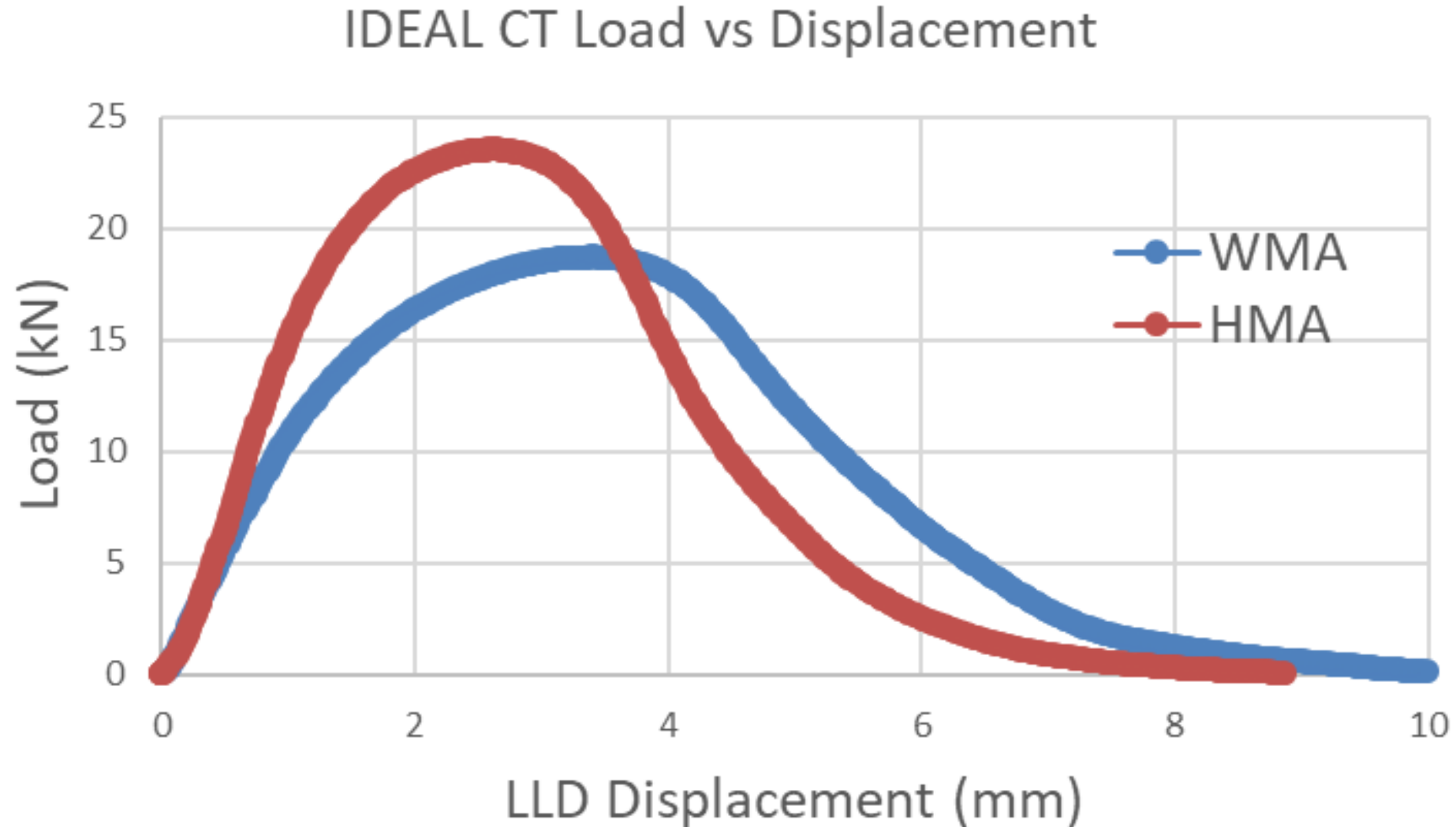
BMD Trends- Typical Approach



BMD – How Does IdealCT Work?

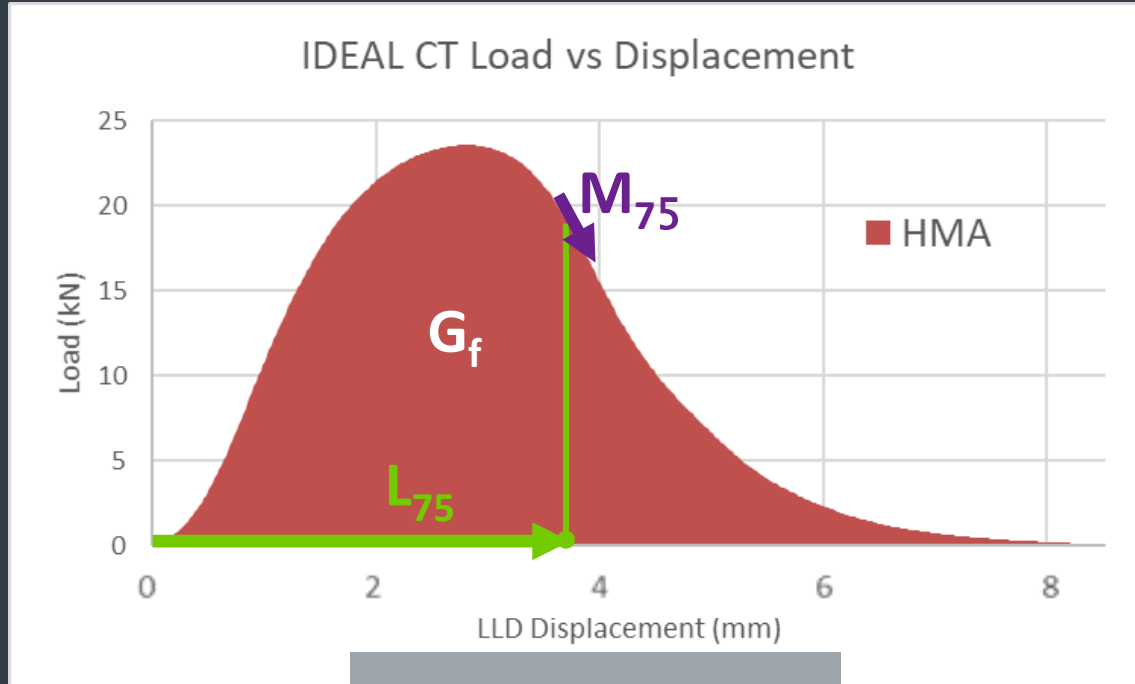


BMD – How WMA Impacts IDEAL CT



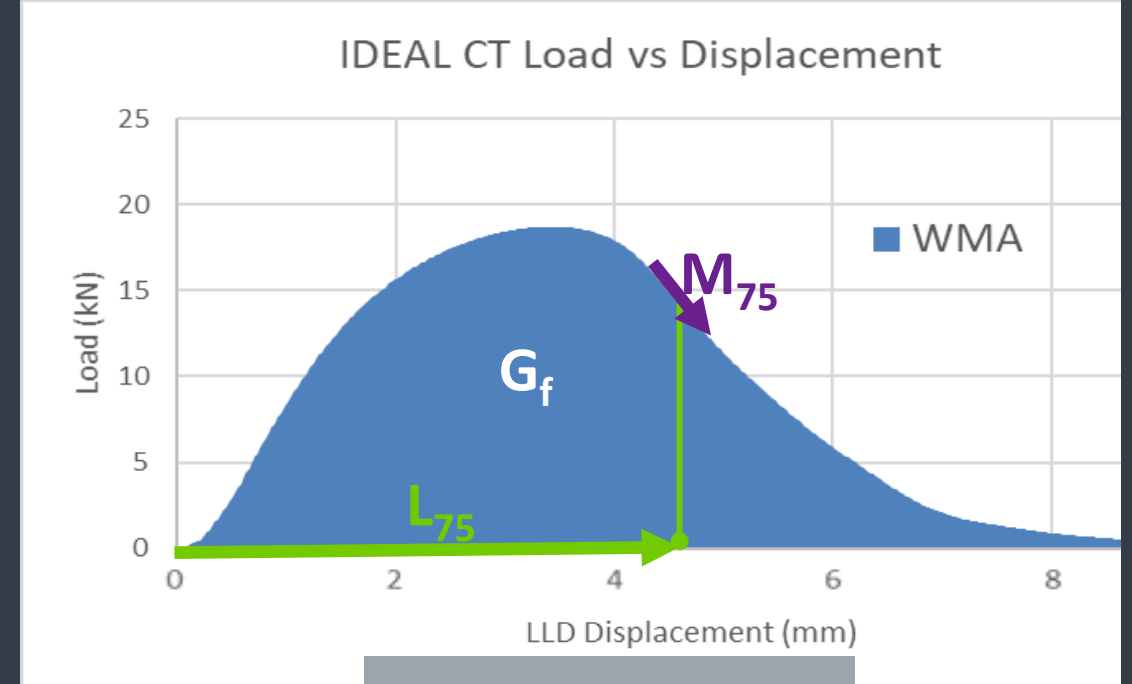
BMD – How WMA Impacts IDEAL CT

$$CT_{index} = \frac{t}{62} \times \frac{G_f}{M_{75}} \times \frac{l_{75}}{D} \times 10^6$$



$CT_{index} = 20$

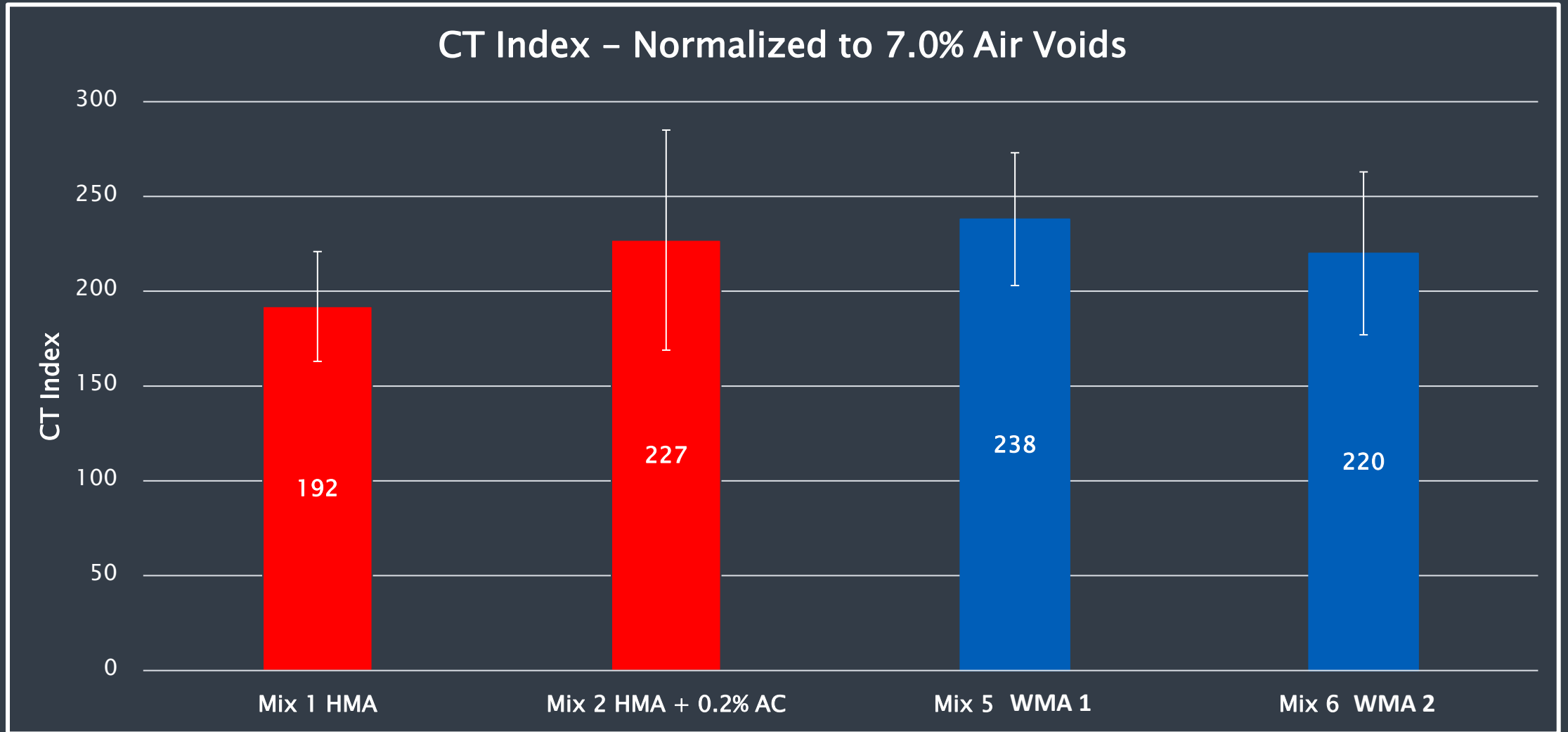
$G_f = 9319 \text{ J/m}^2$
 $L_{75} = 3.76 \text{ mm}$
 $M_{75} = 11.64 \text{ N/m}$



$CT_{index} = 42$

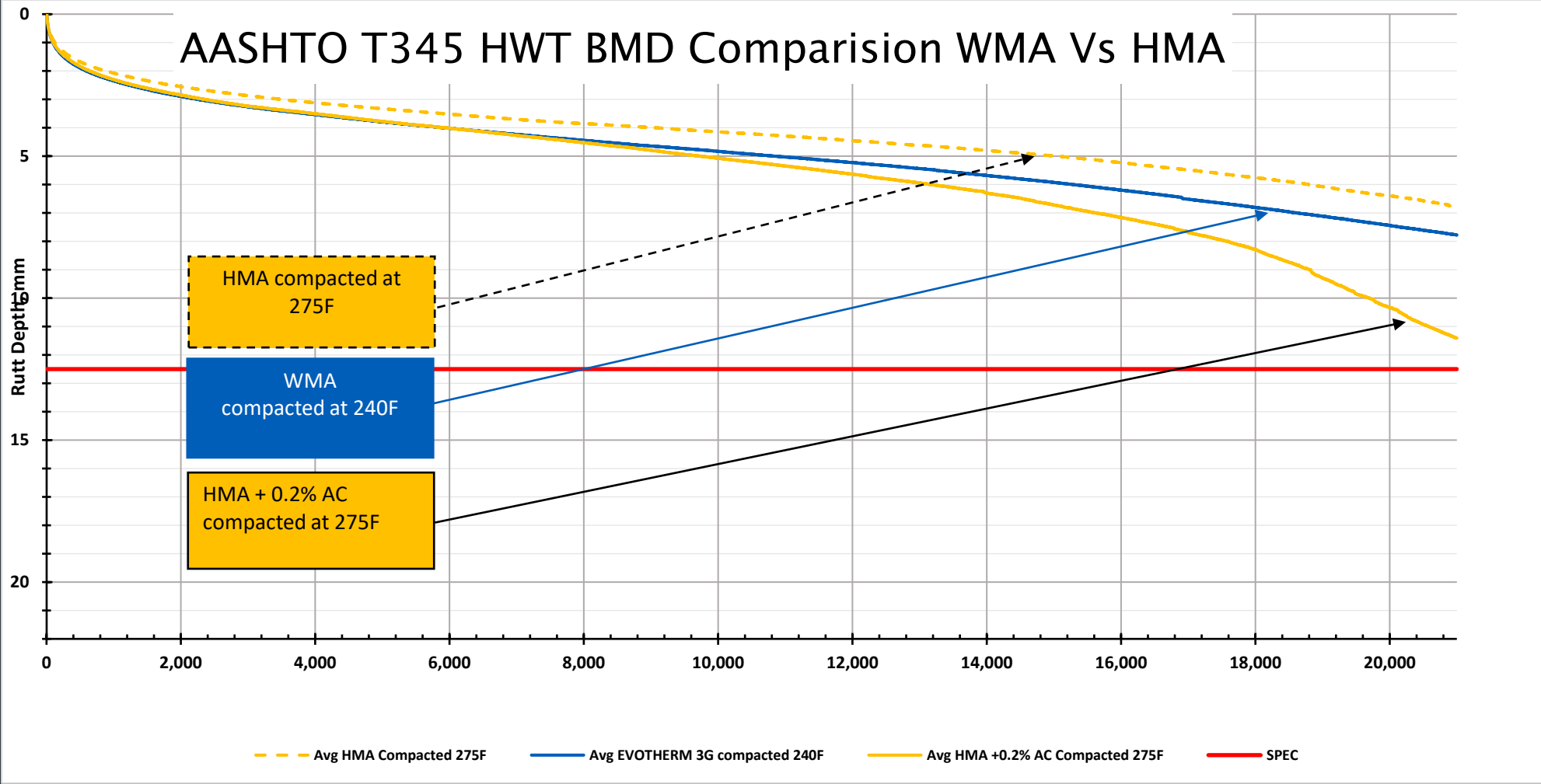
$G_f = 9485 \text{ J/m}^2$
 $L_{75} = 4.69 \text{ mm}$
 $M_{75} = 7.06 \text{ N/m}$

BMD – WMA vs Increased AC content



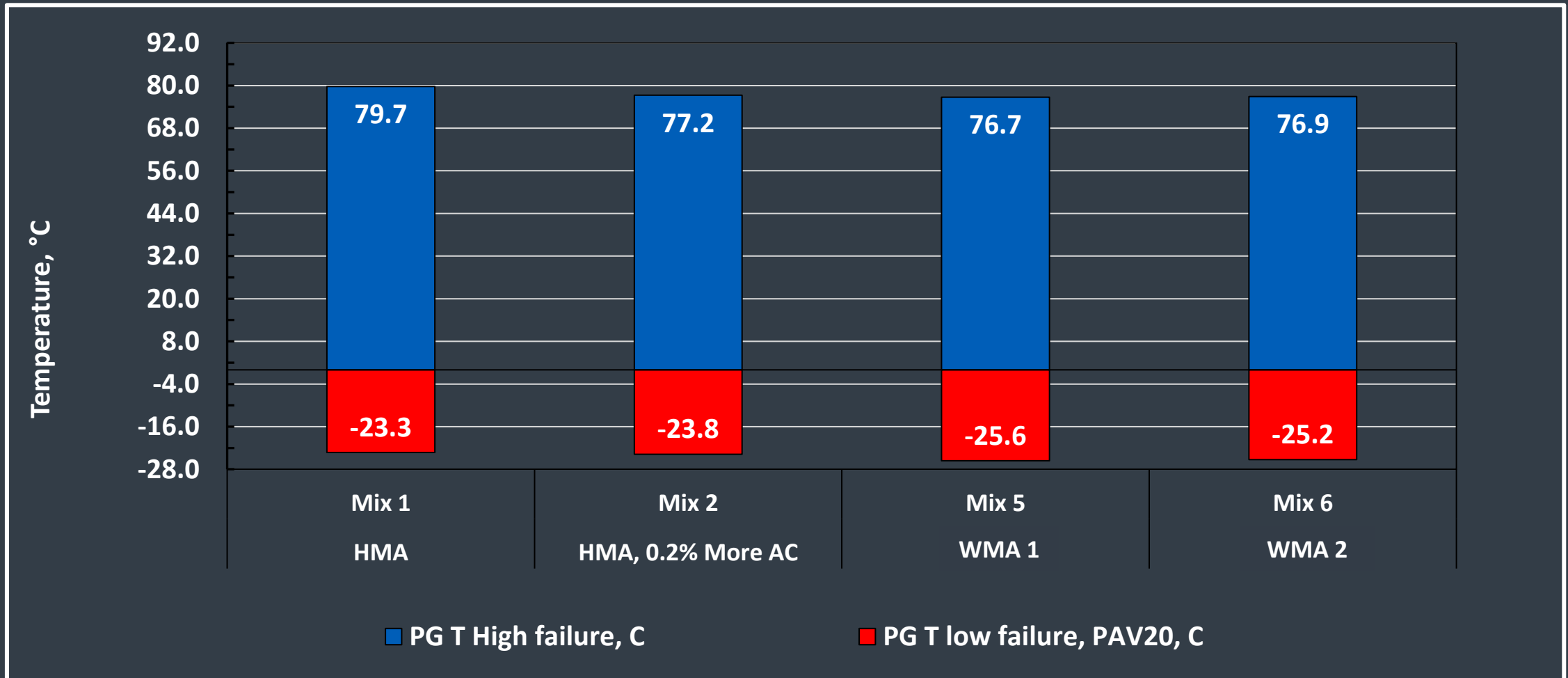
Avg CT Index values improve when produced as WMA and when adding AC

BMD – WMA vs Increased AC Content



No significant change in WMA rutting performance as compared HMA; increased AC% shows more potential to rut.

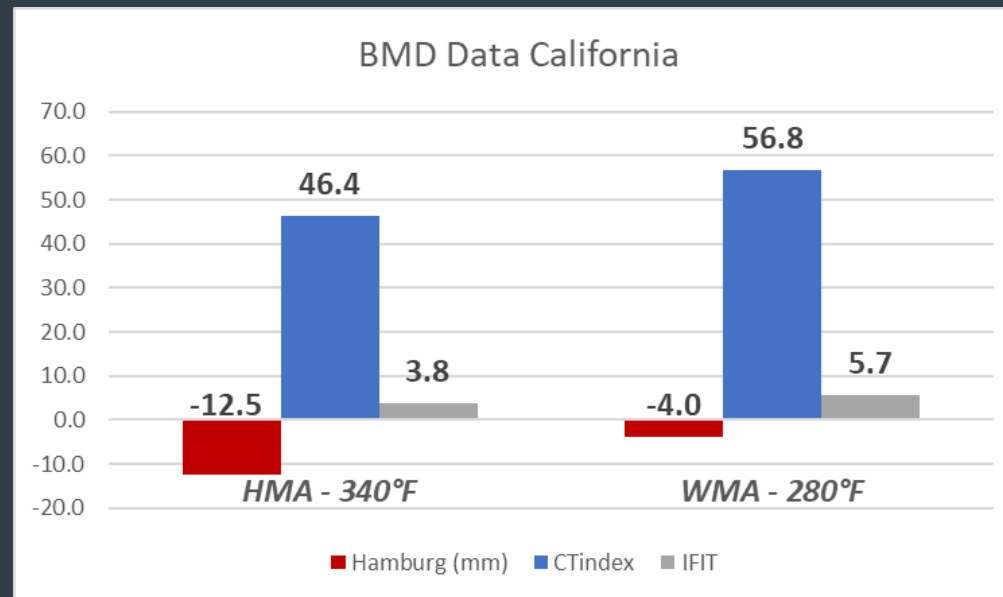
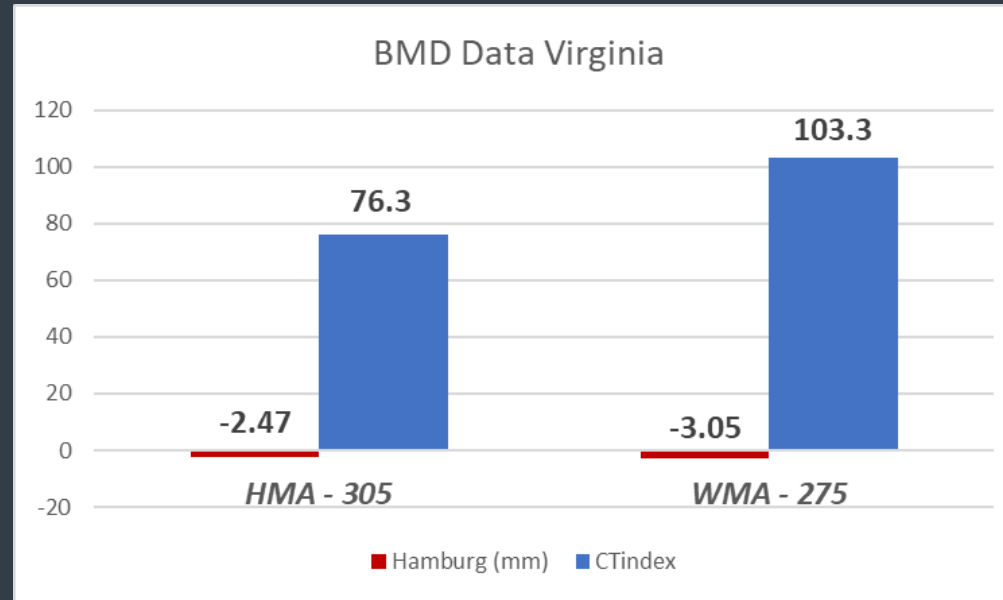
Recovered AC Analysis



STOA Only - PG true grade indicates better low temperature performance for WMA vs HMA
High temperature impact confirmed by HWT performance

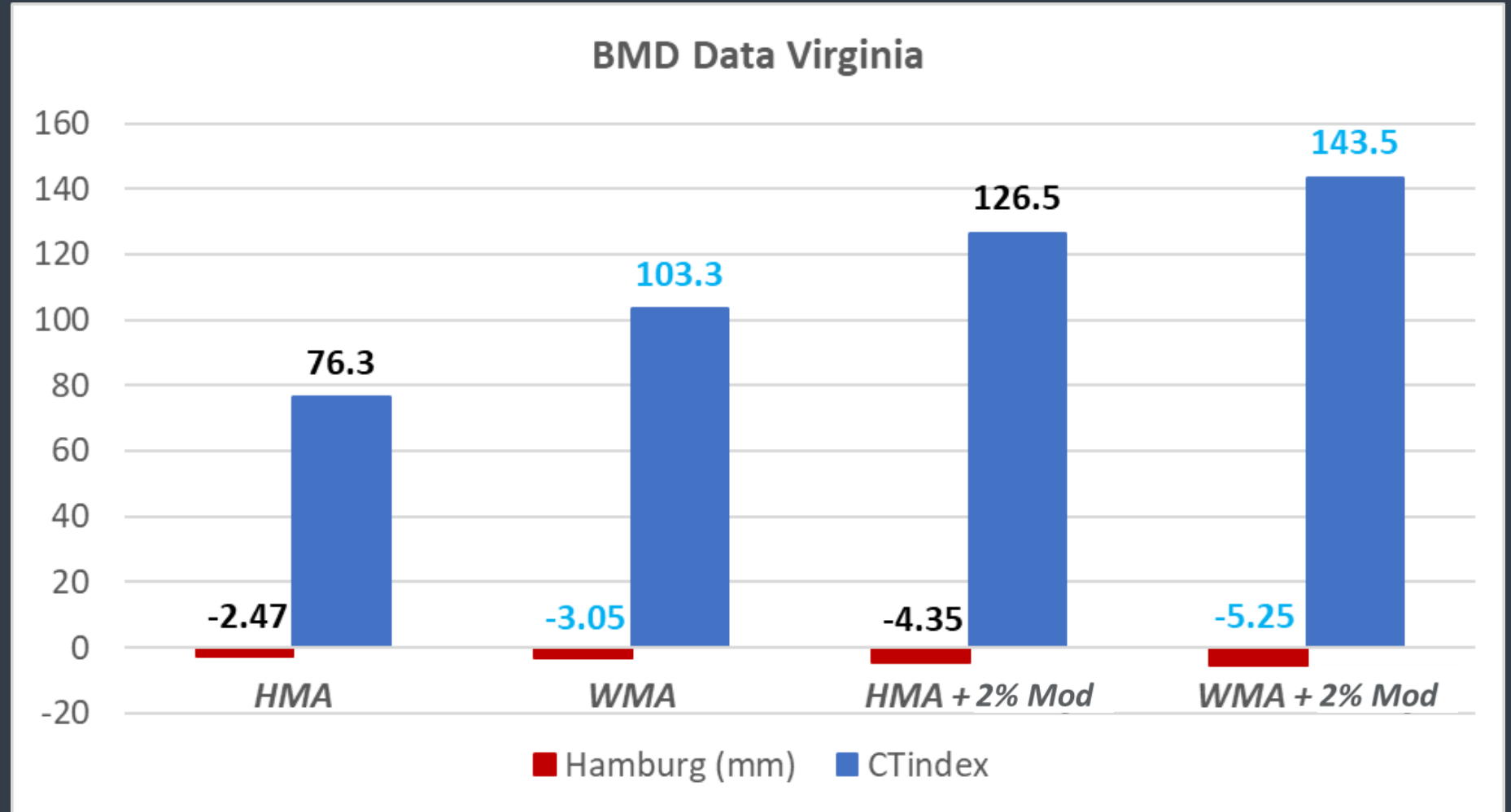
Mixture Performance Testing – BMD

- Virginia California BMD work with WMA.
- WMA improves IDEAL CT by temperature reduction
- Rutting is not affected by temperature reduction



Mixture Performance Testing – BMD with Binder Modifier

- WMA Shift and a Modifier Shift



Evothem WMA Application – Compaction



Compaction Window

Assumptions

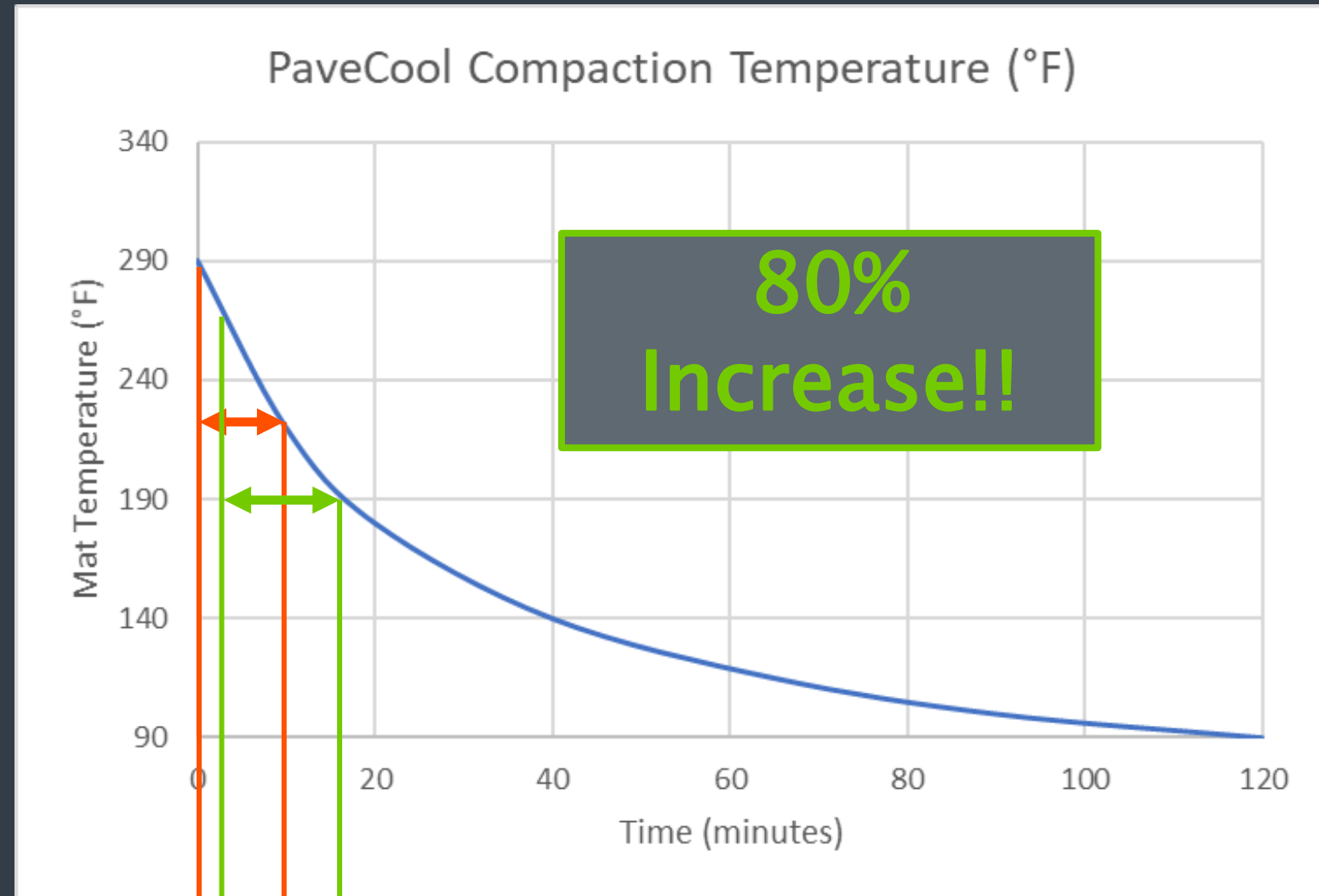
- 2 in lift
- 50°F Ambient Temps
- 5 mph wind speed
- Dense graded mix

HMA

Mix Temp - 305°F
Compaction Temp
Window 290°F - 220°F

WMA

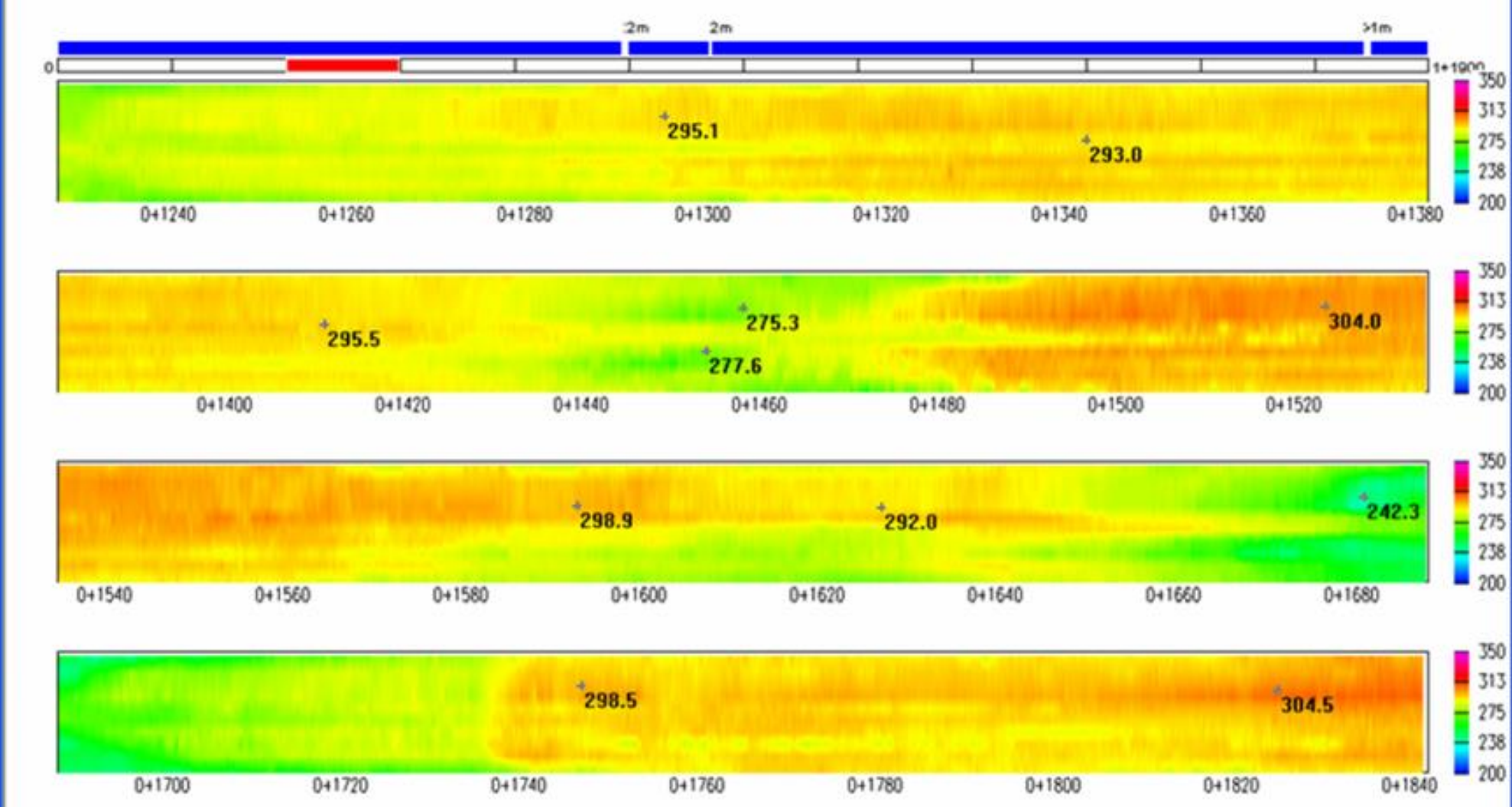
Mix Temp - 275°F
Compaction Temp
Window 260°F - 190°F



18 min - WMA Compaction Window

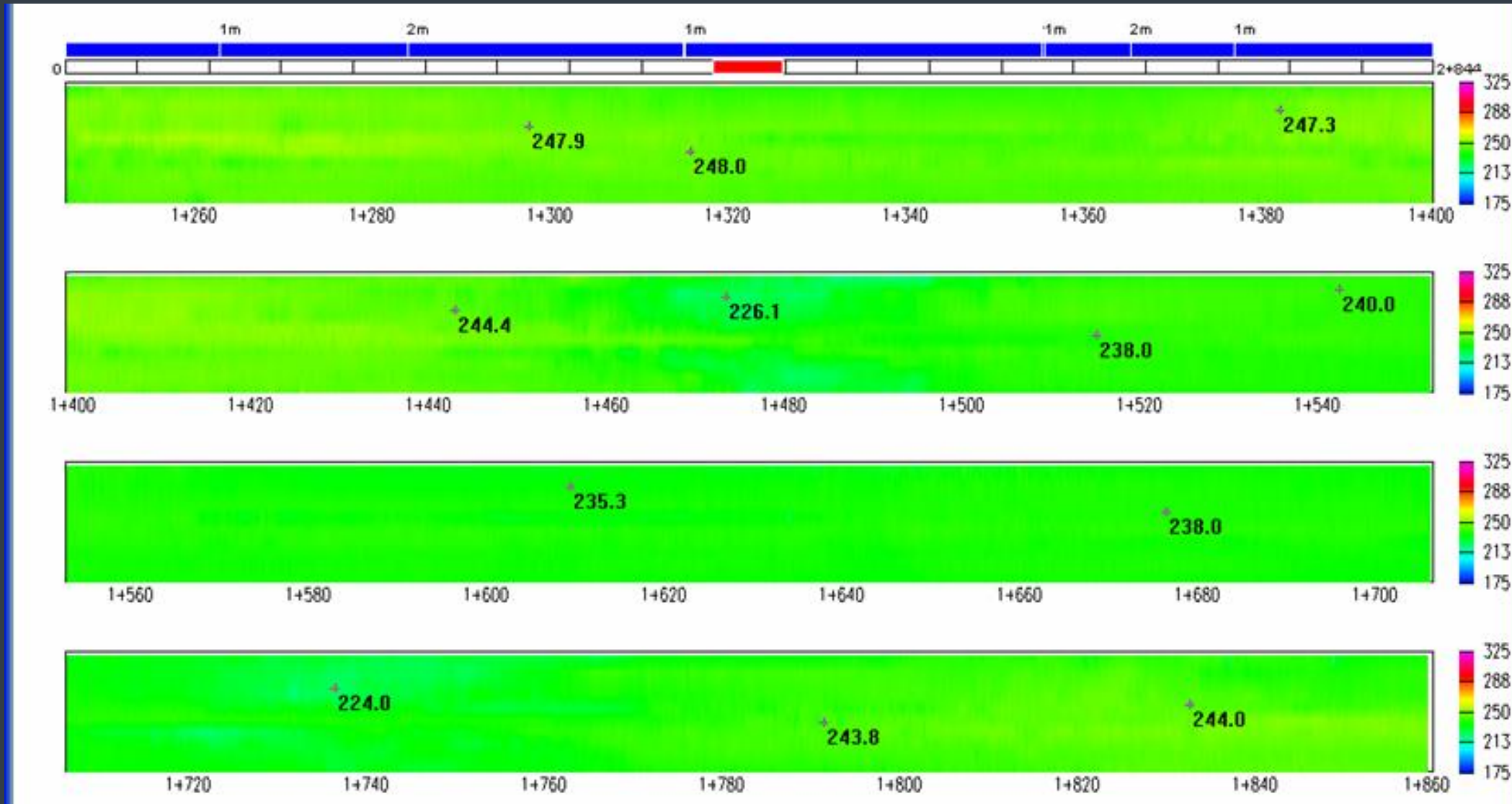
10 min - HMA Compaction Window

Thermal Segregation – HMA



62°F Difference

Thermal Segregation – WMA



WMA in Pavement Design – Pillar III



Integrated Approach

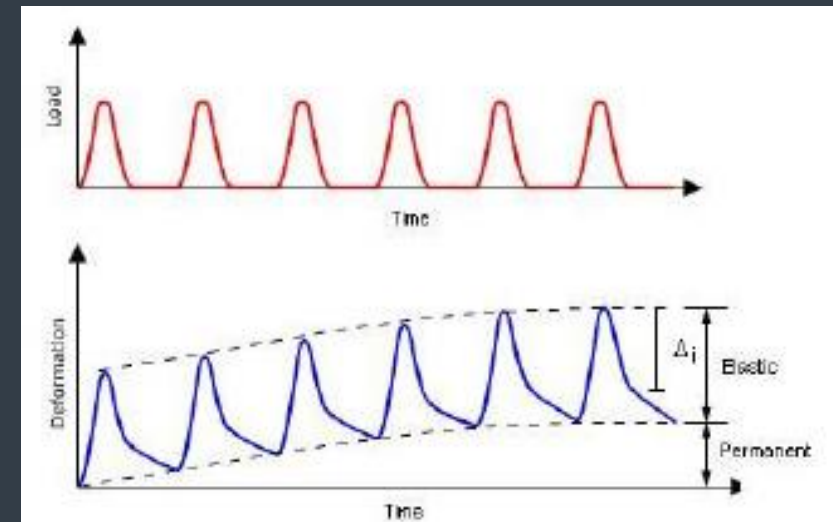
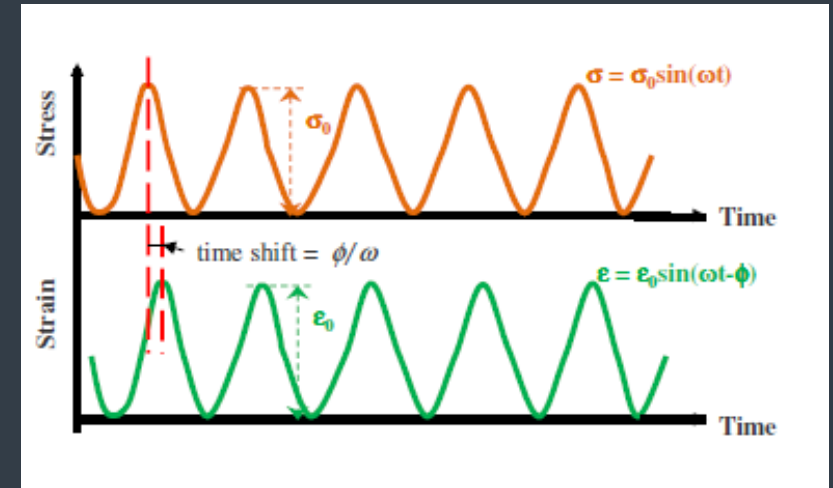
- “The actual ranking and evaluation of the material’s fatigue behavior can be obtained from structural simulations that depend on the **traffic level, climate, pavement structure, and other material properties**, i.e., the dynamic modulus, damage characteristic curve (C vs S), and failure criterion (G^R or D^R).”

Wang, Yizhuang. Development of the Framework of Performance–Engineered Mixture Design for Asphalt Concrete. North Carolina State University. 2019.

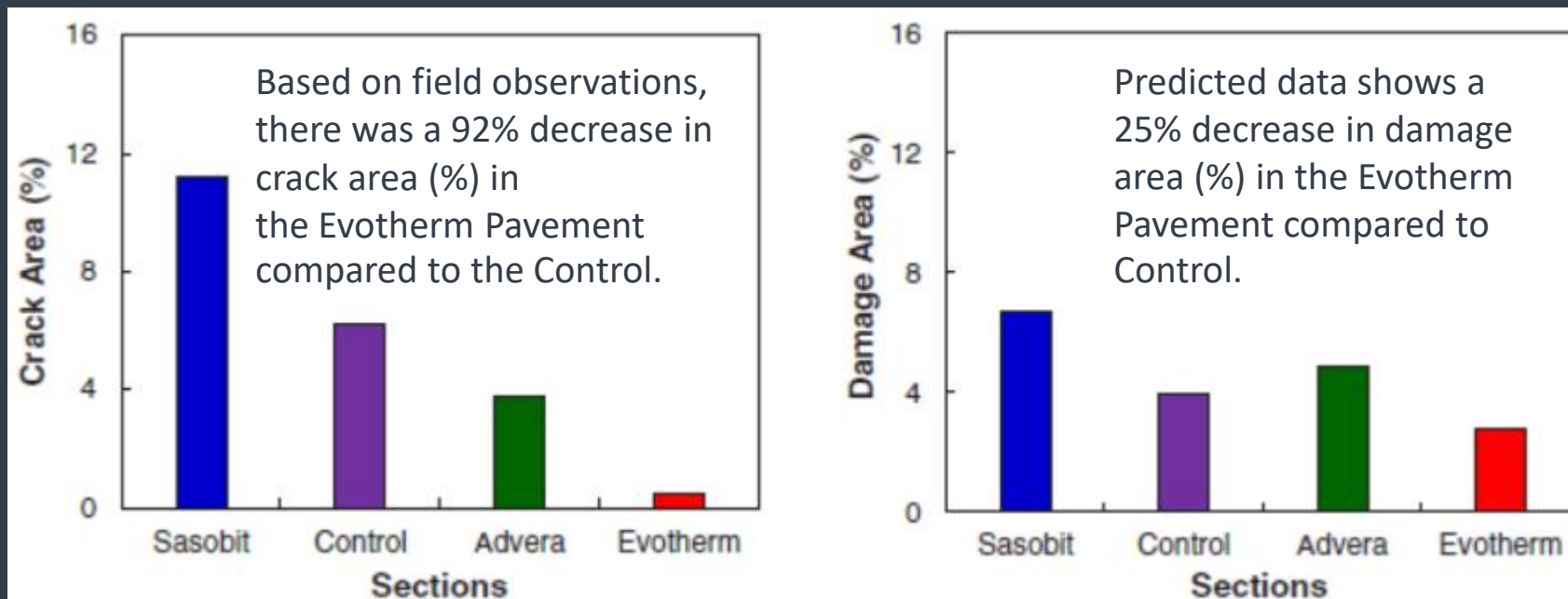
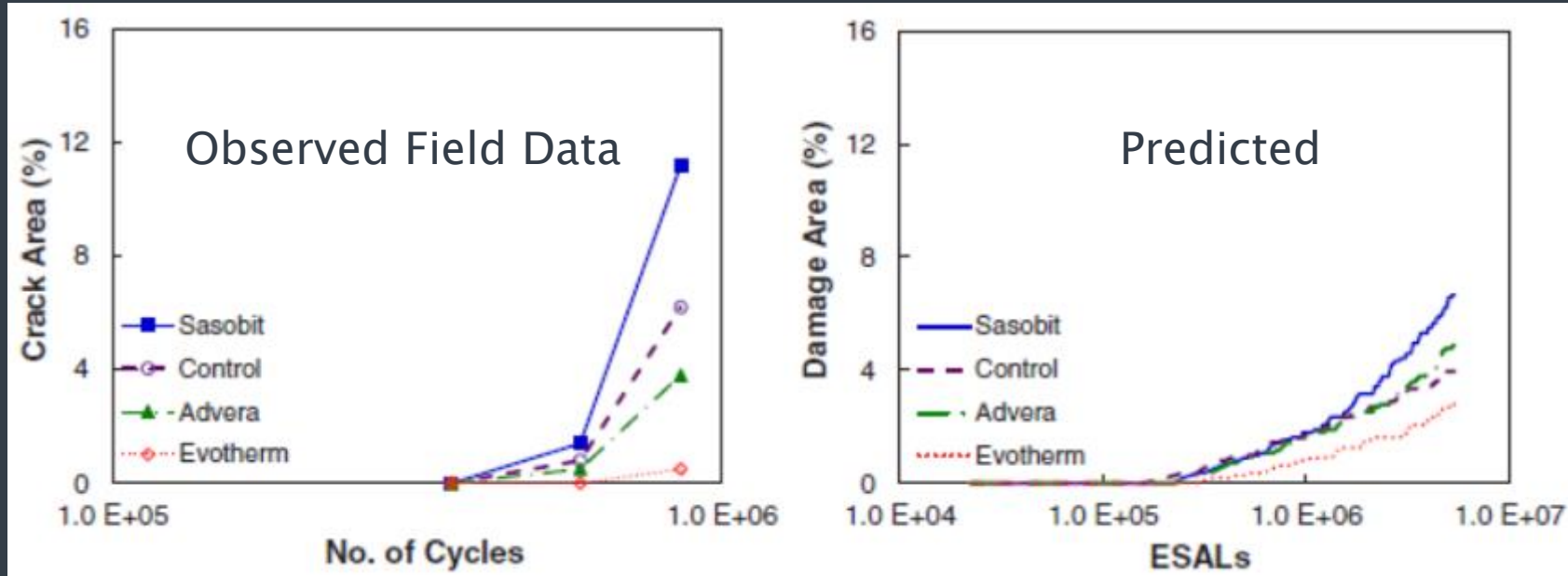
Background Info – Pavement Design

The diagram on the left shows a cross-section of a pavement structure with three layers: Asphalt (4 in.), Base (8 in.), and Subgrade. The software interface on the right is FlexPAVE™ 1.0, which includes a design structure tree on the left and a main control panel. The control panel has tabs for Design Structure, General Information, Climate Information, Traffic, Analysis and Results Options, Result Information, and Fatigue Cracking Results. The Design Structure tab is active, showing a tree with Design Structure, Data, Subgrade, Climate Data, Traffic Data, Outputs and Analysis Options, Results, Response, Fatigue Cracking, and Fatigue. The main panel contains fields for Structure Name (Flexible Pavement), Pavement/Lane Width (ft) (2.68), Layer (AC), Thickness (in) (50), Material Type (Asphalt Concrete), Specific Gravity (2.5), and Density (lb/ft³) (148.805). There are also buttons for Add Layer, Remove Layer, and Move Layer, and a table for Strength/Modulus.

Strength/Modulus		Fatigue	
Poisson's Ratio	0.3080	Alpha	2.5590
Mod. (ksi)	3.3406e+04	CTI	0.0650
Ref. Temp. (C)	21.1080	CU	0.4180
Shift Factor at	9.6208e-04	Initial C	0.8090
Shift Factor at	-0.1584	m	0.6680
Shift Factor at	2.9594		



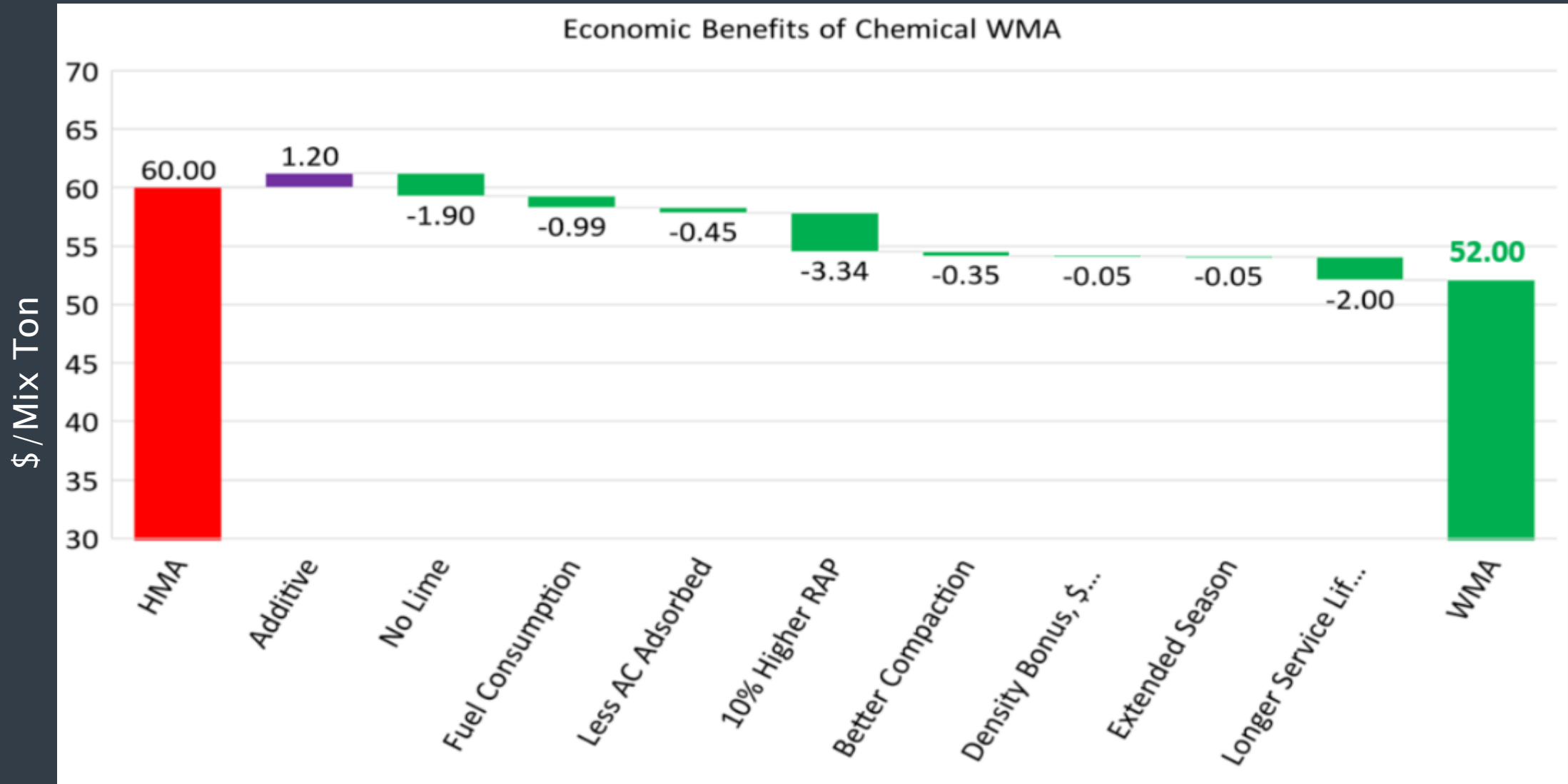
Observed vs Predicted WMA Field Performance



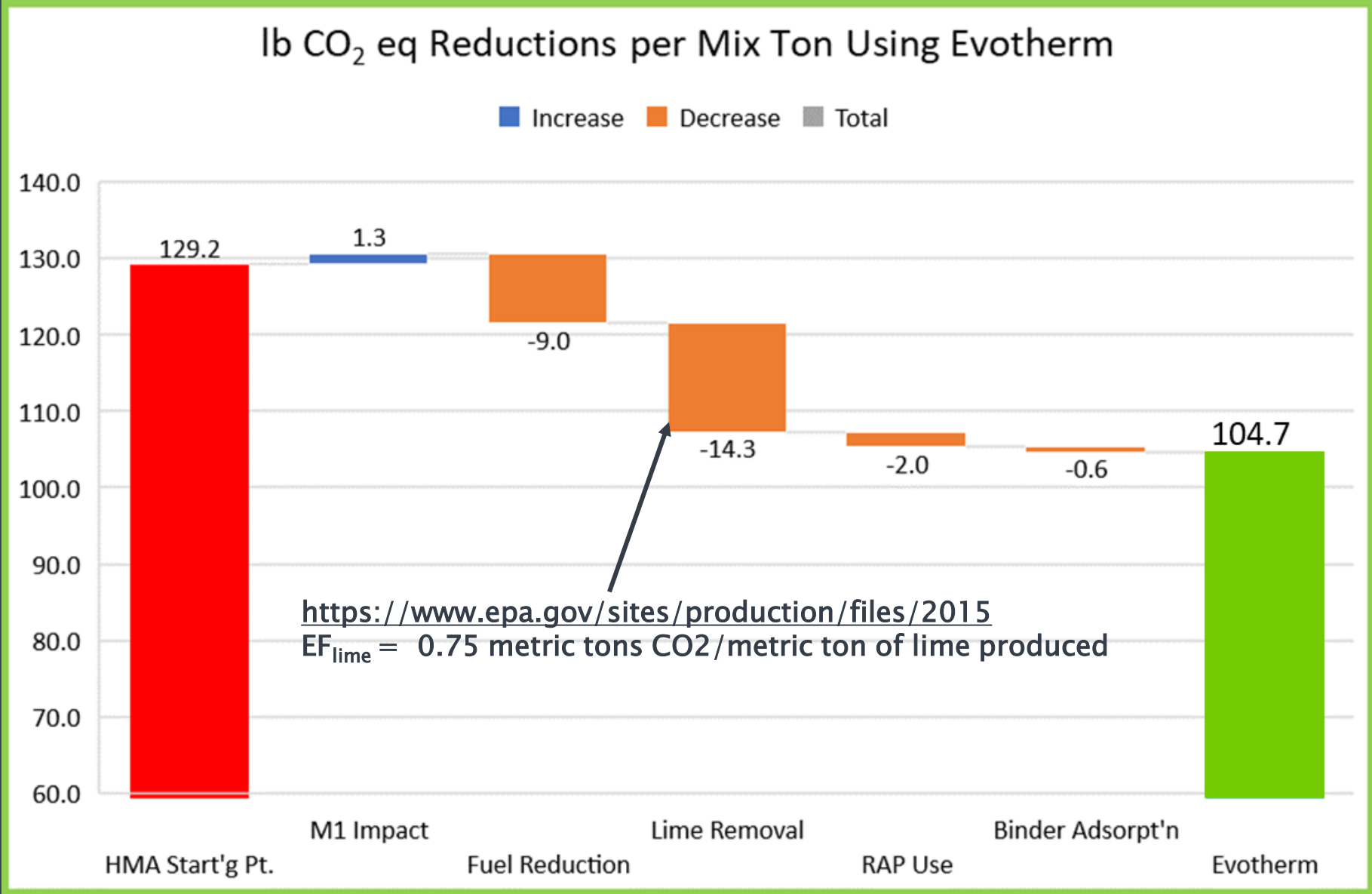
Observed vs Predicted

- Existing data suggest **improved** fatigue performance with Evotherm Warm Mix Asphalt mixtures.
- A research study using laboratory produced mixtures and plant produced mixtures is underway to determine material property inputs and the impact of warm mix asphalt temperatures and improved density on field performance.

WMA Economic Benefits



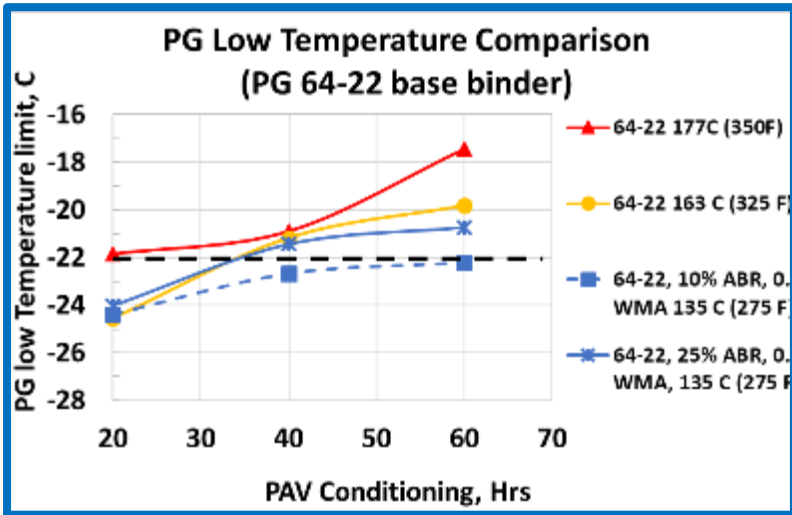
WMA Environmental Benefits



WMA Three Pillars – Summary

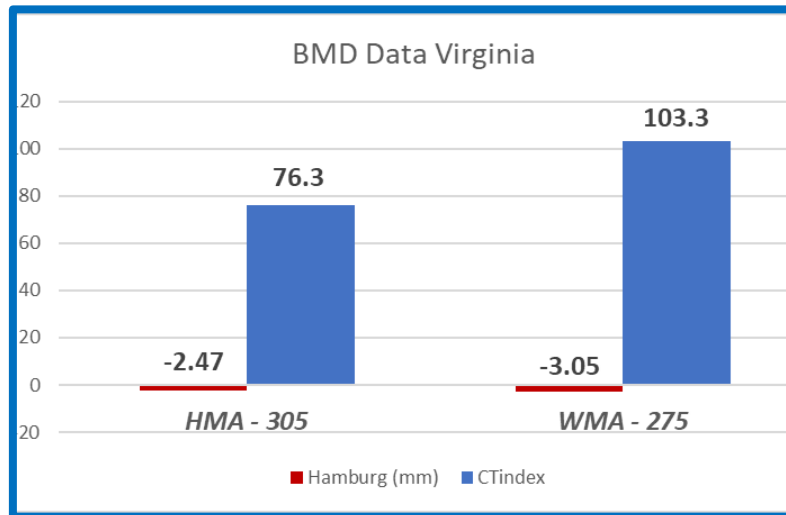
Binder Analysis

More Resilient Binders
with Reduced Temperature



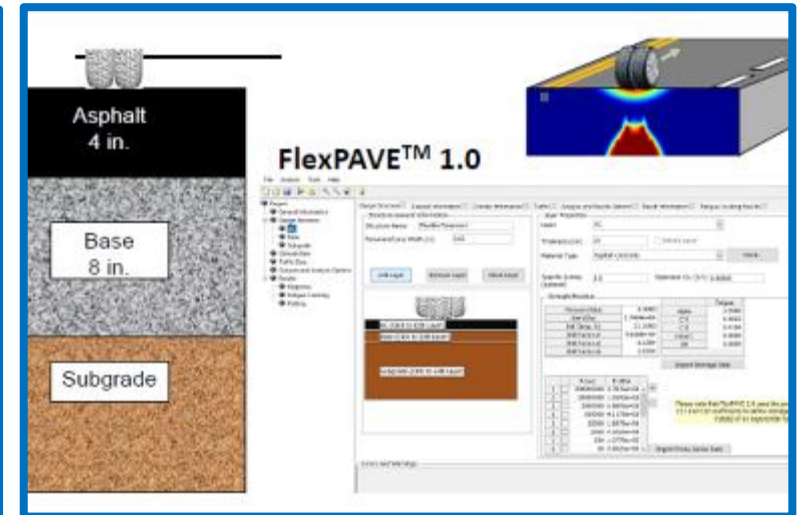
Mixture Characterization

Balance Mix Design improvements
with temperature reduction



Pavement Response

Mixture Data can be used to
design longer lasting pavements





Questions?

If you see something that you want to hear more about, we have additional data available to present in more detail on these topics.

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