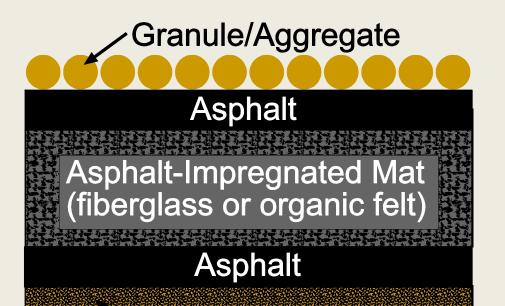
# Recycled Asphalt Shingles Best Practices

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#### Why use asphalt shingles in asphalt pavement?



All materials commonly used in asphalt pavements

Fine Mineral Surfacing



#### Sources

- Manufactures' waste
  - Limited ~1 MT annual
  - Not in every state
- Tear-offs
  - ~10 MT annual
  - Everywhere?
    - State regulations
    - Processors

Approximate Location of Fiberglass & Ogranic Shingle Manufacturing Facilities



Ref: Economic Impact Analysis of the Proposed Asphalt Roofing and Processing NESHAP, Final Report, USEPA, July 2001n

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# **Tear-Off Shingles**

- Too big a source to ignore
- Does require more effort
  - Permits & Licenses varies by state
  - Testing
    - Contaminants
  - Processing
    - Sorting
    - Inspecting
    - Removing contaminants



#### Spec what you want from processors



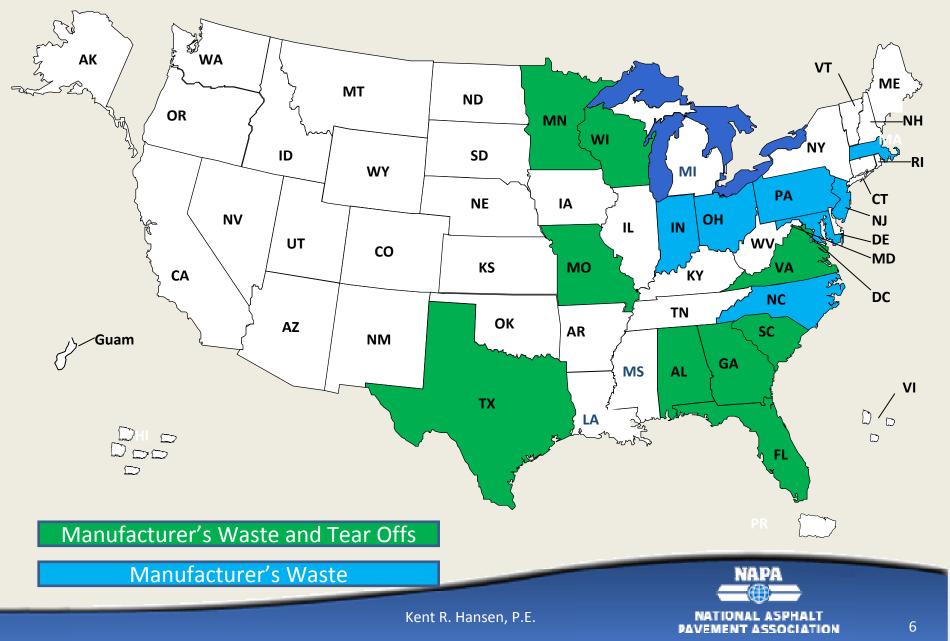
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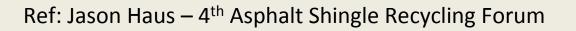
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#### States Allowing RAS in Asphalt Mixes



#### Dem-Con Shingle Processing Facility Timeline:

- 2006 Ideas and Options
- 2007 HMA Industry Meetings
- 2008 Rollout of R&D
  - Nationwide Research
  - Equipment Trials
  - Process Flow Trials
  - Asbestos Sampling Trials
- 2009 Developed a Full Scale Production Yard
- 2009 MnDOT Provisional Spec
- 2010 MnDOT Permissive Spec









#### Inspection & Testing Plan for Tear-offs

- Type and quality of material that is acceptable.
- Criteria for rejecting loads.
- An asbestos management plan
  - depends on state asbestos testing requirements



# Asbestos in Shingles

- Some shingle manufactures did use asbestos.
- Discontinued early 1980s.
- 27,000 samples analyzed (<u>www.shinglerecycling.org</u>)
  - Just over 1% contained asbestos
  - Usually other material in sample (mastic & felts)



# Asbestos Testing Plan

- Need to comply with state & federal requirements
  - Contacts at <u>www.shinglerecycling.org</u> under State
    Experience
- Work with agencies to develop acceptable plan. May include:
  - Certified inspector
  - Testing frequency
  - What to do if ACM is detected

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# Start-up plan ideas

- Restrict supply to private residential homes.
  - Non-regulated under NESHAP.
  - Get certification from roofers.
  - Conduct spot inspections of roofers?
- Pave processing area
  - Easier cleanup if ACM detected.
- Separate tested and untested stockpiles.
  - Move stockpile when passes testing.



#### Processing

- Source separated
  - Requires roofer to sort material at site.
  - Relatively free of contaminants.
    - Will include nails processing equipment can remove.



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#### Processing

- Mixed roofing waste
  - Dump & Pick
  - Picking conveyors
  - Screens



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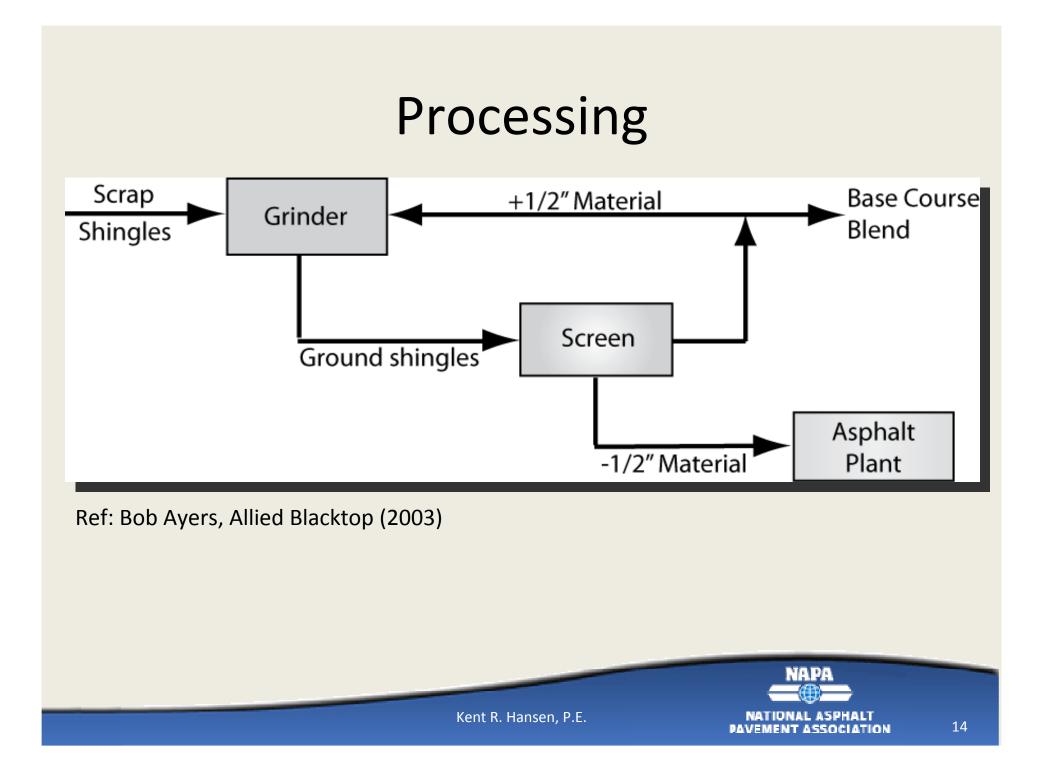


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#### Equipment

Many suppliersMagnet essential in recycling tear-offs



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# Shingles are tough on grinding equipment

- Surface granules & fill are hard.
  - Abrasive
  - Wear grinding chamber equipment
  - Create heat
- Need to spray shingles
  - Reduce heat
  - Control fugitive dust
  - Don't go overboard

#### Processing Shingles for Use in HMA



- Most significant concern is proper sizing of the ground Shingle particle
  - Finer is better!
- Oversized Shingles particles impact:
  - Contribution to P<sub>be</sub>
  - Mat texture
  - Consistency of blend with carrier aggregate

Ref: Ron Sines, OMG, Use of Recycled Shingles in HMA Pavements, *Warm-Mix Asphalt & Recycling Symposium, June 9, 2009* 

# Good looking grind.



# Stockpiling/Storing Processed RAS

- Just in time processing
- Cover stockpiles
- Blend with sand
- Blend with RAP
- Lump breaker or grind before feeding into plant



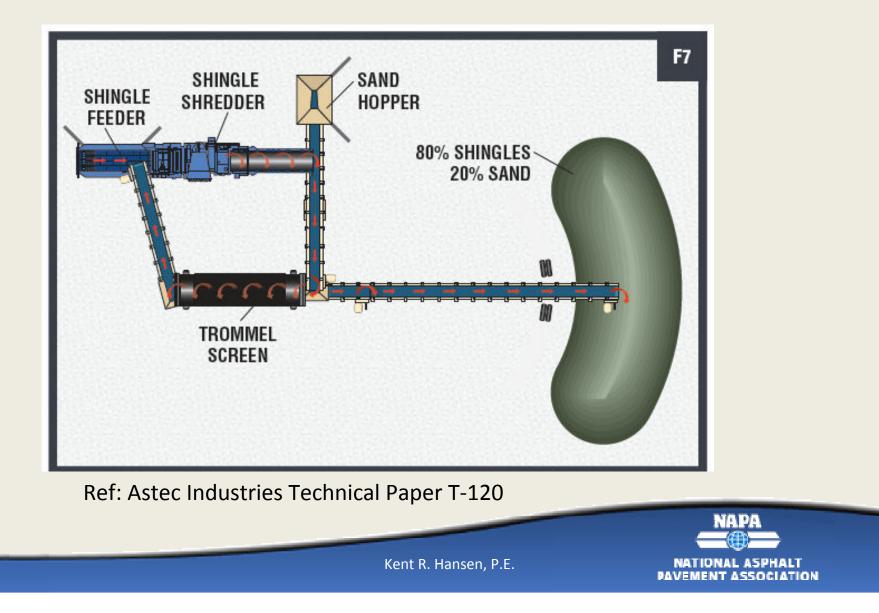
#### **Covered RAS Stockpile**



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#### Blend w/ RAP or Sand



#### Feeding the Plant

- Same as RAP
- Scalping screen to remove oversize material and agglomerations.





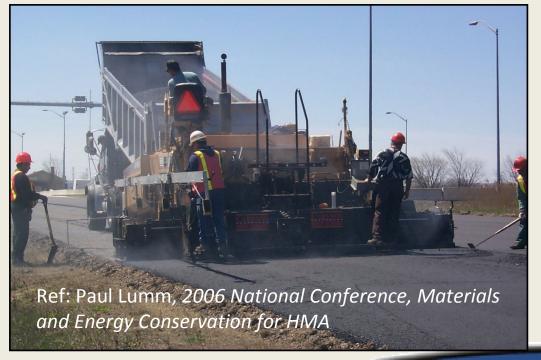


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## Construction

- Most contractors report easier to get density
  - Higher AC contents
- Otherwise no difference.





# Mix Design

- Similar to RAP
- AASHTO Guidance
  - PP 53-09 Design Considerations when Using Reclaimed Asphalt Shingles in New HMA
  - MP 15-06, Use of Reclaimed Asphalt Shingle as an Additive in Hot-Mix Asphalt



# **AASHTO Standard Practice**

- PP 53-09 Design Considerations when Using Reclaimed Asphalt Shingles in New HMA
  - Provides guidance on:
    - Design considerations
      - Binder Effects < 70% Virgin asphalt may be different</li>
      - Size affects contribution
        - » ½" 20-40%
        - » ¼" up to 95%
      - Some particles may act like aggregate requiring more virgin AC for coating



# Determining Asphalt Content

#### • Extraction

- Necessary if RAS binder properties are needed.
- Will take longer
- Usually only necessary when certain threshold is reached
  - 15 to 30 percent binder replacement
- Ignition oven
  - For asphalt content and gradation
  - Use smaller sample than with mix

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#### Do the RAS and Virgin Binders Blend

- Limited research
- Generally don't get all the asphalt out of RAS
  - Values vary from 90-40%
  - AASHTO PP53-09 procedure based on volumetric comparison to virgin mix.
- Consensus is the finer the grind the greater the blending.

- Some contractors grinding to -3/8"
- Most specification -1/2"

# Pooled Fund Study

- TPF-5(213) Performance of Recycled Asphalt Shingles in Hot Mix Asphalt
- Sponsoring Agency Missouri DOT
- Partners CA, CO, IA, IN, MN, MO
- <u>http://www.pooledfund.org/projectdetails.as</u>
  <u>p?id=441&status=4</u>



# What mixes can I use them in?

- Dense graded
  - Mixes may be limited by specification
- Open-Graded
  - Has been used by some contractors
  - Allowed in Alabama DOT specification
- SMA
  - Newcomb et al showed good performance
  - LaFarge Canada reports good results 3% RAS
  - Allowed Alabama DOT specification



# Conclusions

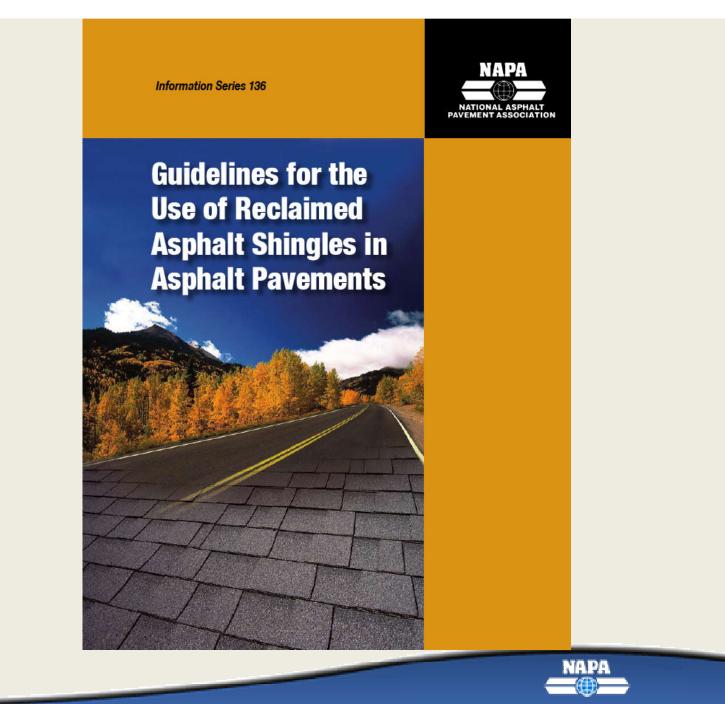
- Shingles are too valuable to throw away.
- Use manufacturers' waste if available
- Tear-offs
  - Work with roofers to get clean material.
  - Work with local agencies on sampling plan
- Performance
  - Improved rutting resistance
  - Reduced temperature susceptibility
  - Minimum affect on cold temperature properties

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# Conclusions

- Mix AC Content
  - Will reduce the amount of new asphalt required
  - Total asphalt contents often higher (0.2-0.4%)
- Plant production
  - Similar to RAP
- Mix design
  - Similar to RAP
- Construction
  - Use conventional equipment
  - Some contractors report easier density





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