

CalRecycle/CIWMB Support of Rubberized Asphalt Concrete (RAC)

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- Rubberized Asphalt Concrete (RAC) has been a tire diversion strategy used by the CIWMB/CalRecycle since the very beginning of the Tire Program.
- The use of RAC by State and Local Government Agencies currently diverts over five million waste tires per year from landfill disposal
- Over the past twenty years of the Tire program RAC has diverted an estimated 68 million waste tires





RAC has proven to be a cost effective, superior performing product compared to conventional AC. CalRecycle staff and management recommend its use when appropriate for the situation.



# **Overview of Support**

#### **Caltrans**

Local Government

- Technology Centers
- Contracted Experts
- Research Contracts

#### Grants



#### **Caltrans-CalRecycle** Collaborations

Technical Research Interagency Agreements

- 1992-Lab Test Equip & Air Monitoring
- 2003-State of the Art & Recycling

Construction Projects

- 1993 Maintenance Project Hwy 16
- 2002 Overlay Project Hwy 33





## **RAC Technology Centers**



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- The center was created to promote the use of RAC by local governments via peer to peer training
- The center provided RAC technology transfer, maintained a website and toll-free hotline
- CIWMB partnered with Los Angeles County DPW in 1997 to create the first center
- Partnered with Sacramento County in 2000 to provide services in Northern California





#### **RAC Expert Contracts**



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- New way to deliver RAC technology transfer
- Direct technical support of our expanding RAC grant programs
- Engineering Evaluation and design assistance
- Increased field support of grantees
- Technical Investigations



### **RAC Expert Contracts**

- 2005 MACTEC Engineering and Consulting
- 2009 Jacobs Engineering
- 2012 Quincy Engineering Inc.





#### **RAC Research Contracts**



#### **Research Contracts**

- Use contracts to fill in gaps in knowledge base, determine feasibility of technology, investigate new processes and materials
- Partner with entities that have a proven expertise and record of accomplishment with RAC projects and/or research.



#### **Research Contracts**

**Past Research Contracts** 

- Terminal Blend Chip Seal Demonstration Project
- □ Terminal Blend and Warm Mix Asphalt
- Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCCA) for RAC materials
- □ Warm Mix Asphalt Performance Evaluation



#### **Research Contracts**

**Current Contracts** 

Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) in Chip Seal and RAC Hot Mix Demonstration Project

Warm Mix Asphalt Technology Evaluation

RAC Performance Models Development





#### Grants



#### Grants

Provided Grants for RAC since the beginning of the Tire Program

Awarded over \$55M in the last 10 years

- \$40.5M for overlay projects
- \$14.5M for chip seal projects





Why CalRecycle Should Continue to Support RAC

□ Largest recycling use of waste tire rubber

Demonstrated superior performance of RAC over conventional asphalt concrete (AC).

Shown to be a cost effective resurfacing option over conventional AC





### Rubberized Asphalt Concrete Cooperative Purchasing Program (RCPP)

2013











The RCPP designed to increase RAC usage through an economy of scale with support of **reimbursements** and **technical assistance**.



Local jurisdictions enter into RAC Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (RCPA) and pool their collective projects for hot plant to bid a RAC production for the coming season.

The RCPA guarantees a RAC tonnage and establish a fixed price with the RAC plant that can substantially lower the overall price of RAC in the region.

Each agency separately bids the haul and placement.









Funding and Reimbursements









#### What are the benefits?

- Facilitates smaller jurisdictions entering into RAC Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (RCPA)
- Increases RAC Usage:
  - Supports current RAC grant recipients and targeted support for non-grant recipients
  - o Communicates positive business case
  - Eliminates Blender Unit mobilization costs, lower costs for underserved jurisdictions

#### Makes RAC More Affordable

- Shared Economies of Scale
- Absorption of plant mobilization costs
- Lowers RAC costs through increased competition and competitive pricing
- Opens the current producer/contractor bidding paradigm
- Mitigates higher RAC costs through reimbursements and services
- Creates better opportunities for disadvantaged contractors







# **RCPP Support and Services**

**Technical Assistance** 

- RAC Technical Presentation, ranging from 2 hours or to 2 days
- Onsite Inspections during the RAC project, from ½ day to full day

Initiate RCPA	Develop RCPA	Facilitate RCPA	Manage and Monitor
	Procurement Docs	Procurement	RCPA, Final Report
<ul> <li>Confirm RCPA objectives, success factors and approach</li> <li>Finalize roles/ responsibilities (RAC Champion, Partners, Hot Plants, Contractors, CalRecycle, Quincy)</li> <li>Develop high level schedule</li> <li>Support communications with executives and decision makers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>RCPA (MOU or agreement between jurisdictions)</li> <li>RCPA Procurement Documents (IFB, Tech Specs)</li> <li>Detailed scope and schedule</li> <li>Communications with executives and decision makers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Providing guidance and management during procurement process (assisting Partners, supporting Champion in lead role)</li> <li>Oversee procurement, IFB release</li> <li>Contract negotiations and contract finalization</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Technical and project management support</li> <li>Tonnage and cost tracking</li> <li>Assistance developing Final Report</li> </ul>







#### **Next Steps**

1. Gather RAC partners





- 2. Request a Technology Transfer Presentation
- 3. Attend the kickoff meeting
- 4. Review and execute MOU, QA/QC plan
- 5. Review and bid procurement
- 6. Bid haul and placement
- 7. Reconcile tonnage











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