Preservation: You did it before... but can you do it again?

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Good Candidates – Repeat Defenders

- Is the pavement still in good condition?
 - Structurally sound
 - Distresses (type, quantity, severity) within acceptable thresholds



Surface Considerations

- Is the existing surface shedding loose material?
 - Will brooming remove all loose material?



Surface Considerations (cont.)

- Is the existing surface well bonded to the underlying pavement?
 - Do not try to bond to a delaminating surface



Can You Spare a Dime and a Little Time?

- More detailed pavement investigations have both a monetary and time cost
 - Can distress characterization help to determine the next action?
- Cores may be used to identify subsurface conditions, including bond between layers

Can You Spare a Dime and a Little Time? (cont.)

- Structural evaluation (e.g., deflection testing) can help to confirm if the pavement is still a good candidate for preservation
- Have you thought about stripping?



A Bottom Line

- Consideration of existing conditions, both at the surface and, potentially, below the surface, is important
- Most preservation treatments can be placed multiple times, either over the same treatment or other preservation treatments
- It would be nice if multiple preservation treatments could extend the life of a pavement indefinitely, but...