

Lean Construction Quality Assurance Opportunities In Highway Construction

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Agenda



- Quality assurance in highway construction
- Components of QA procedures
- Survey design
- Analysis of data and results
- Concluding comments

Quality Assurance in Highway Construction



- Value of US transportation infrastructure
- QA program in highway construction
- Applications of lean principles in highway construction QA program

Components of QA Procedures



Quality Characteristics

Sampling Plan

Certifications

Inspection and Testing

Data Analysis

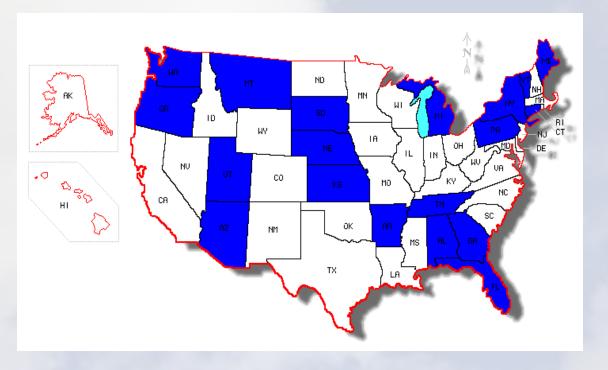
Control of Non-conformance

Survey Design



• An online survey and interviews with STAs' quality assurance

managers



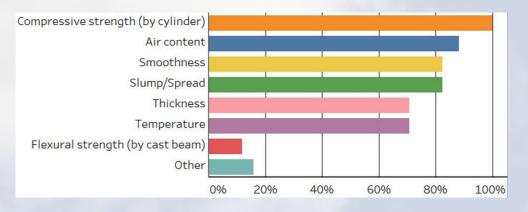


• HMA

In-place density
Smoothness
Asphalt content
Air voids
Sieve analysis
Void in mineral aggregate
Void in fine aggregate
Other

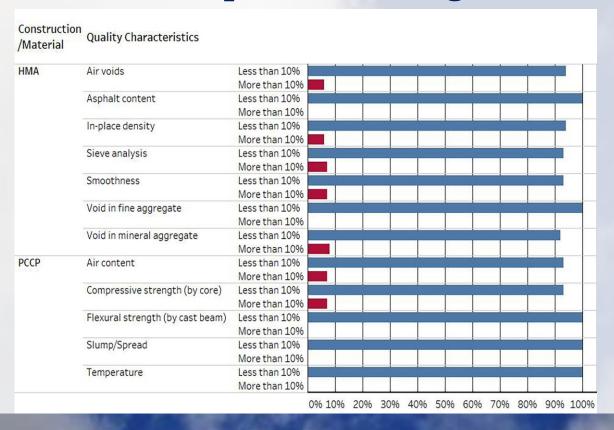
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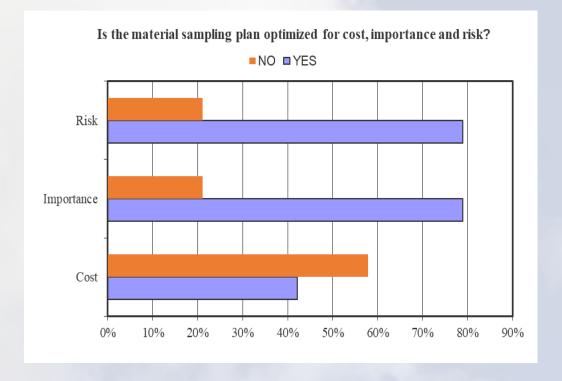


Failure Statistics in Acceptance Testing



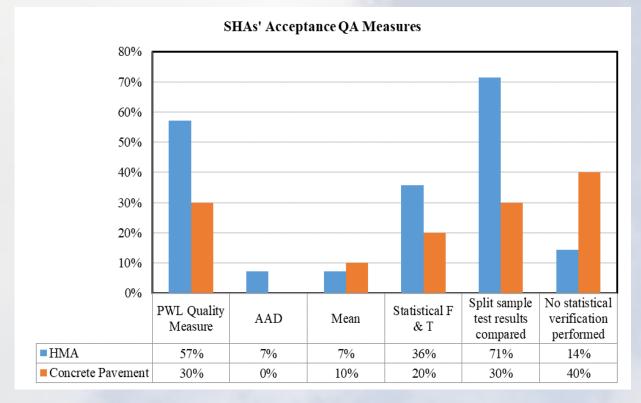


Optimization of Material Testing Plan





QA Acceptance Measures





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- Review of QA Procedures
 - Most SHAs (65%) responded that their review frequencies vary and are typically conducted on an as needed basis
 - Failure to review QA practices routinely can be deemed as a wasted opportunity as new technologies can be introduced which may conduct rapid data collection making old practice wasteful



• A Framework To Implement Lean Principle In QA

QA Step and Lean Objective

2 Investigations of QA Step Activties

Applications of Lean Principles and Tools

Reduced waste, inefficiency and cost

Conclusions



• Successful implementation of lean construction principles in QA program can cut costs, reduce construction and increase productivity

Questions?



Thank you