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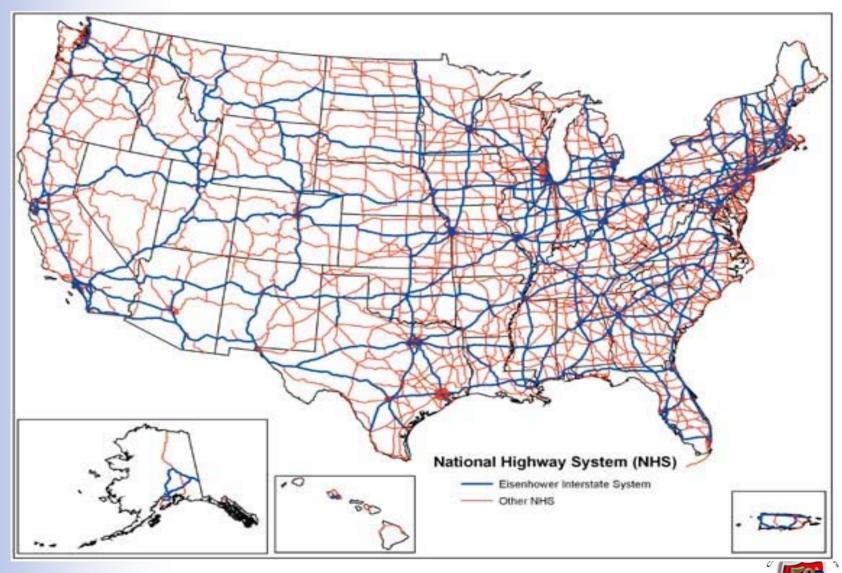
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Program Issues

Quantify Pavement Service Life

- Actual versus Design?
- Clarify QA/QC Responsibilities

– Energize & Use PMS (Asset Mgt)

– Embrace Pavement Preservation

- Maximize return on investment
- Build Credibility with Fund-ers & Public
- Extend pavement life to allow solving of funding challenge





Innovations & Improvements

Advance Quality Systems

- PWL Statistical Specifications
- Performance Related Specifications
- Warranties

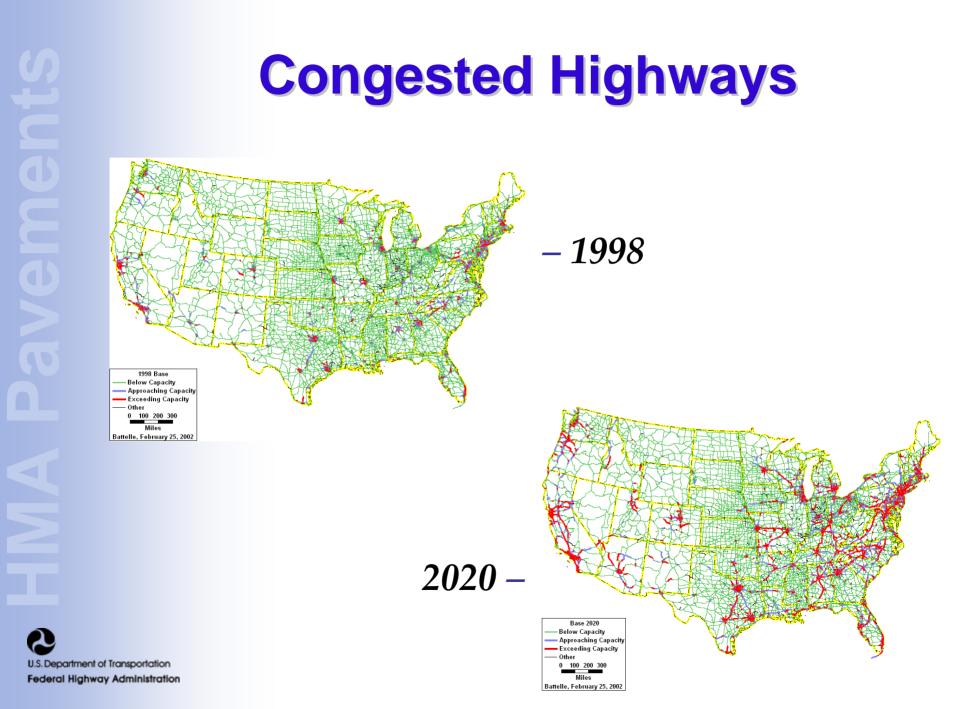
– New Technologies

- Intelligent Compaction
- Automated Quality Control Systems
- Safety Edge Systems

– Evaluation & Upgrading of HMA Specs

- FHWA Mixture & Aggregates ETG
- AASHTO Subcommittee on Materials
- TRB/NCHRP initiatives





- USDOT Congestion Initiative (6 point)

- Corridors of the Future
- Urban Partnerships
- Private Investments (PPP)

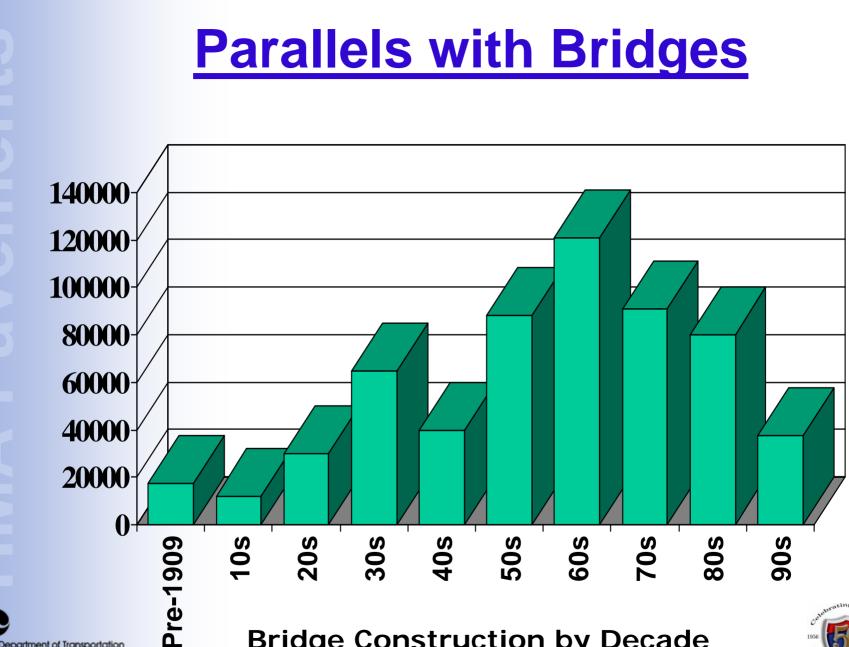
Highways for LIFE

- Projects for Innovation Deployment
- Technology Partnerships
- Innovation Dissemination

– Long Life Pavements

- Renewable Pavement Surface
- Lengthen Life Cycle: 50+ Years
- Minimize Traffic Disruption

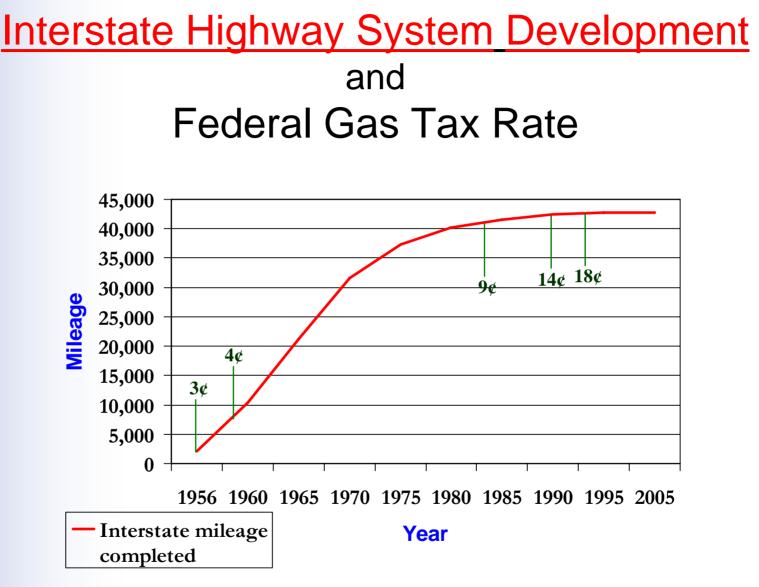




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Bridge Construction by Decade









Program Concerns

– Construction Cost Increases

- Materials Cost Precipitous Escalation
- Availability of Materials

– Competition

- Industry Consolidation
- Single Bids

– Funding

- SAFETA-LU Commission
 - Surface Transportation Policy
 - Funding Mechanism
- State Level Constraints







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