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# Utilization of Post Consumer Shingles in Asphalt Mixtures

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# Presentation Outline

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# Introduction

- Asphalt shingles
  - Manufacturing scrap
  - Post consumer
- 60% of shingle sales are due to storm damage
- Asphalt shingles have multiple beneficial components for use in asphalt mixtures
  - Asphalt, Aggregate, Fibers, & Limestone filler

# 23 CFR Section 637B

## *Quality Assurance Procedures for Construction*

- 637.201 Purpose.

To prescribe policies, procedures, and guidelines to assure the quality of materials and construction in all Federal-aid highway projects on the National Highway System

- 637.203 Definitions.

- 637.205 Policy.

- 637.207 Quality assurance program.

- 637.209 Laboratory and sampling and testing personnel qualifications.

# Product Quality Characteristics

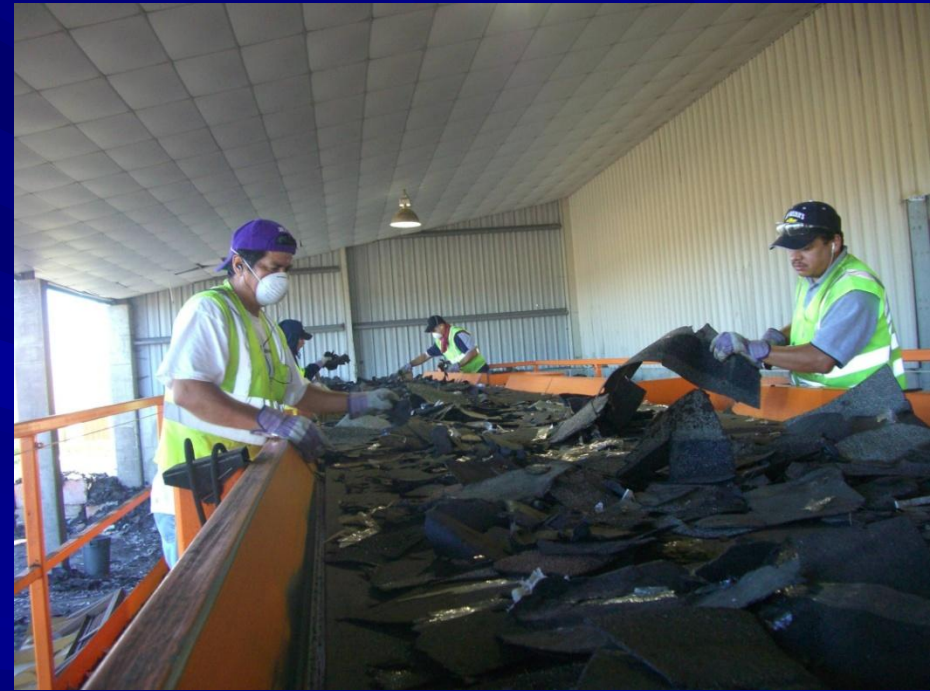
- Source material- recycled shingles
  - Limit loads of post-consumer shingles to residential buildings with four or fewer dwelling units (*these buildings are not “regulated facilities” according to state and federal NESHAP 40 CFR Part 61, Subpart M*).
  - Asbestos free
  - Deleterious material
  - Grind size
  - Moisture content

# Product Quality Characteristics

- Asphalt mixture (hot mix or warm mix)
  - Limiting recycled asphalt binder content
  - Binder content
  - Voids criteria (lab air voids, field air voids, VMA , etc)
  - Smoothness



# Sorting is manual





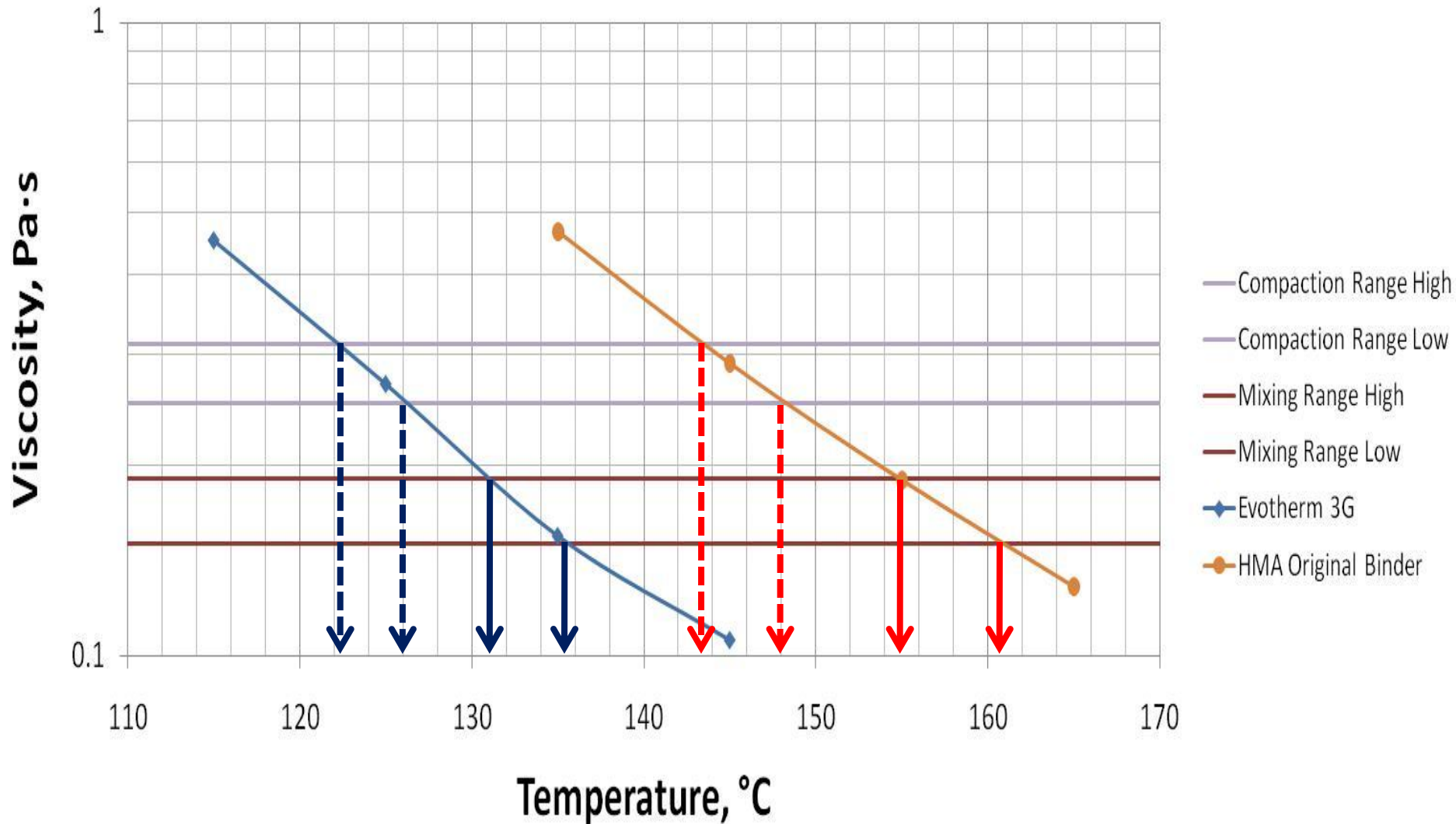




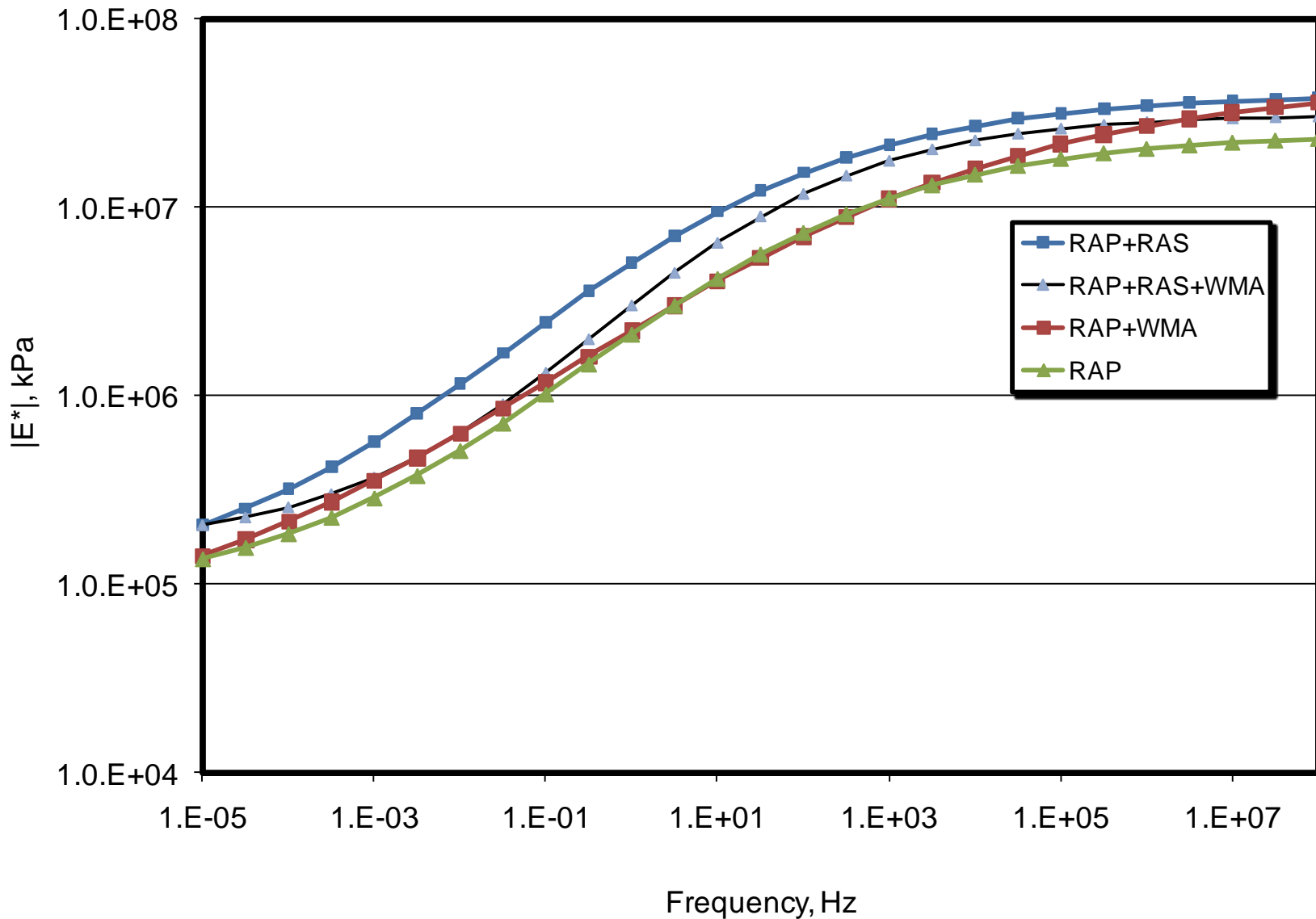
# Challenge- Many new technologies in the asphalt industry

- Recycled shingles
- High RAP mixes
- Fractionated RAP
- Warm Mix Asphalt
  - Foaming Technologies
  - Organic Additives
  - Chemical Additives
- Bio Asphalt (non-petroleum)

# Viscosity Comparison of Evotherm 3G & Original HMA Binder



# Comparison of Field vs. Lab



# What are our expectations?

- Performance expectations are met
- Materials and production/construction processes are economical
- Integration of sustainability
  - Recycling
  - Reduction of emissions
  - Carbon credits

# **Mix Design Approaches for Integration of RAS into HMA**

# Development of Mixture Design

- Process is no different than current methods of asphalt mix design development.
- Need to pay attention to integration of RAS into batching materials
  - Proportioned materials should be pre-blended prior to placement into oven.
  - Ensures even distribution of RAS throughout aggregate structure.



# Outcomes of Mix Design

- Virgin binder content will be lower when RAS is utilized.
- 60-80% of RAS binder will be integrated into HMA mix.
- Voids in the Mineral Aggregate will increase with RAS utilization.
- Contribution of RAS binder to overall binder grade will not be known.....but!

# Challenges

- AASHTO M323 binder recommendations assume complete mixing of new and recycled binder
- AASHTO M323 does not address RAS binders
- RAS rheology is different than paving binders

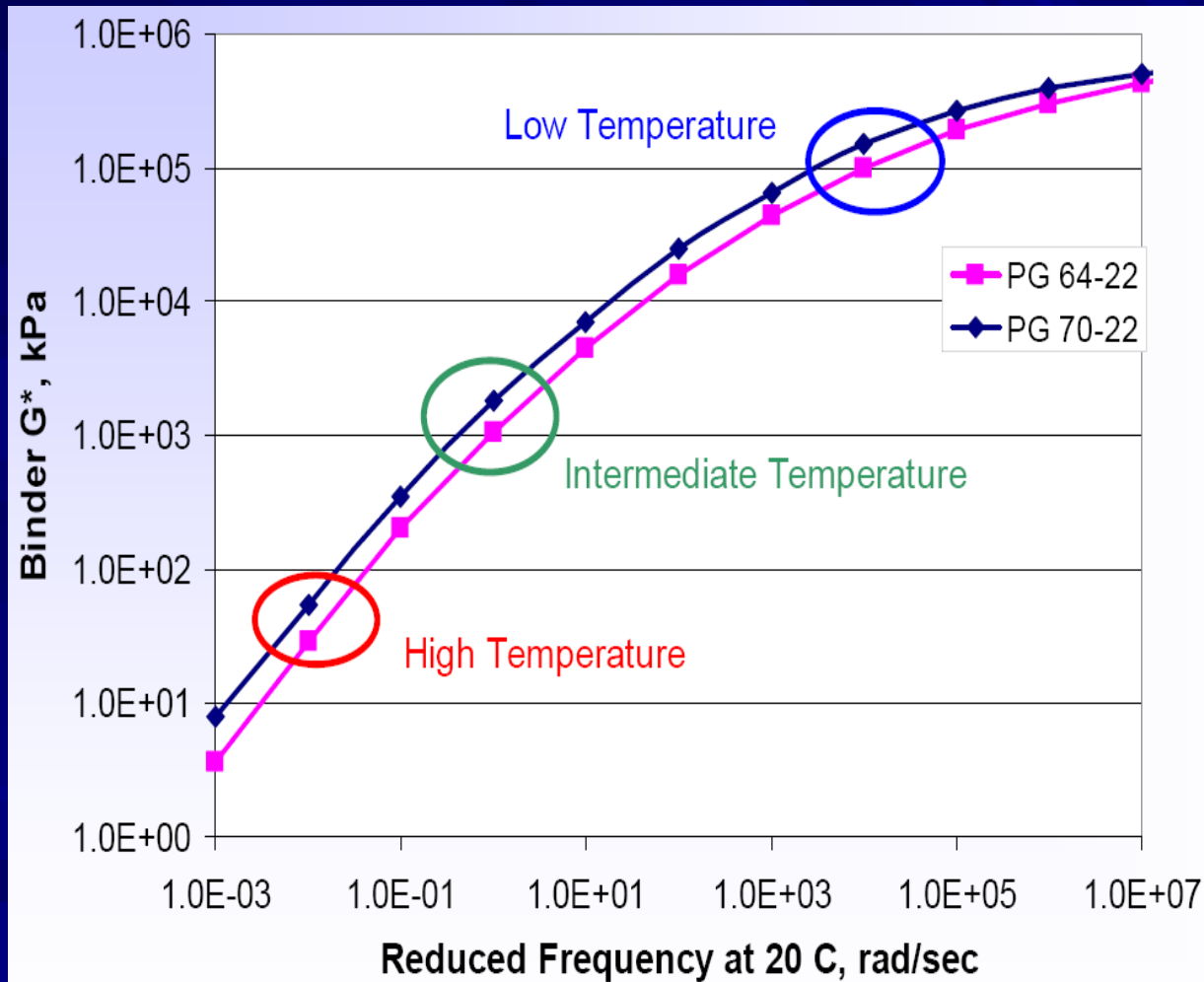
# RAS Contribution to Performance Grade

- Recovered binder properties
- Estimated binder properties through mix testing
  - Dynamic modulus testing
  - Very sensitive to binder properties
  - Estimate effective performance grade
  - Hirsch and Witzcak Models
  - Mix Modulus =  $f(\text{Binder modulus, VMA, \& VFA})$

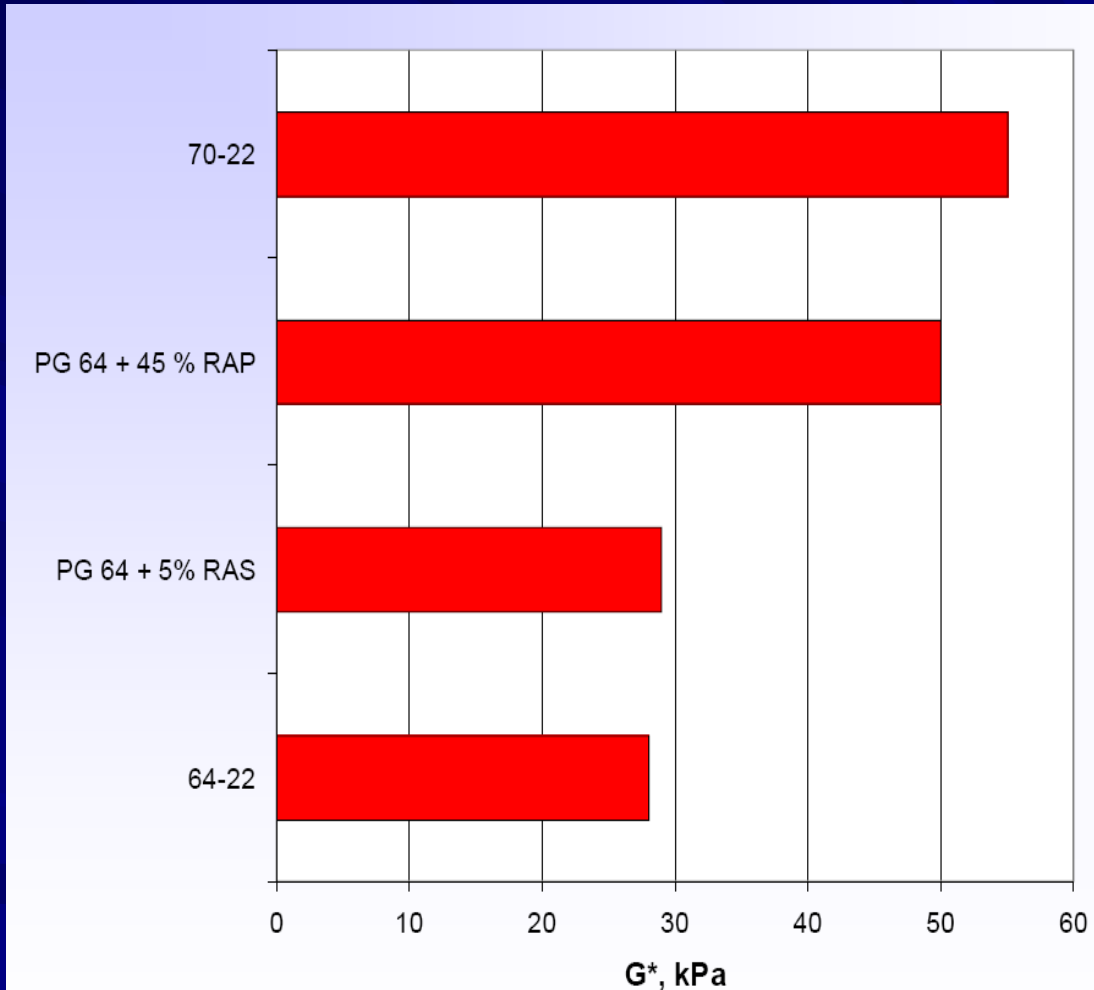
# Simple Performance Test



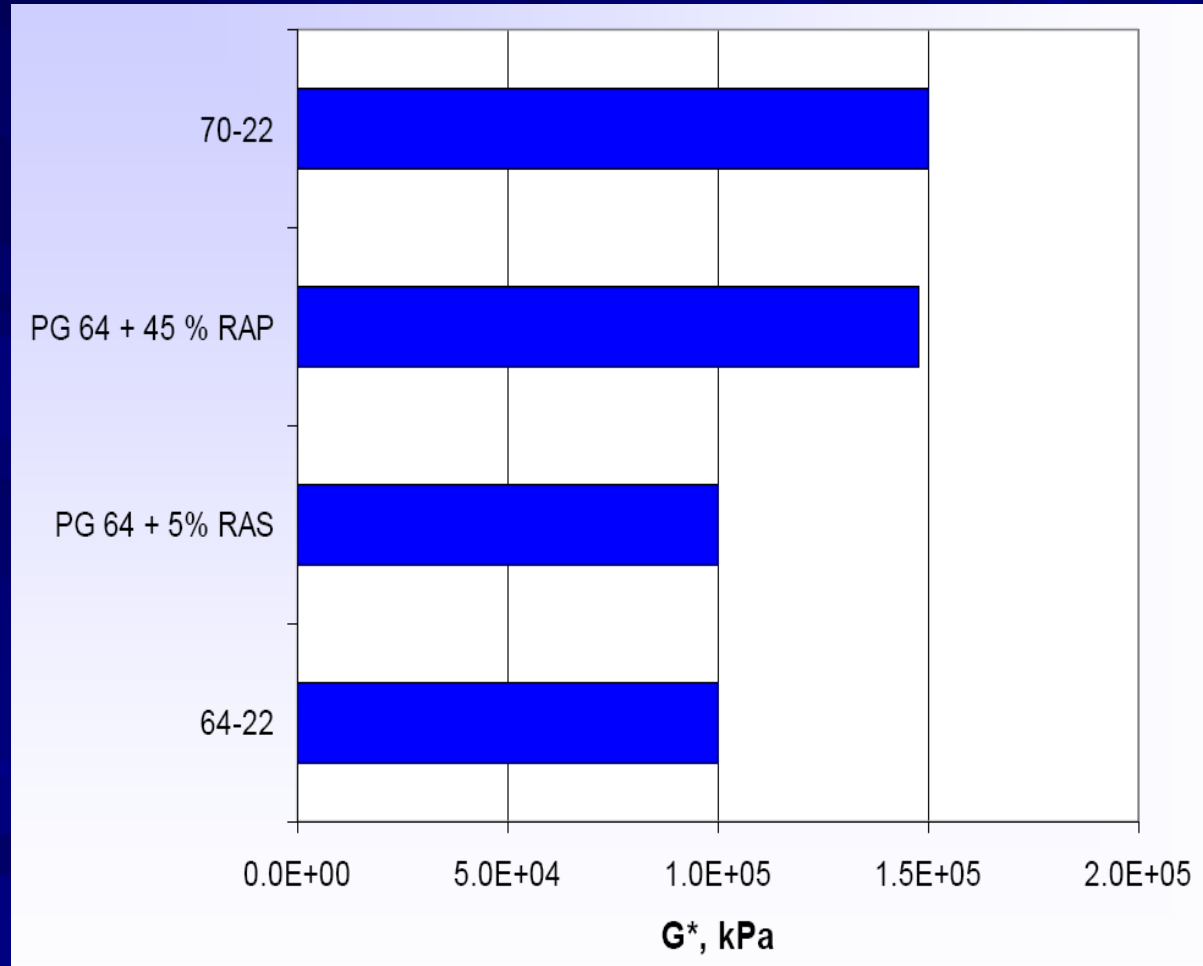
# Graphical Representation



# High Temperature



# Low Temperature



# **HMA Production Considerations**



# Production Facilities

- Storage of RAS is for a limited time
  - 2-3 weeks
  - Can blend with a sand to extend storage time
- Counter Flow Drum is preferred
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Recycle Chute is preferred upstream of RAP
- How is liquid asphalt paid for?
  - Separate- need to be able to track added RAS

# Ongoing Research Work

- National Pooled Fund Study
- Illinois Tollway
- Region 5 EPA
- Headquarters EPA



# 2009 Tollway RAS Research

- Recycled asphalt shingles (tear-offs) into high FRAP mixes
- Shoulder Binder and Bases
  - 5% RAS with 3 levels of FRAP (25%, 35%, 45%)
- Shoulder Surface
  - 5% RAS with 20% FRAP
- SMA Surface (SBS PG 76-22)
  - 5% RAS with 15% Fine FRAP

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- 3.5 mile length of Outside Shoulder: I-90
- Placement July-August 2009
- 8 Test Sections
- 4 Different RAS Shoulder Binder Mixes
  - 850 to 1300 tons each
- Standard (25% FRAP) and RAS Shoulder Surface placed over each
  - 1300 tons RAS Shoulder Surface

# Tollway RAS Test Sections

Illinois Tollway Shingle Research Test Section Layout

PROJECT	I-08-5543 – Jane Addams Memorial Tollway – I-90													
LOCATION	Westbound Outside Shoulders													
TEST SECTION	1	2	3	4		4	5		5	6	7	8	N/A	
SECTION LENGTH, ft	2345	2214	1926	1990		826	1714		630	1388	2592	2150		
SURFACE MIX NUMBER	90BITRS05	90BIT0823		90BITRS05		90BITRS05				90BIT0823		90BITRS05		
SURFACE MIX TYPE	20% FRAP / 5% RAS N70 SCS	25% FRAP N70 SCS		20/5 RAS N70 SCS		20% FRAP / 5% RAS N70 SCS				25% FRAP N70 SCS		20% FRAP / 5% RAS N70 SCS		
STA #	363+25 MP 71 1/4	339+80 MP 71.7	298+40	298+40 MP 72.5		278+00 276+00			250+60 248+60	242+00	242+30 MP 73.5	202+50	202+50 MP 74 1/4	188+80
DATE PLACED	8/10/2009	8/10/2009				8/10/2009				8/10/2009		8/10/2009		
TONNAGE	256.41	616.6				556.51				633.09		532.69		

BASE MIX NUMBER	90BITRS04		90BITRS02			90BITRS02	90BITRS03		90BITRS03	90BITRS01		MILLED MATERIAL
BASE MIX TYPE	25% FRAP/5% RAS BIT BASE		35% FRAP/5% RAS BIT BASE			35% FRAP/ 5% RAS BIT BASE	45% FRAP/ 5% RAS BIT BASE		45% FRAP/ 5% RAS BIT BASE	35% FRAP/5% RAS N50 BCS		
STA #	363+25	317+66	317+66 MP 72.1			278+00 276+00	267+74 MP 73.1		250+60 248+60	228+42	228+42 73.8	181+00 MP 74.7
DATE PLACED	7/29/2009		7/29/2009						7/29/2009		7/30/2009	
TONNAGE	1272.96		1295.86						846.23		1314.36	

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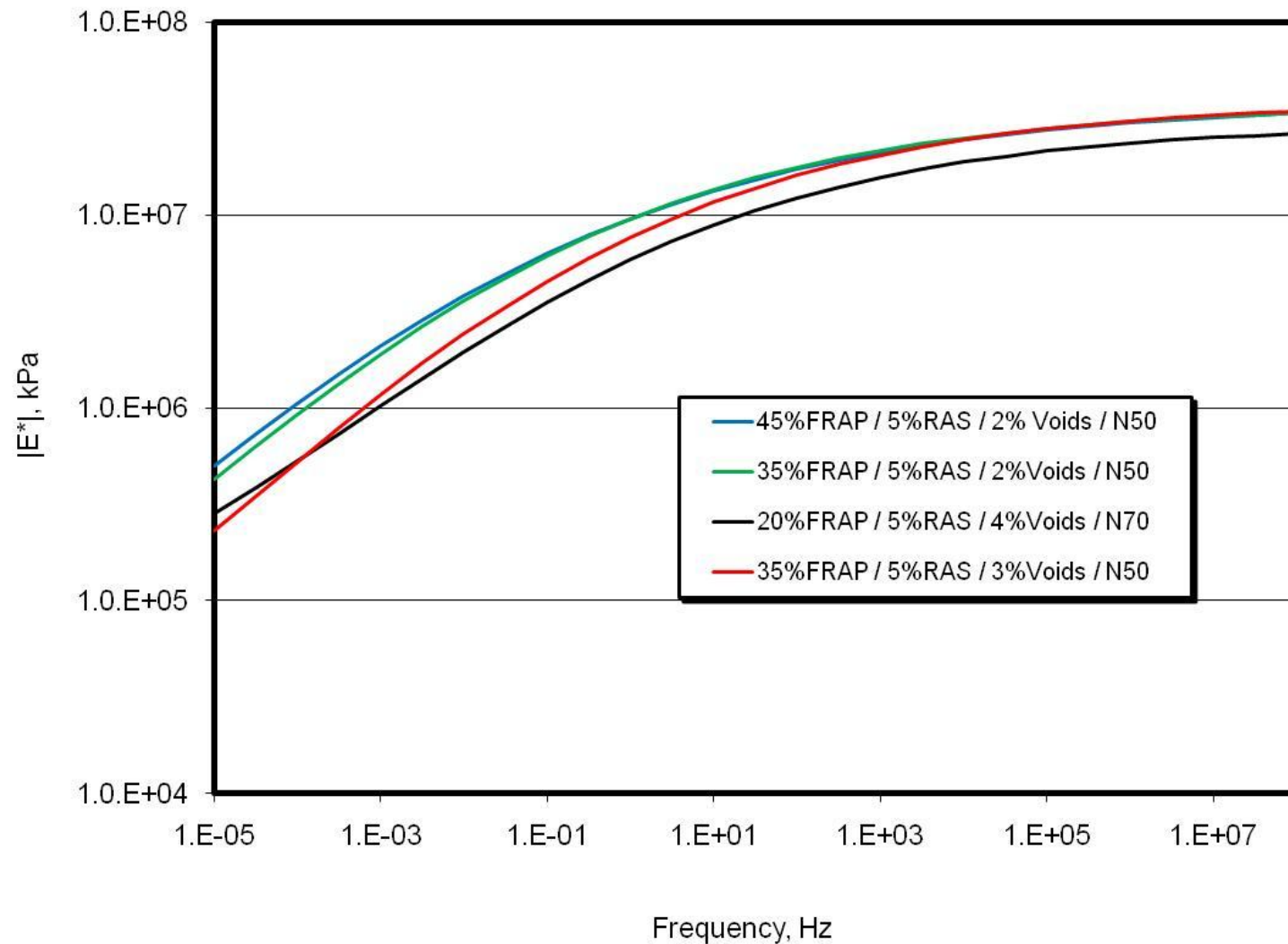
# Lab Tests

## Lab & Field Produced Mixes

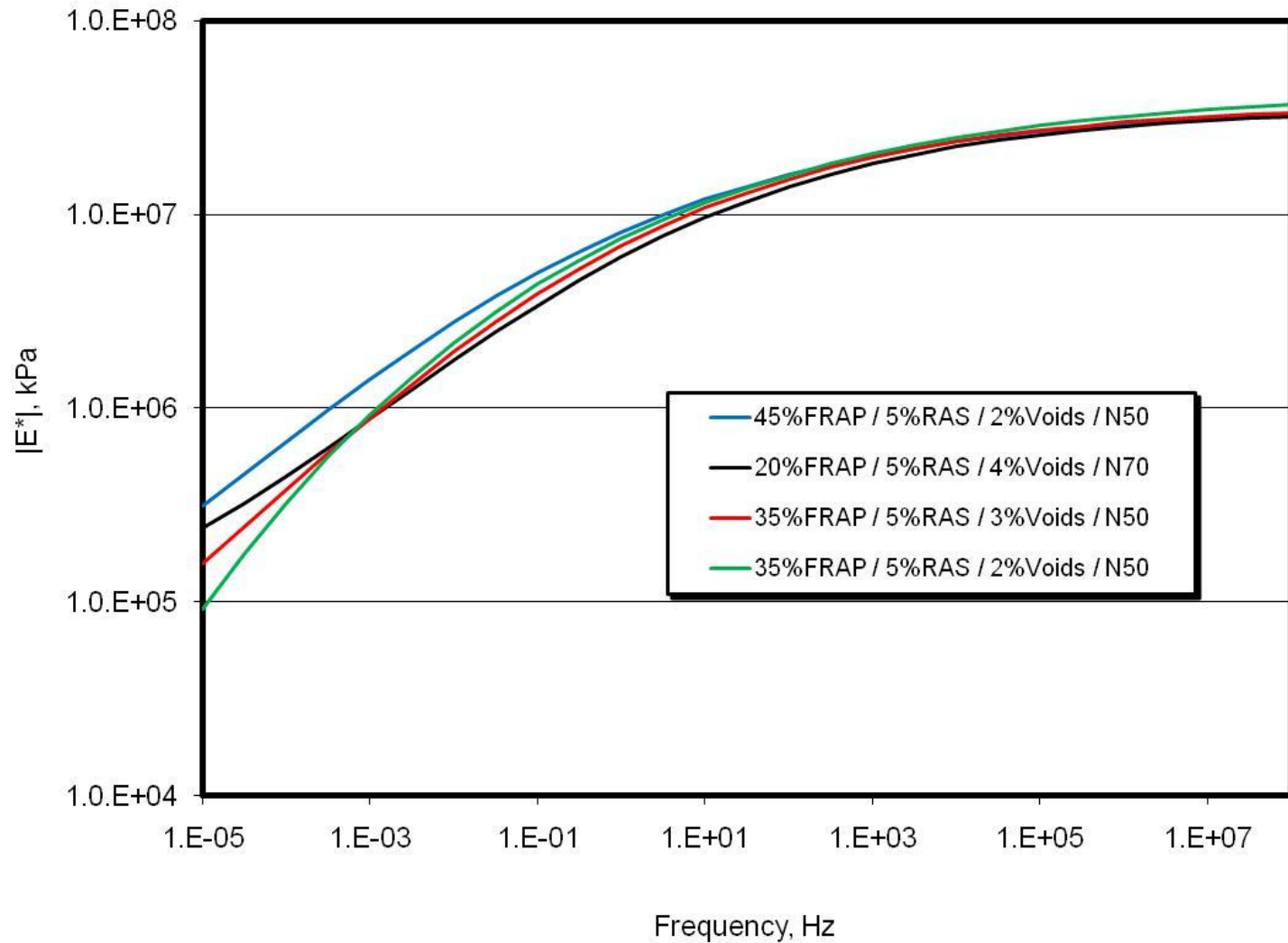
- Dynamic modulus
- Beam fatigue
- Disc Compact Tension
- Recovered Binders



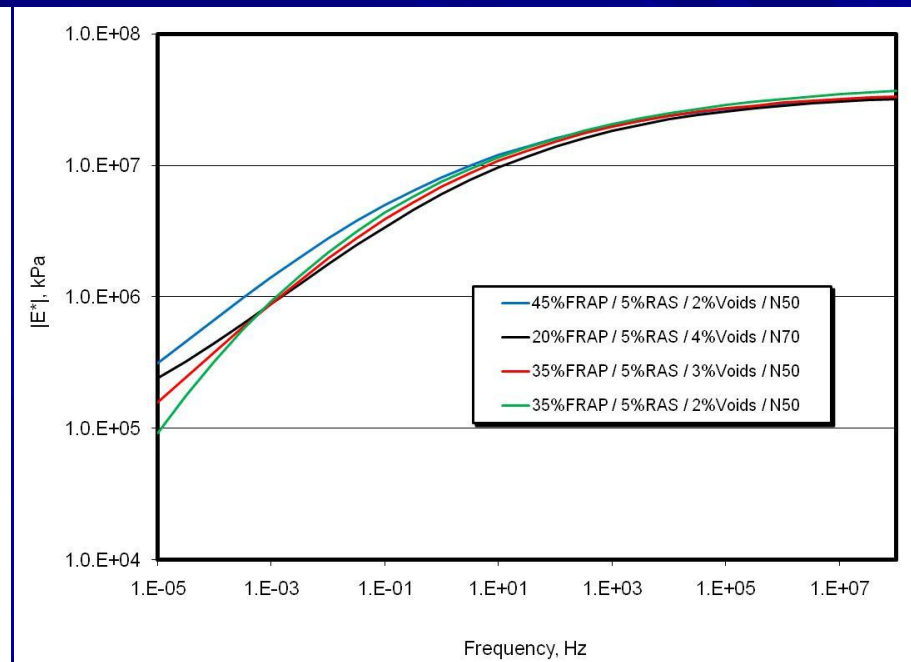
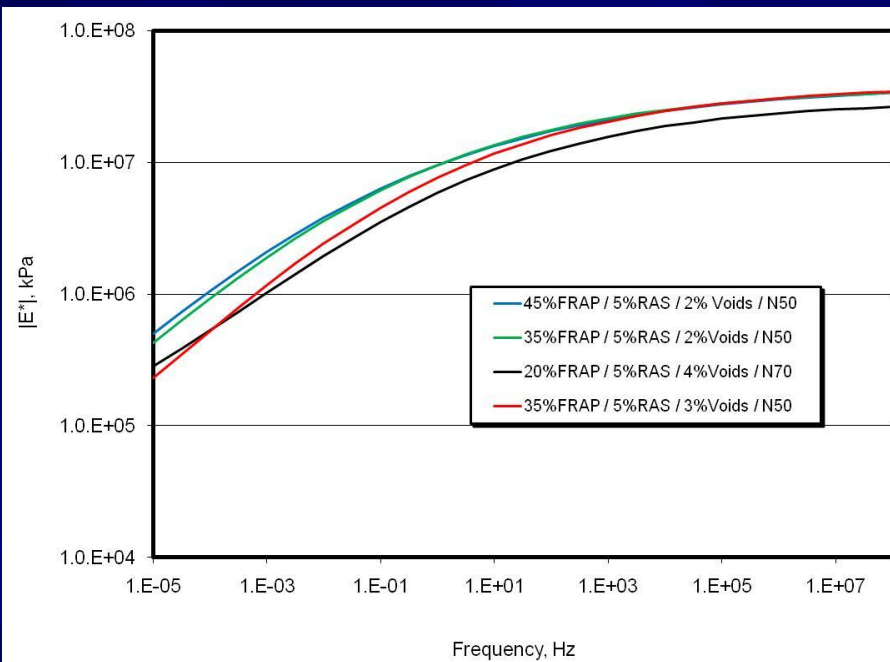
# Laboratory Mixes



# Field Mixes



# Lab vs. Field



# Summary

- The RAS binder contribution to the “mix” performance grade of combined binder can be reasonably estimated
- Warm mix asphalt technology is employing the same approach
- Warm mix asphalt & shingles are synergistic
- The approach is consistent with future mix performance testing

# Concluding thoughts/questions

- Integrating shingles into asphalt mixture specifications is challenging.
  - New technologies
  - Composition of shingles is changing
- Are post consumer shingles a solid waste today, in 5 years, or 10 years?
- Two demonstration projects have been placed in Indiana- lab testing of materials will begin soon.

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A dramatic sky filled with dark, heavy storm clouds, with a bright light source visible on the right side, creating a silhouette effect on the clouds. The foreground shows a green field.

Thank You!  
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Questions?