

TxDOT / TXAPA

QUALITY ASPHALT PAVEMENT

AWARDS PROGRAM



2013



NOMINATION



FORM



***A JOINT PROGRAM FROM
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AND
TEXAS ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION***

TxDOT / TXAPA QUALITY ASPHALT PAVEMENT AWARDS PROGRAM

The Quality Asphalt Pavement Awards Program is a joint effort between the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and the Texas Asphalt Pavement Association (TXAPA). The intent of the awards program is to encourage and recognize quality built Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) pavements. The awards program was established to honor those individuals and firms that have excelled in the production, placement, and quality assurance on an HMA project. Too many times quality projects and the people responsible for those projects are not recognized or given the amount of credit they deserve. This program is designed to support and acknowledge TxDOT, contractors, and most importantly the individuals that constructed the quality built HMA project.

TxDOT Districts and TXAPA Members that win an award are recognized during the TXAPA Annual Meeting. Awards and recognition for field personnel will be presented at a meeting that will be held in the TxDOT District.

We urge you to review your HMA pavements that have been completed during the past calendar year for nomination consideration. All Districts are encouraged to nominate at least one project. It is strongly recommended that a District designee, who is equipped with the ratings guide (guide included), perform a drive-through of each project being considered for nomination. This extra step should prove invaluable to the District in their determination of worthy projects.

ELIGIBILITY AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Quality Asphalt Pavement Awards are open to all TxDOT Districts and Texas Asphalt Pavement Association members. A TxDOT District may nominate more than one HMA project for award consideration. TXAPA members are also eligible to win more than one award.

- **Projects considered for award must be TxDOT project's constructed under any TxDOT HMA specification.**
- **The TxDOT District or the TXAPA Regular Member responsible for the project may nominate the project for award consideration. Each nomination form must be signed by the TxDOT district engineer and the TXAPA Regular Member.**
- **The nomination form submitted by TxDOT or TXAPA Regular Member must be signed by the District Engineer and the Texas Asphalt Pavement Association Regular Member in order to be considered an official nomination.**
- **Award winners must be members of the Texas Asphalt Pavement Association.**
- **The HMA pavements must be completed in the 2012 calendar year.**
- **For projects with multiple locations please select the one individual location that best represents the project. The award category will be based on the tonnage of HMA for that individual location.**

AWARD CATEGORIES

There are eight categories. The categories are Full Depth Large, Full Depth Large with Open Graded Surfaces, Full Depth Small, Full Depth Small with Open Graded Surfaces, Overlay Large, Overlay Large with Open Graded Surfaces, Overlay Small and Overlay Small with Open Graded Surfaces.

***Projects that have a final roadway driving surface with an open graded mix such as PFC, Thin Bonded PFC, or the Ultra Thin Bonded Wearing Course are eligible for the open graded categories.**

FULL DEPTH AWARDS:

Must have a minimum of four (4) inches in total HMAC thickness.

FULL DEPTH LARGE consists of those projects of 50,000 tons or more.

FULL DEPTH LARGE W/ OPEN GRADED SURFACES consists of those projects of 50,000 tons or more.

FULL DEPTH SMALL consists of those projects of 49,999 tons or less.

FULL DEPTH SMALL W/ OPEN GRADED SURFACES consists of those projects of 49,999 tons or less.

OVERLAY AWARDS:

Any overlay project less than four (4) inches in total HMAC thickness.

OVERLAY LARGE consists of those projects of 25,000 tons or more.

OVERLAY LARGE W/ OPEN GRADED SURFACES consists of those projects of 25,000 tons or more.

OVERLAY SMALL consists of those projects of 24,999 tons or less.

OVERLAY SMALL W/ OPEN GRADED SURFACES consists of those projects of 24,999 tons or less.

RATING AND SELECTION PROCESS

The Quality Asphalt Pavement Award nominees are rated based upon what the riding public sees and feels: surface appearance and the smoothness of ride. For this purpose, the project will be divided into four "rating sections". A rating section is, a portion of the pavement in one direction of travel of approximately ½ the overall length of the project. Each section is to be evaluated for surface appearance and smoothness of ride based on a rating scale of 10 – 40. Specifically, scores will be given in the range of 10 to 20 for "Good", 21-30 for "Very Good", and 31-40 for "Exceptional". The overall rating for the project will be comprised of four scores for appearance and four scores for ride. This allows for a maximum project score of 320. For projects with only one direction of travel there will be only two rating sections and those point totals will be multiplied by two for the total points for the project. A new rating guide is enclosed in this nomination packet.

A team of evaluators visits each nominated project and rates the project based on the rating guide. The evaluation team consists of one TxDOT and one TXAPA industry representative. The evaluation team is not eligible to evaluate projects in their home district. When the evaluation team has completed their project review they forward their results to the TxDOT/TXAPA Quality Asphalt Pavement Awards Committee. The committee will determine the two finalists, for each category, and select a final evaluation team to evaluate those projects. Upon the completion of all evaluations the committee makes the final determination of all award winners. The Committee is comprised of two TxDOT representatives, two TXAPA representatives, and the Executive Vice President of TXAPA.

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

A winner will be determined in each of the eight categories. Award winners will be announced and presented during the TXAPA Annual Meeting that will be held September 25 – 28, 2013 at the Hyatt Regency Riverwalk Hotel in San Antonio, Texas. Management personnel of the award winning TxDOT District and TXAPA member will be invited to accept their award on September 26, 2013. Employees of each award winner that were responsible for the actual construction and inspection/quality assurance of the project are recognized during a meeting within the TxDOT District. They receive a hard hat decal, certificate, and TXAPA Quality Award Winner gifts recognizing them as a TxDOT/TXAPA award winner.

IMPORTANT DATES

SUBMISSION OF PROJECTS	NO LATER THAN APRIL 19, 2013
EVALUATION OF ALL PROJECTS	APRIL 19, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 7, 2013
FINAL PROJECT EVALUATION	JUNE 8, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2013
FINAL PROJECT SELECTION	AUGUST 2013
ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS	SEPTEMBER 26, 2013

SUBMISSION OF NOMINEES

Projects submitted for nomination for the 2013 awards can be submitted from March through April 19, 2013. Remember the HMA pavements must have been completed during 2012. All nominees should be submitted on this form and returned by mail or fax on or before April 19, 2013 to:

**TEXAS ASPHALT PAVEMENT ASSOCIATION
P.O. BOX 1468
Buda, TX 78610
FAX: 512-312-5043**

**PLEASE DIRECT ALL QUESTIONS TO
TXAPA: 512-312-2099**

TxDOT / TXAPA QUALITY ASPHALT PAVEMENT AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

DISTRICT _____ AREA OFFICE _____

AREA ENGINEER NAME _____ PHONE _____

DISTRICT ADDRESS _____

PROJECT NUMBER _____ HWY _____ COUNTY _____

PROJECT LIMITS _____

PRIME CONTRACTOR _____

HMA PRODUCER _____

HMA PLACEMENT CONTRACTOR _____

PAVING DATES: BEGINNING _____ ENDING _____

2. PROJECT CATEGORY, (PLEASE REVIEW THE AWARD CATEGORIES)

FULL DEPTH LARGE _____ OVERLAY LARGE _____

*FULL DEPTH LARGE W/OPEN GRADED SURFACE _____
*OVERLAY LARGE W/OPEN GRADED SURFACE _____

FULL DEPTH SMALL _____ OVERLAY SMALL _____

*FULL DEPTH SMALL W/OPEN GRADED SURFACE _____
*OVERLAY SMALL W/OPEN GRADED SURFACE _____

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3. PAVEMENT SECTION

HOT MIX	THICKNESS & TYPE OF MIX	TONS USED	TONS RAP	WMA Y/N
SURFACE				
LEVEL UP				
BASE (HMA)				
OTHER (HMA)				
TOTAL				

4. PROJECT LOCATION MAP

PLEASE INCLUDE A PROJECT LOCATION MAP OR SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO DIRECT THE EVALUATORS TO THE PROJECT.

5. TXAPA CONTRACTOR VERIFICATION BY TXAPA MEMBER

WE VERIFY THAT THE HMA PAVEMENT IS OF EXEMPLARY QUALITY AND WILL HELP COORDINATE A RECOGNITION PROGRAM FOR PROJECT PERSONNEL IF WE ARE SELECTED AS AN AWARD WINNER.

SIGNATURE _____

COMPANY

DATE

6. TxDOT VERIFICATION BY TxDOT DISTRICT ENGINEER

WE VERIFY THAT THE HMA PAVEMENT IS OF EXEMPLARY QUALITY AND WILL HELP COORDINATE A RECOGNITION PROGRAM FOR PROJECT PERSONNEL IF WE ARE SELECTED AS AN AWARD WINNER.

SIGNATURE _____

DISTRICT

DATE

7. SUPPORT DATA (OPTIONAL)

**DETAILS OF THIS PROJECT THAT MIGHT BE OF BENEFIT TO THE EVALUATION TEAM.
PLEASE ATTACH TO THE NOMINATION FORM.**

THIS YEAR WE REQUEST THAT IF YOU HAVE PROJECT IRI DATA THAT YOU INCLUDE IT WITH YOUR SUBMISSION. AN OVERALL AVERAGE OF THE PROJECT WILL BE SUFFICIENT. THIS DATA MAY BE USED BY THE COMMITTEE TO INSURE QUALITY PROJECTS ARE NOT ELIMINATED FROM THE FINAL EVALUATIONS. PLEASE INCLUDE THE DATA AS A SEPARATE ATTACHMENT TO THE NOMINATION PACKET SINCE IT WILL NOT BE PROVIDED TO THE EVALUATORS.

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DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION SUBMITTAL IS: APRIL 19, 2013

TxDOT / TXAPA QUALITY ASPHALT PAVEMENT AWARDS RATING GUIDE

Rating of EXCEPTIONAL

31- 40 POINTS

For Surface Appearance

Uniform and consistent throughout in texture. Clean tight longitudinal joints. Few, if any, fat spots. Little or no discernable roller marks.

For Smoothness of Ride

Consistently smooth ride throughout. Smooth transitions at pavement ends or bridges. No significant bumps at transverse joints. No discernable surface irregularities that affect ride, i.e., rutting, roller marks, etc.

Rating of VERY GOOD

21-30 POINTS

For Surface Appearance

Long sections of uniform surface appearance. Isolated areas of minor segregation or surface imperfections. Isolated and minor imperfections in longitudinal joints, i.e. separation, raveling, overlapping, etc.

For Smoothness of Ride

Long sections of smooth ride. Isolated areas of minor chatter or uneven surface. Minor roughness in transition areas. Discernable bump at transverse joints.

Rating of GOOD

10-20 POINTS

For Surface Appearance

Random or widely scattered areas of surface imperfections. Noticeable end-load segregation. Discernable roller marks or auger shadows are more prevalent. Noticeable problems with longitudinal joints are more prevalent.

For Smoothness of Ride

Surface irregularities (i.e. dips, bumps, chatter, etc.) are more widespread. Presence of rutting. Significant roughness in transition areas. Significant bump at transverse joints.

Quality Asphalt Pavement Award Program



The TXAPA Awards Committee would like to solicit your nominations for the 2013 Quality Asphalt Pavement Awards.

Nomination Due Date: April 19, 2013

Where: Texas Asphalt Pavement Association
P.O. Box 1468
Buda, Texas 78610
Fax: (512) 312-5043
kpagitt@texasasphalt.org

TXAPA Members
"Dedicated to Quality"

It is time to submit your nominations for the 2013 Quality Asphalt Pavement Awards. Nominations should be for projects constructed by your company for cities, counties, regional mobility authorities, private developers, etc. Projects should have been totally completed or had the paving completed in 2012. Nominations are due by April 19, 2013.

See Official Nomination Form on Back

OFFICIAL 2013 QUALITY ASPHALT PAVEMENT NOMINATION FORM

OWNER (SELECT ONE):

CITY _____; PRIVATE DEVELOPER _____;

COUNTY _____; PRIVATE CORPORATION _____;

REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY _____; OTHER _____

OWNER CONTACT NAME _____ PHONE _____

OWNER ADDRESS _____

PROJECT DESCRIPTION _____

PROJECT LIMITS _____

PRIME CONTRACTOR _____

HMA PRODUCER _____

HMA PLACEMENT CONTRACTOR _____

PAVING DATES: BEGINNING _____ ENDING _____

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