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MEMO TO:  R. O. Beauchamp
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We have reviewed the AASHO Interim Guide for the Design of Rigid Pavement Structures, and Messrs. Havens and Hughes of our staff have prepared comments on the guide. These comments do not deal entirely with the rigid pavement guide, but rather compare some of the design concepts from the Flexible Pavement Interim Guide.

We have been particularly interested in AASHO traffic factors and the development of composite traffic data from the single traffic level available on the AASHO Road Test. It appears that the equivalent 18,000 lb. axle load and the 10,000 lb. axle load used in Kentucky correlate very well.

Our comments cover primarily a comparison of Kentucky flexible and rigid pavement design criteria with the AASHO Interim Guides. Table 2 of the attached comments lists the rigid pavement thicknesses obtained from AASHO curves for various stated conditions using Kentucky traffic values converted to equivalent daily AASHO 18-kip axles.

It is apparent that by using the flexural strength of 600 psi and AASHO recommended design level of 0.75 S_c that the following thicknesses of slabs would be required.

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These values are consistent with present structural design practices for primary and interstate rigid pavements.

During the recent Highway Research Board meeting in St. Louis, Mo., Mr. W. J. Liddle discussed the AASHO Interim Guides for flexible and rigid pavements. I had an opportunity to talk with Mr. Liddle and he advised me that the rigid pavement guide was being revised and was expected to be distributed to members of AASHO Operating Committee on Design in June. I discussed very briefly some of our questions.

Sufficient extra copies of our comments have been prepared for whatever distribution that you wish to make. We have not seen fit to make strenuous objections to the interim guide or the concepts presented. We have noted on pages 7 through 11 some factors that we believe deserve discussion or consideration. These factors are of primary importance in Kentucky design practices and our relationships to the AASHO policy guides, but may have limited significance to the AASHO Operating Design Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

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Comments on:

AASHO INTERIM GUIDE FOR
THE DESIGN OF RIGID PAVEMENT STRUCTURES
(AASHO Committee on Design, February, 1962)

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The equivalency factors given for the various axle loads for the design of rigid pavements differ slightly from those given in the "AASHO Recommended Guide for the Design of Flexible Pavement Structures (July 25, 1961)." Consequently, the summation of EWL's or average daily 18-kip (equivalent) axles computed from a particular set of traffic data (for a particular road) will differ somewhat according to the type of pavement being designed. Therefore, in order to be able to design equivalent flexible and rigid pavements (equal alternates), two separate traffic computations are needed. For instance:

**Rigid Pavements**

\[
18\text{-kip axles per day} = \frac{\sum n_1 f_1 + n_2 f_2 + n_3 f_3 \ldots}{7300}
\]

where:

\( n = \) no. of axles of a given load in 20 yrs.,

\( f = \) respective load-equivalency factors, rigid pavements,

\( 7300 = 20 \text{ yrs.} \times 365 \text{ days}. \)
Flexible Pavements

18-kip axles per day = \( \sum n_1 f_1' + n_2 f_2' + n_3 f_3' \ldots \)
\[
\frac{7300}{365}
\]

where

- \( n \) = no. of axles of a given load in 20 yrs.,
- \( f' \) = respective load-equivalency factors, flexible pavement,
- 7300 = 20 yrs. x 365 days.

While it is thus possible to compute AASHO equivalent, daily 18-kip axles from raw traffic data (loadometer data and projected traffic counts), it is desirable to be able to convert Ky. EWL's (5,000-lb. wheel, 5-ton axles, or 10-kip axle basis) to the 18-kip axle basis. This appears to be possible inasmuch as the Ky. EWL's are computed in much the same manner as described above. For instance:

Ky. EWL's (10 kip axles, 2 directions, 20 yrs.) = \( \sum n_1 f_1'' + n_2 f_2'' + n_3 f_3'' \ldots \)

\[ \sum n_1 f_1'' + n_2 f_2'' + n_3 f_3'' \ldots = n \bar{f}'' \text{ or } \bar{n} f'' \]

Thus, Ky. EWL's (10-kip axle) may be converted to an 18-kip axle basis (\( f'' = 16 \)) as follows:

\[
\frac{\text{Ky. EWL's (10-kip)}}{\text{Ky. EWL's (18-kip)}} = \frac{n_{10} f_{10}''}{n_{18} f_{18}''} = \frac{n_{18} \times 1}{n_{18} \times 16}
\]
If Ky. EWL's (10 kip) = Ky. EWL's (18-kip), then \( n_{10} \) must be 16 times greater than \( n_{18} \); in other words, it takes 16 times as many repetitions of a 10-kip axle to produce the same EWL that \( n \) applications of an 18-kip axle would produce. Hence, the conversion of Ky. EWL's (10-kip basis) to Ky. EWL's (18-kip basis) is accomplished by dividing the 10-kip EWL by 16. The 10-kip, 20-yr., 2-direction, EWL converted to the 18-kip basis may be further reduced to equivalent daily applications in one direction by dividing by \( 2 \times 7300 \). Moreover, if it is desired to convert from the 10-kip, 20-yr., 1-direction, Ky. EWL, this may be accomplished by dividing 32. Similarly, present Ky. EWL's divided by 32 gives 20-yr. EWL's on approximately the same basis as AASHO EWL's computed over 20 yrs. - that is:

\[
\text{Ky. EWL's}/32 = \text{AASHO EWL's (20 yr.)}
\]

The above conversion is only approximate inasmuch as the AASHO load-equivalency factors, as mentioned before, differ somewhat with respect to the stated conditions, i.e. \( P_t = 2.0 \) or \( 2.5 \), \( \overline{SN} \) (flexible), and \( D_2 \) (rigid).

In an effort to derive more precise conversions, the logarithm of AASHO equivalency factors \( (f_A) \) given for each of the stated conditions were plotted versus the logarithm of the respective axle loads.
(P_A, in kips), and in each case a nearly straight-line relationship was found. The linear equations thus obtained (from both rigid and flexible pavement reports) are given below for the several stated conditions:

**AASHO Flexible Pavements**

Single Axle, P_t = 2.0: \( \log P_A = 0.23245 \log f_A + \log 18.154 \)
\[ P_A = 18.154 f_A^{0.23245} \]

Single Axle, P_t = 2.5: \( \log P_A = 0.24544 \log f_A + \log 18.028 \)
\[ P_A = 18.028 f_A^{0.24544} \]

Tandem Axle, P_t = 2.0: \( \log P_A = 0.22038 \log f_A + \log 32.719 \)
\[ P_A = 32.719 f_A^{0.22038} \]

Tandem Axle, P_t = 2.5: \( \log P_A = 0.24500 \log f_A + \log 32.750 \)
\[ P_A = 32.750 f_A^{0.24500} \]

**AASHO Rigid Pavements**

Single Axle, P_t = 2.0: \( \log P_A = 0.23492 \log f_A + \log 18.054 \)
\[ P_A = 18.054 f_A^{0.23492} \]

Single Axle, P_t = 2.5: \( \log P_A = 0.23938 \log f_A + \log 18.009 \)
\[ P_A = 18.009 f_A^{0.23938} \]

Tandem Axle, P_t = 2.0: \( \log P_A = 0.233875 \log f_A + \log 28.855 \)
\[ P_A = 28.855 f_A^{0.233875} \]

Tandem Axle, P_t = 2.5: \( \log P_A = 0.249599 \log f_A + \log 29.175 \)
\[ P_A = 29.175 f_A^{0.249599} \]
In the present Ky. system of computing EWL's, the relationship between $P_k$ (Ky. basic axle load in tons) and $f_k$ (Ky. equivalency factor) is given by:

$$f_k = (2)^{P_k - 5}$$

The ratio between Ky. EWL's and AASHO EWL's is given by:

$$\frac{\text{Ky. EWL's}}{\text{AASHO EWL's}} = \frac{2 f_k}{f_A}$$

$$2 f_k = 2(2)^{P_k - 5} = (2)^{P_k - 4}$$

$$\frac{\text{Ky. EWL's}}{\text{AASHO EWL's}} = \frac{(2)^{P_k - 4}}{f_A}$$

On the basis described above, the following ratios or converting factors have been derived:

**Flexible Pavements**

Single Axle, $P_t = 2.0$: Ky. EWL's/34.7939 = AASHO EWL's

Single Axle, $P_t = 2.5$: Ky. EWL's/32.2711 = AASHO EWL's

Tandem Axle, $P_t = 2.0$: Ky. EWL's/426.667 = AASHO EWL's

Tandem Axle, $P_t = 2.5$: Ky. EWL's/369.231 = AASHO EWL's
Rigid Pavements

Single Axle, \( P_t = 2.0 \): Ky. EWL's/32.9557 = AASHO EWL's

Single Axle, \( P_t = 2.5 \): Ky. EWL's/32.1479 = AASHO EWL's

Tandem Axle, \( P_t = 2.0 \): Ky. EWL's/237.037 = AASHO EWL's

Tandem Axle, \( P_t = 2.5 \): Ky. EWL's/231.325 = AASHO EWL's

Using the above conversion factors for single axles only, the eleven Ky. traffic groups, Curves IA thru X, resolve as follows:

Table 1. Summary of Conversions of Ky. EWL's to AASHO Traffic Basis

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The above table, thus, provides the necessary conversions of Ky. EWL's to AASHO traffic values; and it follows that the AASHO traffic values so obtained provide a basis whereby thicknesses of flexible pavements (KY. Design Chart) may be compared with thicknesses (SN values) obtained by solution of the AASHO equations for the design of flexible pavements or as obtained by the use of the nomographs provided. It follows, likewise, that comparable or equivalent designs for rigid pavements may be obtained by using the appropriate traffic conversion and the equation or nomograph applicable to rigid pavements. However, this is presumably so now only insofar as the analysis of traffic is concerned. Although, the possibility of making actual comparisons of thicknesses in this way is foreseen, there are certain factors yet to be resolved. Those involving flexible pavements are:

1. The establishment of a satisfactory relationship between the Ky. CBR value and the soil support value (S) as used in the AASHO report on flexible pavements. Preliminary comparisons between structural index numbers (SN) computed from typical flexible pavements being designed by the Ky. system and those obtained from the AASHO nomograph suggests that a Ky. CBR-5 corresponds to a soil support value within the range of 2.5 to 3.0.

Note: A laboratory study which, it is hoped, will resolve a reliable relationship is in progress.
2. The establishment of a reliable regional factor (R) for use in the AASHO flexible pavement design system. Preliminary analyses indicate that an R-value of 1.00 or close thereto would be appropriate; however, this lacks confirmation.

3. The structural coefficients given by AASHO for bituminous concrete is 0.44 per inch of thickness; whereas, that given for crushed stone base is 0.14 per inch of thickness.

\[
\text{SN} = 0.44 \times \text{Thickness of Surface} + 0.14 \times \text{thickness of base}
\]

Total thickness - thickness of base = thickness of surface.

\[
\text{SN} = 0.44 \ T_t - 0.44 \ T_b + 0.14 \ T_b
\]

While it is possible to interpolate total thickness from the Ky. design curves (for a given traffic group and CBR), it is apparent that the thicknesses of pavement components may be appropriated or selected in such a way as to yield almost any desired value of SN. However, since Ky. flexible pavements are by and large two component systems, any desired SN and total thickness may be equated as above to find the needed thicknesses of the respective component layers.

The structural coefficients recommended by AASHO may be subject to some modification inasmuch as they apply specifically to the type and quality of materials used in the Test Road. On an inch-per-inch basis, these coefficients credit bituminous concrete with slightly more than three times as much structural integrity as crushed rock base; whereas, heretofore, most design engineers have considered this ratio to be in the order of 1.5 to 1.8. It is likely, therefore, that more conservative coefficients (and ratios) may be adopted in order to reconcile the AASHO design criterion with long-standing design practices elsewhere. For instance, a slight moderation of the 0.44
coefficient (bituminous concrete) to 0.40 and an increase in the 0.14 coefficient to perhaps 0.20 for Ky. DGA base (thought to represent the highest quality of uncememented base) would be worthy of consideration.

Factors involving rigid pavements and which are yet to be resolved are:

1. The AASHO report on rigid pavements states that the flexural strength (modulus of rupture) of the concrete in the test road was 690 psi. Heretofore, it has been the practice to limit the maximum design stress to 50% of ultimate (safety factor of 2). The present report suggests that 75% of ultimate (.75 Sc) would be satisfactory. This factor bears significantly upon the thickness of the pavement; and, whereas .75 Sc (.75 x 690 psi) may have been a satisfactory stress-level in the performance of the Test Road -- attributable perhaps to greater uniformity in the preparation and in the supporting value of the foundation -- it is doubtful that a similar degree of perfection in this respect is economically achievable in routine construction.

Note: Ky. Specs., Article 4.1.5-D, page 140, requires 600 psi flexural strength for paving concrete at 28 days. Doubtless, strength increases somewhat beyond 28 days. However, inasmuch as this is the only flexural strength ever required, it may be argued that this value (600 psi) should be used for design purpose. As a matter of interest, both 0.50 Sc and 0.75 Sc (Sc = 600) are included in some of the analyses that follow.

2. Although the AASHO guide for the design of rigid pavements proposes that traffic (equiv., daily, 18-kip axles) be computed for a 20-yr. period, in the same manner that Ky. EWL's are computed and as recommended in the guide for the design of flexible pavements, it states that the traffic-period should "...not be confused with pavement life, which is affected by many factors in addition to traffic loading." While it is understandable that many
factors other than traffic affect pavement life, there seems to be a serious conflict with logic in the attitude that the traffic period is something other than the designed-life of the pavement. In other words, the traffic period should logically represent the best estimate of the life-span of the pavement— that is, including all factors however undefinable they may be and/or experience. The prediction of traffic 20 years hence is often grossly underestimated and perhaps less frequently overestimated, but the estimates are surely based upon logic and the best information available at the time they are made. From this point of view, it would seem that pavement-life estimates may be about as accurate as traffic estimates. Doubtlessly, considerable effort was made in design of the Test Road and in the analysis of the data to preserve logic and theory, and it seems improper in the Design Committee's guide to dismiss a basic concept in such an unqualified way. If the design criterion given in the guide is reliable and valid, the design-life of the pavement is determined wholly by the period over which the traffic is estimated.

3. In regard to the "Subbase Recommendations" (Appendix B of the guide), it appears that the subbase thicknesses (thickness of insulation course in Ky.) recommended there are not well substantiated and that the particular subbase materials are not well defined. Kentucky's DGA insulation appears to conform most closely to the Type B classification, and most Kentucky soils would fall into a CBR range corresponding to a modulus of subgrade reaction (k) of 125 to 300. According to the guide recommendations, this would require at least 9 inches of DGA insulation whereas present practices on Interstate construction call for 6 inches, and lighter construction calls for 3 to 5 inches. Of course, it is well recognized that the combined thickness of pavement and insulation is important from the standpoint of depth of freezing etc. and that the insulation must be designed so as to prevent pumping and intrusions of subgrade soil.

Foreseeably, some controversies may evolve from these unqualified recommendations -- that is, depending upon local conditions throughout the country. As a case in
point, Childs, et al, (Portland Cement Association), Proceedings, ASCE, Paper 1297, July, 1957), presents an entirely opposite picture. In part, he says: "The stresses induced at the edge of and at a free corner in a 6-in. slab on a 6-in. well compacted, dense-graded subbase were the same as would be expected in a 6-1/2-in. slab with no subbase; and the stresses in a 6-in. slab on a 12-in. subbase were the same as would be expected in a 7-in. slab with no subbase.

"The deflections at the edge of a 6-in. slab on a 6-in. subbase were the same as would be expected with a 7-1/2-in. slab with no subbase; and the deflection of a 6-in. slab on a 12-in. subbase were the same as would be expected in an 8-in. slab with no subbase.

"...Thus, on low bearing value subgrades, it appears that strains may be reduced effectively and economically by small increases in slab thickness and that deflections may be reduced substantially by the use of a dense-graded, well compacted subbase. The greatest effectiveness per inch of subbase in the reduction of deflections is obtained with subbases about 6 in. thick. Since experience indicates that subbases of this thickness, or even less, will prevent pumping, the use of subbases of greater thickness may not be structurally economical."

Childs, et. al., also presents a similar viewpoint in a subsequent paper (Proceedings, ASCE, Paper 1800, Oct. 1958.)

It is of interest now to compare the results obtainable from the guide for the design of rigid pavements in terms of Kentucky traffic converted to AASHO Traffic. A number of such comparisons are provided in Table 2, which is otherwise self-explanatory. Similarly, it is of
interest to compare the results obtainable from the guide for the design
of flexible pavements (equal Ky. traffic) and from the standpoint of typical
Kentucky pavements. A number of such comparisons are provided in
Table 3. The main comparison there is provided by the structural index
\( SN \) as obtained from the guide for the stated conditions and the \( SN \) values
computed from the typical Kentucky designs using the AASHO structural
coefficient of 0.44 for bituminous concrete surface and 0.14 and DGA
base.

Attachments:

1. Ky. Design Chart
2. Copy of EWL computations, East Ky. Toll Road
3. East Ky. Toll Road traffic converted to AASHO basis using raw
   traffic data and AASHO equivalency factors, \( P_t = 2.0 \).
4. (Same as 3 above, using \( P_t = 2.5 \))
5. AASHO Design Chart, Flexible Pavements (400-1, revised)
6. AASHO Design Chart, Flexible Pavements (400-2, revised)
7. AASHO Design Chart, Rigid Pavements (400-1)
8. AASHO Design Chart, Rigid Pavements (400-2)
Table 2. Rigid Pavement Thicknesses Obtained by AASHTO Design Guide for Various Stated Conditions and Daily Equivalent 18-kip, Single Axles Converted from Ky. EWL-Groups.

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Note: Guide states: "Where the design analysis indicates a slab thickness of less than 8 inches, careful consideration must be given to environmental conditions, and to the construction problems to be encountered, before the lesser thickness is used."

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* Regional Factor (R) = 1.00  
** Soil Support Value (S) for AASHO Test Road = 3.0  
*** Ky. CBR = 5, Assumed.  
( ) Extrapolated Values.
Fig. 20: Revised Flexible Pavement Design Curves.
TRAFFIC VOLUME GROUP 3000

COUNTY ___________________ ROAD NAME ___________________ Eastern Kentucky Toll Road ___________________ ROUTE NO. ___________________
PROJECT LIMITS ________________ Captown to Salyersville ________________ PROJECT NO. ________________

LOADOMETER STATION REFERENCE ________________

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<th>(C) % of Total Axles from Load Sta.</th>
<th>(D) Correction</th>
<th>(E) Corrected % of Total Axles (C) / (D)</th>
<th>(F) Total Axles by Weight Class (B) x (E)</th>
<th>(G) EWL Factor</th>
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TOTAL EWL for 20 year period (two directions) 31,179,961

*Assuming road to be toll free and partially controlled

**Traffic estimate obtained from letter of Wilbur Smith & Associates, dated August 31, 1961, and projected according to Table IV-4, of report dated November, 1961, by Wilbur Smith & Associates. "Proposed Eastern Kentucky Toll Road Extension"
**TRANSPORT VOLUME GROUP 3000+**

**COUNTRY:** Eastern Ky. Toll Road  
**ROAD NAME:** Eastern Ky. Toll Road  
**ROUTE NO.:**

**PROJECT LIMITS:** Campton-Salyersville  
**PROJECT NO.:**

**LOADMETER STATION REFERENCE:**

1. **Per cent of Trucks** (1980)  
2. **Average Axles per Truck**  
4. **Average 24 Hour Truck Traffic** = (1) x (3)  
5. **Average 24 Hour Truck Traffic at End of 10 Year Period** = 1.465 x (4)  
6. **Average Axles per Truck at End of 10 Year Period** = (2) + 0.19  
7. **Total Axles in 20 Years** = (5) x (6) x 365 x 20

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**TOTAL EWL for 20 year period (two directions)** = 2,112,008

**P_T = 2.00**  
1 Direction = 1,056,004

**Equivalent, Daily, 18-kip Axles** = \( \frac{1,056,004}{7306} = 145 \)

**Slab Thickness (from Nomograph)** = 6.87 inches
### Traffic Volume Group 3000+

**County** Eastern Ky. Toll Road  
**Road Name** Eastern Ky. Toll Road  
**Route No.** ___

**Project Limits**  
Campton-Saliersville  
**Project No.** ___

**Loadmeter Station Reference**

1. Per Cent of Trucks (1980) .......... 20.00
2. Average Axles per Truck ............. 3.11
4. Average 24 Hour Traffic = (1) x (3) ...........
5. Average 24 Hour Truck Traffic at End of 10 Year Period = 1.465 x (4) 483
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**TOTAL EWL for 20 year period (two directions)** 2,141,088

\[ P_T = 2.5 \]

1 Direction 1,070,544

Equivalent, Daily, 18-kip Axles \[ \frac{1,070,544}{7300} \] = 147

Slab Thickness (from Nomograph) = 7.19 inches
DESIGN CHART
FLEXIBLE PAVEMENTS
20 YEAR
TRAFFIC ANALYSIS
CHART 400-1