

2340100 SUPERPAVE ASPHALT BASE
COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments: (6-4-21, Industry)

should we append the language of 234-1 Description" "Construct a Superpave asphalt concrete base course as defined in these Specifications. Base course mixes are designated as Type B-12.5. The Contractor may use a Type SP-12.5 mixture (Traffic Level B, C, D, or E) or a Type SP-19.0 mixture (Traffic Level B, C, D, or E), in lieu of a Type B-12.5" to include "at no additional cost to the Department"?

Response: Kim, thank you for the review. We added "at no additional cost to the Department" to Section 234-1.

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Comments: (7-1-21, Industry)

For specification revision 2340100; why would Traffic Level D mixes be eliminated for asphalt base, but Traffic Level E mixes be permitted? Especially since both mix designs are usually very similar in JMF and AC content.

Response: Trent, thank you for the review. Traffic Level D mixes are currently designed as Traffic Level E mixes which includes JMF and AC content, as you pointed out. This change to Section 234 is due to language revisions in Section 334. Traffic Levels D and E are identical which allows for eliminating Traffic Level D Pay Items.
