Produce a pattern of striations that will provide an acceptable riding surface. Control milling operations to produce a texture that will provide an acceptable riding surface. This seems redundant. Can these two sentences be combined as follows: Control milling operations to produce a texture (a satisfactory pattern of striations) that will provide an acceptable riding surface.

Response: Good suggestion to combine the language, however, I’ll combine it slightly differently, than suggested for the following reason. The surface texture is one aspect of the milling and the pattern of striations are another aspect. They are sometimes related, but can be separate issues (i.e. one can be acceptable and the other unacceptable). As such, I don’t want to eliminate or weaken the requirements by implying acceptable texture only consists of an acceptable milling striation pattern. In order to combine them as you suggested, yet still keep both requirements, I’ve changed the language to, “Control milling operations to produce a pattern of striations and a texture that provide an acceptable riding surface.” Thanks for the suggestion to clean up the specification language.

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Comments: (Industry 11-13-20)
I believe this change will not only save the department time and money but will also provide a better quality ride by drastically reducing the number of cold joints on resurfacing projects.

Response: Thanks for the positive comments. I’m glad you like it. I agree with your thoughts on this.