3370000-ASPHALT CONCRETE COURSES FRICTION
COMMENTS FROM INDUSTRY REVIEW

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Comments:

337-3.2.1.1 Suggest removing "for use in friction courses" from the last sentence. Since the stated intent is to allow alternate aggregates only for FC-5, this language is confusing. It is redundant for FC-5, since 337-3.2.1.1. is a subarticle under FC-5, but it could be confusing or misinterpreted to apply to FC-9.5 or FC-12.5 friction course mixtures as well.

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Comments:

I can find no value to adding this information to the CQC plan. First, one of the options is not related to QC. Second, The CQC plan is required to be submitted within three weeks of contract award and most of the time it takes FDOT about 2.5 weeks to get the contracts back to the contractor. It is usually a struggle just to get something submitted on time. I feel that this option should be discussed at the preconstruction meeting. Anyone choosing the R squared option should be fully informed of how the testing in going to proceed. I would expect that the majority of the projects let with the options available would still be done with Quality Control and that very few, if any, would be done using department acceptance.

The declaration of what testing option the contractor has chosen should not be in the CQC plan.

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Comments:

In 337-3.2.1 FC-5 - I disagree with the additional language to allow "Aggregates other than those listed above may be used if approved by the Engineer for use in friction course". We are lowering our standards and who knows what you would end up with.

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Comments:

Comments offered by Howie Moseley
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337-6.2.1 (#8) Please clarify how the No. 8 sieve applies. I assume that it means for IV comparison with the contractor PC sample, but this should be spelled out in 337.

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