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# Don't Throw Paving Dollars Out with the Trash

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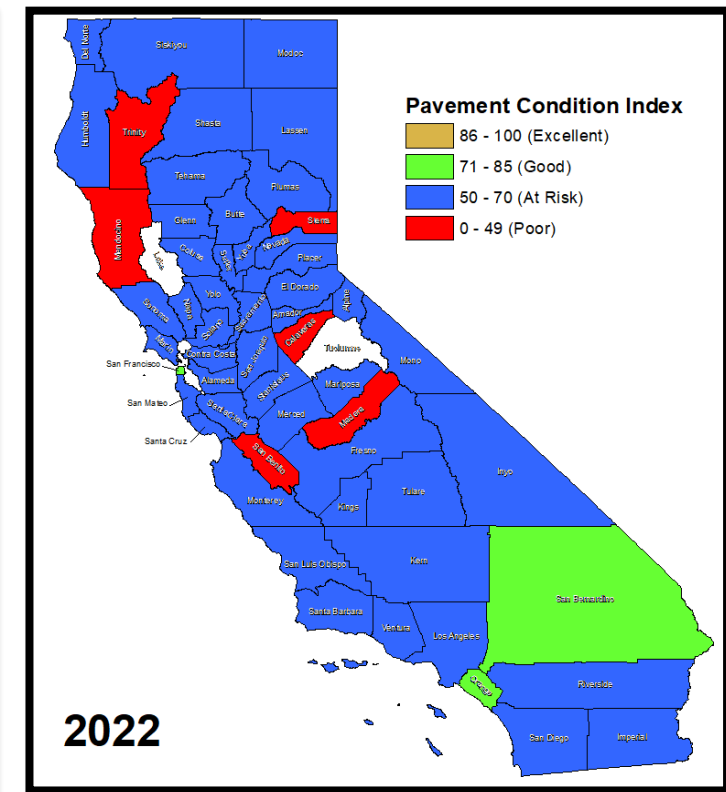
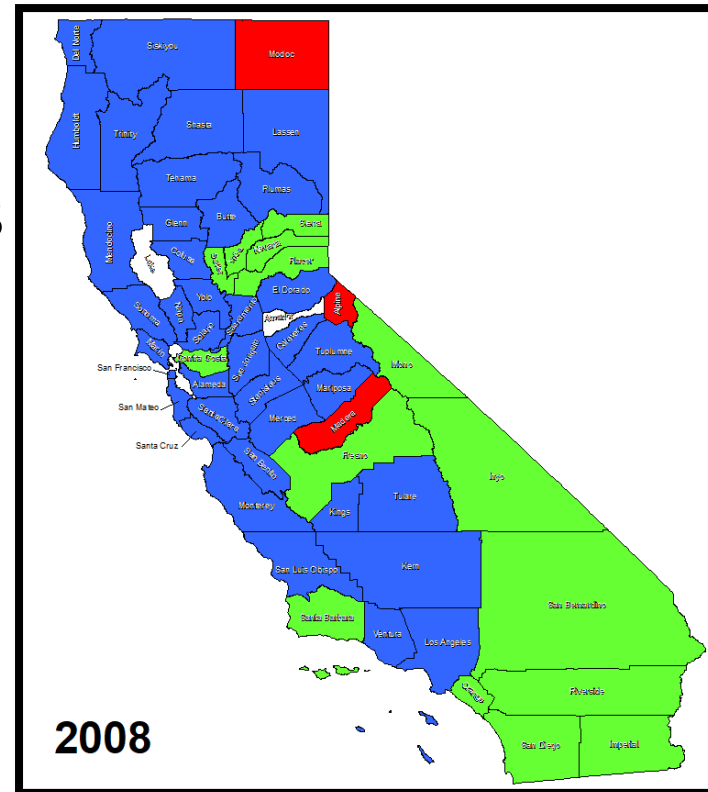


# INTRODUCTION

- Many local agencies throughout the country are seeing discouraging declines in the network pavement condition.

- Influencing Factors

- Increased construction costs
- Projects delayed to COVID
- Insufficient funding



EXAMPLE: CALIFORNIA

# FUNDING SOURCES

## Federal

- Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- Surface Transportation Program (STP)
- Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

## State

- Gas Tax
- Transportation Development Act (TDA)
- State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
- Vehicle Registration Fees
- CalRecycle
- Traffic Congestion Relief Fund

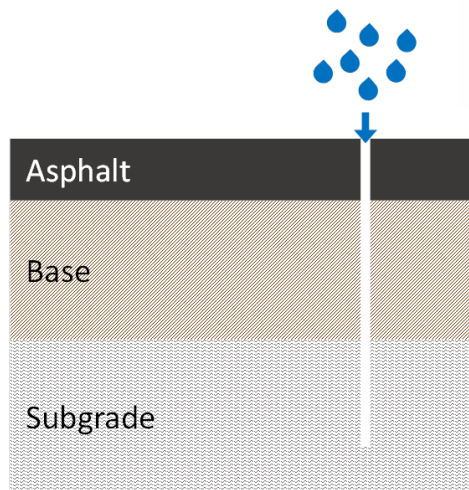
## Local

- General Fund
- Local Transportation Fund
- Parcel Tax
- Sales Tax/Local Measure
- Impact Fees
  - Development
  - Waste Vehicle
  - Utility Cut

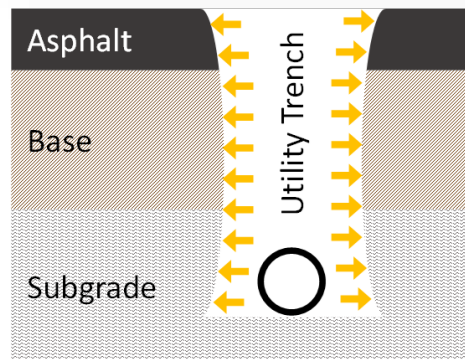
# IMPACT FEES TO COMPENSATE FOR PAVEMENT DAMAGE

Pavement Damage = Higher Maintenance Cost

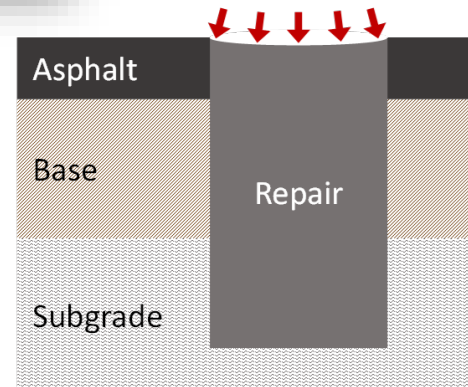
## Utility Cuts



1. Increased Water Access to Pavement Structure

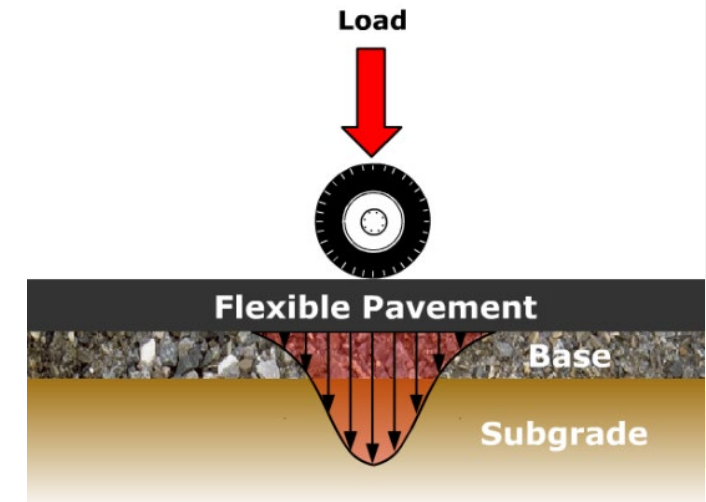


2. Reduced Lateral Support



3. Increased Surface Roughness

## Heavy/ Waste Vehicles





# HOW TO DEVELOP IMPACT FEES

- Agency specific study needs to be conducted
  
- Fee development depends on
  - Network Size
  - Existing Pavement Condition
  - Subsoil Properties
  - Pavement Layer Thicknesses
  - Available Funding Level
  - Vehicle Frequencies/Routes (Vehicle Impact Fee)
  - Utility Cut Restoration Practice (Utility Cut Fee)



- City responsible for 90 centerline miles streets
- Oct. 12, 2020 Council Mtg. - 5-year street maintenance program and study to identify pavement impact fees approved
- Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) consultant report- Pacifica streets in poor condition and dropping

Very Good [I]		100
		90 (PCI Cap)
		70
Good [II] (non-load)	Good [III] (load-related)	50
Poor [IV]		25
Very Poor [V]		0
Pavement Condition [Condition Category]		PCI

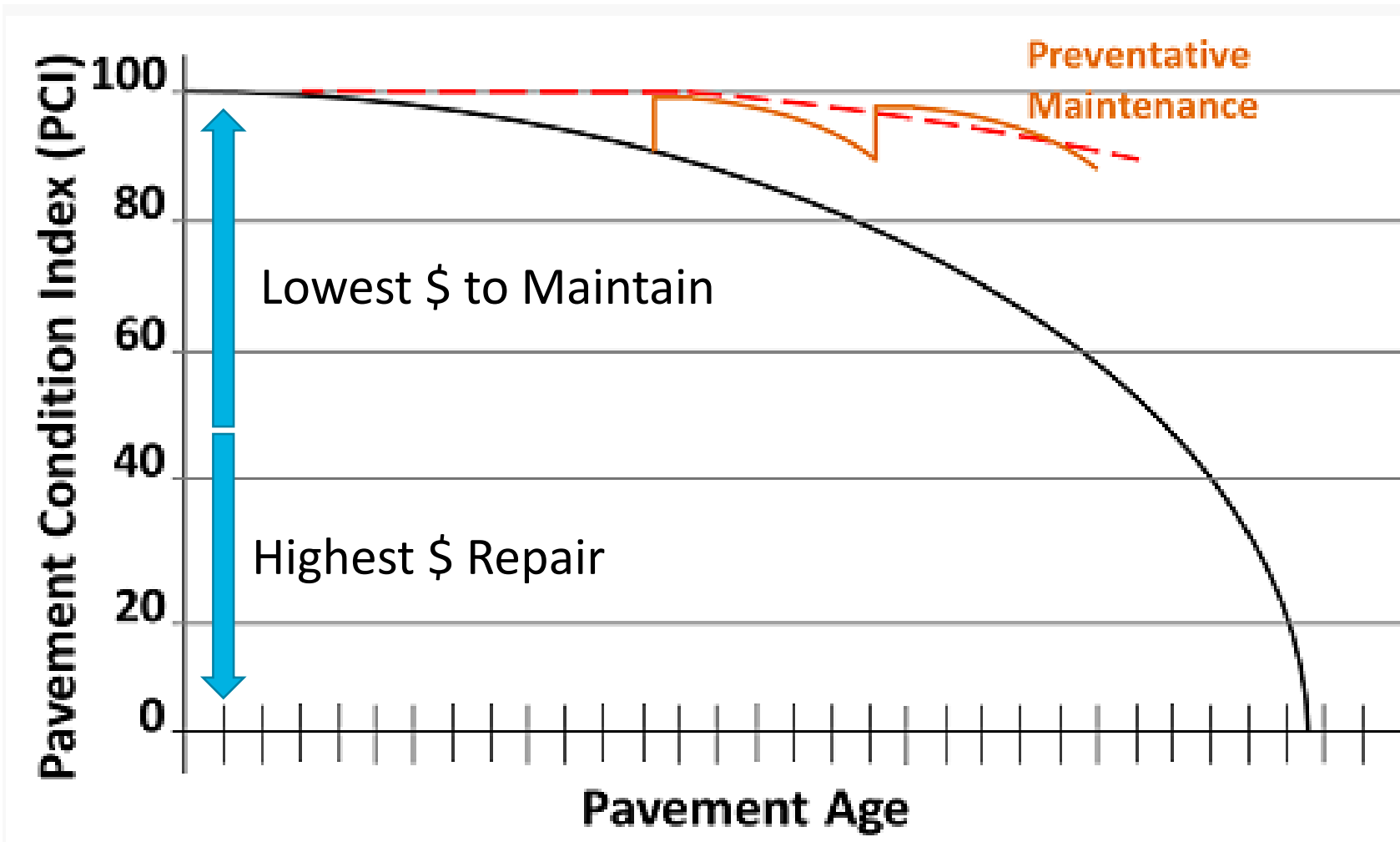
Pacifica 2022

Pavement Condition Index (PCI) – 40



- Recent MTC Bay Area pavement report showed Pacifica with lowest PCI of all 101 Bay Area cities (nine counties)
- Current City Yearly Pavement Funding Level:
  - State Senate Bill 1 and County Measure W = ~\$1,040,000
  - City rollover Measure A = \$350,000 (will end in FY24/25)
- To stop PCI decline:
  - City must identify new additional funding of \$900,000 by Fy22/23
  - This need will increase to \$1,250,000 by FY24/25
- To increase PCI, money beyond this is required

# CASE STUDY: HOW PAVEMENTS DETERIORATE





# CASE STUDY: PACIFICA STREET CONDITIONS







# City of Pacifica- Impact Study



# VEHICLE IMPACT FEE STUDY: QUESTIONS

- Waste-vehicle repetitions on local roads and streets have increased
- Constructions have increased due to land development
- Question 1: What impact do waste and heavy construction vehicles have on pavement life?
- Question 2: What is the corresponding financial impact?

# VEHICLE IMPACT FEE STUDY: INFORMATION NEEDED

- Waste vehicle traffic information
  - Frequency/ type of vehicle
- Pavement structural information
  - Layer thicknesses by functional class
- PMS data for existing condition
  - Pavement condition index by functional class
  - Percent network in each condition category
- Annual budget or budget to meet PCI goal



Condition Category	PCI Range
Excellent	85-100
Very Good/Good	70-84
Fair	50-69
Poor	25-49
Failed	0-24





- Calculate waste vehicle traffic demand and pavement capacity in ESALs

(Equivalent Single Axle Load)

- Perform budget analysis using PMS software over an analysis period (i.e, 10 years or 15 years)
- Obtain condition category breakdown for each year
- Calculate impact in each condition category for each year

$$Impact = \frac{Traffic\ Demand}{Structural\ Capacity}$$

- Calculate equivalent cost /year = Impact \* Annual Budget (or Budget goal)

# WASTE VEHICLE IMPACT CASE STUDY: TRAFFIC DEMAND

Vehicle Type	Vehicles per Week	
	Residentials	Arterials/Collectors
Garbage	1	40
Green Waste	1	30
Recycling	1	40
Bulky Waste	0.25	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.25</b>	<b>112.5</b>

Equivalent Single Axle Load (ESAL)  
Residential Demand  $\approx$  300 ESALs/Yr  
Art & Col Demand  $\approx$  11,000 ESALs/Yr



# WASTE VEHICLE IMPACT CASE STUDY : PAVEMENT STRUCTURAL CAPACITY

- Pavement Structure

- Res: TI of 5 → 7,161 ESALs
- Art/Col: TI of 7 → 121,021 ESALs

Calculation of Remaining ESALs based on pavement deterioration curve

- Pavement Current Condition

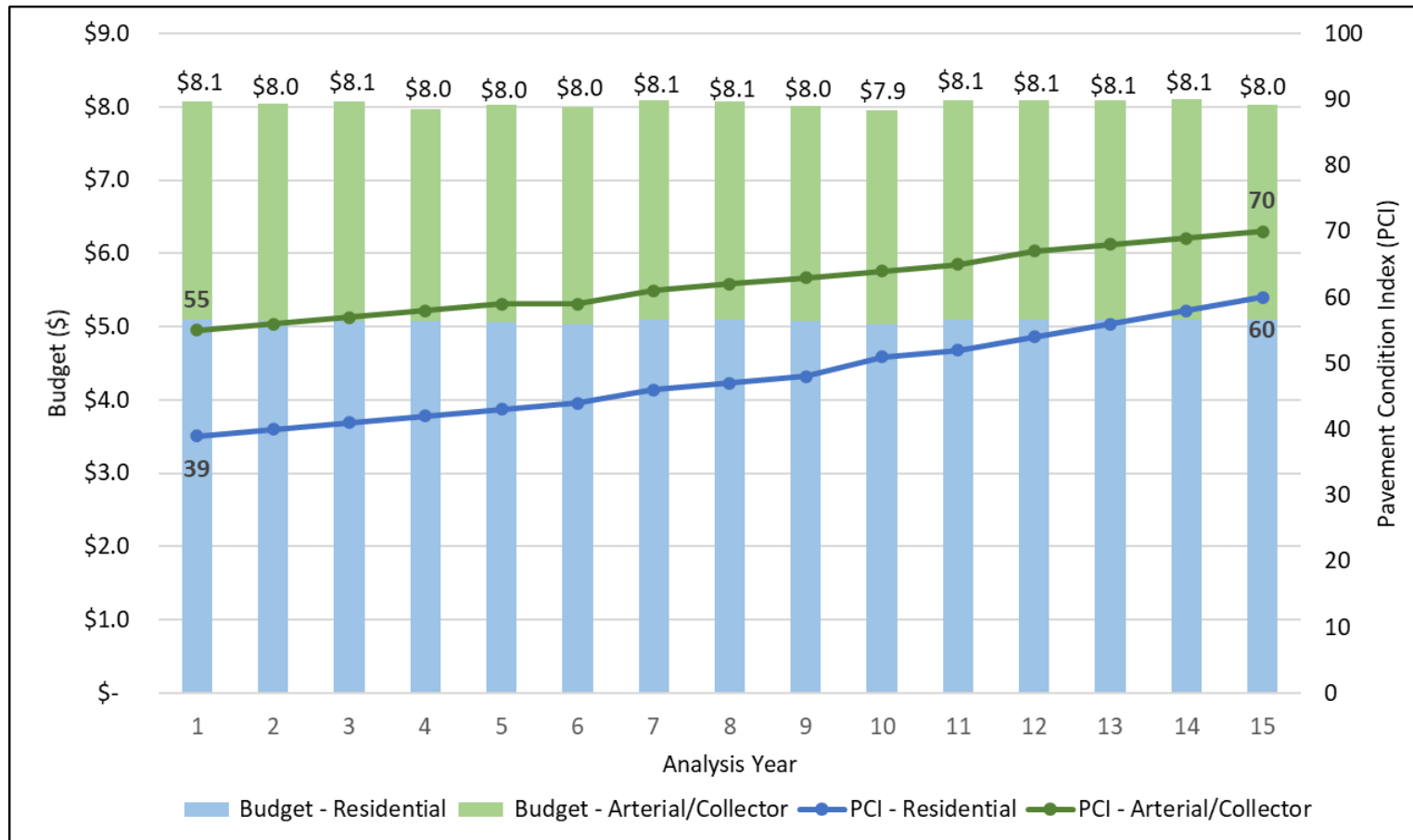
Condition Category	% of Network in Condition Category	
	Residential	Arterial/Collector
Excellent	1.4%	14.5%
Good	9.1%	11.4%
Fair	13.7%	22.6%
Poor	28.7%	27.8%
Failed	47.1%	23.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

New Pavement Capacity

ESALs Remaining Based on Condition	
Res	Art/Col
7,161	121,021
6,950	116,847
5,054	83,462
2,948	45,904
842	12,519
0	0

# WASTE VEHICLE IMPACT CASE STUDY : FINANCIAL IMPACT

- Residential Goal: Improve PCI to 60
- Arterial and Collector Goal: Improve PCI to 70



Total Budget = \$120.7 M  
Avg Budget = \$8.05M/yr

Avg Budget for Residential ~ \$5M/yr



# WASTE VEHICLE IMPACT CASE STUDY : EXAMPLE ANALYSIS

## Example: Residential for Year 5

Condition Category	ESALs Remaining Based on Condition	Year 5 Residential Condition	Year 5 Remaining ESALS
Excellent	6,950	X 31%	= 2,148
Good	5,054	12%	628
Fair	2,948	2%	50
Poor	842	3%	29
Failed	0	52%	0

Weighted Average= 2,855

## Year 5

Impact (% Life Reduced) =  $300 \text{ ESALs} / 2,855 = 10.5\%$

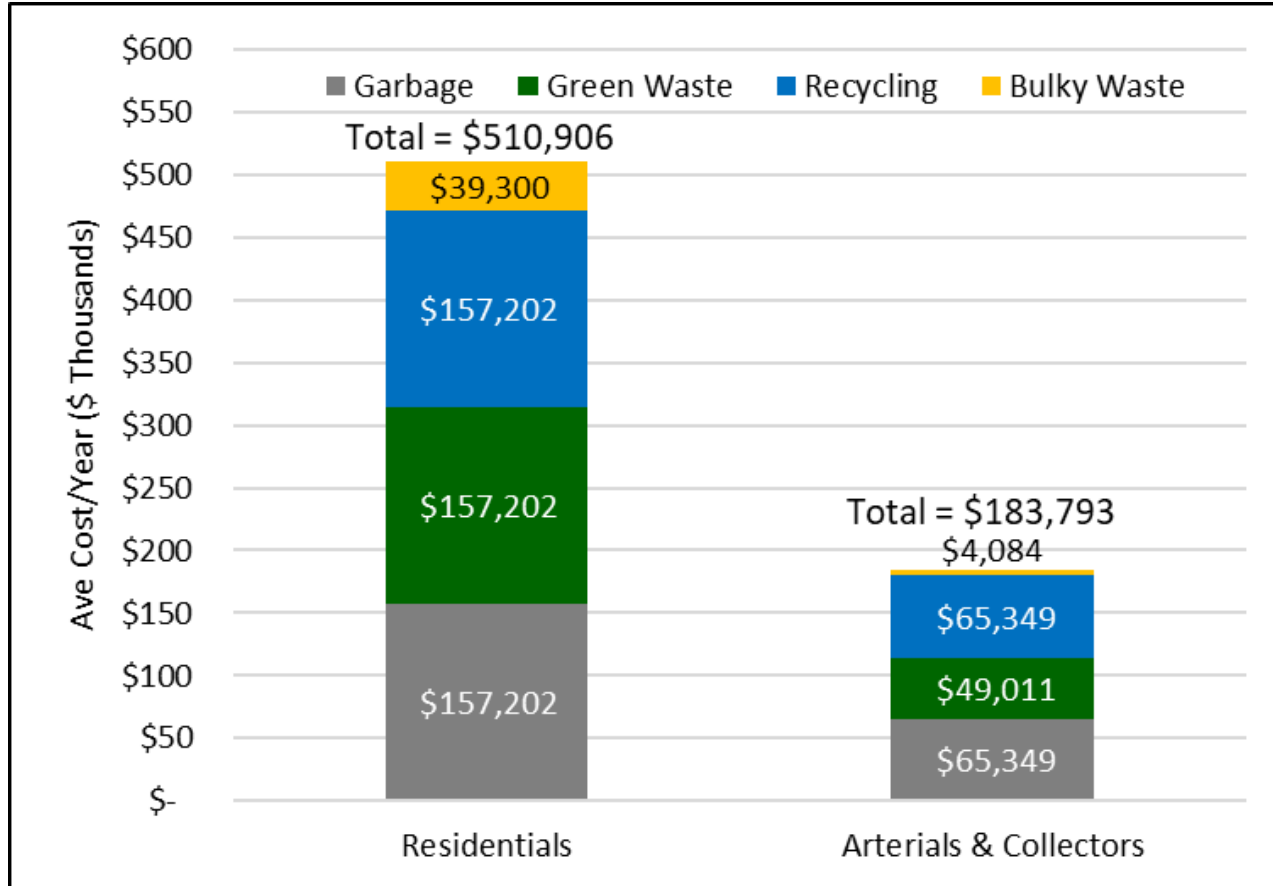
Equivalent Cost for One Year =  $10.5\% \times \$5\text{M} = \$525,000$

These steps of analysis were conducted for each year

Average Pavement Life Reduced per year over 15 years:

- Residentials = 10.1%
- Arterials/Collectors = 6.1%

# WASTE VEHICLE IMPACT CASE STUDY : FINANCIAL IMPACT



Average Cost of Pavement Damage per year:

- Residential ~ \$511K
- Arterials/Collectors ~ \$184K

# WHAT ABOUT HEAVY CONSTRUCTION VEHICLES?

- Cause approximately the same amount of damage in ESALs as a typical waste vehicle
- Construction of residential/non-residential units requires 20 round trips to project site
  - Equipment
  - Materials
  - General home appliances
- Average route distance of 2.5 miles

Based on the Study, the fee would be \$1.19/sf for residential/non-residential units

- 1,800 sf Single Family Home Fee = \$2,126
- 800 sf Multi-Family Residential Fee = \$952



## CASE STUDY: SUMMARY

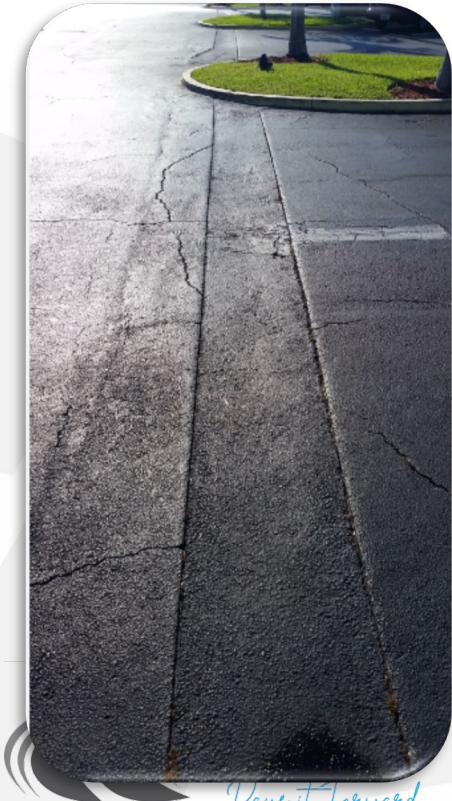
- 10.1% of a **residential** street's pavement life is consumed each year by waste vehicles. This corresponds to an average damage cost of \$510,906 per year.
- 6.2% of an **arterial or collector** street's pavement life is consumed each year by waste vehicles. This equates to an average damage cost of \$183,963 per year.
- Proposed Heavy Construction Vehicle Impact Fee:
  - \$1.19/sf for residential/non-residential units
- Any implemented fee structures should include an inflation factor

# HEAVY VEHICLE IMPACT STUDY : **TYPICAL FEE RANGES**

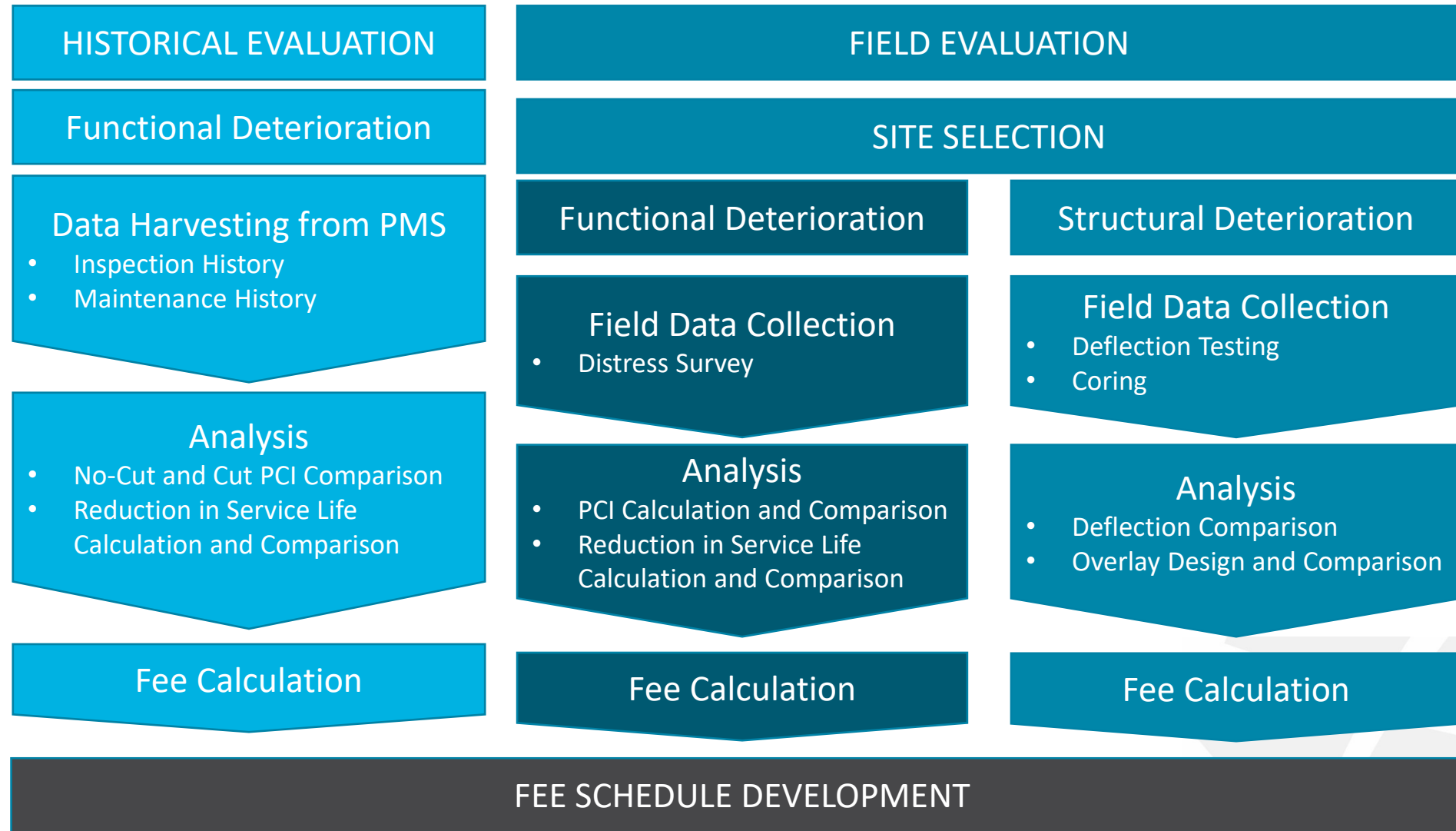
Agency	Criteria	Fee	Reference
Anaheim	Single Family Unit	\$2,029 per unit	City of Anaheim 2020
	Multi-Family	\$1,297 per unit	
	Commercial/Industrial	-	
Citrus Heights	Single Family Unit	\$1,434.12 per unit	City of Citrus Heights 2021
	Multi-Family	\$1,312.74 per unit	
	Commercial/Industrial	\$4.45 per sf	
San Bruno	Single Family Unit	\$4,615 per unit	Economic & Planning Systems, Inc., 2019
	Multi-Family	\$2610 per unit	
	Commercial/Industrial	\$6.95 per sf	
San Francisco	Single Family Unit	-	City of San Francisco 2021
	Multi-Family	\$9.95 per sf	
	Commercial/Industrial	\$19.48 per sf	
San Mateo	Single Family Unit	\$5003.76 per unit	City of San Mateo 2021
	Multi-Family	\$3,071.42 per unit	
	Commercial/Industrial	\$5.40 per sf	
Santa Cruz County	Single Family Unit	\$697 per mile	NCE 2015
	Multi-Family		
	Commercial/Industrial	-	
Saratoga	Single Family Unit	\$0.77 per \$100 valuation	CSG Consultants 2007
	Multi-Family		
	Commercial/Industrial	-	

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: QUESTIONS

- Question 1: How do utility cuts affect pavement performance?
- Question 2: If pavement performance is reduced, what is the corresponding financial impact?



# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: PROJECT OUTLINE



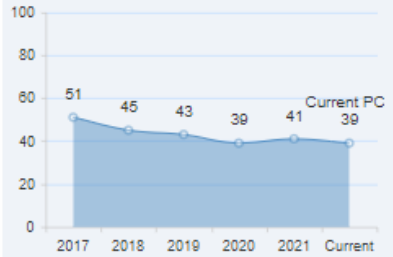


# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: HISTORICAL EVALUATION PROCESS

## Executive Dashboard

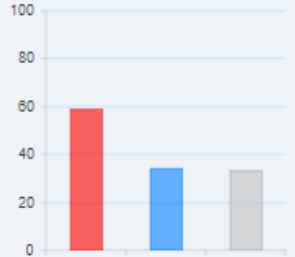
Pavement Area (square miles): 0.54 | Centerline Miles: 90.43 | Lane Miles: 188.67 | Sections: 593

### Historical Pavement Condition Trends



### Current PCI by: Functional Class

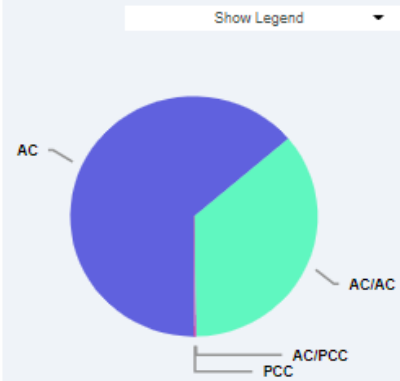
CATEGORY	PCI
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Collector	34
Residential/Local	33



### \*Current PCI



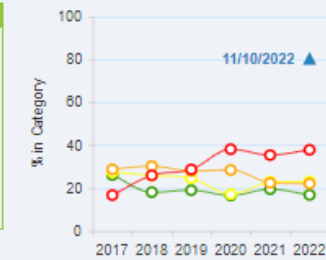
### Percent of Area by: Surface Type



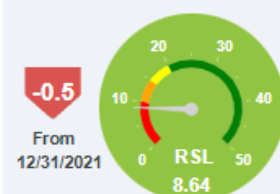
### Historical Network Condition Trends

As of 12/31/2021

Very Good	17%	↓ 2
Good	23%	0
Poor	22%	0
Very Poor	38%	↑ 3



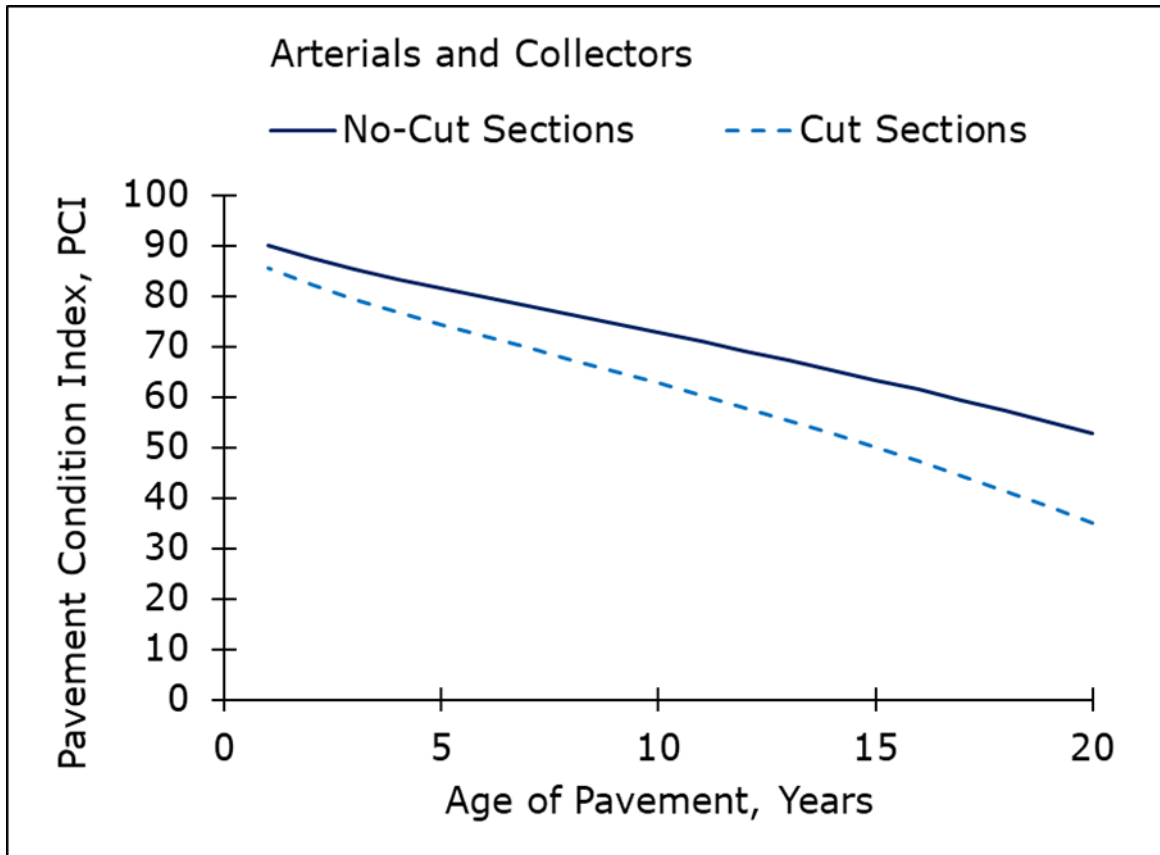
### Remaining Service Life (years)



Fuctional Class	Aeterials/Collectors			Residentials		
	Cut		No-Cut	Cut		No-Cut
	Large Cut	Small Cut		Large Cut	Small Cut	
Age-Group, Yrs	<b>Average PCI for available data set</b>					
0-5						
6-10						
11-15						
16-20						
>20						



# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: HISTORICAL EVALUATION - DETERIORATION CURVES



Cuts sections deteriorate more rapidly than no-cut sections within all age groups

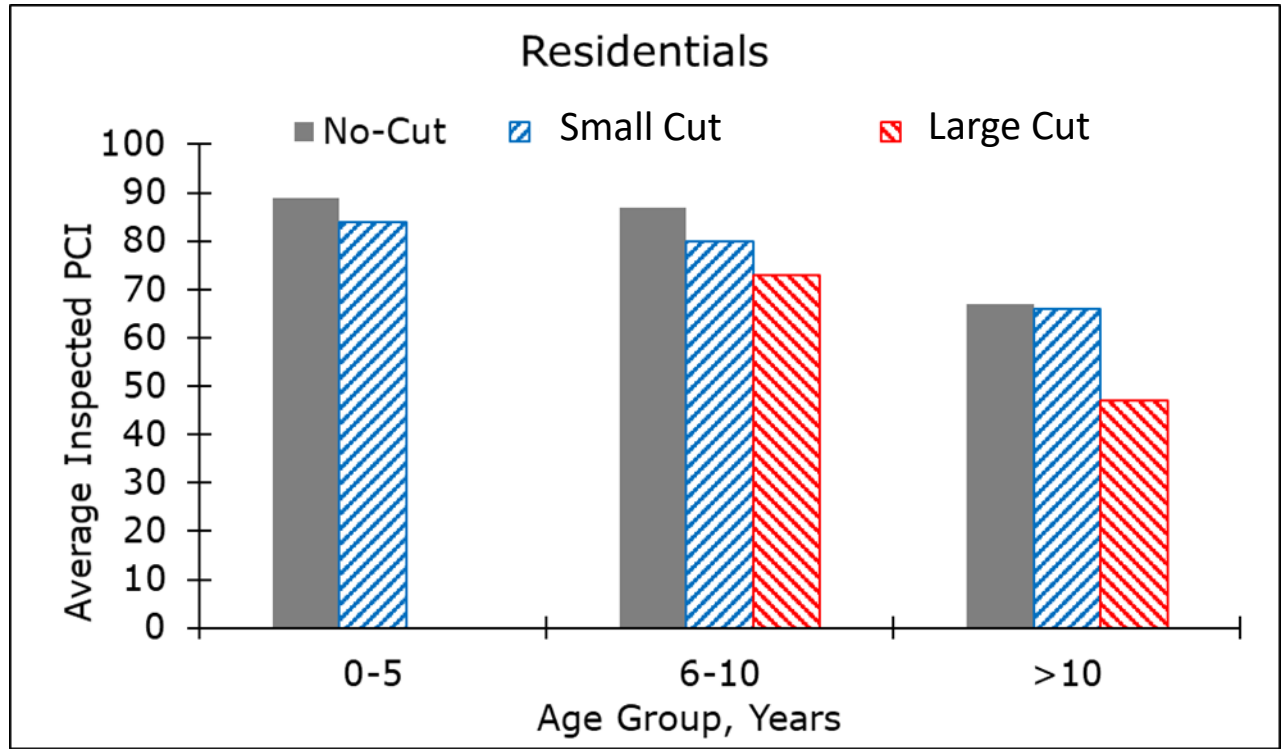
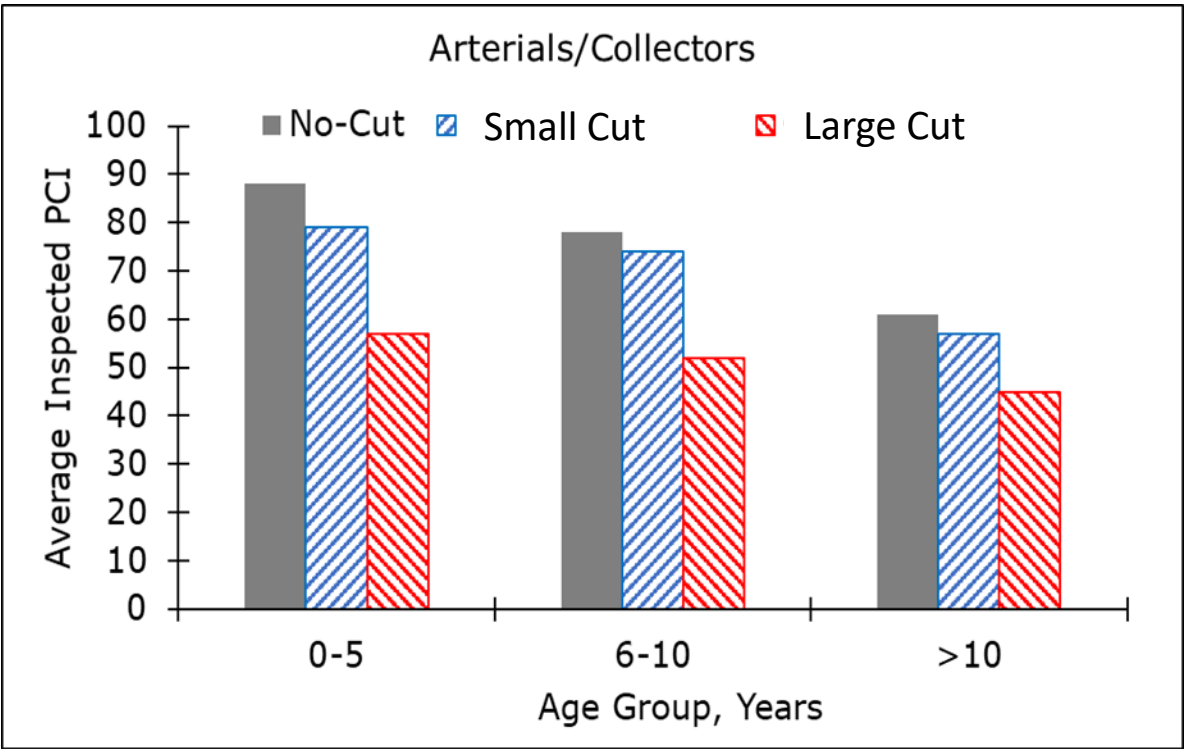


Cuts sections deteriorate more rapidly than no-cut sections for pavements less than 15 years old

Pavement with cuts deteriorate faster

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: HISTORICAL EVALUATION- CUT VS NO-CUT PCI

## DETERIORATION BY FUNCTIONAL CLASS, AGE GROUP, AND CUT SIZE



Newer pavements and large cuts show greater deterioration

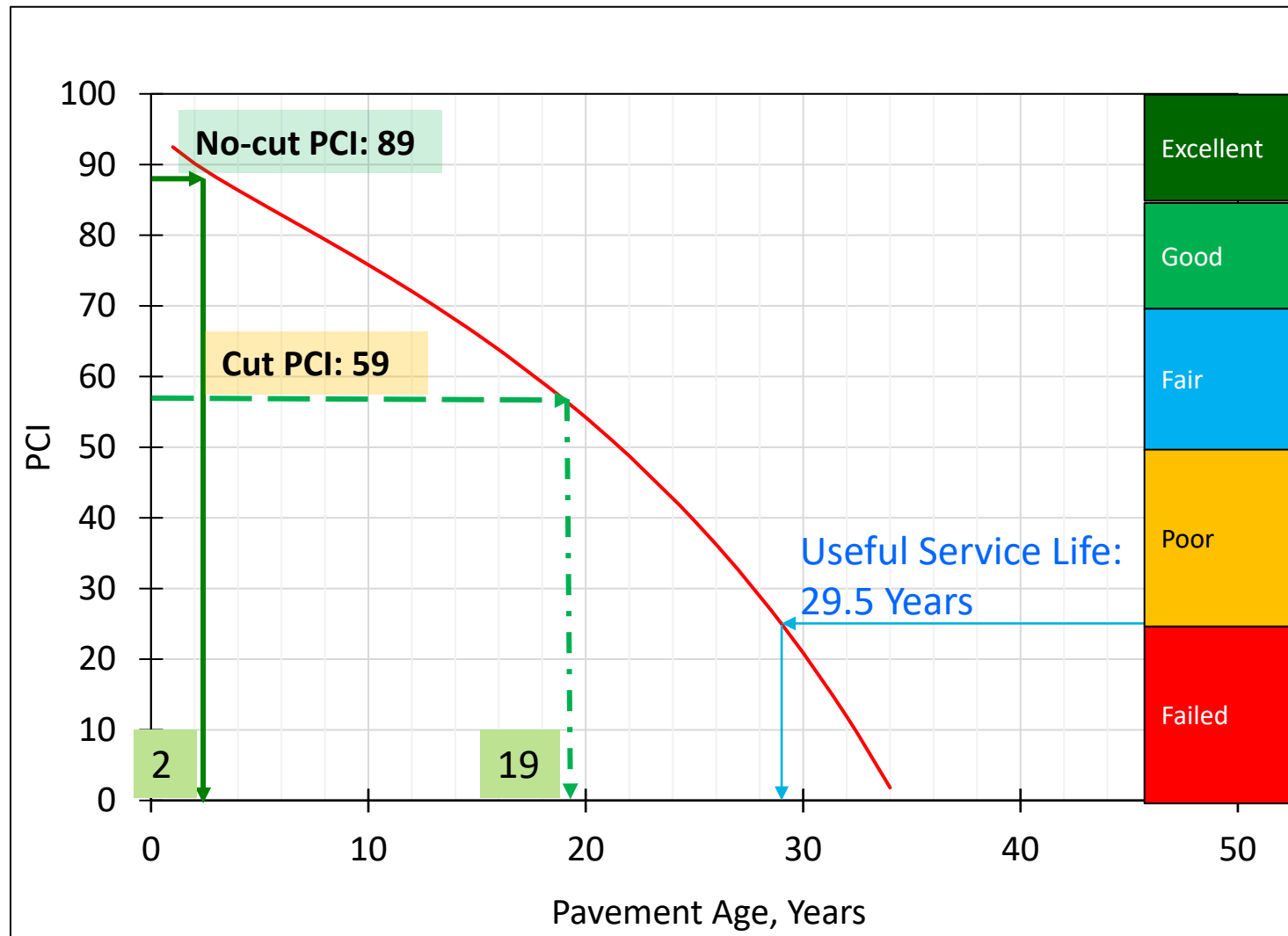


## What does 30% Reduction in PCI Mean?

Condition Category	PCI Range	No-Cut Section PCI	PCI_Sections with Large Cuts
Excellent	85-100	90	85-100
Very Good/Good	70-84	80	70-84
Fair	50-69	60	63 56 50-69
Poor	25-49	35	42 25-49
Failed	0-24		24 0-24

- Large Cut is Critical in Pavement Deterioration
  - Drops in Condition Category

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: HISTORICAL EVALUATION- REDUCTION IN SERVICE LIFE



## Example

FC: Arterials/Collectors

Age Group: < 10 years

Cut Size: Large

Equivalent Years of Life

Reduced:  $19 - 2 = 17$

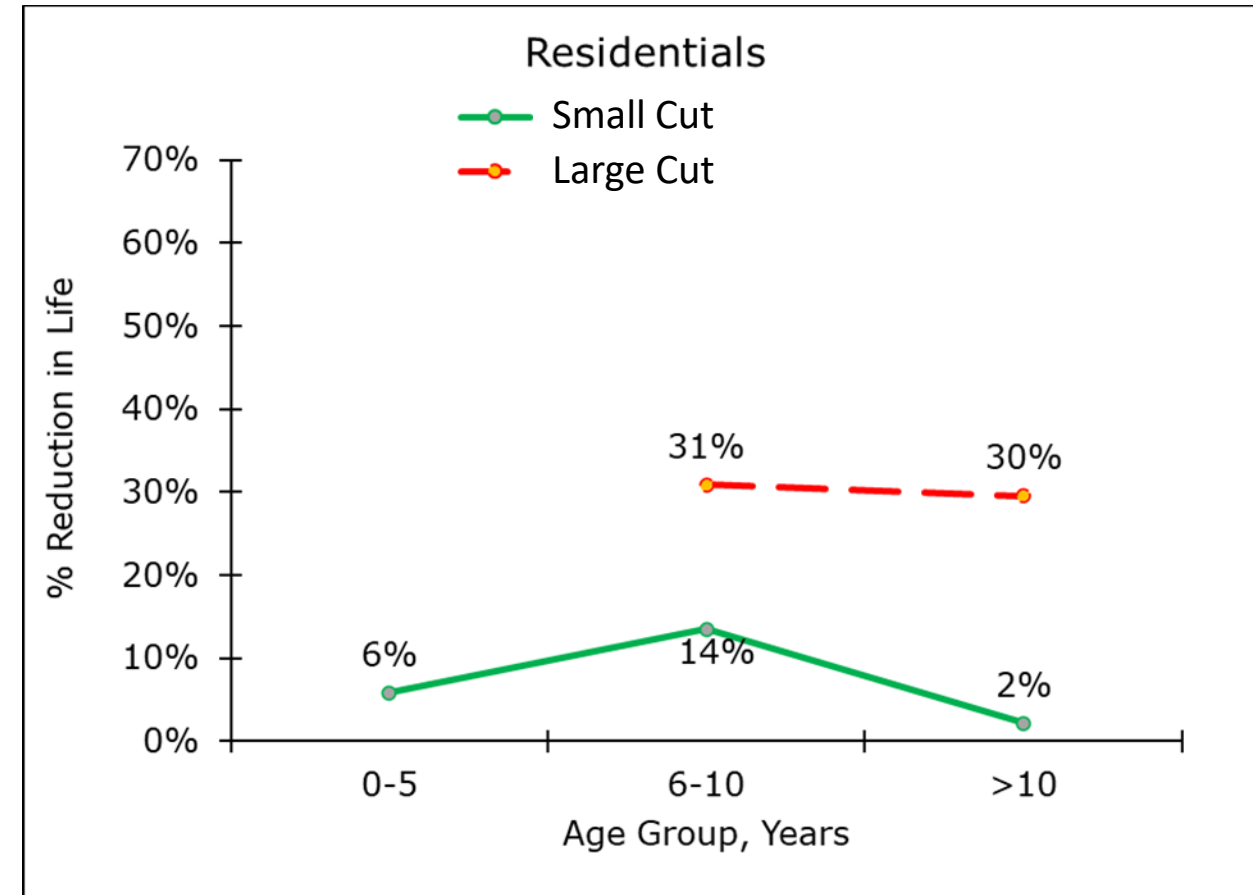
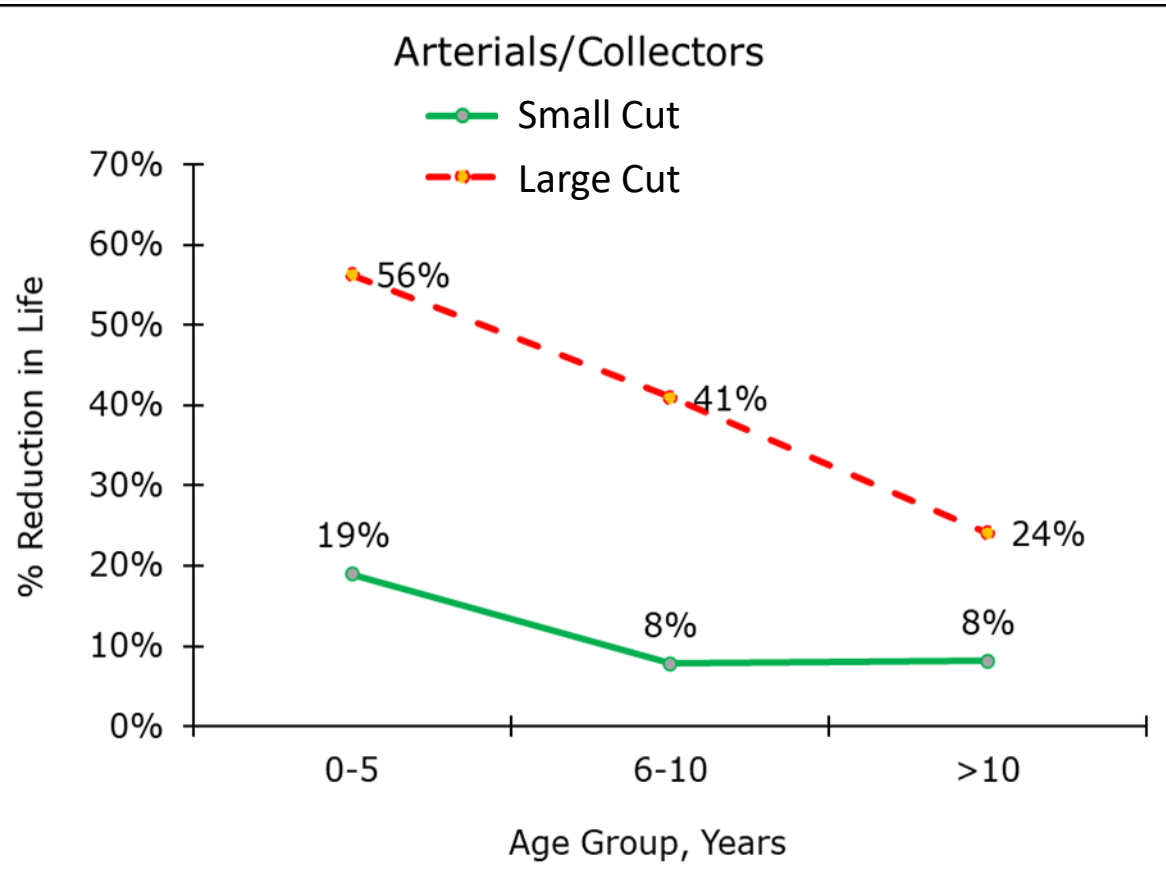
% Reduction in Functional

Life:  $17 / 29.5 = 58\%$

The analysis was performed for each combination (FC/Age Group/Cut Size)

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: HISTORICAL EVALUATION- REDUCTION IN SERVICE LIFE

## IMPACT OF AGE AND CUT SIZE



1. % Reduction in Life is higher when the pavement is new
2. The bigger the cut, the greater the % Reduction in Life

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: HISTORICAL EVALUATION- FEE DEVELOPMENT

## % Reduction in Pavement Life

Functional Class	Age Group	Cut Area (% of Section Area)	
		Small Cut	Large Cut
		Arterials/ Collectors	<10 years
	≥10 years	10%	25%
Residential	<10 years	15%	40%
	≥10 years	2%	35%

Treatment Type: Mill and Overlay Unit Cost

Arterials/Collectors: \$6.25/SF

Residential: \$5.25/SF

Fee, \$/SF = Unit Cost \* % Reduction in Pavement Life

## Fees, \$/SF

Functional Class	Age Group	Functional Evaluation	
		Small Cut	Large Cut
		Arterials/ Collectors	<10 years
	≥ 10 years	\$ 1.50	\$ 2.50
Residential	<10 years	\$ 1.50	\$ 3.00
	≥ 10 years	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.50

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: FIELD EVALUATION PROCESS

## If No PMS Database

FIELD EVALUATION

SITE SELECTION

Functional  
Deterioration

Structural  
Deterioration

Field Data Collection

- Distress Survey

Field Data  
Collection

- Deflection Testing
- Coring

Analysis

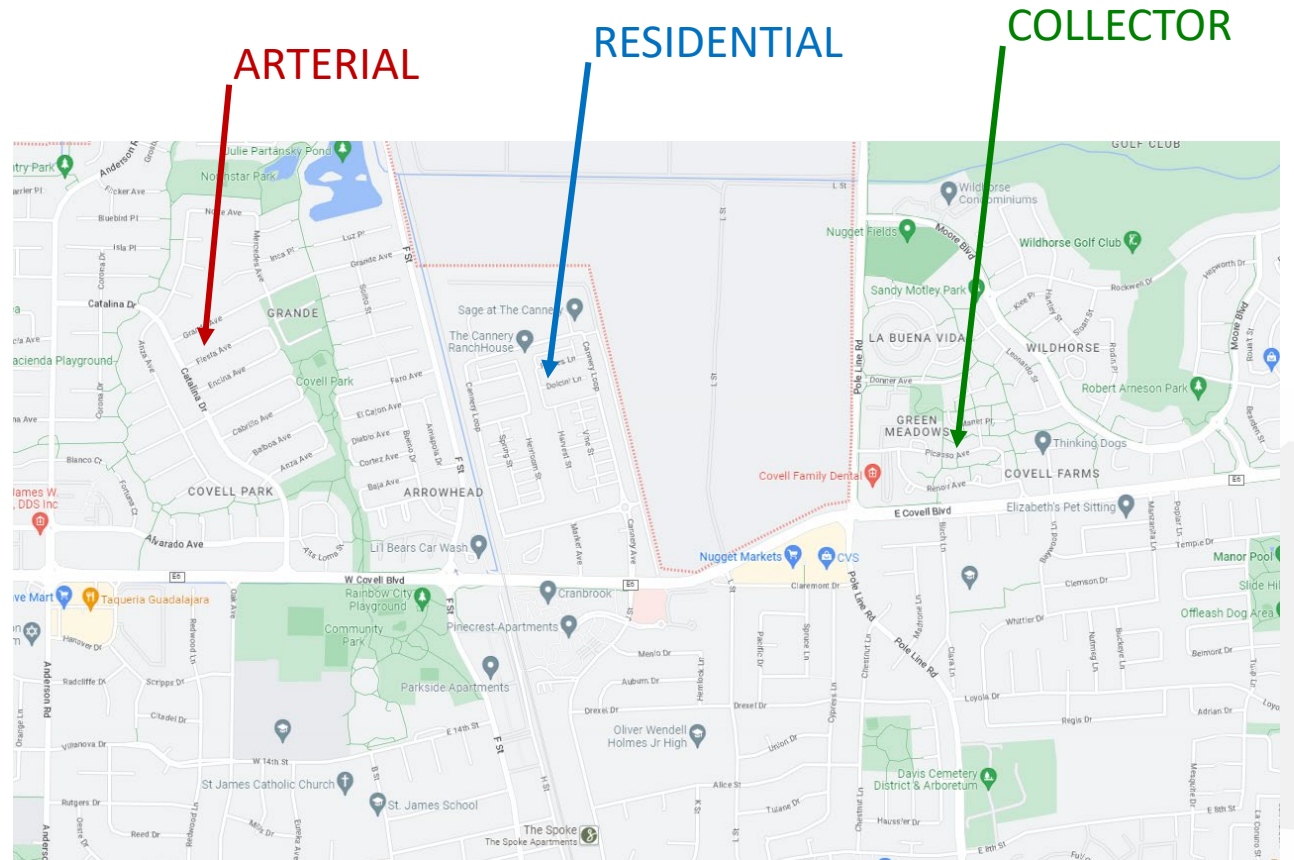
- PCI Calculation and Comparison
- Reduction in Service Life Calculation and Comparison

Analysis

- Deflection Comparison
- Overlay Design and Comparison

Fee Calculation

Fee Calculation





# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: FIELD EVALUATION- SITE SELECTION

PAIR OF SECTIONS OF SAME LENGTH FOR EACH SITE

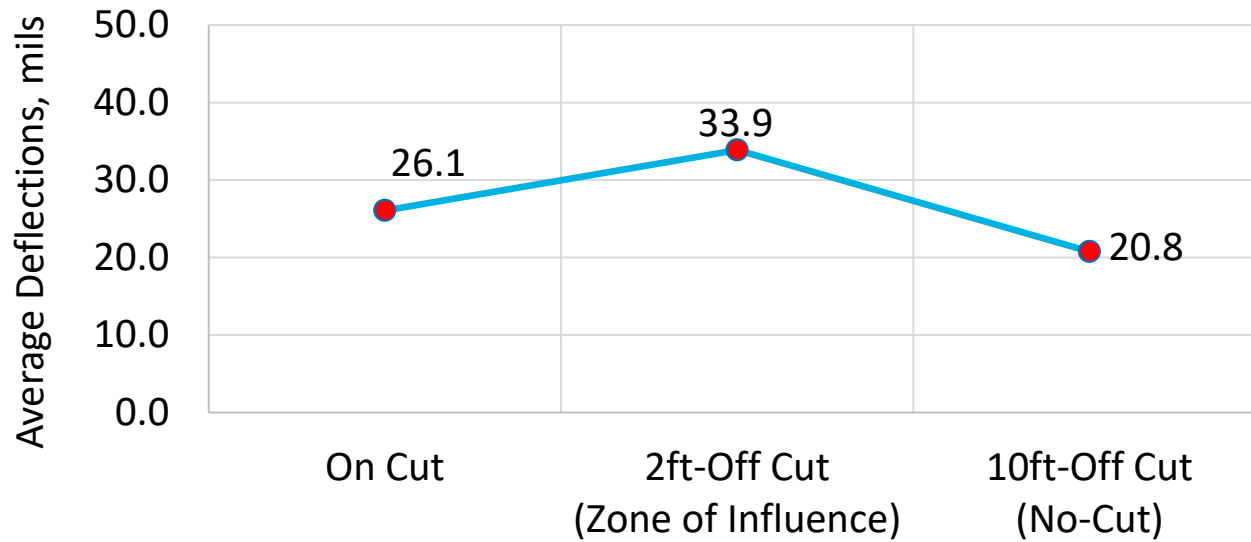




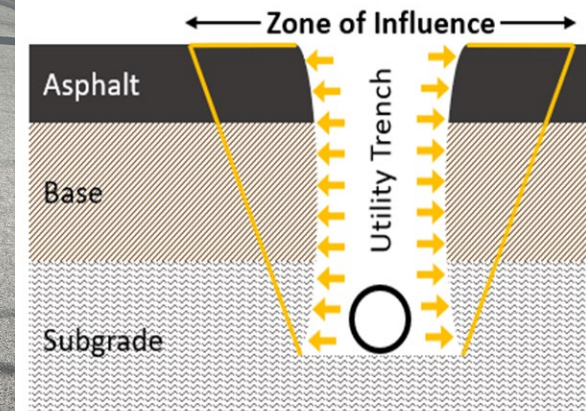
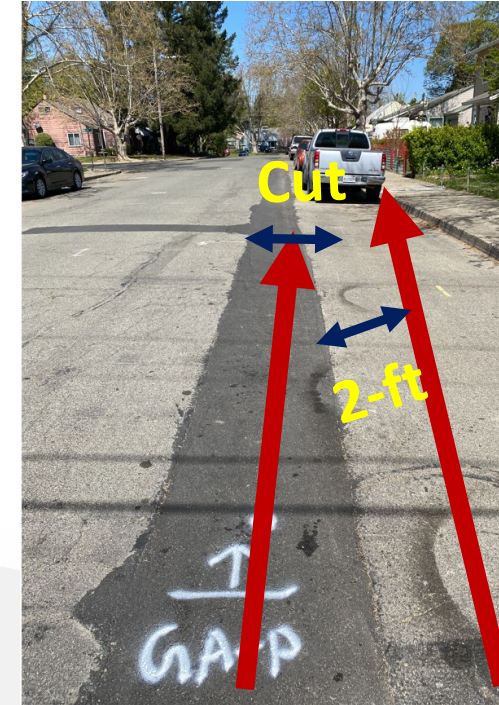
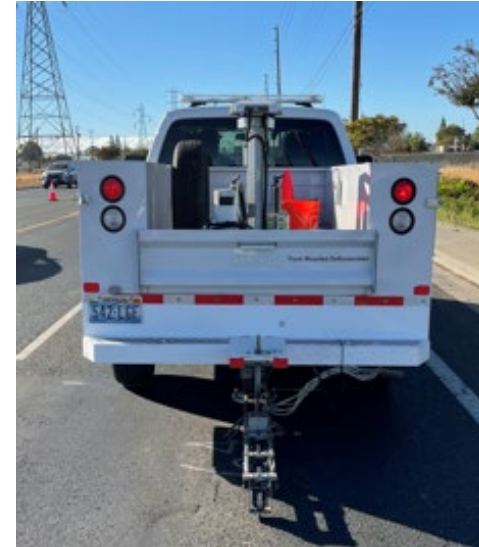
# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: FIELD EVALUATION – STRUCTURAL DETERIORATION

- Falling Weight Deflectometer is an impact load device
- Delivers an impulse load to pavement
- Measures the resultant deflection
- Higher the deflection, weaker the pavement

- Drops on the “Cut”
- Drops 2-ft away from the “Cut”: **Zone of Influence**
- Drops more than 10-ft away from the “Cut”: **No-Cut Section**



Deflection is higher/pavement is weaker near the Cut

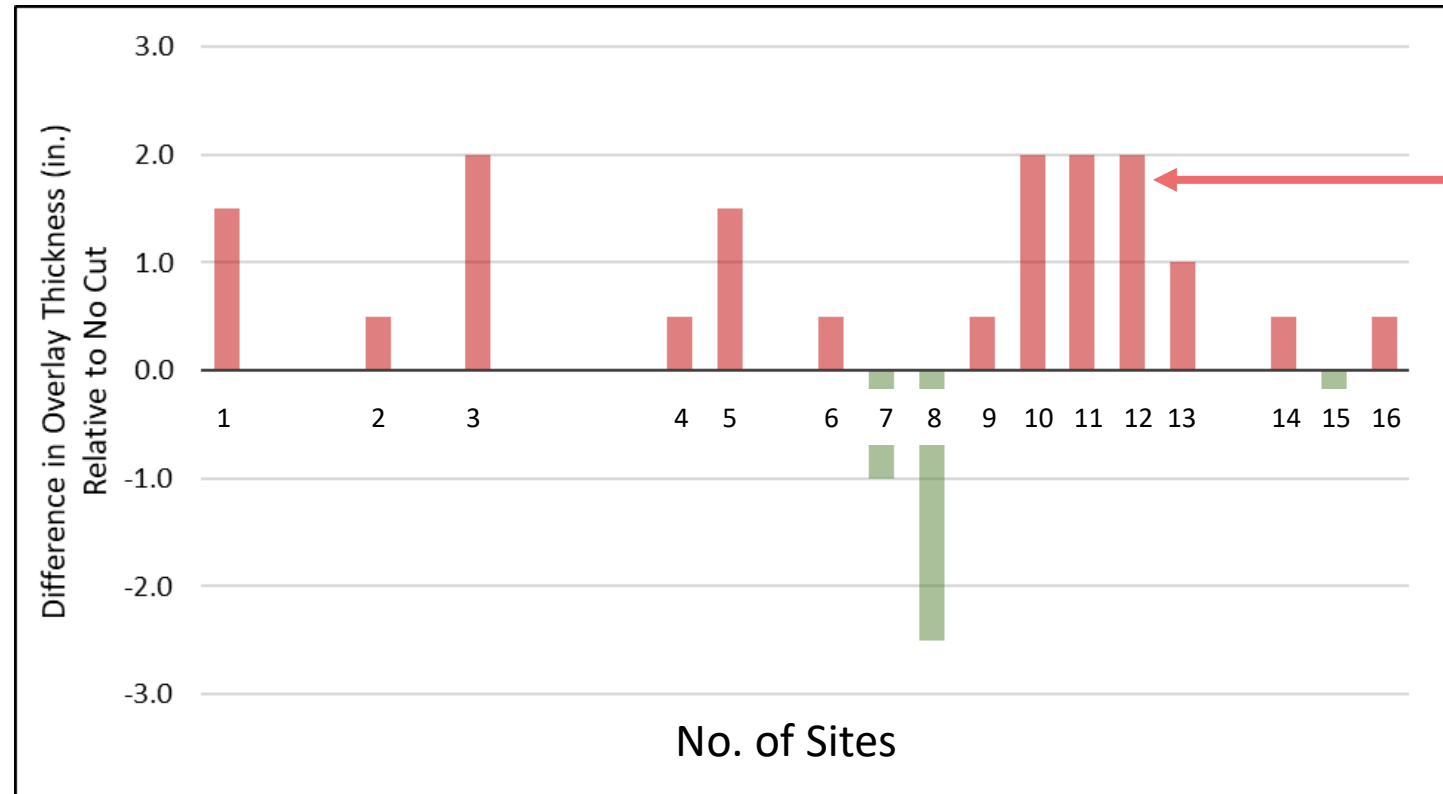


# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: FIELD EVALUATION – STRUCTURAL DETERIORATION

OVERLAY  
THICKNESS  
DESIGN USING  
DEFLECTION DATA  
AND CORE DATA

OVERLAY THICKNESS  
COMPARISON

(CUT VS NO-CUT SECTION  
FOR EACH SITE)



Overlay Needed

81%

of sites exhibit structural damage

19%

of sites exhibit structural improvement



# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: FIELD EVALUATION – FEE DEVELOPMENT

## MAXIMUM DAMAGE COST OF

### STRUCTURAL EVALUATION

### OVERLAY THICKNESS COST

### FUNCTIONAL EVALUATION

### COST EQUIVALENT OF REDUCED FUNCTIONAL LIFE

Site ID	FC	STRUCTURAL EVALUATION	FUNCTIONAL EVALUATION	Max Damage Cost (\$/SF)
		Thicker Overlay Cost (\$/SF)	Cost Equivalent of Reduced Life (\$/SF)	
Mace	A	\$ 2.47	\$ 3.17	\$ 3.17
Fst	A	\$ -	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.41
5th	A	\$ -	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.37
John	A	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Anderson	A	\$ -	\$ 0.88	\$ 0.88
Covell 1	A	\$ -	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.74
Covell 3	A	\$ 1.28	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.28
Covell 2	A	\$ -	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50
2nd	C	\$ -	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20
Oak	C	\$ 2.98	\$ 0.47	\$ 2.98
Hamel	C	\$ -	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10
Sycamore	C	\$ 2.40	\$ 0.61	\$ 2.40
Calaveras	C	\$ 1.24	\$ -	\$ 1.24
Marina	C	\$ 2.98	\$ 0.20	\$ 2.98
Chiles	C	\$ 1.24	\$ 0.49	\$ 1.24
14th	C	\$ 1.24	\$ -	\$ 1.24
Drake	R	\$ 1.13	\$ 2.08	\$ 2.08
S Campus	R	\$ 1.13	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.13
Tamarack	R	\$ -	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.35
Brown	R	\$ 2.70	\$ 0.30	\$ 2.70
Wake	R	\$ 2.70	\$ 0.29	\$ 2.70
Pine	R	\$ 1.65	\$ -	\$ 1.65
Colby	R	\$ -	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.36
Willow	R	\$ -	\$ 0.07	\$ 0.07

## RECOMMENDED DAMAGE FEE SCHEDULE

Functional Class	PCI	Recommended Damage Fee (\$/SF)	
		Avg	Max
Arterial	All	\$ 1.04	\$ 3.17
Collector & Residential	> 70	\$ 1.14	\$ 2.08
	< 70	\$ 1.51	\$ 2.98

**CUT-OFF PCI WAS DECIDED BASED ON STATISTICAL ANALYSIS**

# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: FEE IMPLEMENTATION (LARGE CUT)

Residentials  
Age Group: 0-10 Years

If Area of Cut  $\geq$  10% of section area or block area  
Total Recovery Fee = \$/SF x Total Section or Block Area

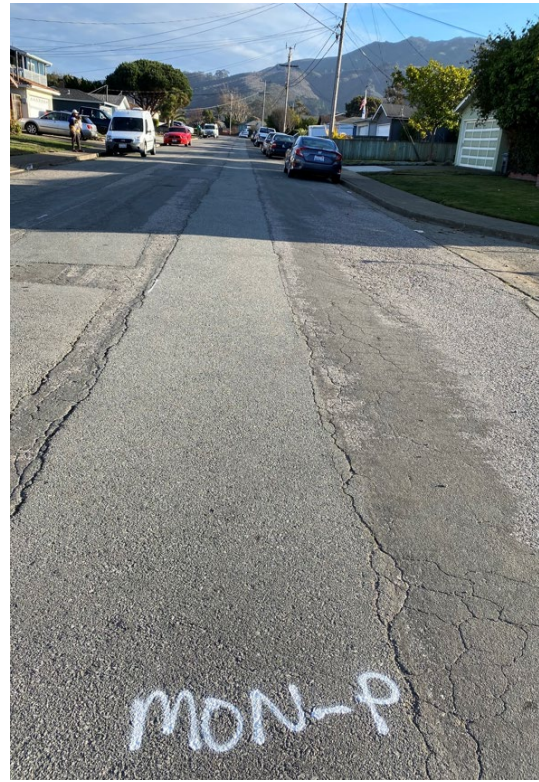
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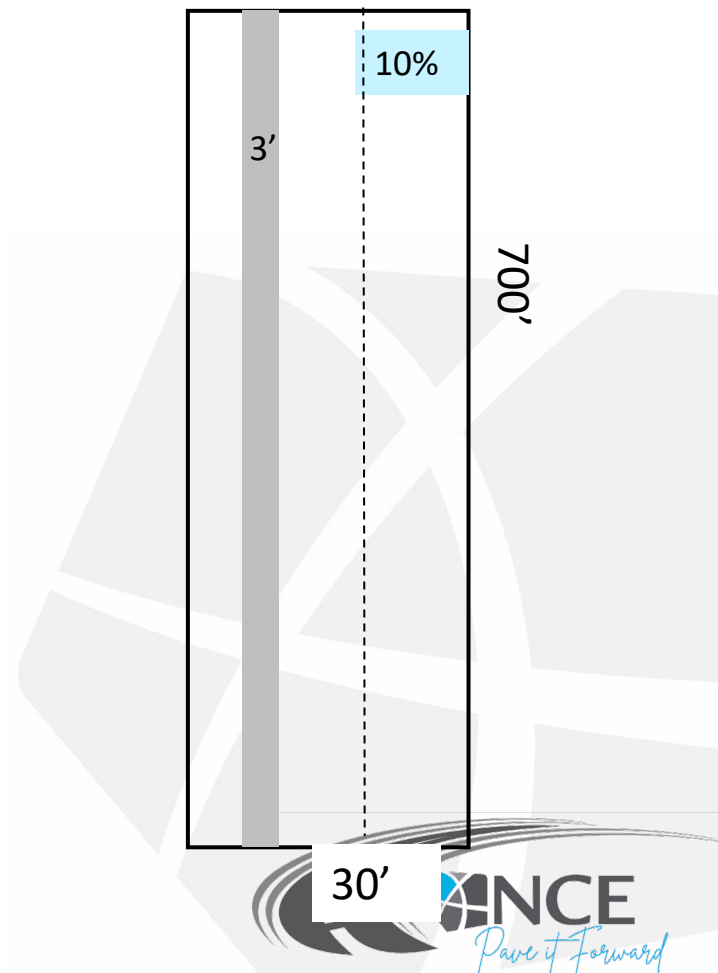
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Rosita Rd



Montezuma Dr



# UTILITY CUT IMPACT CASE STUDY: SUMMARY

- Pavements with cuts deteriorate faster.
- Large cuts (>10% of section area) show PCI drops of 30%.
- Utility cuts do more damage to new pavements (<10 years)
- Reduces pavement life by 33%.

		Fee, \$/SF	
Functional Class	Age Group	Cut Area (% of Section Area)	
		Small Cut	Large Cut
Arterials/ Collectors	<10 years	\$ 2.50	\$ 4.00
	≥10 years	\$ 1.50	\$ 2.50
Residential	<10 years	\$ 1.50	\$ 3.00
	≥10 years	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.50

## Information Needed

Functional Class

Age of the pavement

Area of the section

Area of the cut



# UTILITY CUT IMPACT STUDY: TYPICAL FEE RANGES

Agency	Criteria	Fee Range, \$/SF
Davis (2022) (Preliminary Fee Schedule) <i>Developed by NCE</i>	Functional Class and PCI	\$1.04 - \$1.51
Anaheim (2022) (Implementation in Progress) <i>Developed by NCE</i>	PCI	\$3.60 - \$11.60
Ukiah (2021) (Implementation in Progress) <i>Developed by NCE</i>	Functional Class, Size of Cut, Age of Pavement	\$0.50 - \$4.25
Pacifica (2021) <i>Developed by NCE</i>	Functional Class, Size of Cut, Age of Pavement	\$0.50 - \$4.00
City and County of San Francisco (1998)	Age of Pavement	\$1.00 - \$3.50
Sacramento County (1999), Elk Grove (2020), Santa Cruz (2003)	Trench Depth, Functional Class, PCI, Type of Cut	\$1.80 - \$3.90 (Longitudinal Cut and Trench Depth <4ft)
		\$2.36 - \$7.80 (Transverse Cut and Trench Depth <4ft)
		\$1.80 - \$5.91 (Longitudinal Cut and Trench Depth >4ft)
		\$3.60 - \$11.82 (Transverse Cut and Trench Depth >4ft)
Sacramento (1997) <i>2022 Under revision by NCE</i>	Type of Cut, Pavement Age	\$1.00 - \$3.50 (Longitudinal Cut)
		\$2.00 - \$7.00 (Transverse Cut)
Santa Ana (1999)	Functional Class and Age of Pavement	\$6.21-\$13.68
Los Angeles (2018)	Functional Class	\$8.24-\$19.44



- **Waste Truck Fee** – During franchise agreement negotiations, City's solid waste hauler agreed to pay some fees related the study findings
- **Heavy Construction Vehicle and Utility Cut Fee** – Recommendation/discussion w/Council at Fee Schedule Adoption w/justifiable fee reductions and implemented
- **Impact Fee Projections:**
  - Waste Truck Fee – up to \$465,000 yearly
  - Heavy Constr. Truck Fee - \$10,000 to \$60,000 yearly\*
  - Utility Cut Fee - \$100,000 to \$200,000 yearly\*

*\*Based on level of development/utility work*

# RECOMMENDATION FEE REDUCTIONS

- Fees can be lowered for development(s) if justifiable w/Council policy
- Adopted fee modifications:
  - ADUs under 750 sf would not be charged. Over 750 sf would not be charged if constructed with new/expanded main unit that has paid fees, as needed
  - Partially/fully credit Utility Cut fees for developments paving road frontage
  - Reduce Utility Cut Fee to \$500 for sewer lateral repairs not requiring a Lateral Compliance Certificate

# WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES?

- Consider
  - Ensuring a reliable dataset with good historical data
  - Documentation of Agency's historical practices
  - Comparison with other agencies
  - Legal challenges depending on state laws

# Discussion and Questions ?

