



# Rehabilitation of Colonial National Historic Park Using Chemical Stabilization

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## Owner

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)  
Eastern Federal Lands (EFL)

## Design Build Team

Contractor: Wagman Heavy Civil  
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## Location





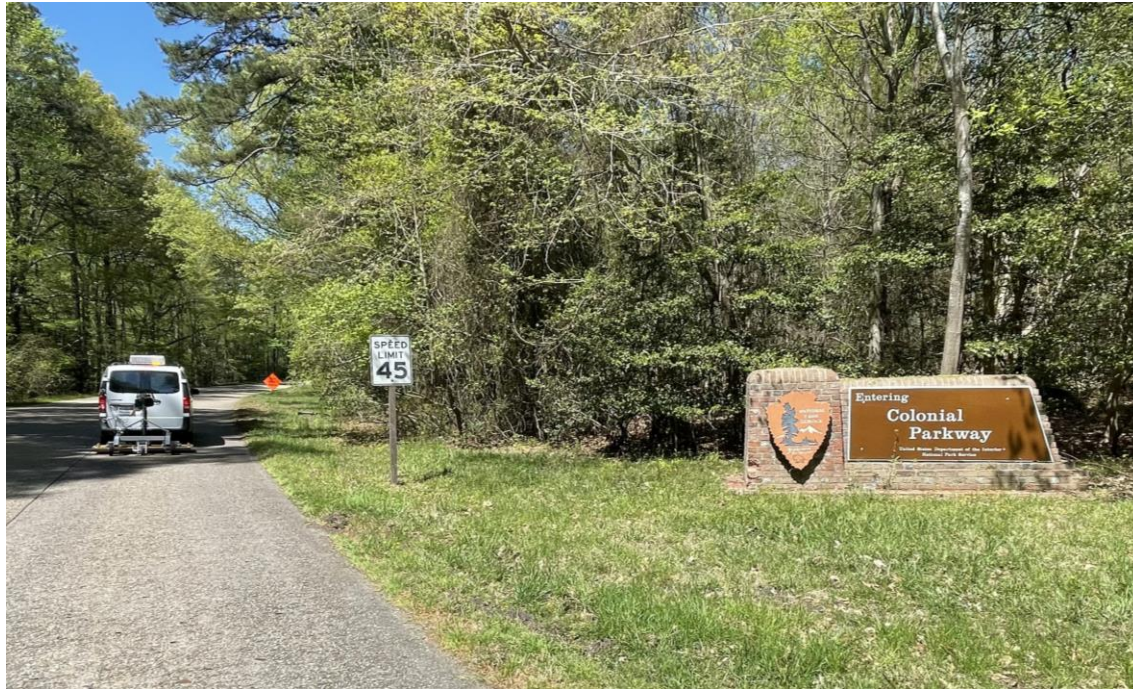


## Background

Existing pavement originally constructed in the 1930's and 1950's with a rehabilitation in the 80s.

- Typically consists of 5 to 9 inches of reinforced concrete pavement
- Up to 16.5 inches of “topping” or subbase
- Field exploration observed about 5 to 10 ¼ inches of concrete with reinforcement located 2 to 4 inches below the surface

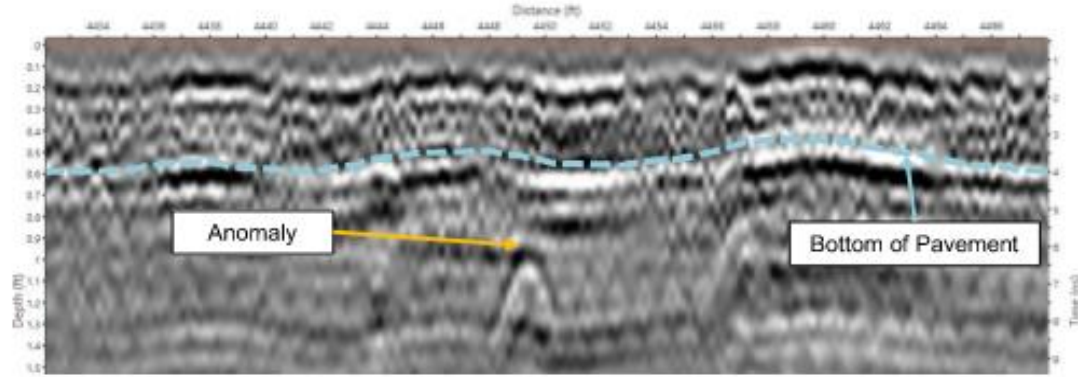




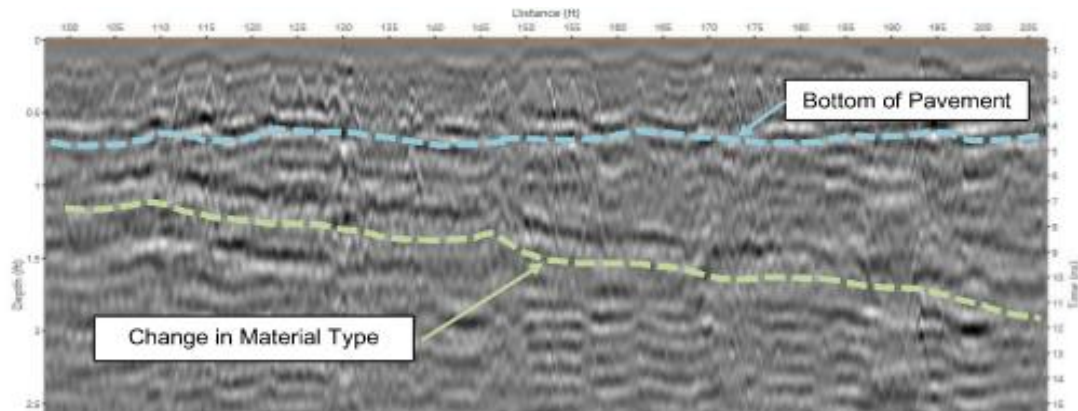
- 10.3 Miles (31.1 lane miles)
- 5 Segments
- 41 Environmentally Sensitive Areas



# GPR Results



- Anomaly caused by high moisture or void



- Anomaly caused by change in material type



# Data Collected on Existing Subgrade

## FWD Data

- Design methodology in AASHTO 98 supplement
- Average k-value of 88 to 139 pci
- Data collected in spring

## SPT N-values

- N-value: 1 to 28 in first two SPT samples
- Average 9 bpf
- 18 percent had N value  $< 5$





## Data Collected on Existing Subgrade

### Dynamic Cone Penetrometer (DCP)

- Kessler DCP
- Subgrade k-values varied from 79 to 141 pci

### CBR Values

- Lab testing CBR values from 3 to 44
  - 1998 supplement correlates k-value based on CBR tests for soils classifying as A-2 or coarser and degree of saturation for A-4 or finer





# Data Collected on Existing Subgrade

Location	Boring No.	Strata	USCS	AASHTO	Natural Moisture (%)	LL	PI	% Gravel	% Fines	Max. Dry Density (pcf)	Opt. Moisture (%)	CBR Value	% Swell	k-Value *Note 1 (psi)	k-Value *Note 2 (psi)	k-Value *Note 3 (psi)
A	PV19-01*	-	SC	A-2-4	12.9	24	9	13	20	116.2	10.8	3*	0.5*	-	80	300-400
101+00	BH-101	C	SC	A-6	15.2	36	19	1	40	118.1	12.8	5.7	0.8	65-215	-	25-255
155+88	BH-111	F	SC	A-7-6	17.2	46	27	0	42	113.3	15.8	6.7	0.7	95-180	-	300-400
D	PV19-06*	-	SC	A-2-4	19.4	31	16	20	23	113.3	13.6	4*	0.1*	-	110	300-400
538+10	BH-206	E	CL	A-6	23.1	36	17	3	63	114.4	15.4	7.3	0.9	65-215	-	25-255
583+92	BH-303	E	SP-SC	A-2-7	8.6	56	36	0	8	111.3	12.8	26.7	0.0	-	315	150-350
585+00	PV19-11		SM	A-2-4	5.8	NP	NP	3	15	124.1	10.4	9*	0.0*	-	190	300-400
613+19	BH-309	F/B	SC	A-6	15.0	40	23	0	46	117.6	13.3	9.5	0.4	65-215	-	25-255
623+50	BH-311	F/B	CL	A-7-6	20.5	44	24	0	55	114.2	15.0	8.5	0.7	95-180	-	40-220
657+87	BH-404	F/W	CL	A-4	12.8	22	9	0	63	120.7	11.5	5.1	0.4	95-180	-	40-220
679+18	BH-407	B	SC	A-7-6	22.1	47	25	0	46	112.1	15.7	13.1	0.4	95-180	-	40-220
733+15	PV19-31	-	SC	A-2-4	12.6	27	10	2	18	117.1	11.3	4*	0.4*	-	110	300-400
738+37	BH-416	W	SM	A-1-b	10.1	NP	NP	0	16	117.4	11.8	35.4	0.0	-	360	200-400
746+72	BH-418	B	SC	A-6	19.9	37	20	0	45	115.9	13.8	9.2	0.9	65-215	-	25-255
765+20	BH-422	F	CL	A-7-6	19.6	42	23	0	51	113.1	15.8	10.1	0.5	95-180	-	40-220
801+43	BH-429	F	CH	A-7-6	22.6	50	25	0	54	109.5	16.9	7.8	1.4	95-180	-	40-220
107+25	RW-01	F	SM	A-4	16.9	NP	NP	0	50	124.4	11.1	6.2	0.0	95-180	-	40-220
109+10	RW-02	W	SC	A-7-6	23.9	44	27	0	41	116.6	15.2	10.5	0.9	95-180	-	40-220
119+90	BH-504	F	CL	A-6	16.8	33	17	0	63	117.6	13.8	5.4	0.5	65-215	-	25-255
128+21	BH-506	F	SC	A-6	20.8	38	18	4	42	115.2	13.9	10.7	0.2	65-215	-	25-255
137+71	BH-508	W	CL	A-6	14.8	30	16	0	57	118.7	12.9	6.9	0.3	65-215	-	25-255
1351+05	RW-03	F	CL	A-6	30.9	38	23	2	60	109.4	15.7	4.1	0.3	65-215	-	25-255
1252+50	RW-04	F	CL	A-6	26.8	33	19	0	82	116.5	13.7	44.0	0.2	65-215	-	25-255
1353+00	RW-07	F	SC	A-2-6	21.1	27	11	0	30	124.6	11.0	17.0	0.1	-	265	150-350
162+40	RW-05	B	SC	A-6	36.6	37	13	0	46	104.1	20.3	3.5	1.3	65-215	-	25-255
165+49	BH-521	Y	CH	A-7-6	36.5	51	29	1	56	111.0	15.2	4.2	1.9	95-180	-	40-220
179+18	BH-525	B/Y	SC	A-2-6	27.0	33	13	5	26	118.0	13.6	19.6	0.1	-	275	150-350
198+19	BH-532	F	SC	A-7-6	23.1	46	23	2	47	112.5	15.3	6.3	1.0	95-180	-	40-220
202+75	RW-06	F	CL-ML	A-4	23.3	23	7	0	53	113.9	14.4	10.7	0.7	95-180	-	40-220
227+15	BH-538	F	CL	A-7-6	20.4	42	24	0	52	112.2	15.9	4.1	1.3	95-180	-	40-220
237+03	BH-540	F	SC	A-2-6	21.1	34	18	2	34	120.9	11.8	10.9	0.4	-	200	150-350
257+13	BH-545	F	CL	A-6	15.7	27	13	0	54	120.8	11.6	6.7	0.3	65-215	-	25-255

<sup>1</sup>The k-value range considers a degree of saturation of 50 to 90 percent, typical for soils above the groundwater table, as indicated in Table 40 in the 1998 Supplement, which provides the approximate relationship of k-value range based on the degree of saturation for soils classifying as A-4 or finer.

<sup>2</sup>The k-value considers Figure 41 in the 1998 Supplement, which provides the approximate relationship of k-value range based on the CBR value for soils classifying as A-2 or coarser.

<sup>3</sup>The k-value considers Table 11 in the 1998 Supplement, which provides the approximate relationship of k-value range based on the USCS and AASHTO classification.

\*Compaction and CBR tests performed on composite sample and CBR value provided without documentation in the RFP.



# Cement Stabilized Subbase

Project specific specification for process and incorporating hydraulic cement was developed for this project

- FP-14 Section 213 – Subgrade Stabilization
- FP-14 Section 305 – Full Depth Reclamation with Cement
- VDOT Specification Section 307 – Hydraulic Cement Stabilization

Bulk samples were collected and combined to form 11 composite samples

- Typically, poorer quality soils were selected for testing
- Two to three specimens were prepared, Atterberg Limits and strength testing were performed.
- Durability Testing



# Cement Stabilized Subbase

- Average unconfined compressive strength requirement = 200 psi
- Mixture with 5% cement met this requirement
- Recommended 8% in segment G and 6% with 50/50 blend of #10 screenings in other segments where higher plasticity soils exist

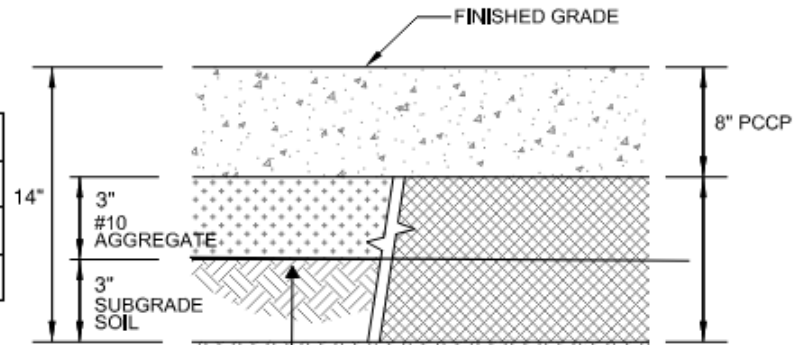
Composite ID (USCS: AASHTO)	% Cement Added	AASHTO	USC (psi)			Average UCS (psi)
Comp-01 (SC: A-2-6)	+3%	A-2-4	129.5	110.4		120
	+5%	A-2-4	228.3	211		220
	+7%	A-2-4	317.9	234.6		276
	+9%	A-2-6	369.7	367.5		369
	+12%	A-2-4	432.4	469		451
Comp-03 (SC: A-2-4)	+4%	A-2-4	159.9	97.5		129
	+5%	A-2-4	194.1	202.3	200.9	199
	+6%	A-2-4	203.8	164.1	212.2	193
Comp-04 (SC: A-2-6)	+6%	A-2-4	383.9	356.1	363.7	368
	+8%	A-2-4	355.5	411.7	409.4	392
Comp-06 (CL: A-6)	+4%	A-4	211.4	189.1	190.6	197
	+6%	A-4	232.4	258.6	253.6	248
	+8%	A-4	256.9	264.7	290.3	271
Comp-10 (CL: A-6)	+6%	A-6	142.8	292.6	323.8	253
	+8%	A-6	318	324.2	297.3	313
	+10%	A-6	301.9	398.7	378.9	360
Comp-11 + #10 Screenings (SC: A-7-6)	50/50 +4%	A-2-6	274.9	353.4	349.8	326
	50/50 +6%	A-2-6	459.2	456.4	391.5	436
	50/50 +8%	A-2-6	597.4	589.3	507.5	565



# Rigid Pavement Design

## Design

<u>Pavement Material</u>	<u>Thickness</u>
Joint Reinforced Concrete Pavement (JRCP)	8.0 Inches
Bond Breaker and Curing Compound	
Cement Stabilized Subbase	6.0 Inches



## Alternatives

Pavement Material	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4
Jointed Reinforced Concrete Pavement (JRCP)	8.0 inches		8.5 inches	
Bond Breaker	Yes	Required	No	Yes
Cement Stabilized Subbase	4.5 inches			
Cement Treated Aggregate (CTA)		4.0 inches		
Soil-Aggregate Subbase (AASHTO M147)			4.0 inches	
Modified Subbase (AASHTO M147) + Cement*				4.0 inches

\*Cement considered for constructability, not as a stabilized subbase for additional pavement support.





# Sampling and Testing Requirements

Material or Product (Subsection)	Type of Acceptance (Subsection)	Characteristic	Category	Test Methods Specifications	Sampling Frequency	Point of Sampling	Split Sample	Reporting Time	Remarks
<b>Production</b>									
Cement Stabilized Subbase (CSS) Before Adding Cement	Measured and tested for conformance (106.04)	Gradation	–	AASHTO T27 and T11	Minimum 1 per 2000 yd <sup>2</sup>	Existing Subbase or Existing subbase with added Aggregate	If requested	24-Hours	
		Liquid Limit	-	AASHTO T89					
		Plastic Limit	-	AASHTO T90					
		USCS and AASHTO Soil Classification	-	ASTM D2487					
	Process control (153.03)	Moisture-density (max density)	–	AASHTO T134	As directed by the CO	Behind Reclaimer	If requested	3 days	Add Cement at Lab Prior to Test
		Gradation	–	AASHTO T27 (undried condition)	As directed by the CO		No	Upon Completion of test	Minus 2-inch sieve only
CSS with cement material	Measured and tested for conformance (106.04)	Cement Addition Rate	–	Subsection 316.05(b)	As directed by CO	Behind Cement Distributer	“	“	
CSS with cement after Mixing		Unconfined compression strength (7-day)	–	Table 316-2	1 set per 3500 yd <sup>2</sup> or a Minimum 1 set per Day	After Mixing Before Compaction	If requested	7 Days	Test location may be selected by CO.
	Process control (153.03)	Gradation	–	Subsection 316.10	As directed by CO		“	“	Minus 1-½ -inch and No. 4 sieve only



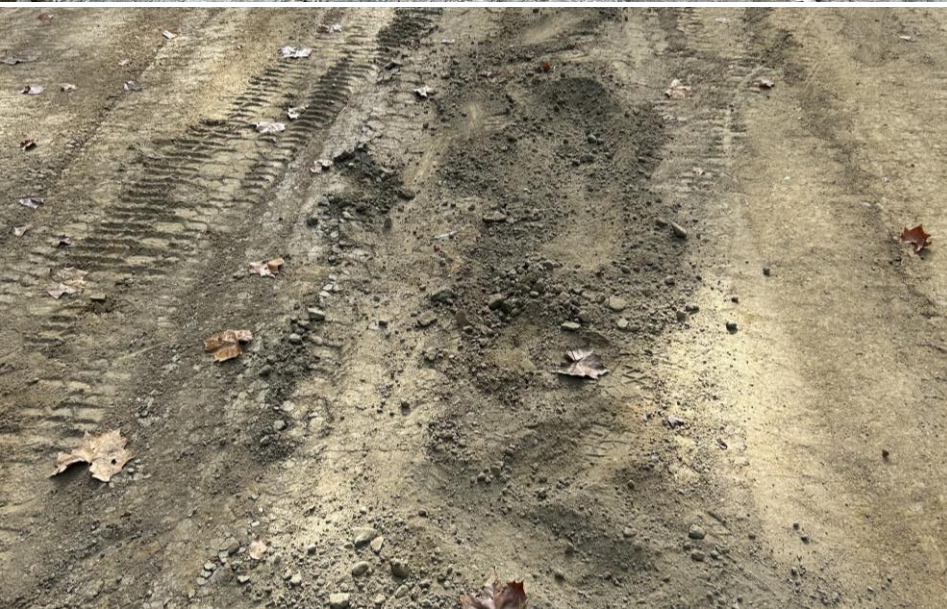
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Production (continued)									
CSS with cement after Compaction	Measured and tested for conformance (106.04)	Density	—	AASHTO T 310 or other Approved methods	1 per 500 yd <sup>2</sup> or as directed by the CO	In-place after compaction	No	End of Day	Test locations selected by CO.
		Cement Treated Lift Thickness	—	Subsection 316.11	1 minimum daily or as directed by the CO	Within construction joints where feasible.	No	"	
Finished Product									
Cement Stabilized Subbase	Measured and tested for conformance (106.04)	Surface tolerance & grade	—	Subsection 301.06	Determined by the CO	Completed CSS surface	No	Before placement of next layer or as requested	
		CSS Thickness		Coring maximum 4-inch diameter core or other approved method.	3 per 3500 yd <sup>2</sup>	Minimum 3 days after completion		End of Day	Test locations selected by CO.





# Construction







# Coring Soil Cement







## Coring cont'd

- ALDOT-462
  - 3 test in triangular pattern
  - 4 inches total penetration
  - $MCS = 1220e^{-0.559*DCP}$

MCS = Mold Cylinder Strength (psi)

DCP = Average DCP slope (mm/blow)







# Unsuitable Soils







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# Problems During Construction

- Weather
- Real Estate
  - Construction Traffic







# Problems During Construction

- Variations in lab results vs field conditions
  - Use of one-point proctors







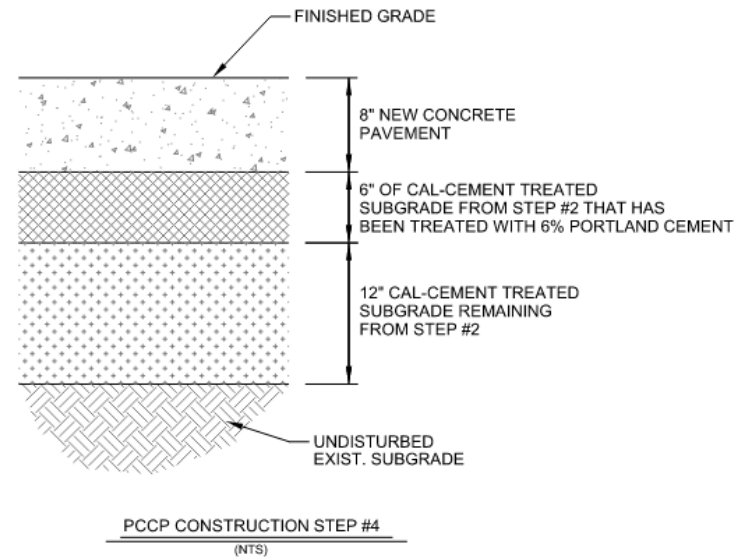
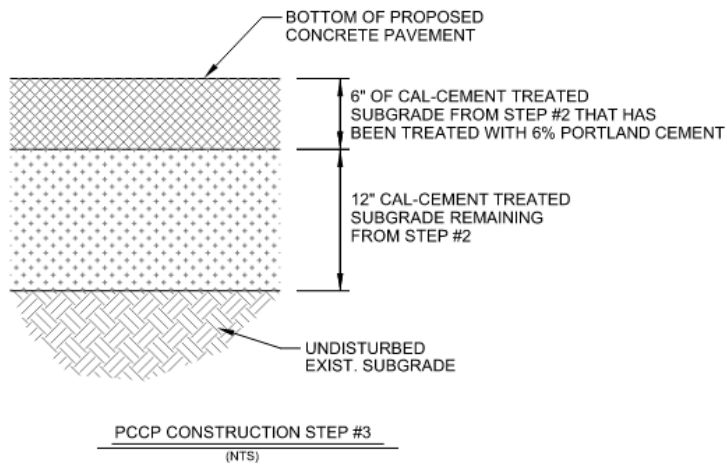
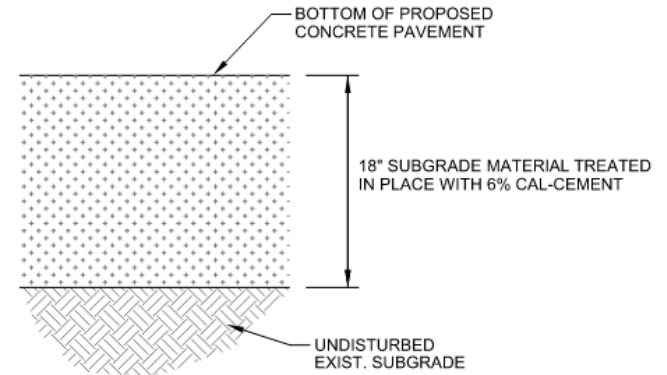
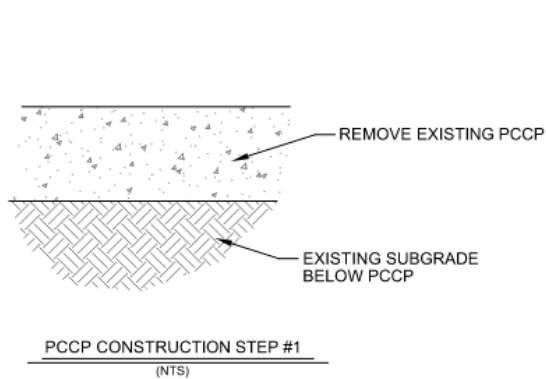
# Deeper Soil Mixing







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