



**ATTENTION: TP&D, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND
TRAFFIC OPERATIONS ENGINEERS**

SPECIAL PROVISION AND/OR SPECIFICATION CHANGE MEMORANDUM 06-17

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Date: November 20, 2017

To: District Engineers

From: Gina E. Gallegos, P.E.
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Subject: Statewide Special Provision 341-001 (14), "Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt"

The above-referenced special provision has been approved statewide use and is required for all projects using Dense-Graded Hot-Mix Asphalt beginning with the January 2018 letting.

This special provision revises Standard Item 341 by allowing for the following modifications:

- Tack Coat – In addition to current specification allowances for the type of binder, now allows for the use of specialized tack coat materials detailed in the MPL for [Tracking Resistant Asphalt Interlayer \(TRAIL\)](#).
- Mixing and Discharge of Materials – Clarified that the minimum production temperature of 215F is only applicable to Warm Mix Asphalt.
- Thermal Camera – Clarified to allow the Engineer to request electronic files from the contractor when using the thermal camera. Also, clarified that placement payment adjustment greater than 1.000 will not be paid for any subplot that contains severe thermal segregation.
- Informational Cantabro and Overlay Testing – Reduced the sample size from 90lb to 70lb
- Segregation (Density Profile) – Clarified contractor requirements for segregation (density) profile testing to be consistent with other bulleted items.
- Exempt Production – Clarified that contractor will obtain cores regardless of exempt production status.
- Placement Sublots Subject to Removal and Replacement – Clarified that cores subject to referee testing for air void determination will be based on using the bulk specific gravity for each core divided by the Engineers maximum theoretical specific gravity for the lot, instead of the average bulk specific gravity for the cores.

Please disseminate this information to your Transportation Planning & Development, Design, Construction, Laboratory, Maintenance, and Traffic Operations Engineers.

CC: TxDOT Specification Committee
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