DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT, ROADS AND WORKS



APT Steering Committee







Feedback to RPF May 2009

Role of APT Steering Committee



- Prioritise APT research
- Provide strategic guidance to APT programmes
- To co-ordinate research related to APT projects
- To plan related testing (long and short term)
- To serve as an advisory body to Gautrans HVS testing programme
- To give comments on APT work proposals
- To give comments on APT reports



APT Strategic Plan for 2006 - 2009



Focus Areas

- Sustainable Development and the environment (including cold recycling)
 - To include alternative materials (RAP), warm mix technology, construction processes & quality of construction and sustainability (APT SCom Feb 08)
- Labour-intensive construction
- Asphalt performance
- Vehicle-pavement interaction (VPI)
- Provision of low volume roads
- Concrete pavements
- Structural Pavement Design Method (now covered by SANRAL)



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- Meeting postponed due to financial problems with Gautrans
- Strategy for 2009 12 still under development
 - Focus areas unchanged
 - Inputs received from focus area coordinators
 - Consolidation in progress



HVS programme: recent and current projects



- Guidelines for bitumen stabilization
 - GDPTRW/Sabita initiative
 - completed (launch next week)
- HVS and Lab testing for validation of HMA design guideline
 - Standard mix completed March 2008
 - Rut-resistant mix completed October 2008
 - Level 1 & 2 reports completed by June 2009



HVS programme: recent and current projects (cont)



- Thin CR concrete pavement (UTCRCP) (SANRAL)
 - HVS testing completed
 - Reports in preparation
- UTRCP LIC sections at R80
 - Ongoing
 - Report by LdP
- SIM testing: HVS & MMLS completed
- Job creation, skills development and empowerment in Road Construction
 - Completed and posted on the web site
 - Launch postponed.



HVS programme: recent and current projects (cont)



- LTPP monitoring: 2388, P243/1, N7,
 MR538 ongoing
 - Now to include UTRCP sections



Future Projects

- Fatigue testing of HMA sections
 - HVS and lab testing
 - Construction of deviation required
- HiMA
 - Sabita funded
 - Technology Transfer project
 - Design in progress
 - Possible construction by August 2009
- UTRCP for low volume roads
 - Construction of test sections October 2008
 - Testing in progress
- Warm Mix Asphalt sections on R80
- Concrete section for designs between UTRCP (low volume) and UTCRCP (high volume)