| Name of Test Stress Sweep Rutting (SSR) | Developer(s) Kim and co-workers North Carolina State University |
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| Test Method(s) AASHTO TP 134-19 | Adoption by Agencies None |
| Description Four specimens are tested under a confining pressure of 10 psi (69 kPa) – two at a low temperature (T_L) and two a high temperature (T_H) determined through LTPPBind. Each specimen is loaded for 200 cycles at 3 different deviator stress conditions that vary based on temperature – a total of 600 compressive load cycles per specimen. Test results are used to generate a permanent deformation shift model that can be used in conjunction with the FlexPAVE [™] analysis software to model the total rutting in the asphalt pavement layers. | Photographs/Illustrations |
| Test Results Rutting Strain Index (RSI) Permanent Deformation Shift Model | $\begin{array}{c} \hline \text{Test Temperature(s)} \\ \hline \text{Two Temperatures} & - \text{High } (\text{T}_{\text{H}}) \text{ and Low } (\text{T}_{\text{L}}) \\ \hline \text{Based on LTPPBind v3.1 at 98\% Reliability} \end{array}$ |
| Equipment & Approximate Cost Asphalt Mixture Performance Tester Core drill Environmental chamber Saw for cutting specimens | \$100,000 \$3,000 \$3,000 \$6,000 |
| Specimen Fabrication Gyratory specimens, 2 cuts, 1 core, membrane for confinement (4 hours) | Number of Replicate Specimens 4 specimens (2 at each temperature) |
| Specimen Conditioning Until a thermocouple in the center of a dummy specimen reaches the target test temperature. Conditioning under confinement for 1 hour in the test chamber prior to testing. | Testing Time 20 minutes per specimen (T _L) 40 minutes per specimen (T _H) |
| Data Analysis Complexity Fair – RSI FlexMAT™ calculation Complex – model structure using FlexPAVE™ | Test Variability Unknown |
| Field Validations Good (Pavement sections in Alabama, Korea, and Canada) | Overall Practicality for Mix Design and QA Good for Mix Design Poor for QA |

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