



# NEAUPG – Activity Report

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Annual Meeting – Burlington, VT

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- '05 Activities
- Steering Committee mtg. 3/25/05
  - Concern about an increasing number of binder additives/modifiers being used in northern states
  - Leads to agreement – Binder suppliers will identify if a material from the standard list is in their binder



# '05 Activities

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- PG+ specification for PMA
- Karissa Mooney compiled all the versions of the Elastic Recovery test, look at their use, and made a recommendation for a standardized version
- Potential new / improved PG + procedure proposed by John D'Angelo (FHWA)



## '05 Activities

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- Penn State/ Anderson - QA guide spec for binders
  - Will be presented at AAPT in '06
- Two Binder technician workshop offered



# '05 Activities

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- **Agenda - Workshop on Binder Testing**
- The Pennsylvania State University - December 1, 2005
- The University of Connecticut - December 15, 2005
- The sessions are intended to be highly interactive – active participation in the sessions by the attendees is highly encouraged. The recent edition of the manual of Asphalt Binder Testing sent to the participants prior to the workshop will be the basis of the discussions.



# '05 Activities

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- Develop binder QC Plan for HMA plants
  - Problems with multiple grades and lack of understanding about binder contamination
  - Working with one contractor to develop pilot
- M-E Pavement Design training



# Future

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- Superpave ETG's – ?
- Pavement construction issues
- M-E Pavement Design – ?
- Training needs increasing
- ? Increasing need for organization to guide regional activities – pooled fund efforts, etc.