

Opportunities in the EMBODIED space

Specific levers to reduce **embodied CO**₂...

- 1) Consume less concrete for new structures:Be efficient with our pavement designs
- 2) Consume less cement in concrete mixtures:
 - Optimizing our concrete paving mixtures
- 3) Consume less clinker for making cements:
 - Embrace lower carbon cements

Opportunity is in combining these...



Guide for

Reducing the Embodied Carbon Content of Concrete

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[4/10/23 Note - This follows the format of the AASHTO Titanium Guide. Parts 1-2 are in draft format. Parts 3-5 are mostly in outline format.]

(For Cover see AASHTO Guide for Near Surface Mounted Titanium Alloy Bars - 2020 Edition. This cover provides a good example of what we would like. We will send in different photos at the appropriate time.)



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- Drafting an AASHTO Guide to low-embodied carbon concrete now...
- Also drafting a benchmarking report to quantify reduction in CO₂ since 2005.

Parting Thoughts...

- From what we know today optimized mixtures provide real opportunities to reduce embodied CO₂
- Must not miss the broader opportunities...
- We can control what we consider

