



# Regional Local Roads Conference

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# Dust Suppressants: Chemical Additive Usage on Unpaved Roads

# *Did You Know?*

TOTAL PM10 EMISSIONS / YEAR= 33,600,000 METRIC TONS

*FUGITIVE DUST ACCOUNTS FOR 88% (29,800,000 METRIC TONS) OF TOTAL EMISSIONS*

KEY SOURCES OF FUGITIVE DUST, AS CAUSED BY MAN...

<b><u>-UNPAVED ROAD DUST</u></b>	<b>41.3%</b>
-WIND EROSION	17.8%
-CONSTRUCTION	13.4%
-AGRICULTURE	14.7%
-PAVED ROADS	8.4%

*WHILE PM10 EMISSIONS WORLDWIDE ARE ON THE DECLINE, THE VOLUME OF DUST FROM ROAD TRAFFIC IS RISING.*

SOURCE: USA EPA National Database Emissions Inventory. Note: Some percentages may have changed due to the way data is now collected.

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# How do you choose the right product?

# First, you must define the goal:

- *Dust Control*



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*OR*

- *Stabilization*



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- *Dust Control*
- *Stabilization*

Second, you must set and agree to expectations:

- *Zero Dust?*
- *90% Reduction?*
- *75% Reduction?*
- *Duration?*



# Variables Affecting Performance

## 1. Climate

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- *Humidity*



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## 2. Type of Base

- *Aggregate*
  - *Size and Shape*
- *Fines*
  - *Type and Amount*
- *Composition*
  - *Granite, Clay, RAP, Recycled Concrete...*



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## 3. Road Preparation

- *Grading*
- *Rolling/Compacting*
- *Pre-wet/Moisture Content*





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## 4. Traffic

- *ADT*
- *Type of Vehicles*



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## 5. Product Type

- *Chlorides ( $MgCl_2$ ,  $CaCl_2$ )*
  - *Work on moisture content, keep the road surface wet*



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## 5. Product Type

- *Synthetic Polymers*
  - *Latex*
  - *PVA (Polyvinyl Acetate)*
  - *Acrylic Co-Polymers*
    - *Glue particles together.*
    - *Cross-Linking*

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## 5. Product Type

- *Oils and Emulsions*
  - *Petroleum or Ag Based*
    - *Coat particles and weigh them down*

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- *Lignin*
  - *Organic Binder*
    - *Glue particles together.*
    - *Not Cross-Linking*

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- *Proprietary Products*
  - *Can work on different principles*
  - *Evaluate and Compare*

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## 6. Product Application Method

- *Top Spray*





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- *Milling*



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- **Environmental**
  - *Effects on Water*
  - *Effects on Vegetation*



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- **Environmental**
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  - *Effects on Vegetation*
- **Value**
  - *Price vs Cost*

# Product Evaluations

- Lab Data

- *Moisture Limits*
- *Compaction Data*
- *Leaching Data*
- *Gradation*

# Moisture Limit And Optimum Moisture

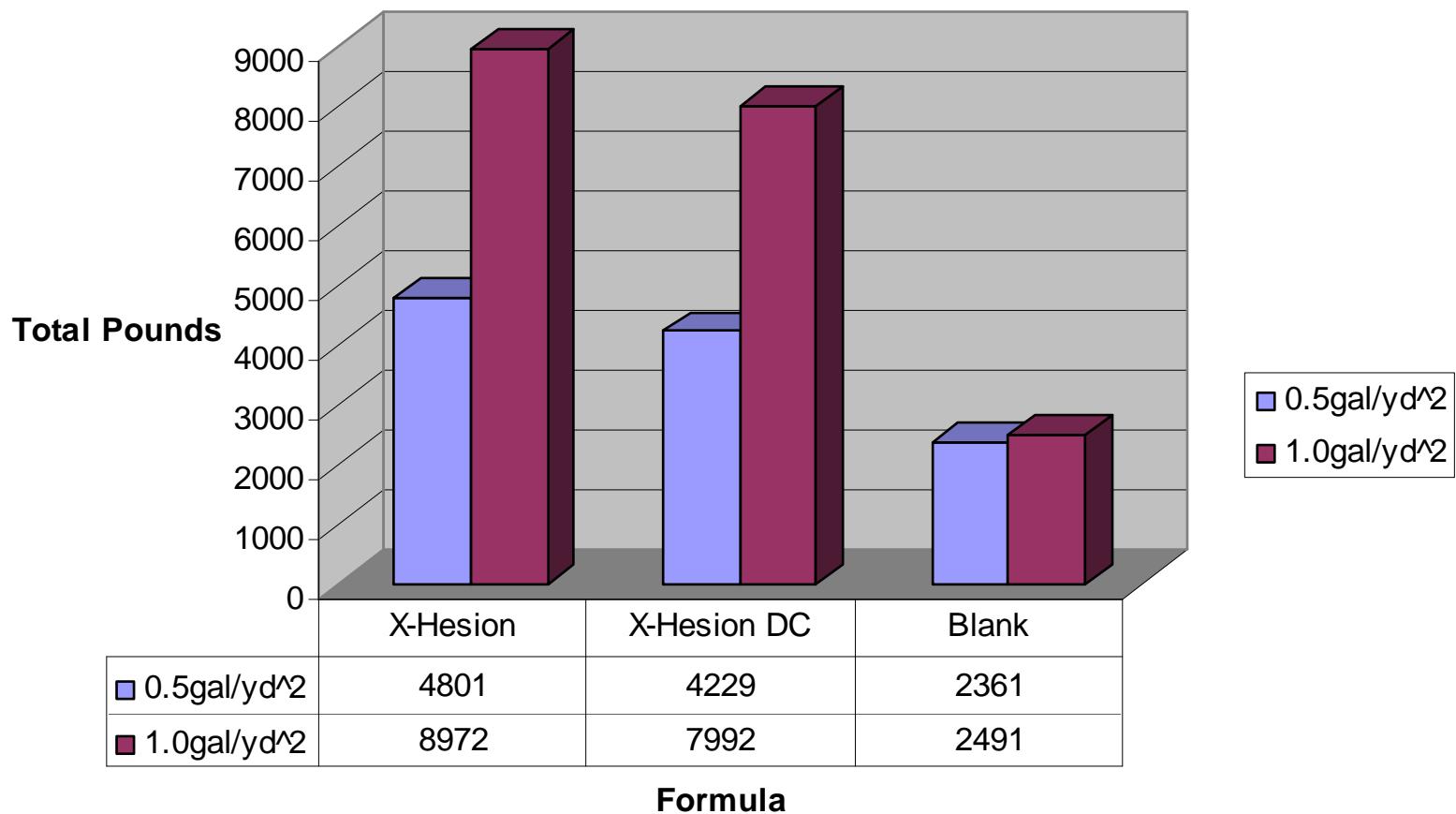
- Critical in deciding application rates and road prep!



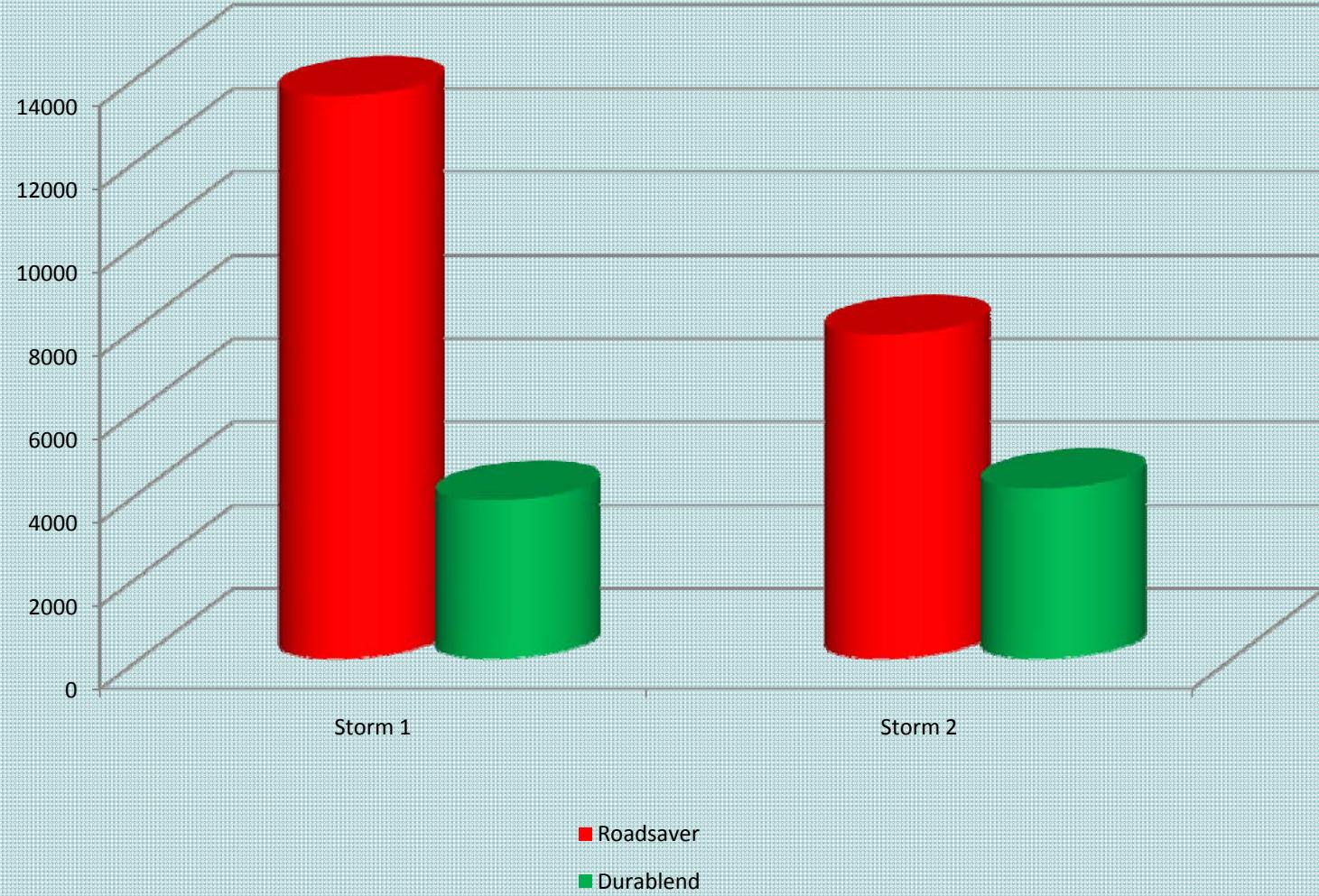


- R Value
- Soil Composition or Sieve analysis
- Plasticity

## Compresion



## PPM MgCl<sub>2</sub> Lost Through Leaching



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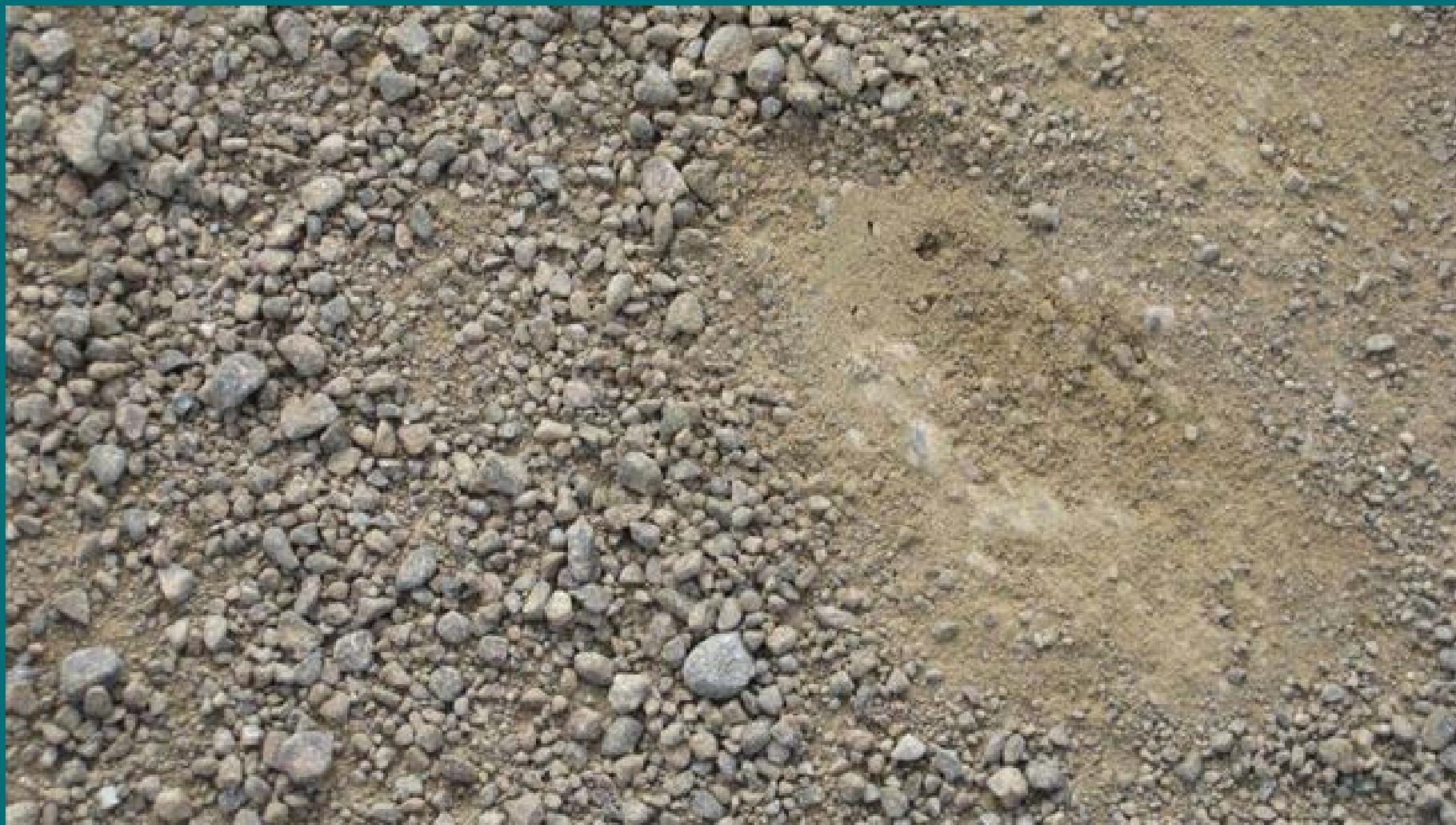
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- Field Data
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# Questions?