

## **Module 4-5**

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### ***Full-Depth Repairs***

## **Objectives**

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Describe alternative methods

Identify repair areas

Design acceptable repairs

Describe proper construction procedures

List specific materials and procedures

## **Introduction**

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Full-depth concrete repairs

- JPCP
- JRCP
- CRCP

Full-depth bituminous patches are not recommended

## **Purpose**

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Restore rideability

Prevent further deterioration of distressed areas

Prepare for an overlay

## **Candidate Distresses (JCP)**

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Blowup (L, M, H)

Corner break (L, M, H)

D-cracking (M, H)

Deterioration of or near repairs (M, H)

Longitudinal cracking (M, H)

Spalling (M, H)

Transverse cracking (M, H)

## **Candidate Distresses (CRCP)**

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Blowup (L, M, H)

D-cracking (M, H)

Deterioration of or near repair (M, H)

Localized distress (M, H)

Longitudinal cracking (M, H)

Punchout (L, M, H)

Transverse cracking (M, H)

### Candidate Distresses (JCP)



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### Effectiveness

Can provide good long-term performance (>10 years)

#### Critical factors

- Timing of repairs
- Proper load transfer design
- Quality of construction

### Design Considerations

Selecting repair boundaries

Multiple-lane repairs

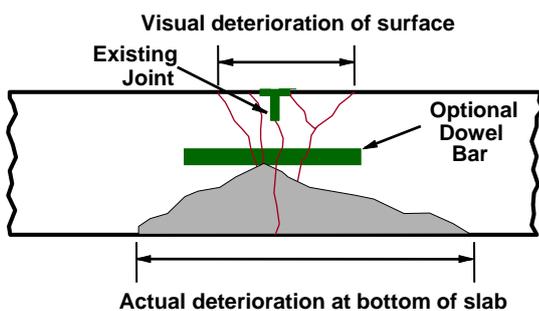
Repair materials

Load transfer design

Curing and opening to traffic

Cost considerations

### Potential Extent of Deterioration at Joint



### Minimum Repair Dimensions (JCP)

#### Doweled or tied repairs

- Length  $\geq 1.8$  m (6 ft)
- Width  $\geq 3.6$  m (12 ft)

#### Non-doweled or non-tied repairs

- Length  $\geq 1.8$  m (6 ft) for low traffic  
 $\geq 2.4$  m (8 ft) for med-high traffic
- Width  $\geq 3.6$  m (12 ft)

### Guidelines for Selecting Repair Boundaries (JCP)

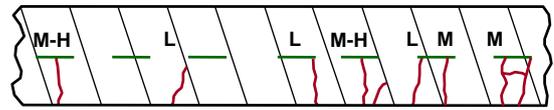
Repairs longer than 4.6 m (15 ft) require an intermediate joint

Repairs should be 1.8 m (6 ft) from transverse joints and cracks

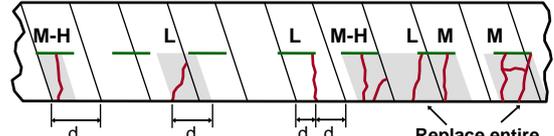
Extend repairs 0.3 m (1 ft) beyond joints

Cracks located 3 m (10 ft) or more from a joint can be repaired alone

### Repair Recommendations (JPCP)

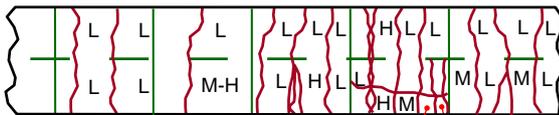


Some typical distress conditions noted with L = low M = medium H = high

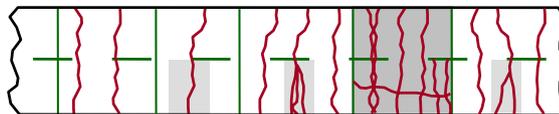


$d = 1.8 \text{ m (min)}$  No repair reqd. Replace entire slab-outer lane Recommended repairs for distress shown

### Repair Recommendations (JRCP)

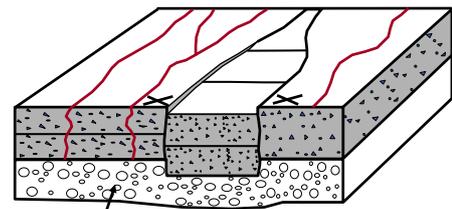


Some typical distress conditions noted with M H L = low M = medium H = high



No repair reqd.  $d = 1.8 \text{ m (min)}$  Replace entire slab-outer lane

### Potential Extent of Deterioration at Punchout



Subbase Disintegrated Considerable Pumping and Excess Water

### Guidelines for Selecting Repair Boundaries (CRCP)

#### Minimum repair length

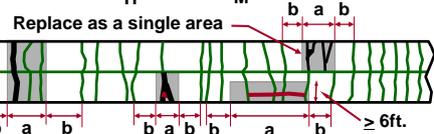
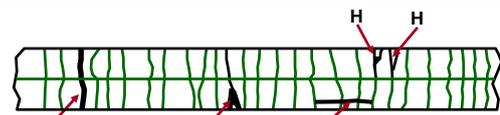
- 1.8 m (6 ft) if steel is tied
- 1.2 m (4 ft) if steel is mechanically connected or welded

Repairs should not be closer than 460 mm (18 in)

Minimum repair width is 1.8 m (6 ft)

Full width patches are recommended

### Repair Recommendations (CRCP)



$a \geq 1.8 \text{ m tied steel}$   
 $a \geq 1.2 \text{ m welded or mechanical connection}$   
 $b \geq 0.54 \text{ m in.}$

### Example Repair

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### Example Repair (What's Wrong?)

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### Curing Times for Repair Materials

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Blended cements	2- 4 hours
Sulfo-aluminate cements	2- 4 hours
Type III with accelerator	4- 6 hours
Type I with accelerator	6- 8 hours
Type III with water reducer	12-24 hours
Type I	24-72 hours

### Curing and Opening to Traffic

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#### Curing methods

- Curing compound
- Insulation blankets

#### Opening criteria

- Minimum strength
- Minimum time

### Load Transfer Methods

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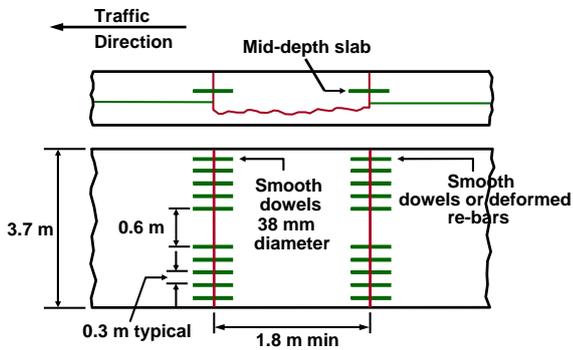
Dowel bars

Tie bars

Undercutting

Aggregate interlock

## Recommended Load Transfer Design



## Load Transfer - Dowel Bars



## Undercut Method of Load Transfer



## Tie-bar Load Transfer (plus Undercut)



## Cost Considerations

Average cost about \$80/m<sup>2</sup> (\$95/yd<sup>2</sup>)

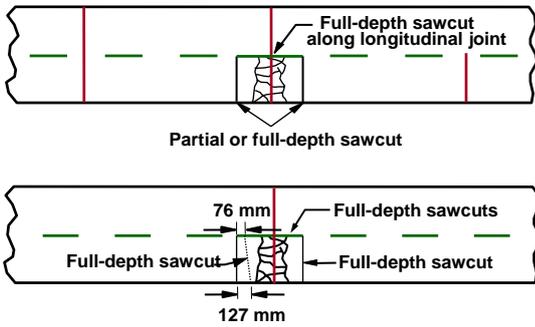
Slab replacement is preferred over several full-depth patches

- Lower cost
- More reliable repair

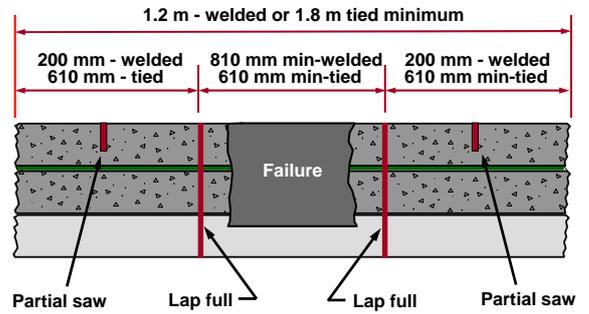
## Construction Steps

- Layout repair locations
- Saw concrete
- Remove concrete
- Prepare area
- Provide load transfer
- Prepare joint
- Place and finish concrete
- Cure
- Seal joints

### Sawcut Locations (JCP)



### Sawcut Locations (CRCP)



### Sawcut



### Concrete Breakup



### Concrete Removal



### Concrete Removal



**Concrete Removal - Lift Out Method**

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**Problem with Lift Out Method**

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**Prepare Area**

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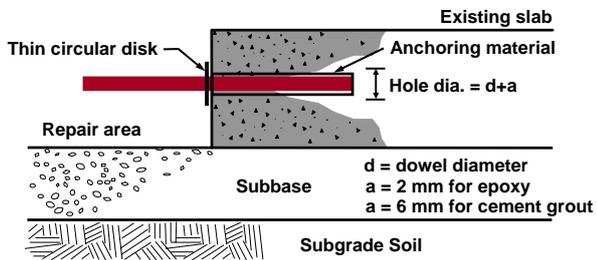


**Prepare Area - Add/Recompact Base**

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## Dowel Bar Placement



## Reinforcing Steel Placement (CRCP)

Match existing steel

Connect to existing steel

- Tied splice
- Welded splice
- Mechanical connection

Provide support (chairs) to prevent bending of steel

Provide minimum 60mm (2.5 in) cover

## Gang Drill Dowel Holes



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## Holes Drilled



### **Cleaning Holes (Air Blast)**

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### **Injecting Grout (or Epoxy)**

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### **Placing Dowels**

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### **Dowels in Place with Grout Retaining Washers**

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### **Area Prepared with Dowels in Place**

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### **Concrete Placement and Finishing**

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- Avoid use of additional water for workability**
- Ensure adequate vibration near edges of repair**
- Best results with vibratory screed**
- Avoid over-finishing**
- Match surface level and texture**

## Curing

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### Methods

- Curing compound
- Wet burlap
- Polyethylene sheeting

Insulation blankets can accelerate curing and provide higher strengths

## Concrete Placement

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## Concrete Finishing

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## Application of Curing Compound

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## Curing - Use of Insulation Blanket

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## Joint Sealing

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Transverse and longitudinal joints

Saw and seal as soon as possible after concrete placement

Reduces spalling and moisture infiltration

Follow procedures for joint sealing (Module 4-2)

### What's Wrong Here?

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### ...And Here?

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### ...And Here?

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### What About This?

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### Summary

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**Bituminous patches not recommended**

**Repairs should address the extent of the deterioration**

**Slab replacement is more economical than multiple full-depth repairs**

**Provide load transfer (dowels) on JPCP**

**Restore continuity of steel on CRCP**