

Environmentally Friendly Treatment For Unpaved Shoulders

Green Construction

OBJECTIVE

- . Investigate use of soybean oil byproduct (soap stock) for stabilization of granular shoulders.
- . Assess the soy soap stock stabilization with full scale pilot test.
- . Develop specifications for soy soap stock stabilization.



BENEFITS

- . Improved shoulder performance
- . Increased safety
- . Reduced maintenance

CHALLENGES

- . Construction guidelines needed
- . Standard specifications needed

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Edge rut forms from traffic and retains water. Shoulder becomes soft.

Pavement

Shoulder

Problematic Shoulder



Soy soap stock layer repels water. Shoulder material remains hard.

Pavement

Shoulder

Soy Soap Stock Treated Shoulder