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# Pervious Pavement Alternatives

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### Basic Types of Pervious Pavements

Pervious Concrete



Porous Asphalt



### Basic Types of Pervious Pavements

- Permeable Pavers
  - Precast concrete product
- Grass-crete
  - Cast-in-place concrete







#### What is Pervious Concrete?



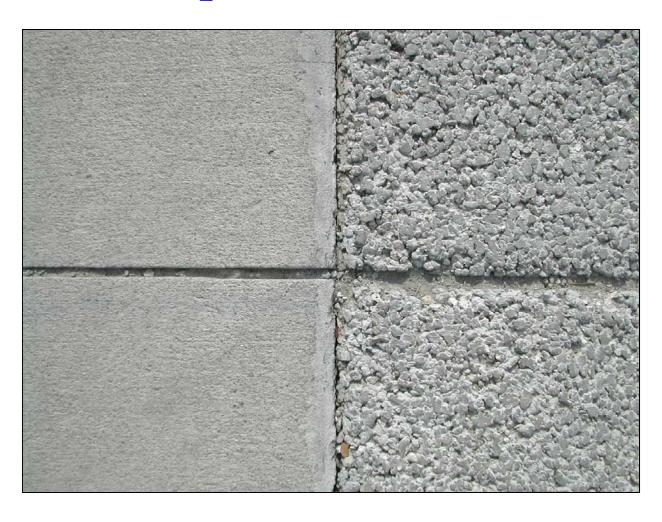
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- Also Called No-fines Concrete

#### What is Pervious Concrete?



• up to 1,800 in/hr porosity

# Texture Comparison



# What is Porous Asphalt?



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### What is Porous Asphalt?





• up to 400 in/hr porosity

# Texture Comparison



#### What are Permeable Pavers?





- Voids are a factor of paver type and/or joint distance
- Paver block itself is not pervious

#### What are Permeable Pavers?



- Joints/voids filled with pea gravel or grass
- Up to 800 in/hr porosity

# Parking Lots



# Driveways



#### Sidewalks





Nature Paths/Parks

# Streets, Alleys, Cul-de-sac's







#### Heavy-Duty Applications

#### Loading Dock, Forsgate Industrial Park, NJ





4,500 psi mix

# Emergency Access Roads or Overflow Parking Areas



#### Stormwater is Polluted

- Oils and Greases
- Metals
- Sediments
- Fertilizers



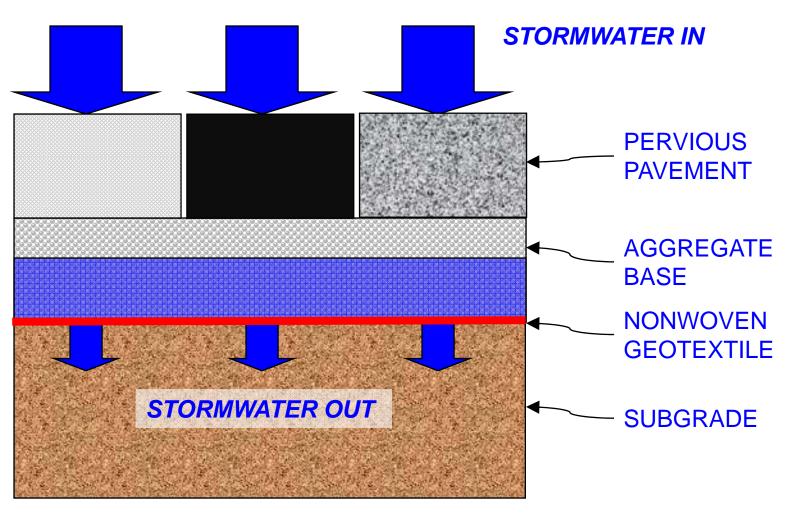
Elimination or reduction of expensive detention / retention ponds or underground storage systems, making more land available for development







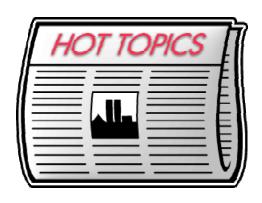
# Solution to Stormwater Management



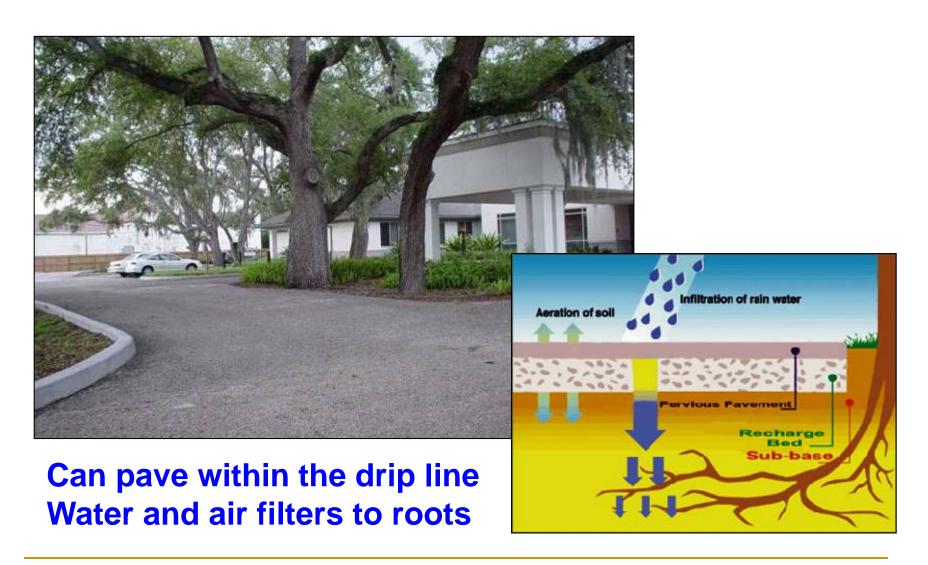
**Turns your pavement into a DRY DETENTION POND!** 

#### Sustainability

- Low-Impact Development
- Pollution Treatment
- Recharging Groundwater
- Tree Protection
- LEED Requirements
- Cool Communities



#### Protects Trees



# Meets LEED Requirements

- Reduce stormwater runoff
- Improve stormwater Quality
- Reduce urban heat islands
- Recycled Materials
- Regional Materials



# Basic Ingredients

- Cement
  - Portland Cement
  - Liquid Asphalt
- Coarse Aggregate
- Water
- Admixtures
- Little or No Sand / Fines



# Aggregate

- Texture and Porosity Affected by
  - Aggregate Size
  - Aggregate Grading
  - Aggregate Angularity
  - Paving Equipment





#### Pervious Concrete vs. Paver Mix





#### Truck Mixed

- Truck Mixed
- A load of pervious concrete should be mixed for at least 70 to 100 revolutions of the mixer drum in a truck mixer
- Mix on jobsite prior to placement



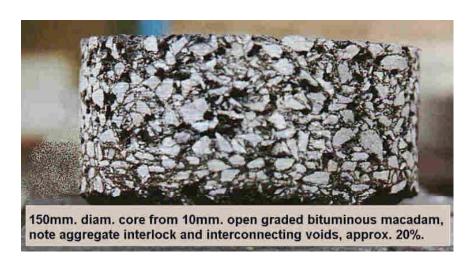
#### Permeable Pavers

- Precast in a manufacturing plant
- Specified by:
  - Type
  - Size
  - Shape
  - Color
- Up to 4" thick, typically 2-1/4" thick



### Porous Asphalt

- Minor changes to mix design
- An added advantage to porous asphalt is that it does not necessitate proprietary ingredients
- Does not require the contractor to have special paving equipment or skills





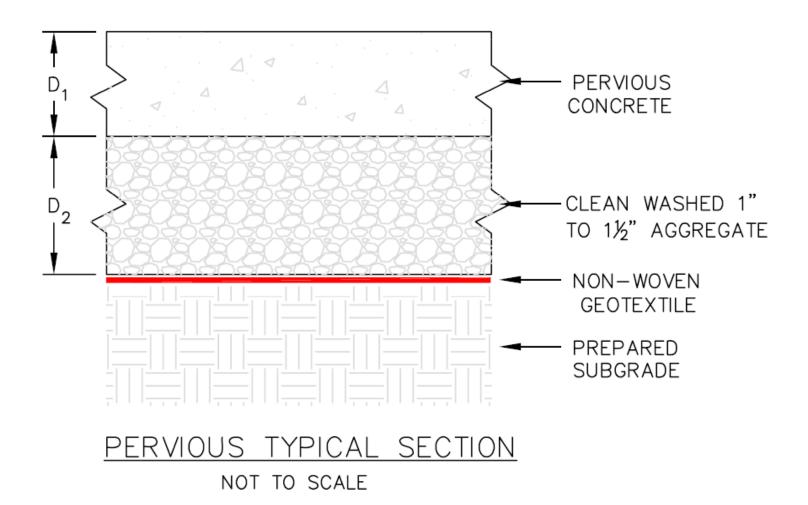
# Porous Asphalt

- With the proper information, most asphalt plants can easily prepare the mix and general paving contractors can install it
- Acceptance testing similar as regular asphalt paving

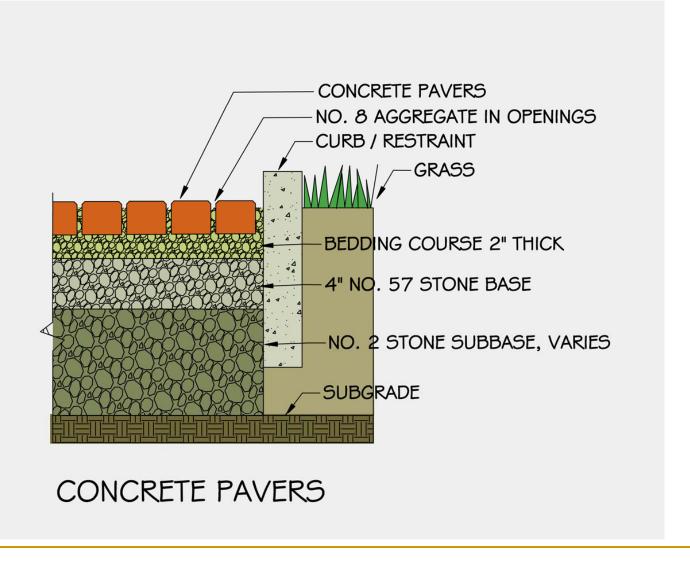




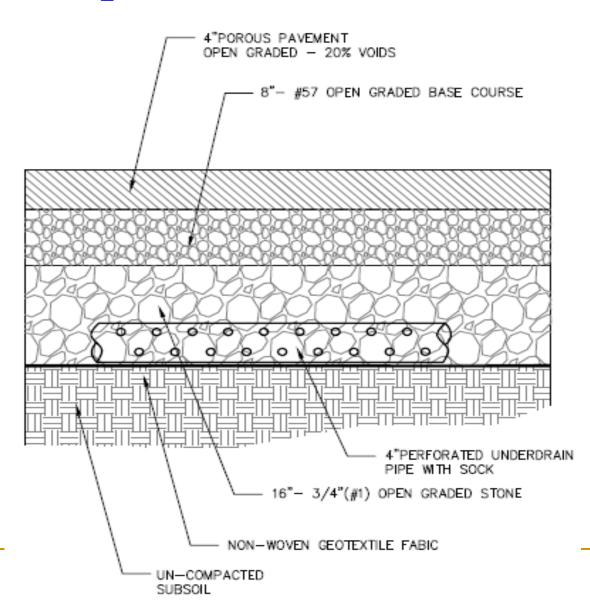
#### Pervious Concrete Profile



#### Permeable Paver Profile



# Porous Asphalt Profile



# Can Pervious Pavement Withstand Freeze-Thaw?

- 15-25% void structure means little moisture trapped in matrix
- Stormwater is stored below concrete in aggregate base
- Expansion of moisture due to freezing does not exert undue pressures on matrix

#### Freeze Thaw Comparison





Melting snow on impervious pavements can become "black ice"

#### Freeze Thaw Comparison

- Melting snow on a pervious pavement parking lot does not leave a "trail" of water that could become black ice
- Melting snow goes through the pavement





#### Pervious Concrete Pavement Thickness

#### Minimums

- 5" Sidewalks / Paths
- 6" Parking lots
- 6" Residential Driveways
- 8" Streets
- 8" Commercial Driveways
- Consider Conventional Concrete Pavement
  - Heavy truck traffic
  - High volume traffic



Add 1" of thickness over regular concrete to account for the 20% voids!

#### Permeable Paver Thickness

Pavers typically come in standard sizes



# Porous Asphalt Pavement Thickness

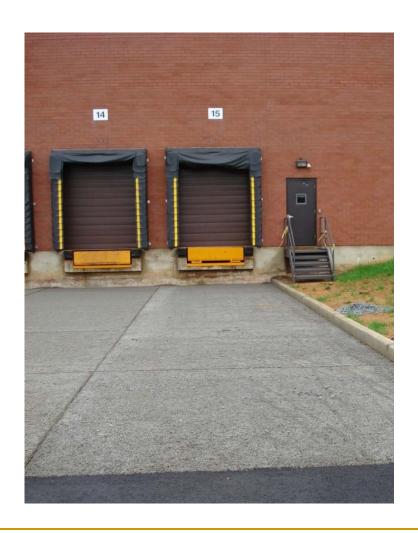
#### Minimums

- 2" Sidewalks / Paths
- 2" to 4" Parking lots and Residential Driveways
- 4" Streets
- 4" to 6" Commercial Driveways



# Pervious Concrete Strength

- Add sand into mix
  - □ 5% up to 25%
  - Adds up to 1,000 psi
  - Sacrifice porosity for strength
- Synthetic Fibers
- Larger Aggregate Size
  - For areas where high heels, wheelchairs are not a concern
- Thicker sections



# Cost of laying pervious pavement exceeds that of traditional pavement, historically:

 Pervious pavement is approximately 4%-15% higher than regular pavement,

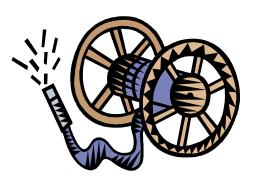
#### BUT...

 Higher installation costs can be off-set by elimination of the need for curbs, gutters, storm drains and large retention ponds.

#### Broom and/or garden hose









Power Washing

Vacuuming





# Street Sweeper – Vacuum Sweeper



# Thank You