

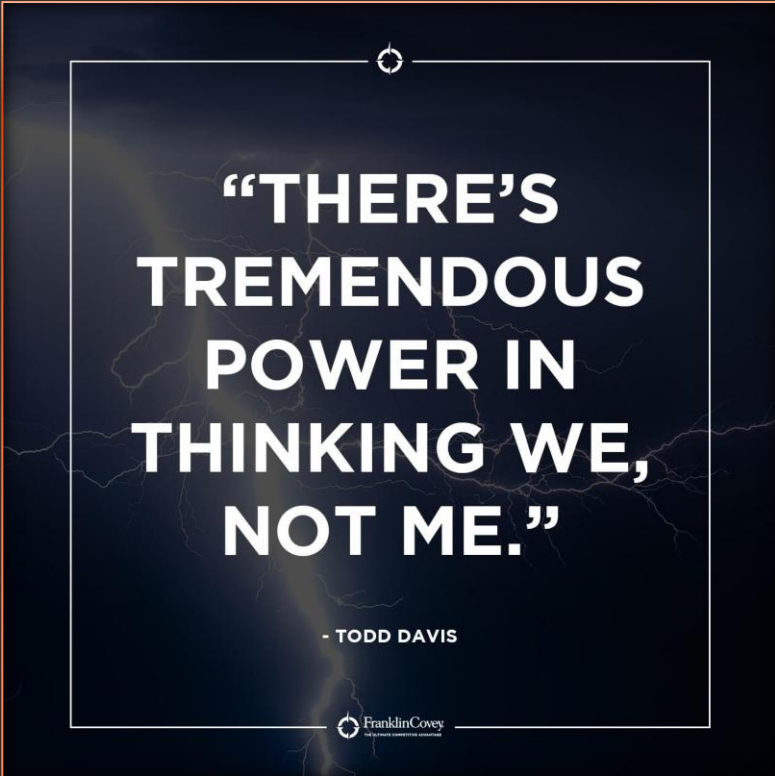
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NOT ME.”**

- TODD DAVIS

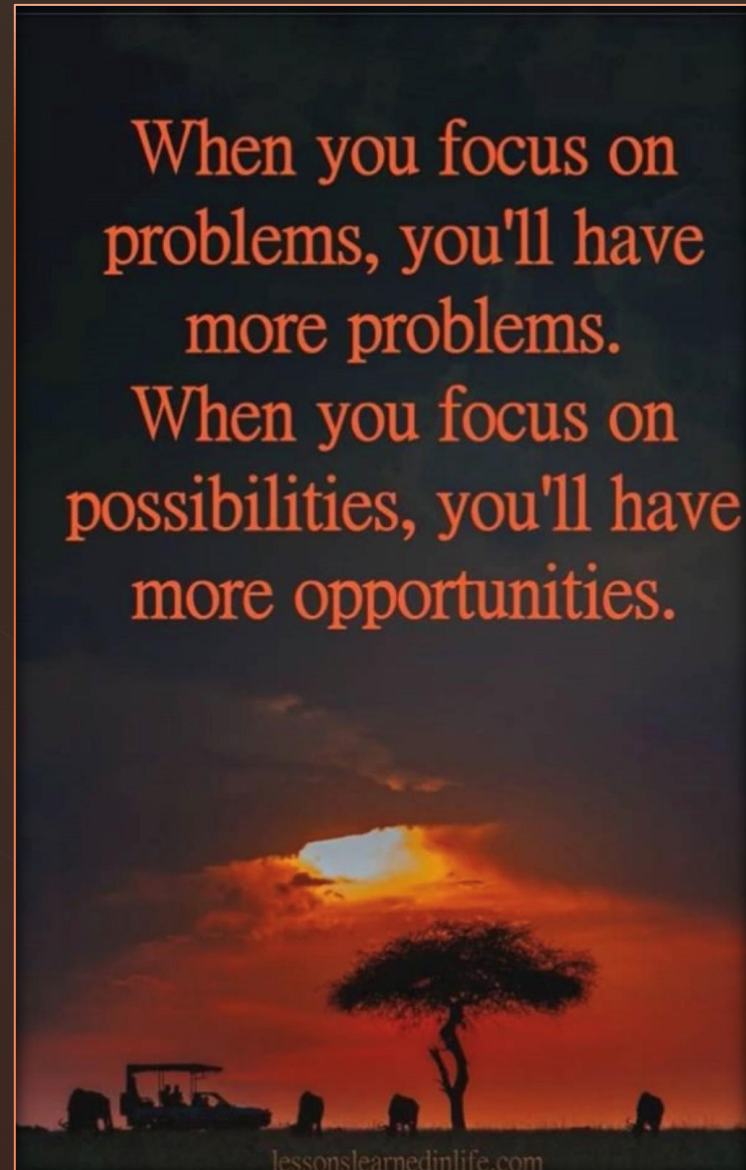
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All you have to do is connect.

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Outline

- Standard Specifications
- Pavement Management System Performance
- Goals
- Challenges
- Summary

When you focus on
problems, you'll have
more problems.
When you focus on
possibilities, you'll have
more opportunities.



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Standard Specification Updates

BDC24S-26 - Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA) Additives and Processes - Revision to Subpart 902.01.04

- North East Asphalt User/Producer Group (NEAUPG) will no longer approve new WMA products effective January 1, 2025 as noted on their website:
<https://neaupg.engr.uconn.edu/>
- NJDOT Materials Approval Process (MAP) Number 137 developed to approve WMA products and processes:
<https://dot.nj.gov/transportation/eng/materials/>
- Suppliers can use WMA listed on the Qualified Product List (QPL):
<https://dot.nj.gov/transportation/eng/materials/qualified/QPLDB.shtm>

BDC25S-02 - High Performance Thin Overlay -Revisions to Subparts 406.03.01, 902.08.02, and 902.08.03


- Update to air void requirements for High Performance Thin Overlay to improve resistance to rutting and blistering.
 - Was 1 – 7% A.V. Now 2 – 7% A.V.
- Updated JMF, Volumetric, Performance Testing, and Sampling Requirements
 - Gradation adjustments
 - Minimum asphalt binder content removed
 - VMA $>$ or $=$ 17% (was 18%)
 - APA Rut $<$ or $=$ 3.0mm (was 4.0mm)
 - Overlay Test $>$ or $=$ 1,200 cycles (was 600 cycles)

▲ BDC25S-06 - **Tack Coat Application Rate** - Revision to Subpart 155.03.01 of the 2019 Standard Inputs and Subpart 401.03.05

- 155.03.01 item #7 added Field Inspection Equipment to perform tack coat procedure ASTM D2995
- 401.03.05 Tack Coat - added requirement to perform ASTM D2995 to verify transverse application rate of tack coat

BDC25S-03- Fuel and Asphalt Price Adjustments - Revisions to Subparts 160.03.01 and 160.03.02

- 160.03.01 revised to add items “NONVEGETATIVE SURFACE, POROUS HOT MIX ASPHALT” and HMA High RAP mixes to Table 160.03.01-1 Fuel Price Adjustments.
- Table 160.03.01a has been added to the Standard Inputs for project specific Non-Standard items which are eligible for fuel price adjustment.
- Subpart 160.03.02 has been revised to clarify the applicability of asphalt price adjustment on all items containing asphalt binder.



BDC25S-14- **HMA Total Weight
Certification** - Revisions to Subpart
401.03.07

- 401.03.07 has been revised to make uniform the requirements for weighmaster certification of total weights of asphalt supplied between automated drum and automated batch plants.

▲ BDC25S-16- **Ultra-High Performance Thin Overlay** - Revisions Subsection 406.01, Subpart 406.02.01, and Subsection 406.04

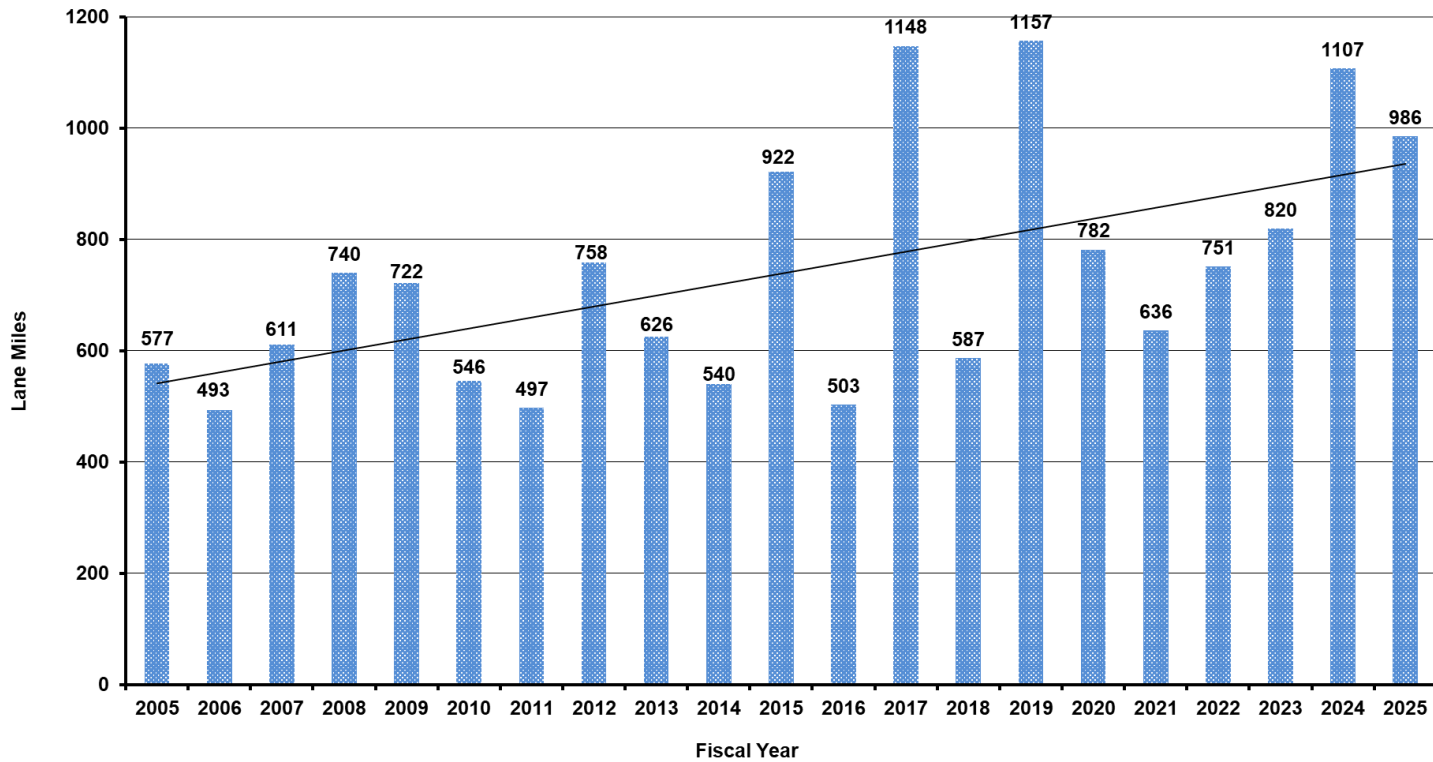
- Subsection 406.01, Subpart 406.02.01, and Subsection 406.04 have been revised, and Subpart 406.03.02 and Subsection 902.16 have been added to incorporate Ultra-High Performance Thin Overlay into the Specifications.

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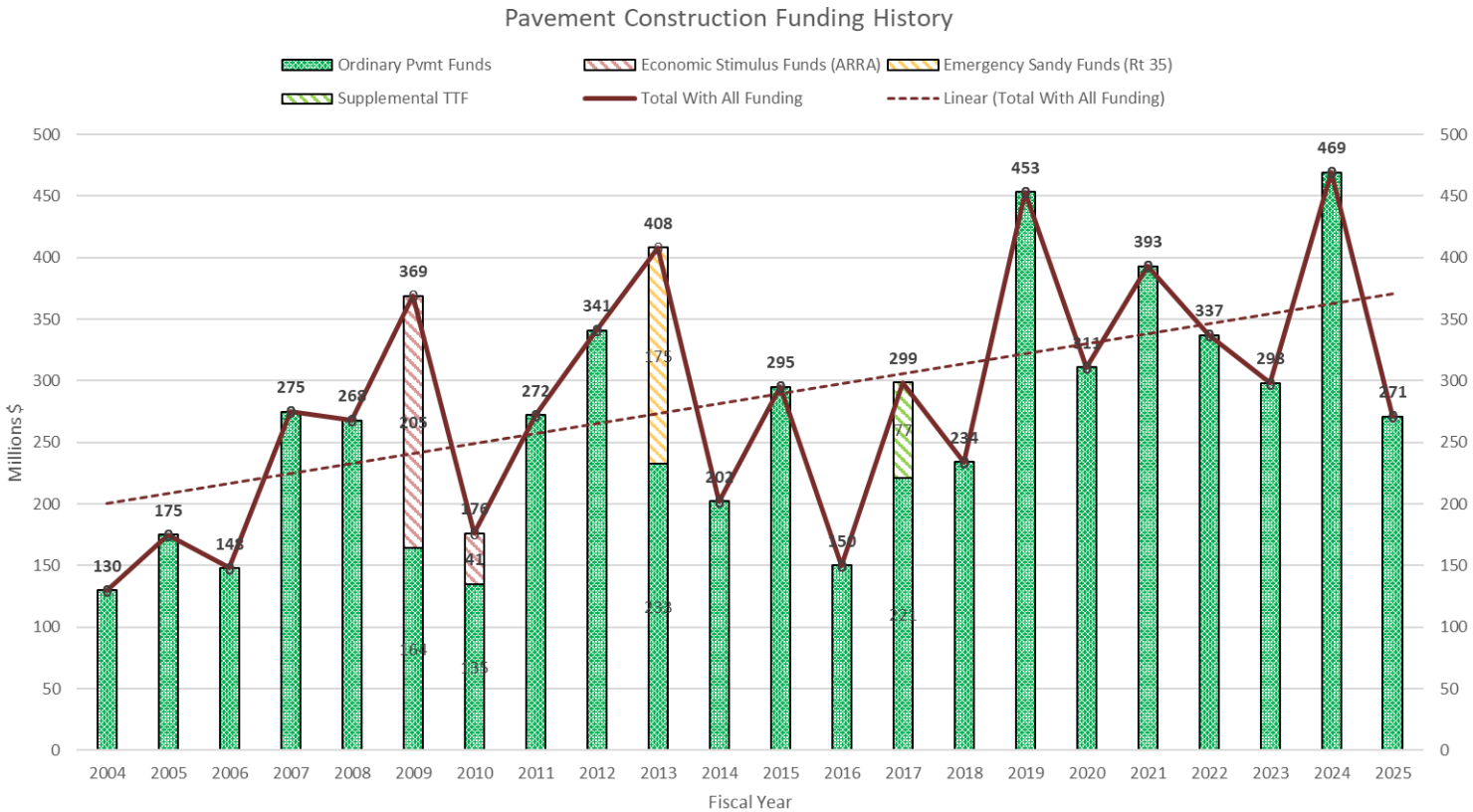
Pavement Management System Performance

Lane Miles of Pavement Treated

NJ State Highway System
Lane Miles of Major Pavement Work Completed
(Total System Mainline Lane Miles = 8548)

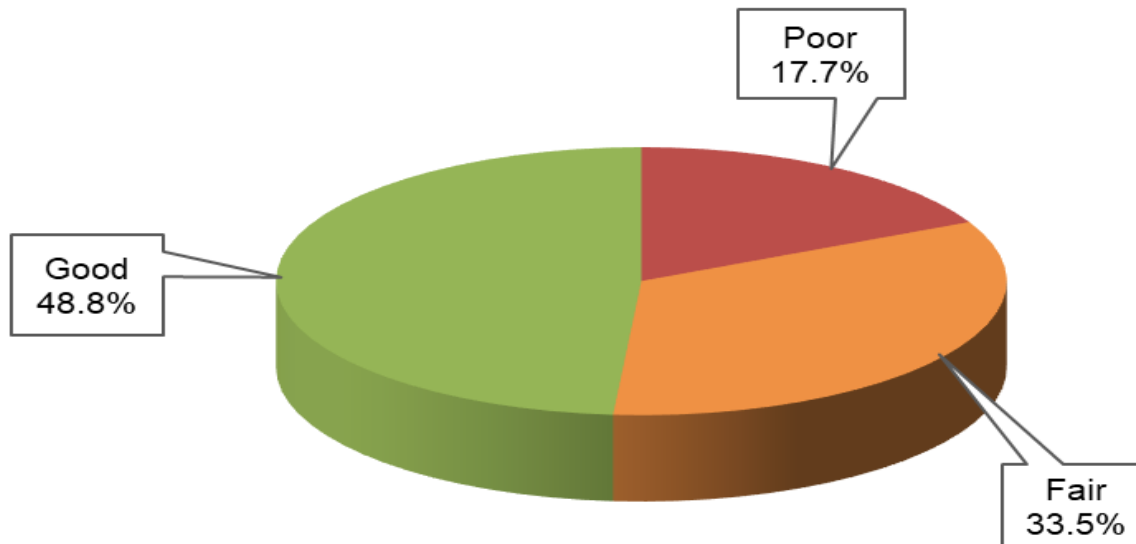


Pavement Funding



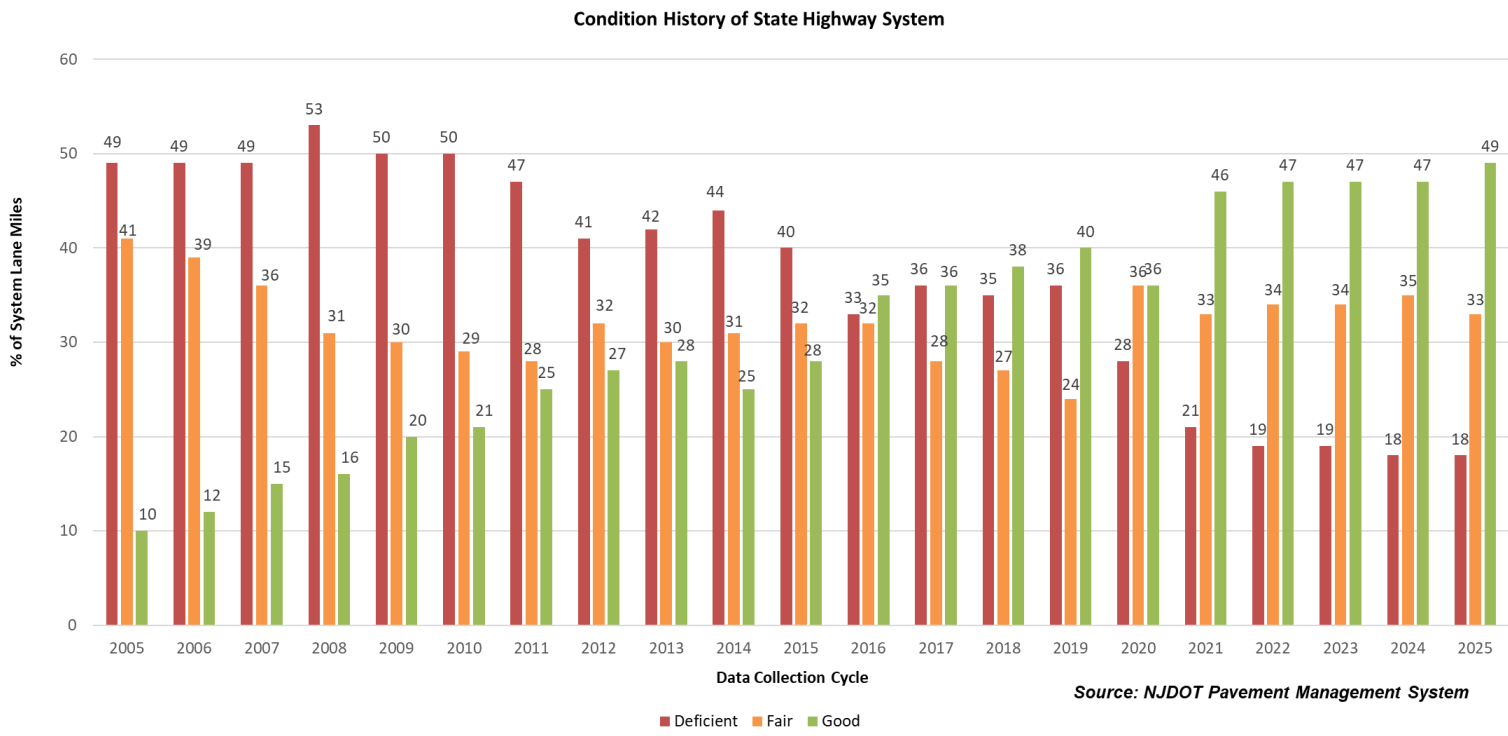
State Highway System (SHS) Condition

**Current Functional Adequacy of NJ State Highway System
(Based on Roughness & Distress)**



Source: NJDOT Pavement Management System, 2025 Data

Historical Condition of SHS



Goals



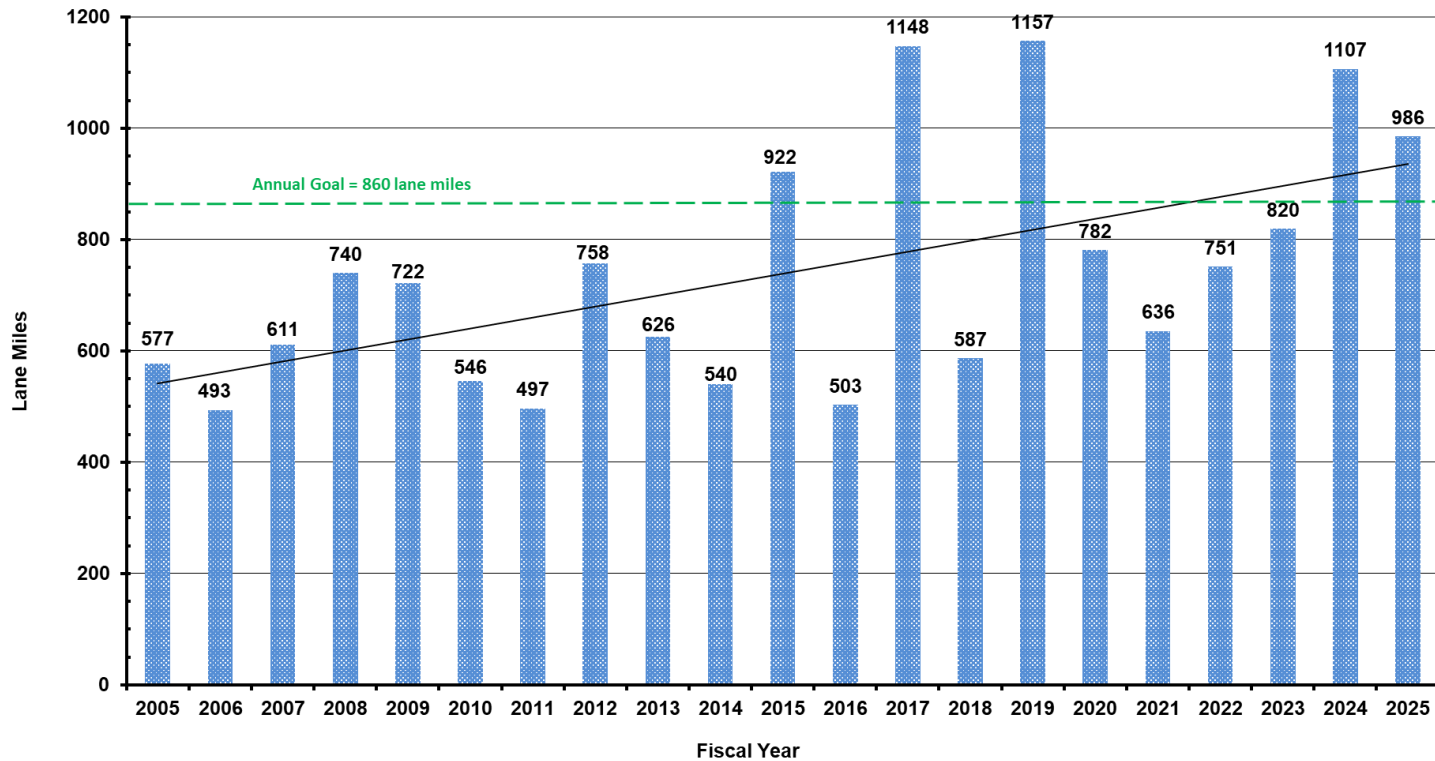
SFY2026 Pavement Program



- Anticipated Awards July 2025 through June 2026
 - CPM # of Projects = 17
 - Value = \$264M
 - Lane Miles - 586
 - 12 Preservation
 - 4 Resurfacing
 - 1 Reconstruction
 - \$106M awarded (\$158M tba)
 - Operations # of Projects = 6 Resurfacing
 - Value = \$60M
 - Lane Miles ~ 127
 - \$20M awarded (\$40M tba)
 - SFY2026 Total Lane Miles ~ 713
- SFY2027???

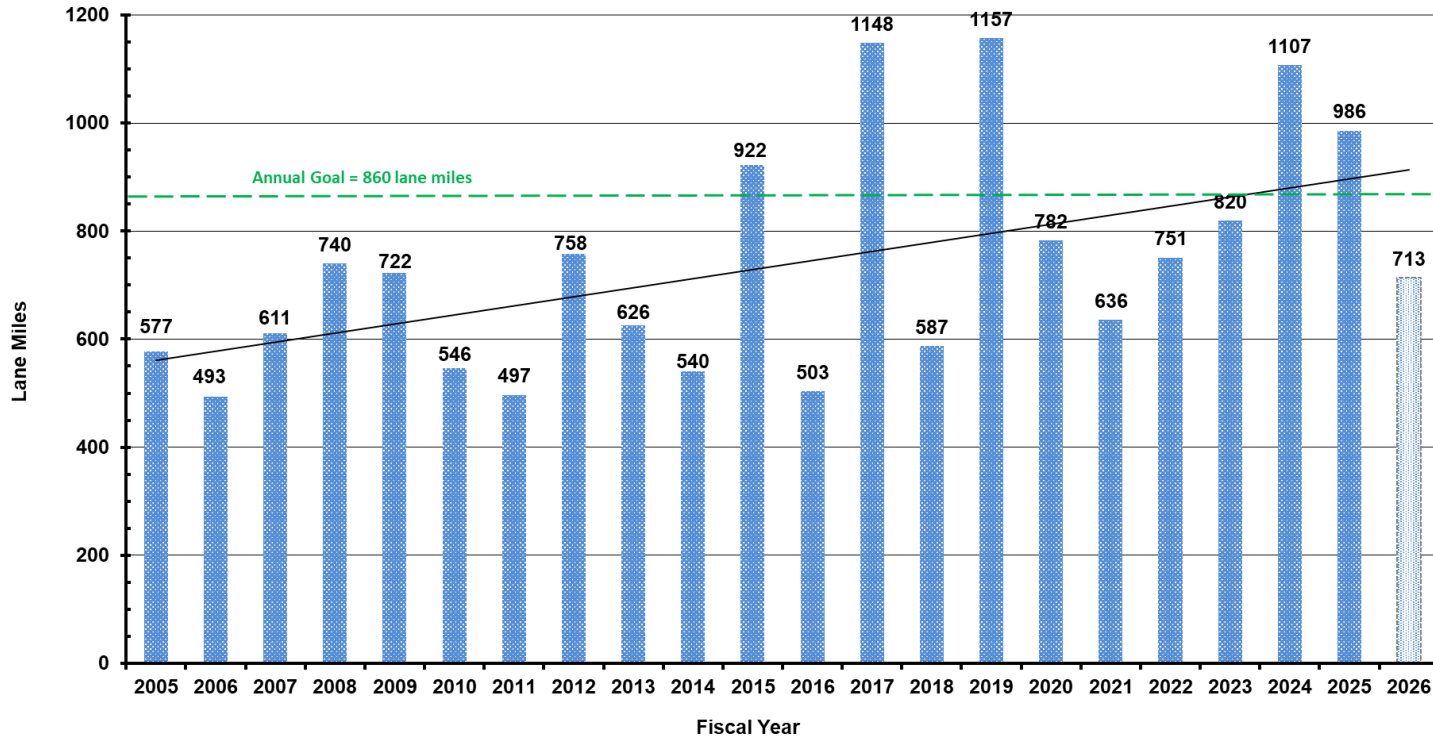
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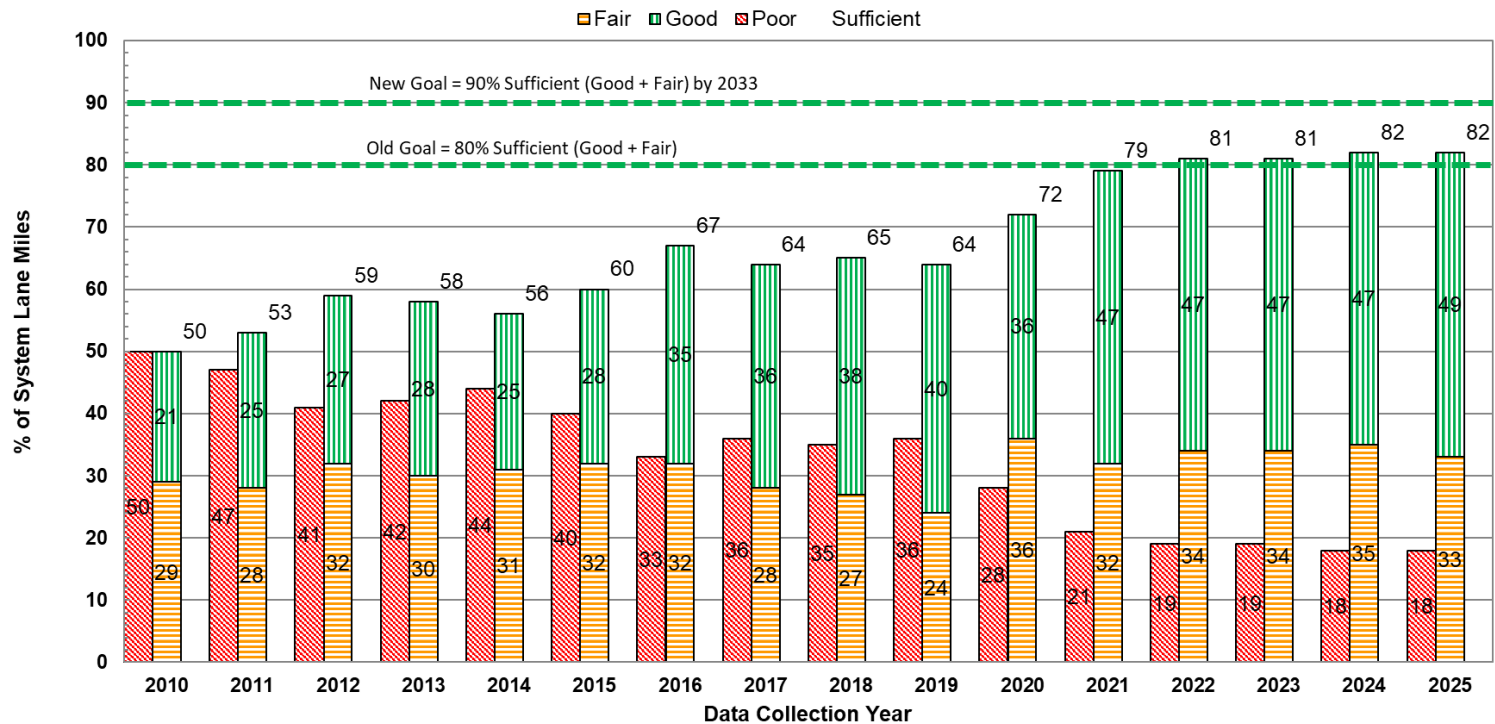
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State of Good Repair Goal

Multi-Year Status of State Highway System



Source: NJDOT Pavement Management System

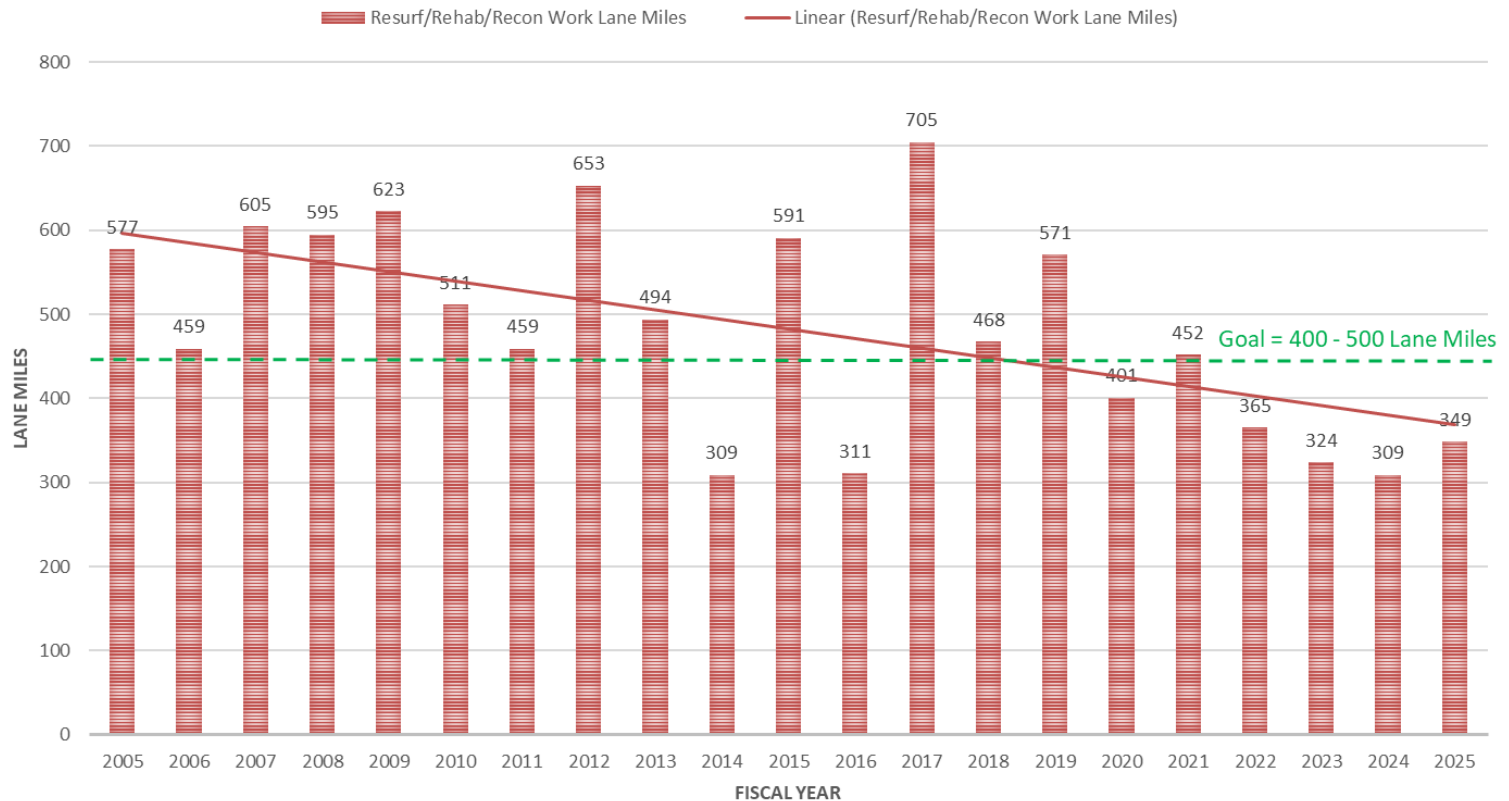
Challenges

Better Balance of Preservation vs. Resurfacing/Rehab/Recon



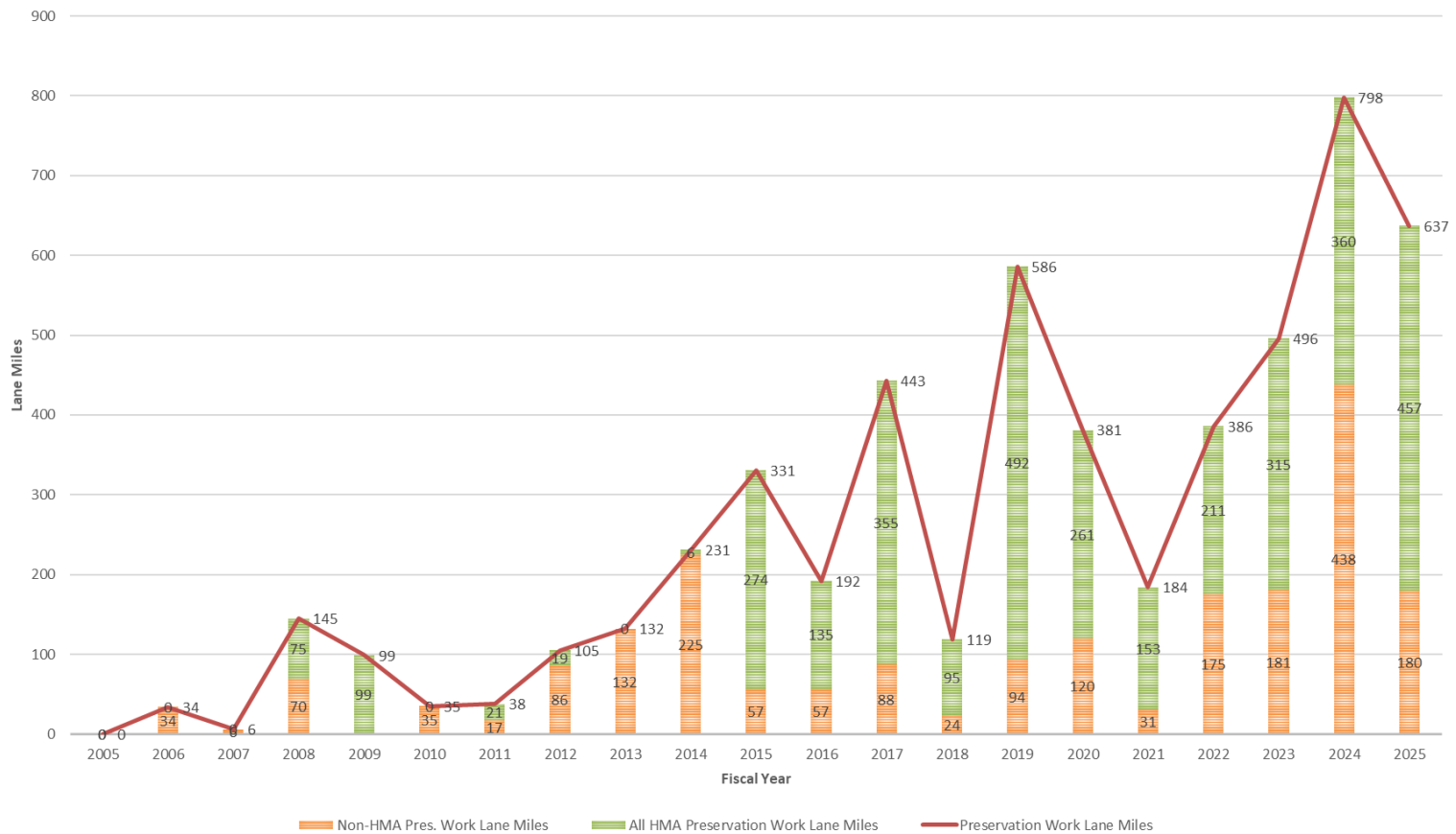
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RESURF/REHAB/RECON WORK LANE MILES



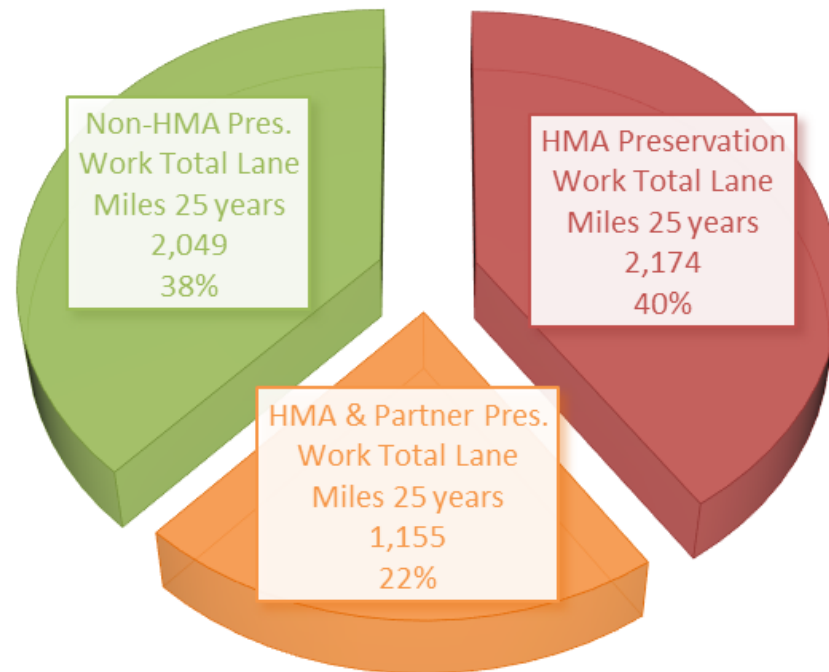
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PRESERVATION LANE MILES HOT MIX ASPHALT (HMA) VS. NON-HMA



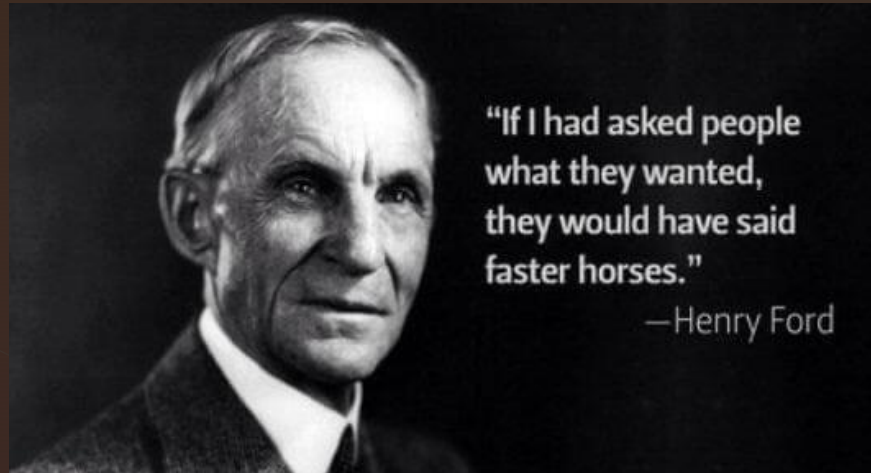
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BREAKDOWN OF PRESERVATION



Project Delivery

- Multiple Challenges for CPM Limited Scope Pavement
 - ADA/Traffic Signals
 - Utility Relocations
 - ROW Acquisition
 - Guiderail
 - Complete Streets
 - Structural Repair
 - Environmental Permitting

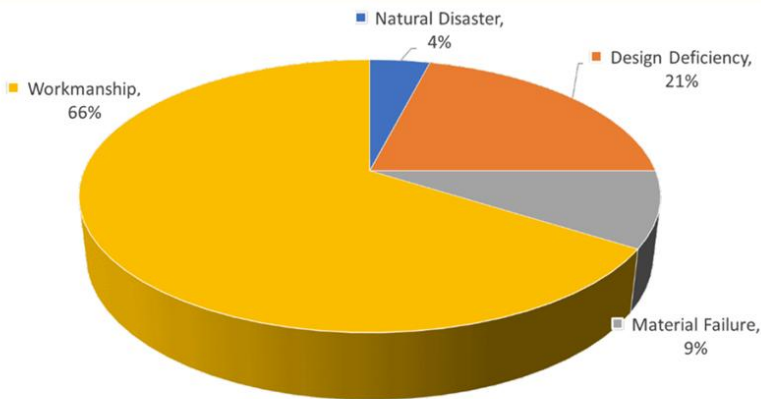




Project Delivery

- Ongoing initiatives to speed up delivery
- ~118 CPM Pavement Projects currently in Planning (53) to Design (65) Phases
 - 60 Resurfacing
 - 48 Preservation
 - 7 Reconstruct
 - 3 Rehab

Quality



Causes of Poor Pavement Performance


Source: IBA Consultants, Inc.



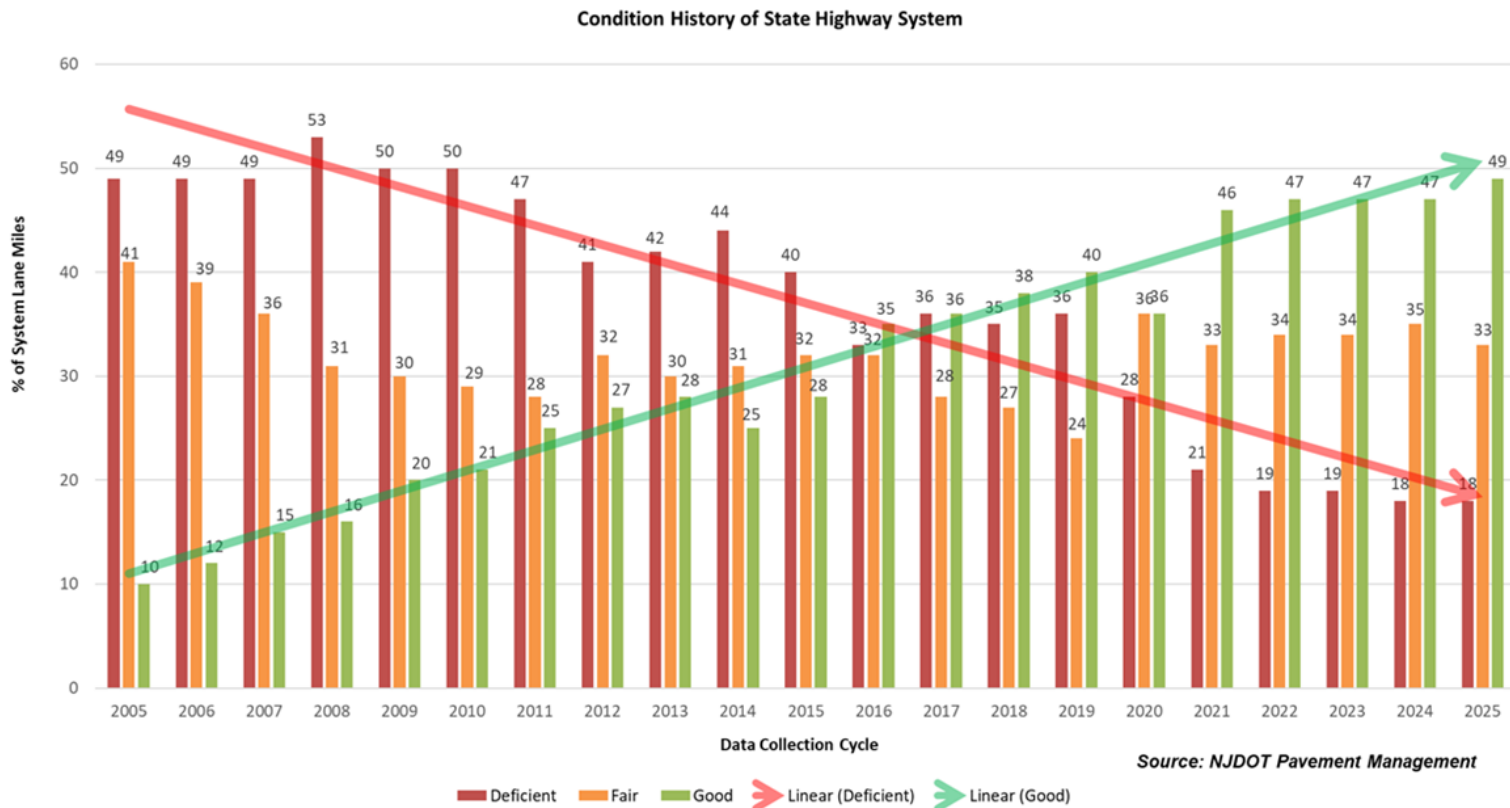
Summary



Final Thoughts

- Maintain Adequate Funding for Pavements
 - Maintain Healthy Balance of Resurfacing & Preservation
 - Maximize Preservation Benefits
 - Improve Efficiency and Speed of Project Delivery
 - Improve and Maintain Quality
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Historical Condition of SHS





Thank you!

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