

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Inter-Departmental Memorandum

TO: Design Team Leaders

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SUBJECT OR PROJECT NO: Alternate Asphalt
Pay Items

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It has been determined that projects starting in the April letting will have alternate pay items for asphalt pavement. The alternates will be between Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) and Warm Mix Asphalt (WMA). The only exception to this will be Open Graded Friction Course and Stone Matrix Asphalt. A WMA will not be shown for these two types of mix.

A notice to bidders will address the April letting plans that do not include asphalt alternates. Plans for the May letting and beyond will need to be updated to include the alternate pay items on the Summary of Quantities sheet.

Please see the attached sheet for an example of how these alternates will be shown on the Summary of Quantities sheets. The heavy dark line shown is placed in the DGN file with a weight of 20.

For the May projects, we will not revise the typical sections and other miscellaneous detail sheets but will add a note on the General Note sheet that will read:

"Typical sections and other miscellaneous detail sheets indicate Hot Mix Asphalt only. Warm Mix Alternates shown on the SQ sheets will be allowed."

All future plans after the May letting will denote alternates on the Typical Section and other miscellaneous detail sheets as follows:

"X.XX" HOT MIX ASPHALT OR WARM MIX ASPHALT, MT., (XX.X mm MIXTURE),
(X@X.XX") REQ'D.

If you have any questions, please advise.

