

# Shotblasting Study at NCAT Test Track

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# Presentation Outline

- Research Background
- Research Objective
- West Virginia Friction Study
- Shotblasting Treatment

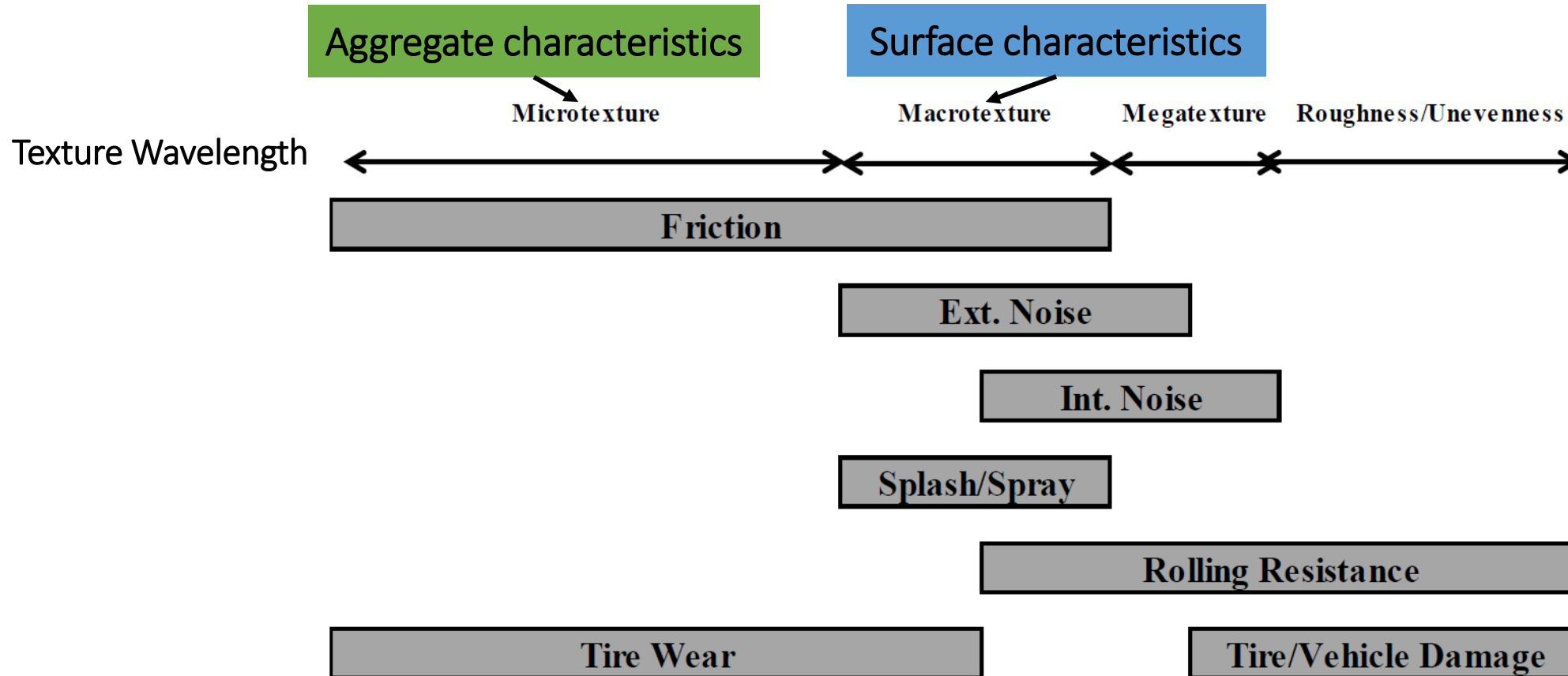
# Why Friction is Important

- Car Accident Statistics in 2019
  - Over 37,000 people die
  - 2.35 million are injured
  - 230.6 billion road crash cost
- Pavement Friction and Road Accident Rates

Pavement Friction	Accident Rates (per million vehicle km)
<0.15	0.80
0.15-0.24	0.55
0.25-0.34	0.25
0.35-0.44	0.2

Source: Wallman and Astrom (2001)

# Key Pavement Characteristics



(Henry, 2000)

# NCAT Friction Test Devices

- Locked-Wheel Skid Trailer (ALDOT)
  - Ribbed tire, 40 mph
  - Monthly test at Test Track
- Three-Wheel Polishing Device
  - Polishing lab-compacted slabs
- Dynamic Friction Tester
  - Lab-compacted slabs
  - Test Track



Locked-wheel skid trailer (LWST)



Three-wheel Polishing Device



Dynamic Friction Tester



# Research Objective

- Evaluate the influence of shotblasting treatment on friction performance of asphalt pavements.



# West Virginia Friction Study

## AGGREGATE SELECTION

*Spec. 402-ASPHALT SKID RESISTANT PAVEMENT: ...if the projected traffic is greater than 3 million ESALs, dolomite shall not exceed 50% of the coarse aggregate (+ No. 4)...*

- W4- 70% dolomite
- W5- 90% dolomite



# Mix Design

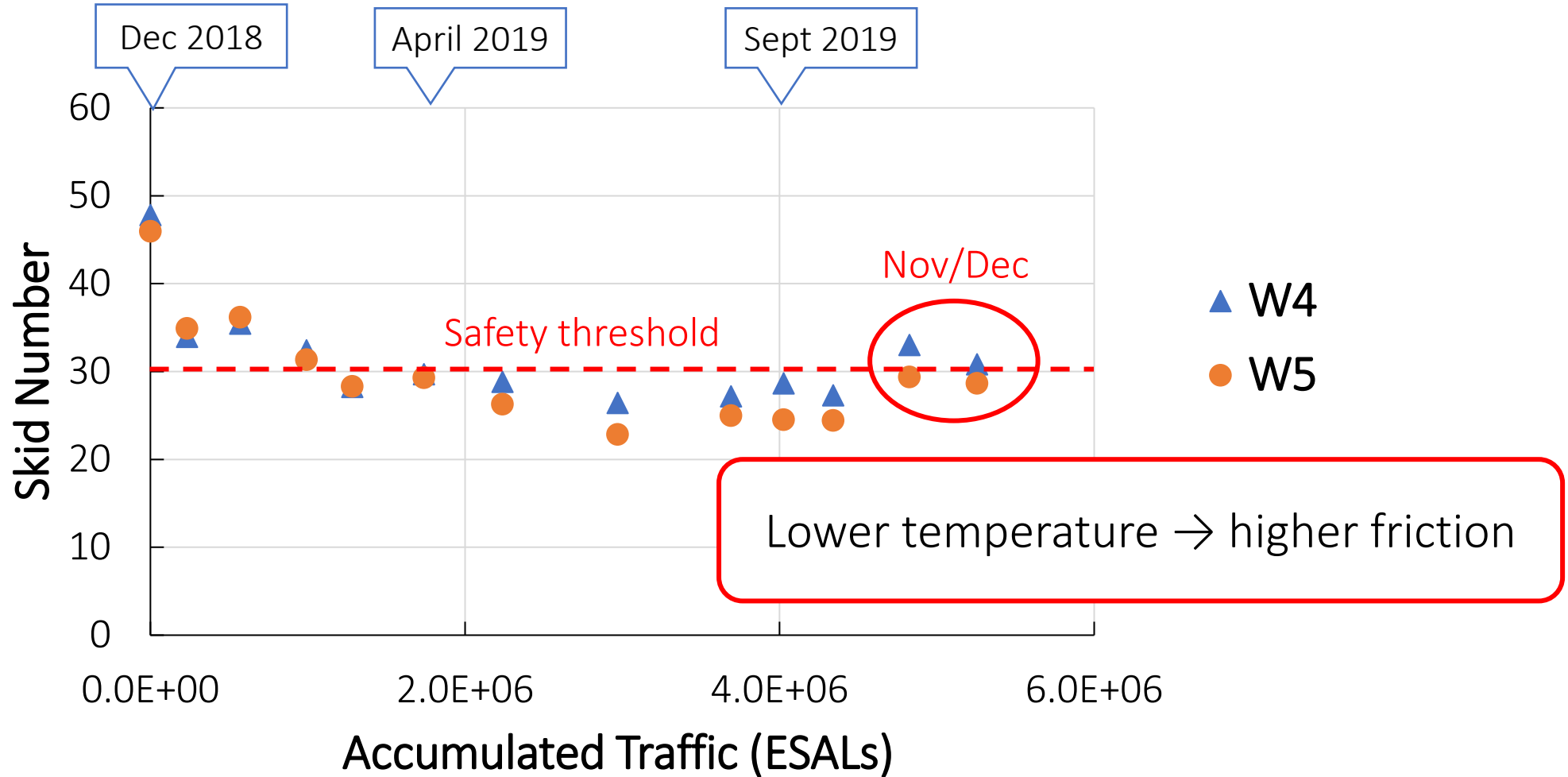
W4

W5

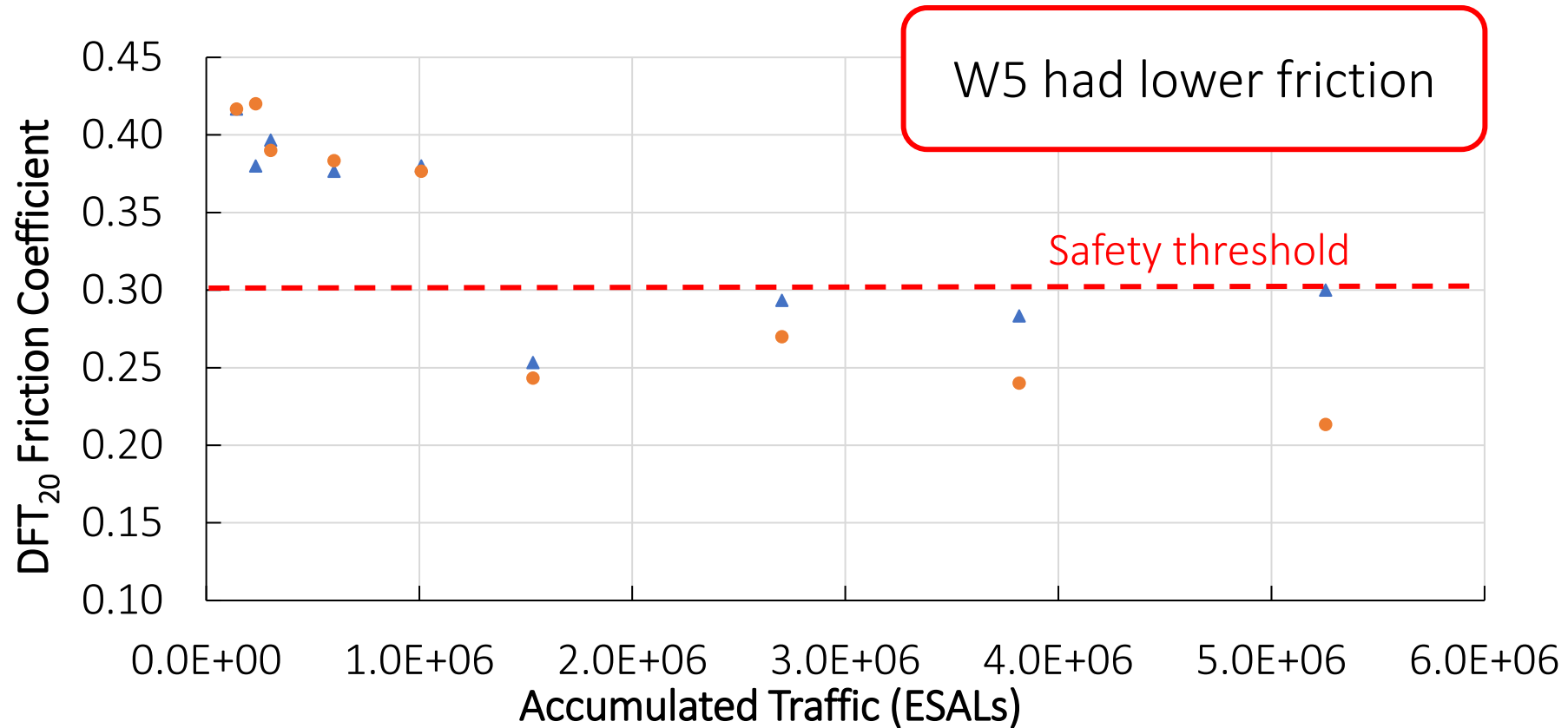
Aggregate Blend	28% Dol, 12% SS, 45% Lms, 15% RAP	36% Dol, 4% SS, 45% Lms, 15% RAP
CA (+No 4) Proportion	70% Dol. + 30% SS	90% Dol. + 10% SS
Binder (PG 76 -22) <sup>1</sup>	5.6%	5.6%

Note: <sup>1</sup> 0.5% Evotherm M1 was added to reduce moisture susceptibility of asphalt mixture

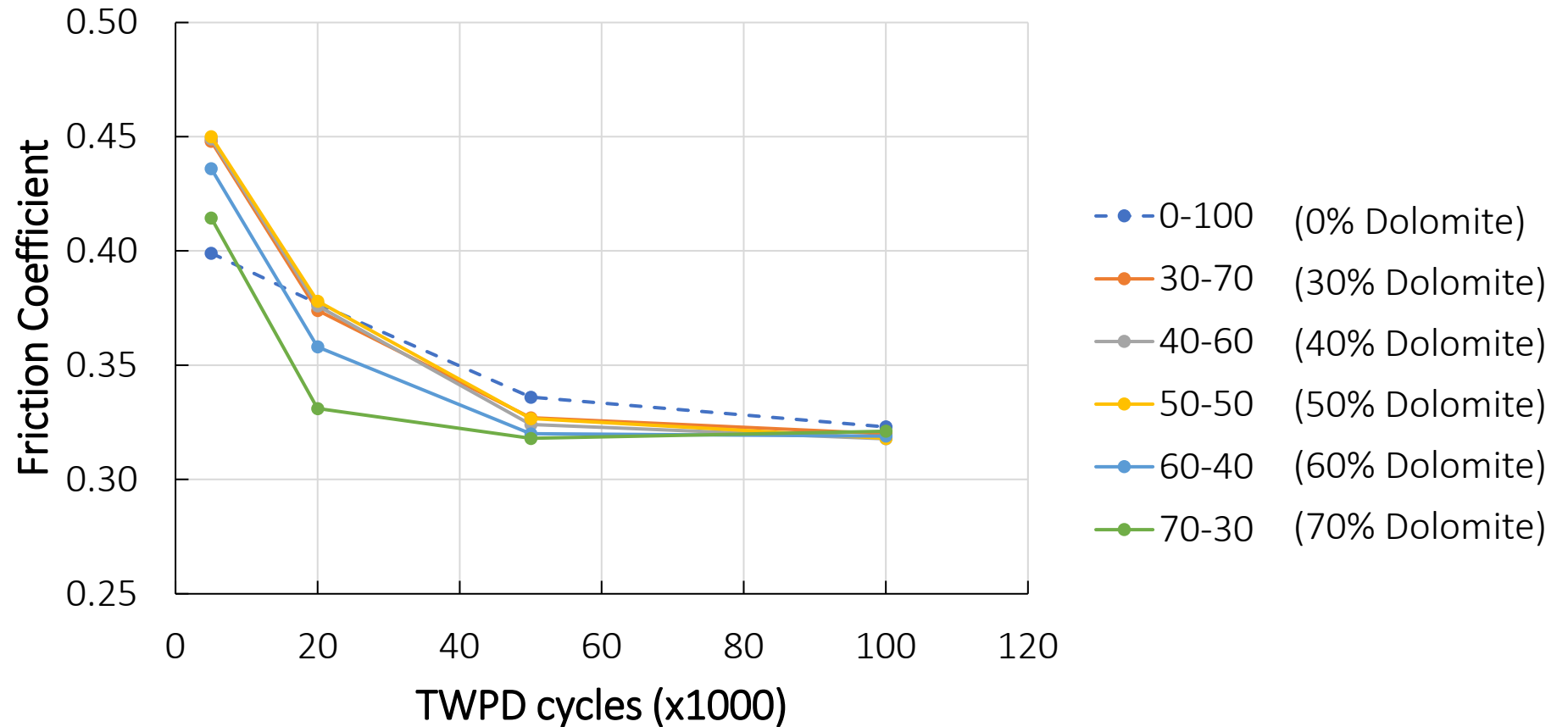
# Field Friction Evaluation - LWST



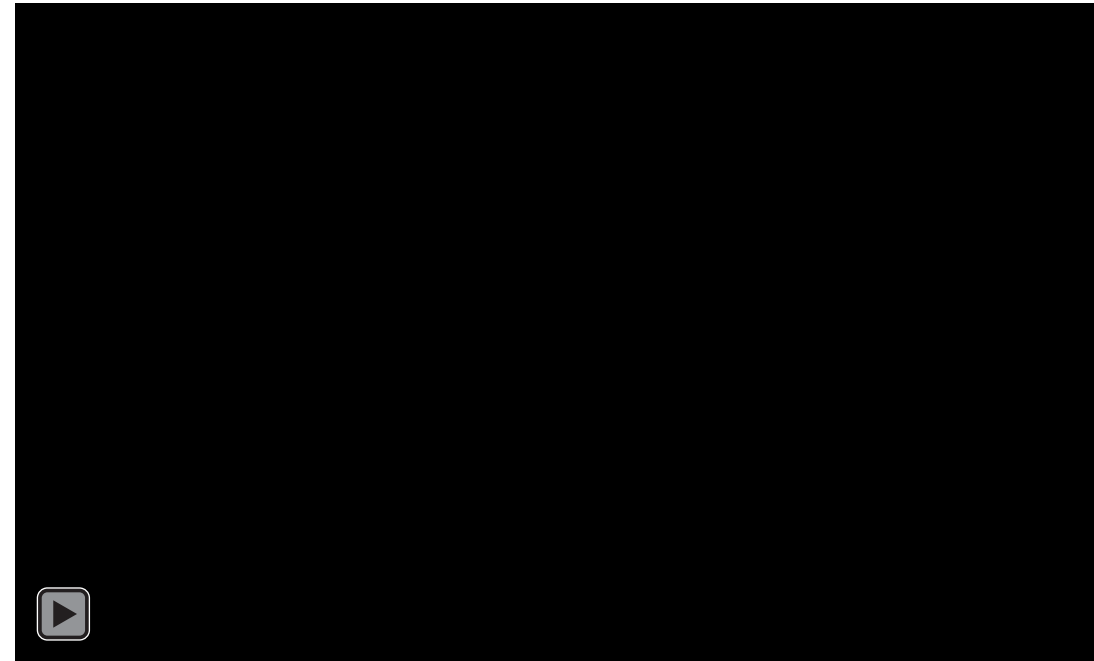
# Field Friction Evaluation - DFT



# Lab Friction Evaluation



# Shotblasting Treatment



# Shotblasting at NCAT Test Track



Shotblasting at W4 & W5



Shot size

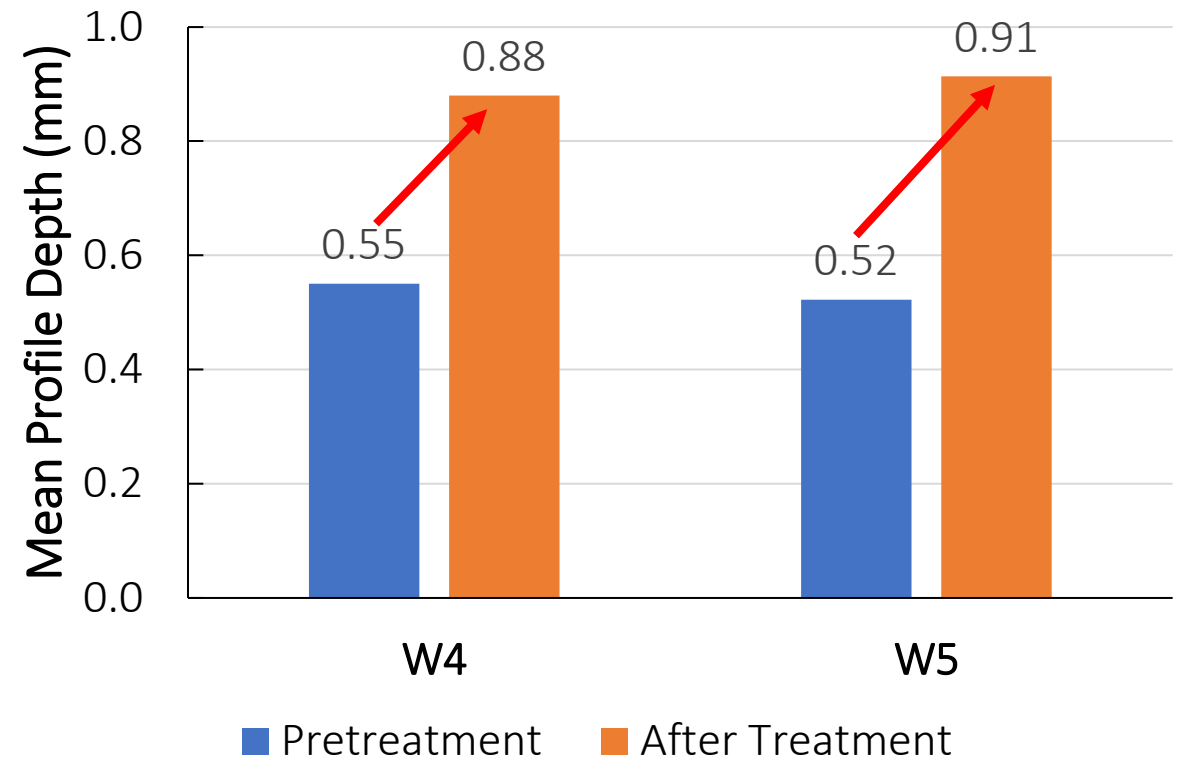
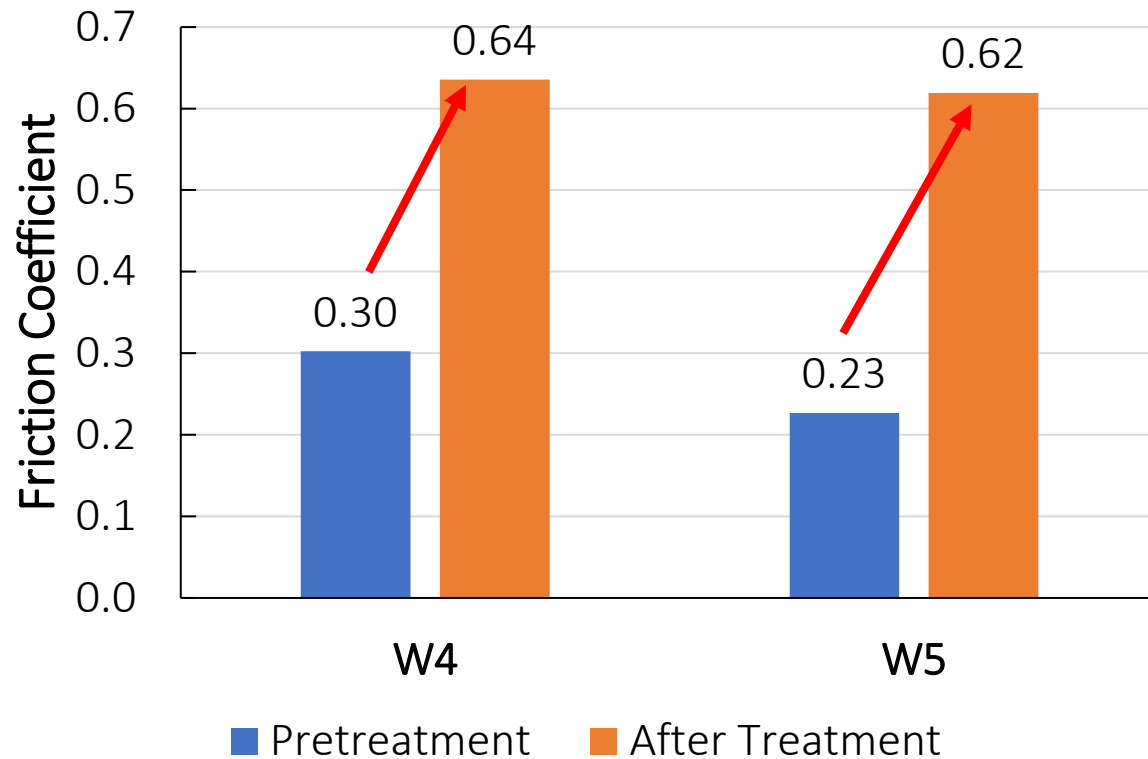


Shot blasted surface

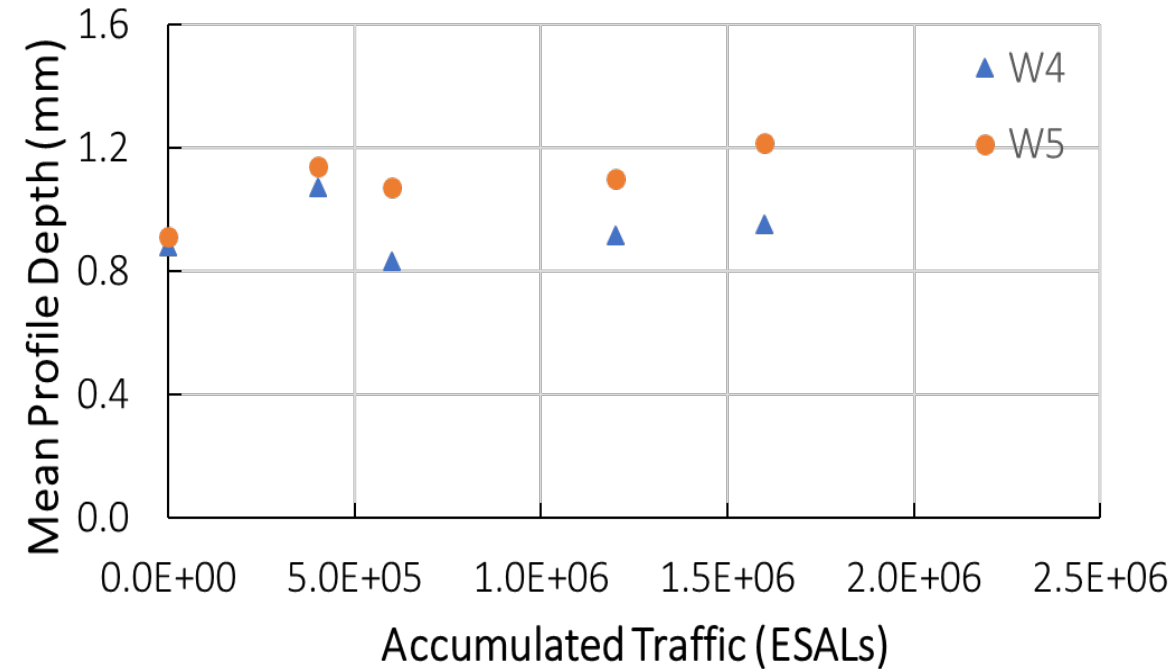
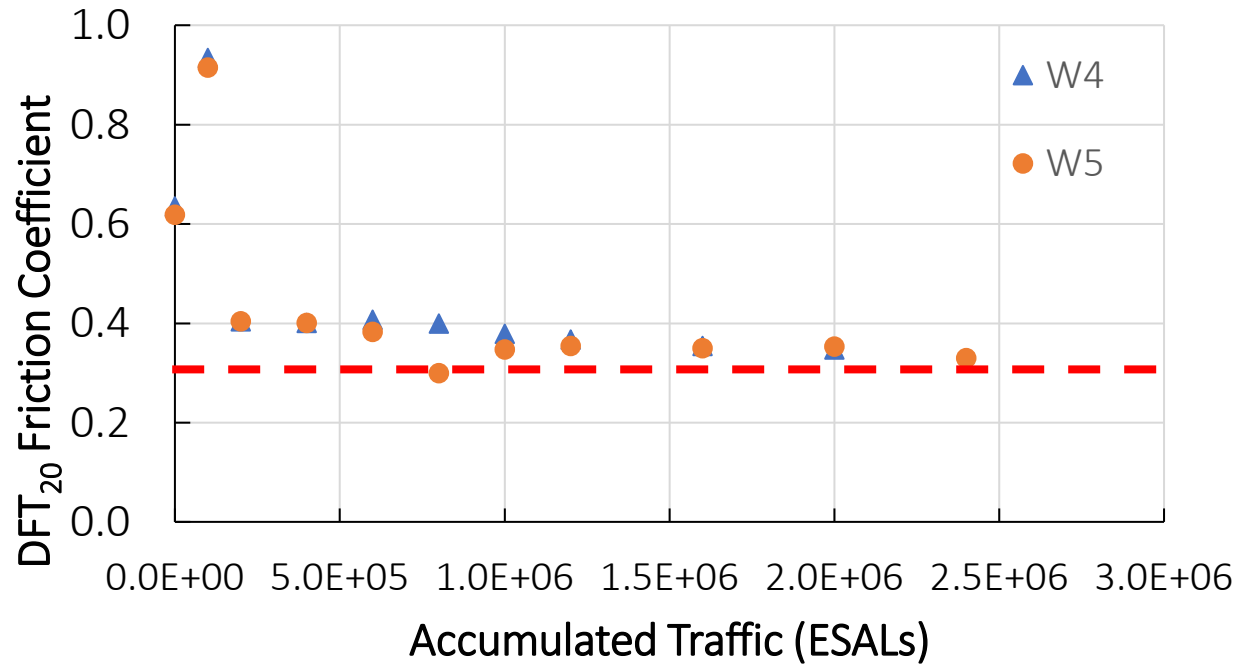


Surface texture

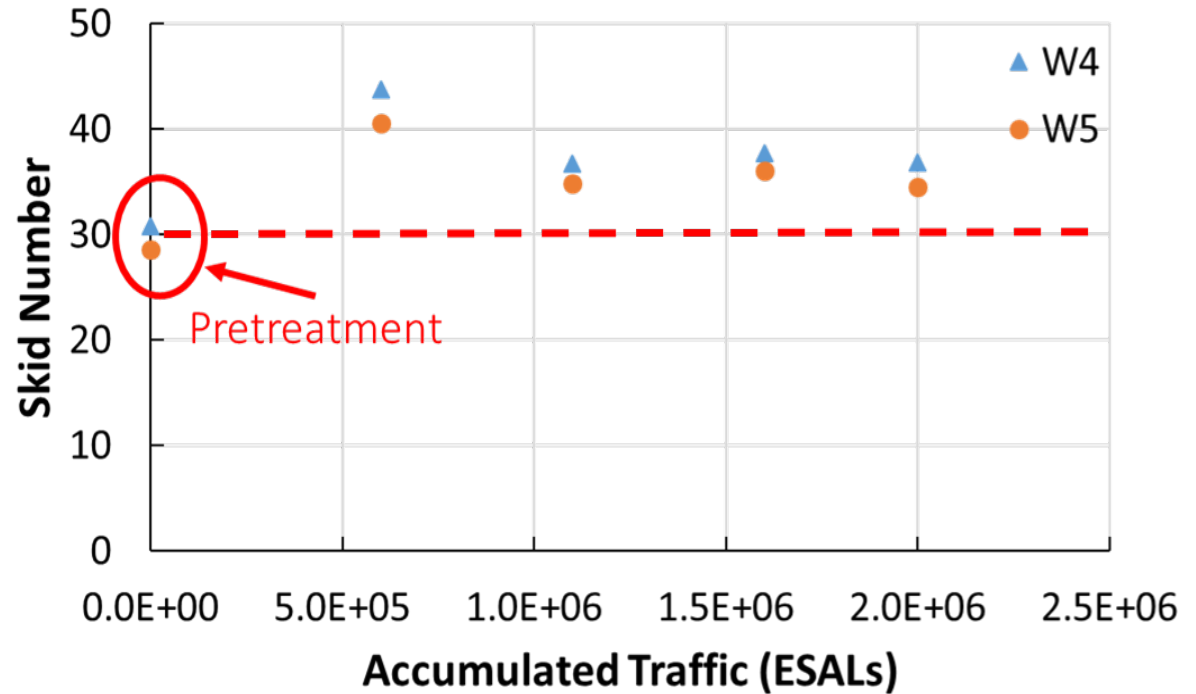
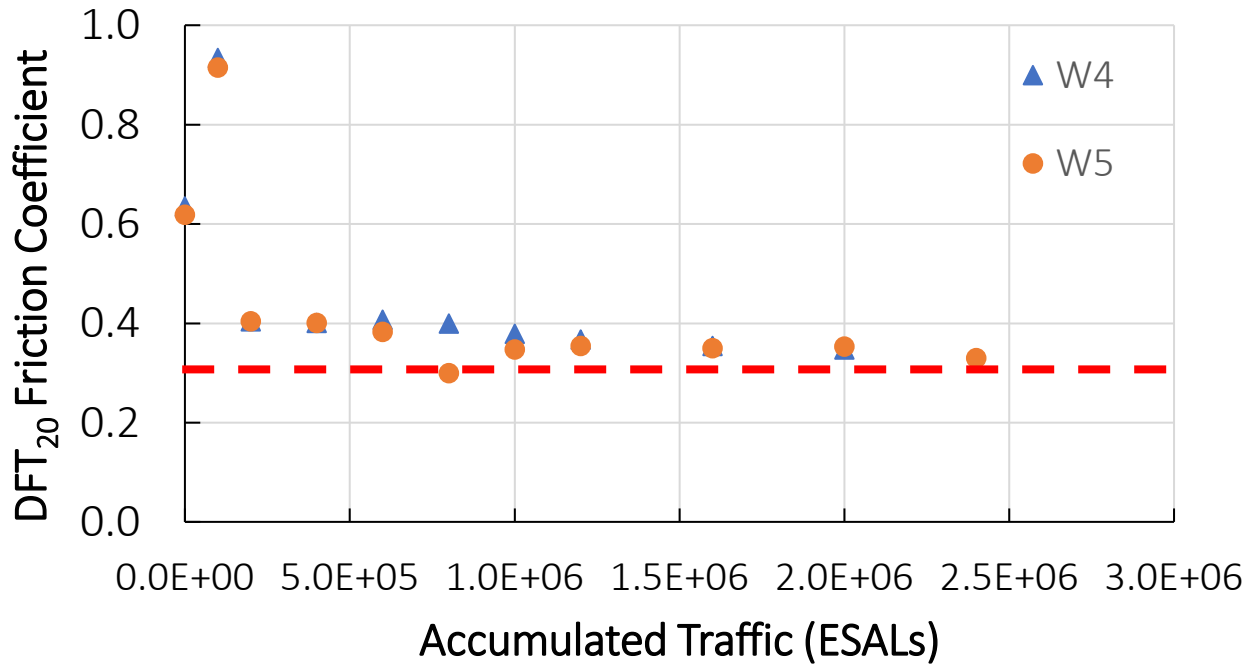
# Before and After Shotblasting



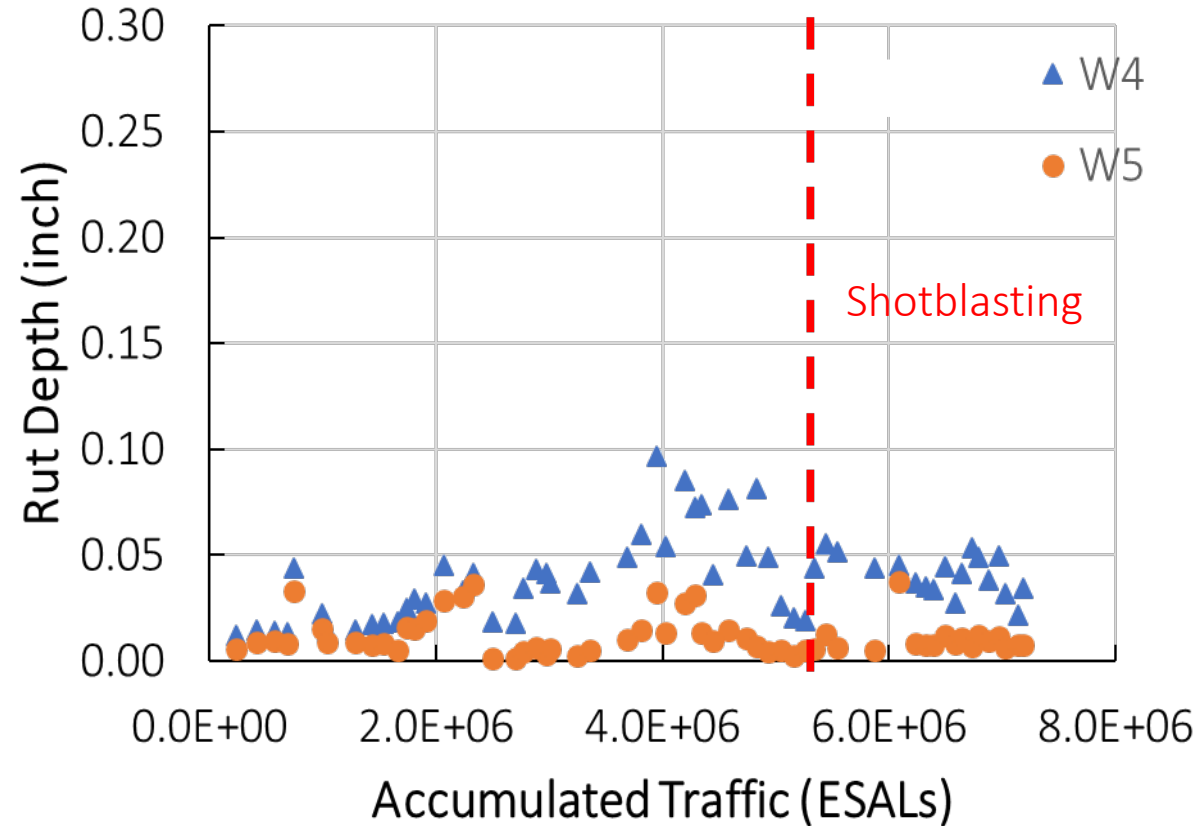
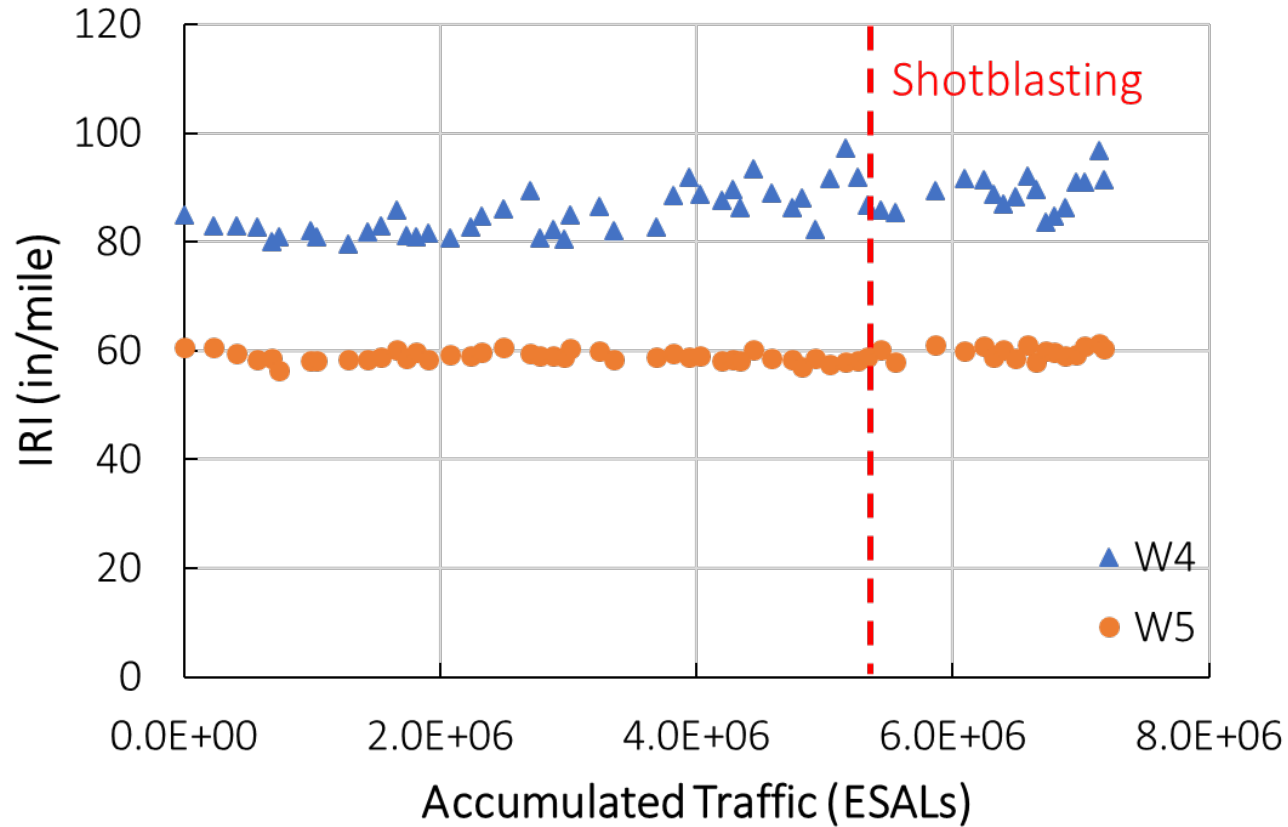
# Long-Term Friction After Shotblasting



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# Other Field Performance



No Cracking

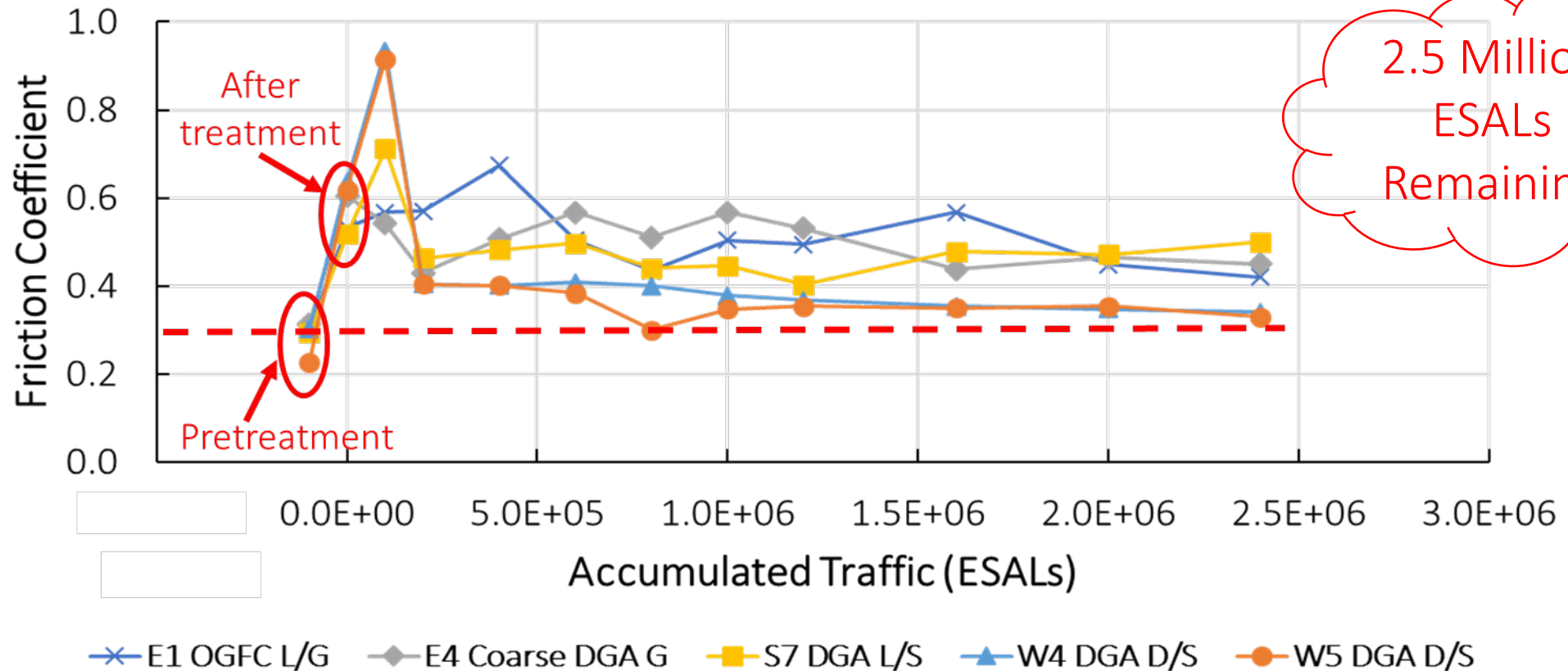
# Shotblasting Treated Sections

Section No.	Description	Construction Year
E1	OGFC, Limestone/Granite	2012
E4	Coarse DGA, Granite	2000
S7	DGA, Limestone/Sand/RAP	2015
W4	DGA, 70% Dolomite + 30% Sandstone	2018
W5	DGA, 90% Dolomite + 10% Sandstone	2018

# Macrotexture Results

Section No.	MPD (mm)						
	Pretreatment	After treatment	4-week	6-week	12-week	16-week	24-week
E1	2.12	2.75					
E4	1.29	1.33					
S7	0.95	1.38					
W4	0.55	0.88					
W5	0.52	0.91					

# Long-Term Friction Results





# Preliminary Conclusions

- WVDOT asphalt mixtures containing 70% or 90% dolomite and sandstone coarse aggregates cannot provide adequate long-term friction.
- After 2.5 million ESALs of trafficking, asphalt pavements with shotblasting treatment still have satisfactory friction.
- Shotblasting treatment does not have detrimental effects on pavement performance.



# Future Plan

- Continue monitoring friction till the end of this cycle
- Include shotblasting study into Phase VII NCAT Test Track Final Report
- Prepare a peer-review journal paper
- Submit research needs to state DOTs



# Budget Review

- Total Budget: \$13,220
- Paid: \$6,610 (Invoice on 02/18/2020)



# Thank You

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