

**Do's and Don'ts with Airfield Concrete Pavement** 





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## **Concrete Pavement Distresses and Repair Methods at Toronto Pearson**

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## A little humour to start (completely unrelated)

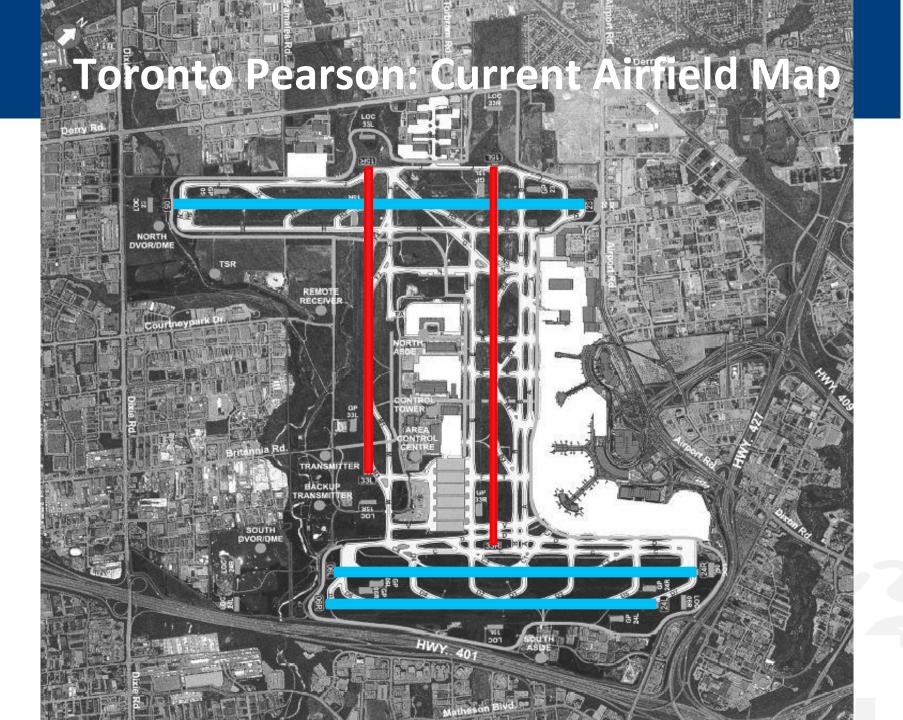
- A man walks into the Police Station wishing to speak with the burglar who had broken into his house the night before
- "You'll get your chance in court" said the Desk Sergent
- "No, No, No!" said the man. "I want to know how he got into the house without waking my wife. I've been trying to do that for years!"



## One more that is airport related







# Toronto Pearson Airport – Canada's Largest Airport

- 2011 Passenger Volume:
- Ranking in North America: 12<sup>th</sup> busiest airport (in terms of passenger volume)
- Total airside paved areas:
- (concrete and asphalt)
- # aircraft movements:
- Cargo processed in 2011:

approx. 428,000 annually over 500,000 kg

approx. 5,838,000 m2

33.4 Million PAX.



# Toronto Pearson Airport – Canada's Largest Airport (cont'd)

- Toronto currently operates using 5 runways; three in the east-west direction and two in the north-south direction.
  - 05-23 3,389 m (11,120 ft)
  - 06L-24R 2,956 m (9,697 ft)
  - 06R-24L 2,743 m (9,000 ft)
  - 15L-33R 3,368 m (11,050 ft)
  - 15R-33L 2,770 m (9,088 ft)
- A Central Deicing Facility (CDF) which consists 6 deicing pads and having the capability of deicing and staging up to twenty four (24) narrow bodied and twelve (12) wide body aircraft or any combination of the two simultaneously.



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- **1. Concrete Pavement Distress: Issues**
- 2. Concrete Pavement Distress: Common Types & Causes
- 3. Concrete Pavement Distress: Impact on Quality
- 4. Methodology for Concrete Repair
- 5. Concrete Pavement Repairs

### **1. Concrete Pavement Distresses: Issues**

- What are the causes of the distress?
- What are the consequences of not addressing the existing distress?
- How long before conditions deteriorate to the point where they become hazardous?
- Does the proposed treatment of repair option address the cause of the distress? Or will the distress eventually re-occur?
- How will the application/construction of the proposed option affect traffic operation?

## 1. Concrete Pavement Distresses: Issues (cont'd)

- Should a temporary treatment be considered?
- What is the cost of the proposed treatment or repair option?
- What is the life expectancy of the proposed treatment or repair? What is the remaining service life of the pavement?
- Does the proposed option coincide with other rehabilitation plans?
- How can the above different issues be balanced?

## 2. Concrete Pavement Distress: Common Types

- CORNER CRACKS
- o DIAGONAL CRACKS
- TRANSVERSE CRACKS
- SPALLING AT JOINTS
- **STEPPING**
- ERRATIC CRACKS



### **PCC Pavement Defects: Corner Cracks**

CAUSE: DIFFERENTIAL SUBGRADE SUPPORT & SETTLEMENT

### **PCC Pavement Defects: Diagonal & Corner Cracks**



### **PCC Pavement Defects: Transverse Cracks**



# PCC Pavement Defects: Spalling at Joints & Compression Cracks



### **PCC Pavement Defects: Joint Faulting/Stepping**

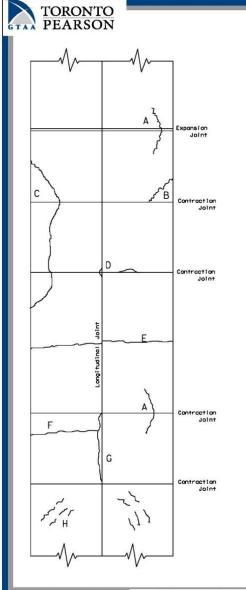


### **PCC Pavement Defects: Erratic Cracks**

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### 2. Concrete Pavement Distress: Causes



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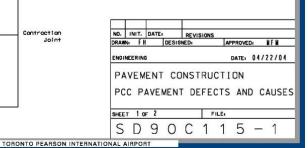
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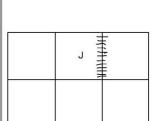
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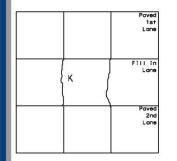
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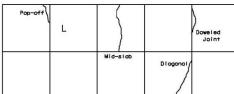


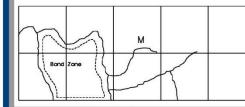


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L - Random Crack Formations: Typical of sawing too late.

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## **3. Concrete Pavement Distress: Impact on Quality**

	Defect Influence on Pavement Quality Characteristics							
Pavement Defects	Strength	Smoothness	Skid Resistance	Structural Integrity	Surface Drainage			
Slab Cracking	X	X		X				
Corner Cracking	X			X				
Edge Cracking	X			X				
Scaling & Spalling		X		X				
Joint Faulting		X		X				
Surface Texture			X		X			
Rubber Deposits			X					
Settlement/ Ponding		X	X		X			
Frost Heave		X						
Patching		X		X				
"Pot-Holes"		X		X				
Shoulder Erosion				X				
Shoulder Slopes					X			
Catch Basin Heave					X			

## 4. Methodology for Concrete Repair

### Review Existing Conditions

- Geotechnical Reports
- Design Records
- Maintenance Records
- Surface and Sub-surface Drainage
- Design Aircraft and Mix
- →Future Use

## 4. Methodology for Concrete Repair (cont'd)

### Evaluate Prior to Diagnose

- >Evaluate Pavement Condition Surveys
- →FOD generation
- Distress Analysis and Cause

### Recommend Repair Method

- Options: Temporary or Permanent
- Funds Available
- >Benefit Analysis/Life Cycle Costing
- Recommended Option
- Documents for repair



## 5. PCC Pavement Repairs: General Rules

- < <sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> INCH (6.5 MM)
- $\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{2}$  INCH (6.6 13 MM)
- 3/8 1 INCH (9.5 25 MM)
- > 1 INCH (25 MM)

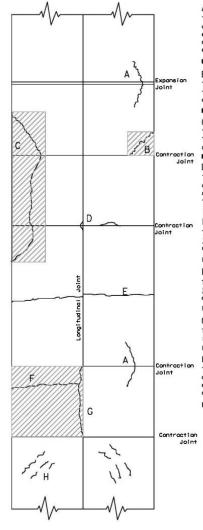
LEAVE ALONE ROUTE AND SEAL TIE STITCHING & ROUTE SEAL FULL DEPTH REPAIR

### **NOTES:**

PCC SLABS WITH MORE THAN TWO CRACKS OVER 13 MM WIDE, FULL SLAB SHOULD BE REPLACED CORNER CRACKS LARGER THAN 13 MM SHOULD BE PARTIALLY FULL DEPTH REPLACED

### 5. PCC Pavement Repairs: General Guide

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#### Clean and reestablish joints

B - A Corner Break:

These cracks, which generally form a rough isoceles triangle with sides at least 450mm long, are caused by overstressing pavement corner and loss of support.

#### Portiol alob replacement when crack exceeds 20mm

C - A Diagonal Crack: These are caused by a differential in subgrade support. This may be due to settlement or volume change of the subgrade (frast heave/settlement)

#### tion Portial slob replacement and recompact subgrade

D - Spalls:

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#### Clean and seal joints

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#### Rout and seal joints

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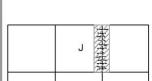
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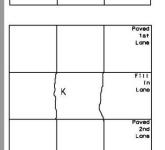
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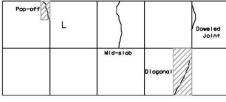
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#### Routing and sealing and/or partial slab replacement or cross stitching

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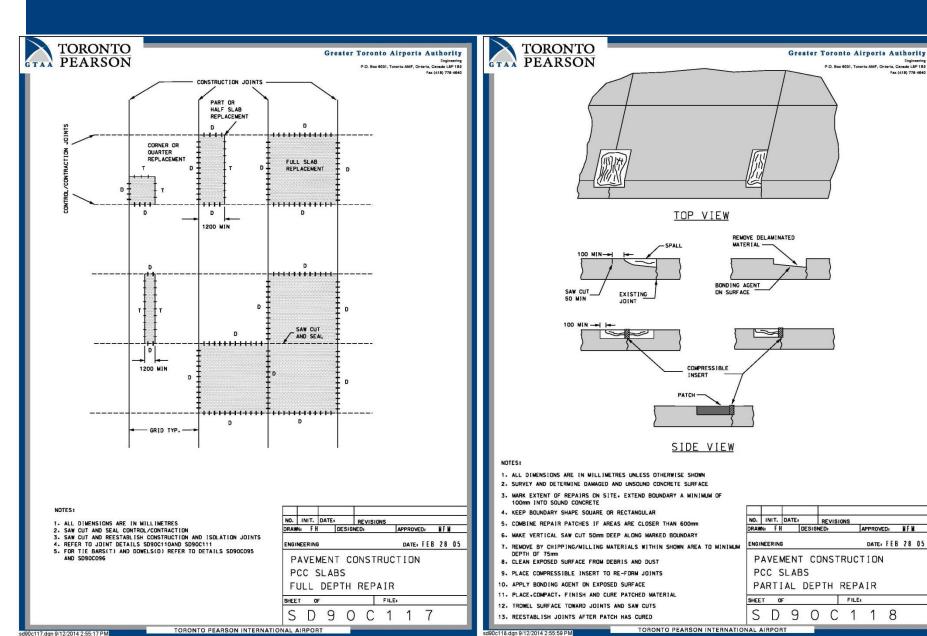
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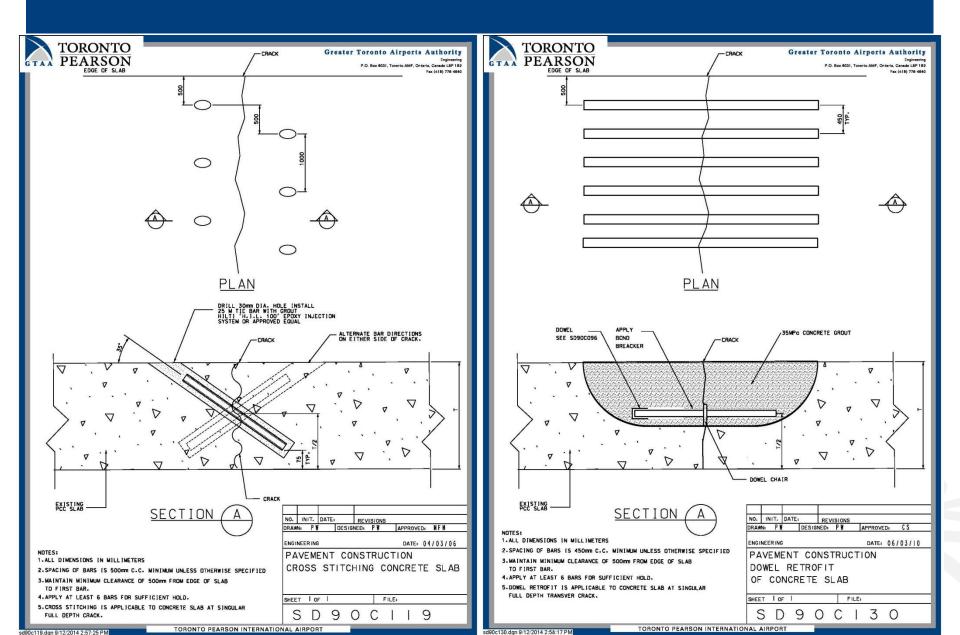
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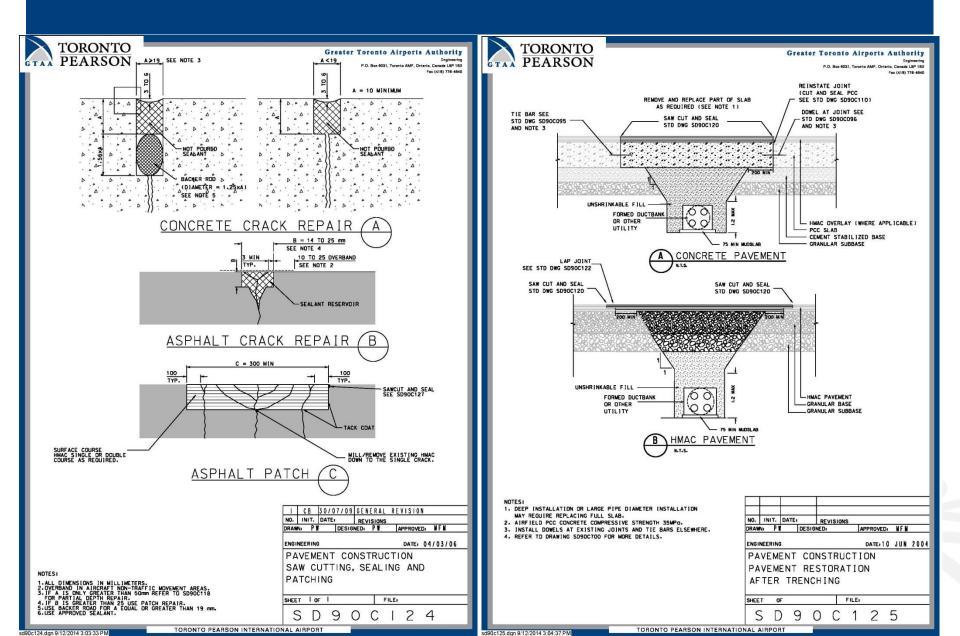
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### Photos

### Permanent Repair – Full Slab full depth replacement



### Permanent Repair – Partial Slab full depth replacement



### **Temporary Repair – Partial depth repair w/proprietary material**





### **Temporary Repair – Diamond grinding for joint faulting**





### **Temporary Repair – Spalling repair w/proprietary material**





### **Temporary Repair – Crossing stitching**





# Thank you ... any questions for Rico



