ATTENTION: TP&D, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS ENGINEERS

SPECIAL PROVISION AND/OR SPECIFICATION CHANGE MEMORANDUM 33-19

MEMO

Date: October 21, 2019

To: District Engineers

From: Jere A. Williams, P.E.
Director, Materials and Tests Division

Subject: Statewide Special Specification 3085 (14), “Underseal Course”

The above-referenced special specification has been approved for statewide use and is optional for all projects using underseal course beginning with the January 2020 letting. However, use of this special specification prior to the January 2020 letting is at the district’s option.

This special specification provides the construction of an underseal course where sealing of the underlying surface is needed using a Tracking-Resistant Asphalt Interlayer (TRAIL), a Spray Applied Underseal Membrane, or a single layer of Seal Coat, applied prior to the placement of a new hot-mix asphalt concrete pavement.

This specification has replaced SS3041, SS3067, and SS3071. A guidance document has been attached for reference and will be published on the Materials and Tests Division website.

Please disseminate this information to your Transportation Planning & Development, Design, Construction, Laboratory, Maintenance, and Traffic Operations Engineers.

CC: TxDOT Specification Committee
Federal Highway Administration
The Associated General Contractors of Texas