APPENDIX D

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE PLAN

GPA Access Road-Georgia Atlantic Ports Property
Operations and Maintenance Plan
August 10, 2022

1. Introduction.

   The Georgia Ports Authority (GPA) is planning to construct a roadway/driveway facility on property currently owned by Georgia Atlantic Ports (GAP) that will extend from the west at Philips Avenue and provide access to the GPA's property approximately 2,650 feet to the east and north. The roadway/driveway that is proposed to be constructed can be broken into two segments: Segment 1 extends from Philips Avenue on the west to the existing Norfolk Southern rail crossing on the east for an approximate distance of 1,400 linear feet; and Segment 2 which extends from the existing Norfolk Southern rail crossing to the east and north for approximately 1,250 feet. These two segments provide a continuous access from Philips Avenue to the GPA's new transhipment warehouse facility located north of the GAP property. GPA has coordinated the design and construction details of the roadway with GAP and Georgia EPD to minimally impact groundwater penetration or exposure. Segment 2 has been through review by the Georgia EPD and will be constructed to avoid the migration of any soil or groundwater to the surface of the roadway. The roadway concept plan of Segment 1 and 2 are attached as Appendix A.

2. Inspections.

   Per Georgia EPD requirements, the Segment 2 roadway must be maintained as an impermeable barrier consistent with the approved design. The roadway will be inspected on an annual basis by GPA employees or consultants and any cracking 0.25 inch or greater that penetrates the roadway structure will be noted on drawings showing the location and approximate length of any cracks. A summary sheet indicating the date of the inspection, inspector(s) name(s) and affiliation, relevant climatological information, and additional notes will be included with the inspection drawing.

3. Repairs.

   All inspection reports and associated drawings will be provided to the GPA Facilities Maintenance Group to effect repairs. Repairs are to be made within 30 days of the inspection date by either GPA personnel or selected vendors. Sealing of cracks will be done in accordance with GDOT Standard Specification Section 407-Asphalt -Rubber Joint and Crack Seal attached as Appendix B.

4. Record Keeping.

   All inspection reports will be provided to the GPA Facilities Maintenance Group as noted previously. A separate summary sheet will be attached to the original inspection report indicating the date of repairs, individuals or contractor performing the repairs, source of sealant utilized, relevant climatological information, any pertinent notes/information regarding the repairs, and completion date of the repairs. All report forms will be kept on file by the GPA Facilities Maintenance Group.

EXHIBIT A
CONCEPT DRAWING SHOWING SEGMENT 1 AND 2

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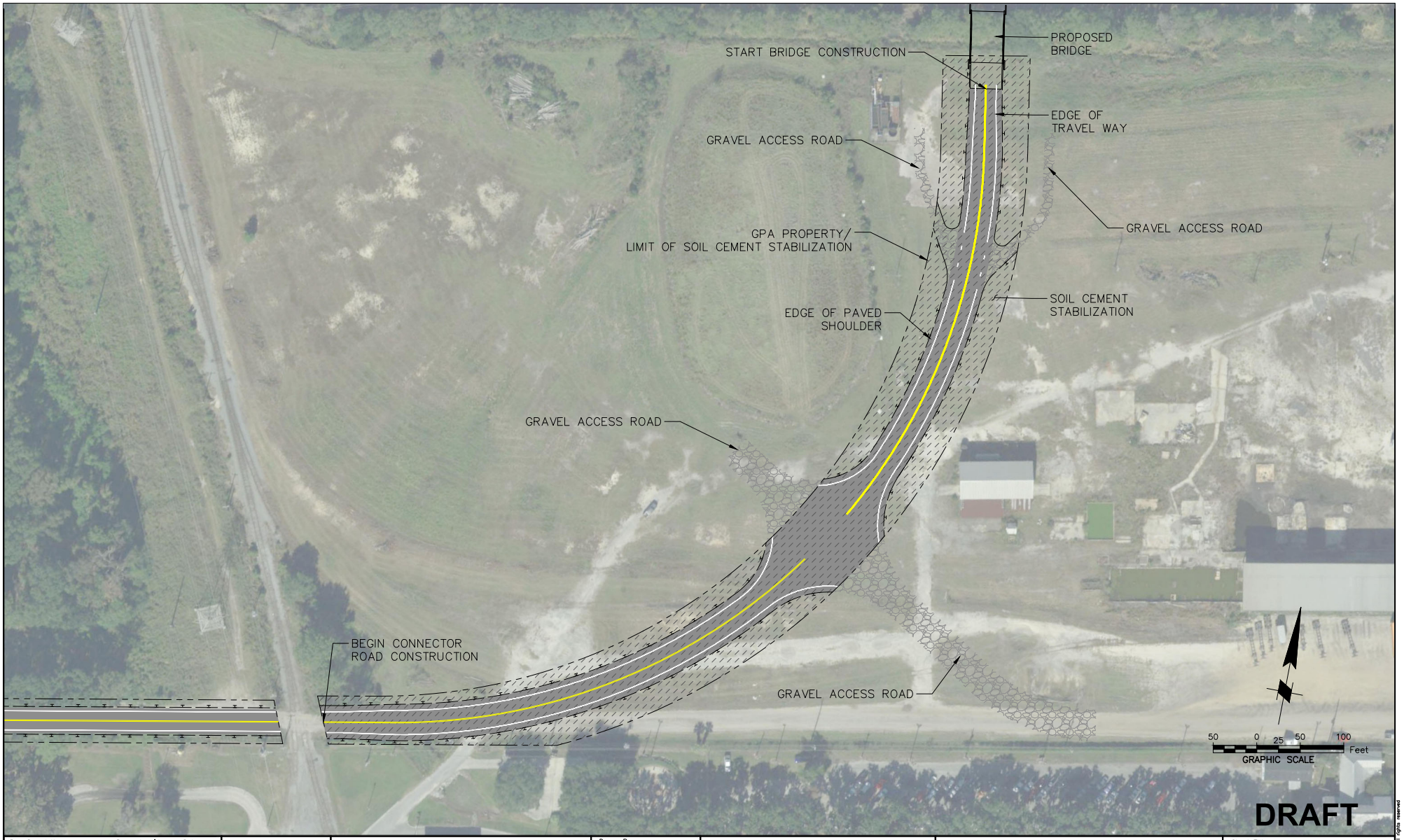

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EXHIBIT B
GDOT STANDARD SPECIFICATION
SECTION 407-ASPHALT -RUBBER JOINT AND CRACK SEAL

Section 407—Asphalt-Rubber Joint and Crack Seal

407.1 General Description

This work includes filling (Type M) or sealing (Type S) joints and cracks in existing pavements with rubber asphalt mixtures. A polymer-modified asphalt rubber (PMAR) blend may be used in lieu of both Type M and Type S.

407.1.01 Definitions

Type M: Used to fill joints and cracks in Portland cement concrete or asphaltic concrete pavements when required by the plans before placing an overlay.

Type S: Used to seal joints and cracks in Portland cement concrete and asphaltic concrete pavements and shoulders when not placing an overlay.

407.1.02 Related References

A. Standard Specifications

Section 820—Asphalt Cement

B. Referenced Documents

AASHTO T51

ASTM D 4

ASTM D 36

ASTM D 5329

ASTM D 7173

GDT-2

SOP 22

QPL 92

407.1.03 Submittals

Provide a Certificate of Analysis certifying each lot of premixed material meets the requirements of this specification and submit the test results of each lot for each project. Ensure each sealant lot is delivered in containers with the manufacturer's name or trademark and lot number plainly marked.

When instructed by the Engineer, furnish premixed samples and samples of the individual components of premixed material as follows:

- At least 20 lbs. (10 kg) of rubber representative of each lot
- At least 5 gal (18 L) of asphalt containing additives as proportioned
- Proportional quantities of mixing aids or additives not included above
- Packaged premixed sealant material weighing no more than 30 lbs. (14 kg)

407.2 Materials

Ensure the sealant material is a premixed, asphalt-rubber sealant mixture evaluated in accordance with SOP 22 and listed on QPLs 92-A, 92-B and/or 92-C. Ensure the mixture is a blend of asphalt cement, aromatic extender oil(s), and recycled or reclaimed tire crumb rubber with rubber contents meeting the requirements specified in Table 2. The blending will be conducted in a closely controlled manufacturing process as detailed in the manufacturer's submitted Quality Control Plan. Produce a mixture with the following properties:

A. Workability

The mixture pours readily and penetrates a 1/4 in. (6 mm) pavement joint or crack to a depth of at least 1 in. (25 mm) when the application temperature of the fully reacted mixture is 350 °F (177 °C) and the air temperature is 35 °F (2 °C) or higher.

The mixture, when placed in conventional field installation equipment, readily melts to a pumping consistency after being heated to 400 °F (204 °C) for 2 hours maximum. The mixture remains in a pumping consistency when the temperature of the field installation equipment is reduced to the normal operating temperature range of 300 °F to 350 °F (149 °C to 177 °C).

B. Curing

The mixture contains no water or volatile solvents and cures immediately when cooled to a sufficient viscosity to prevent tracking caused by traffic.

C. Softening Point, Flexibility and Rubber Content.

When a fully reacted mixture sample of asphalt-rubber has been heated at 350 °F (177 °C) for one hour, or when a PMAR blend has been heated at 380 °F (194 °C) for one hour, ensure it passes the following laboratory tests:

1. Softening Point

   The minimum softening point by ring and ball described in ASTM D 36 is as follows:

TABLE 1 – MINIMUM SOFTENING POINT

PMAR	185 °F (85 °C)
Type S	135 °F (57 °C)
Type M	150 °F (65 °C)

2. Flexibility

   Bend a 1/8 in. (3 mm) thick x 1 in. (25 mm) wide x 6 in. (150 mm) long mixture specimen after conditioning to 10 °F (-12 °C) at a minimum bending rate of 9 degrees per second (10 seconds maximum for a 90° bend) over a 1 in. (25 mm) diameter mandrel without cracking.

3. Rubber Content %

   Type M and Type S minimum rubber content %.

TABLE 2 – TYPE S AND TYPE M MINIMUM RUBBER CONTENT

Type S	15% minimum
Type M	15% minimum

D. Separation

Test the PMAR blend for phase separation by pouring two representative samples of the mixture into aluminum tubes measuring 1 in. (25 mm) in diameter and 5-1/2 in. (140 mm) long as described in ASTM D 7173. Cure the samples at 325 °F (163 °C) for 48 hours. Take samples from the top and bottom of each tube and determine softening point as described in ASTM D 36. Average the test results from the top and bottom samples. If there is 4 percent or more difference between the average test result and either of the top or bottom test results, reject the mixture due to separation.

E. Adhesion

When cooled, the mixture bonds strongly to both asphalt and concrete pavement surfaces. The mixture contains no materials chemically reactive with these surfaces to reduce the short-term and long-term adhesion bonds.

F. Acceptable Recycled or Reclaimed Tire Crumb Rubber

Before the rubber is added, ensure the asphalt cement used in the mixture conforms to the requirements of Section 820.2.01, PG 58-22 or PG 64-22.

Ensure the recycled, reclaimed tire crumb rubber used in the mixture meets the following requirements:

- Obtained from used pneumatic tires (such as automobile, truck, bus, etc.)—not solid tires and non-tire rubber sources
- Produced from an ambient or cryogenic grinding process (crushes, tears, factures or grinds, the used rubber tires and produces rubber particles with a ragged, sponge-like surface). Tire buffings are prohibited.
- Contains recycled, vulcanized crumb rubber and/or reclaimed (devulcanized) rubber
- Contains at least 25 percent natural rubber by weight of the total rubber portion of the mixture
- Contains no more than 0.1 percent fabric
- Free of wire and other contaminating materials, except up to four percent calcium carbonate or talc to prevent rubber particles from sticking
- Contains no rubber particles greater than 1/4 in. (6 mm) long
- Meets the following gradation requirements:

TABLE 3 – RECYCLED OR RECLAIMED TIRE CRUMB RUBBER GRADATION

Sieve Size	Percent Passing
No. 10 (2.0 mm)	100%
No. 16 (1.18 mm)	95 to 100%
No. 30 (600 µm)	40 to 80%
No. 80 (180 µm)	0 to 5%

G. Polymer-modified Asphalt Rubber

If a PMAR blend is used, ensure it meets the following additional requirements:

TABLE 4 – POLYMER-MODIFIED ASPHALT RUBBER PROPERTIES (PMAR)

PROPERTY	SPECIFICATION LIMITS
Cone Penetration, 77 °F (25 °C) (ASTM D 5329)	30 - 60 dmm
Resilience, 77 °F (25 °C), % Recovery (ASTM D 5329)	30% minimum
Ductility, 77 °F (25 °C), 50 mm/minute (ASSHTO T-51)	300 mm minimum
Asphalt Compatibility (ASTM D 5329)	Pass
Bitumen Content (ASTM D 4)	60 – 70 %
Tensile Adhesion (ASTM D 5329)	350 % minimum
Rotational Viscosity (Brookfield), No. 5 spindle, 20 RPM, 400 °F (205 °C)	3,000 – 15,000 cp
Rubber Content % (GDT-2)	12% minimum

407.2.01 Delivery, Storage, and Handling

Package the premixed sealant material in units weighing no more than 30 lbs. (14 kg) with a maximum of two 30 lb. (14 kg) units per shipping container. Ensure the plastic film used to package the units melts at normal application temperatures when placed in the installation equipment.

407.3 Construction Requirements

407.3.01 Personnel

General Provisions 101 through 150.

407.3.02 Equipment

A. Field Installation Equipment

Use field installation equipment that produces or maintains specified temperatures, even if filled to capacity.

Ensure the equipment produces or maintains a homogenous mixture of asphalt and rubber at a uniform temperature without hot or cool spots or rubber and asphalt segregation in the mixture.

B. Crack Filling Equipment

Ensure the equipment for filling the joints and cracks directs the sealant into the crack. Seal large cracks from the bottom up. Provide squeegees as necessary.

C. Air Compressor(s)

Ensure the air compressors are satisfactory to the Engineer.

407.3.03 Preparation

A. Joint and Crack Preparation

Use compressed air to thoroughly clean the joints and cracks to be sealed.

Clean the pavement surface and check the joints and cracks to ensure they are free of vegetation, dirt, dust, moisture, and other foreign material.

407.3.04 Fabrication

General Provisions 101 through 150.

407.3.05 Construction

A. Restrictions

Do not seal joints and cracks if:

- The joint or crack surface to be treated is not thoroughly dry.
- Rain is imminent.
- The air temperature is below 35 °F (2 °C).

B. Procedure

Follow this procedure to seal joints and cracks:

1. Place the prepackaged sealant mixture in the field installation equipment.
2. Heat the sealant mixture for the proper time and temperature to provide a full reaction between the asphalt and rubber.
3. Apply the mixture at the specified application temperature according to the manufacturer’s recommendations or the laboratory’s approval.
4. Carefully fill the joint or cracks, slightly overfull. Strike off the excess with a V-shaped squeegee to feather the sealant out to a width of approximately 2 in. (50 mm).

407.3.06 Quality Acceptance

If the packaged units are bonded or stuck together or to the shipping container, or if packaging staples or fasteners cause sealant contamination, the material may be rejected as determined by the Engineer.

The manufacturer must meet the requirements of this Specification and furnish evidence of successful field installation and performance under similar environmental and project conditions.

407.3.07 Contractor Warranty and Maintenance

General Provisions 101 through 150.

407.4 Measurement

Joints and cracks will be measured by the linear foot (meter) by surface measure.

407.4.01 Limits

General Provisions 101 through 150.

407.5 Payment

Joints and cracks sealed according to the plans and this specification will be paid for at the Contract Unit Price bid.

Payment is full compensation for furnishing all materials and performing the work.

Payment will be made under:

Item No. 407	Polymer-modified asphalt–rubber joint and crack seal	Per linear foot (meter)
Item No. 407	Asphalt-rubber joint and crack seal, type “S”	Per linear foot (meter)
Item No. 407	Asphalt-rubber joint and crack seal, type “M”	Per linear foot (meter)

407.5.01 Adjustments

General Provisions 101 through 150.