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**COUNTY OF FREDERICK, MD.
HONORED FOR PAVEMENT
MANAGEMENT / PRESERVATION**

October 2006 – The **County of Frederick, Maryland**, was honored for its proactive pavement management and preservation program with the *Pavement Preservation Excellence Award* of the Foundation for Pavement Preservation (FP2), at the foundation's annual meeting in St. Louis in September.

The Pavement Preservation Excellence Award is presented to a public agency that has implemented a successful pavement preservation program by gaining the support of elected officials, and the public.

FP2 also inducted FP2 Past President **Bill Ballou**, and National Center for Pavement Preservation director **Larry Galehouse, P.E.**, into the *FP2 Hall of Fame*. The FP2 Hall of Fame recognizes individuals for the significant contributions they've made to advance pavement preservation programs with public agencies.

And it presented its *President's Distinguished Service Award* to **Kirk Landers**, vice president and editorial director, *Better Roads Magazine*, in recognition of the editorial attention he's given to the concept and treatments used in pavement preservation programs.

The mission of FP2 is to promote pavement preservation by increasing knowledge and understanding of effective programs and technologies through public/private partnerships.

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Pavement preservation is a planned system of treating pavements at the optimum time to maximize their useful life, thus enhancing pavement longevity at the lowest cost. Experience shows that spending a dollar on pavement preservation upfront can eliminate or delay spending six to ten dollars on rehabilitation or reconstruction costs in the future.

In light of chronically low levels of road funding, the goal of Frederick County's pavement management is to preserve the county's road system and maintain it in a way that allows it keep its future budget requests at a relatively constant rate.

The county does a field evaluation of all pavements every two to three years. This gives the county a condition rating that tells it the actual condition of a road along its entire length. It also does traffic counts and evaluates the road's overall importance, and uses all three factors in determining annual proposed maintenance treatments for pavements, and their priority.

Just as important as the pavement planning, from the 1990s on, program officials were able to achieve a "buy-in" to the pavement preservation concept by county engineering and operations staffs, upper management, and elected officials.

Ballou was honored for his long service to pavement preservation in general, and FP2 in particular. As an executive with the former Koch Materials Co., he served as president of FP2 from 1994 through early 2005. Now retired, he continues to serve as an FP2 director.

Galehouse was honored for his leadership in pavement preservation at the Michigan Department of Transportation, where he served as manager, Capital Preventive Maintenance Program, and helped bring the pavement preservation philosophy to the forefront of the national conversation. He now serves as director, National Center for Pavement Preservation at Michigan State University.

Landers of *Better Roads Magazine* was honored for his strong editorial support of pavement preservation, through feature articles, departmental coverage, and special reports.

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