COG WINTER WEATHER CALL

Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration Office of Maintenance November 1, 2018

YEAR-ROUND WINTER PLANNING



WINTER PREP – SUMMER

- Update Statewide Salt Management Plan
- Finalize New Salt Contracts with DGS
- Repair/Replace Salt Structures
- Repair/Replace Brine Tanks and Components
- Repair/Replace Brine Makers

WINTER PREP – FALL

- Prepare/Finalize Hired Equipment Contracts
- Develop/Finalize Route Plans
- Re-Stock Material Supplies Salt, Brine, Plow Blades, etc.
- Prepare State Equipment
- Host Hired Equipment Meeting
- Inspect and Calibrate Equipment State and Hired
- Host Internal Town Meeting
- Complete Snow College for New Hires
- Complete Practice Runs and Route Inspections

WINTER EVENTS

- Monitor Weather
- Participate in Statewide Calls
- Apply Salt Brine as Warranted
- Prepare District/Statewide Plans
- Act on Plans
- Monitor Weather and Pavement Temperatures/Conditions
- Adjust Plans Appropriately
- Clean-Up
- Re-Stock Material Supplies Salt, Brine, Plow Blades, etc.
- Inspect and Repair Equipment
- Make Roadway Repairs Potholes
- Repeat!



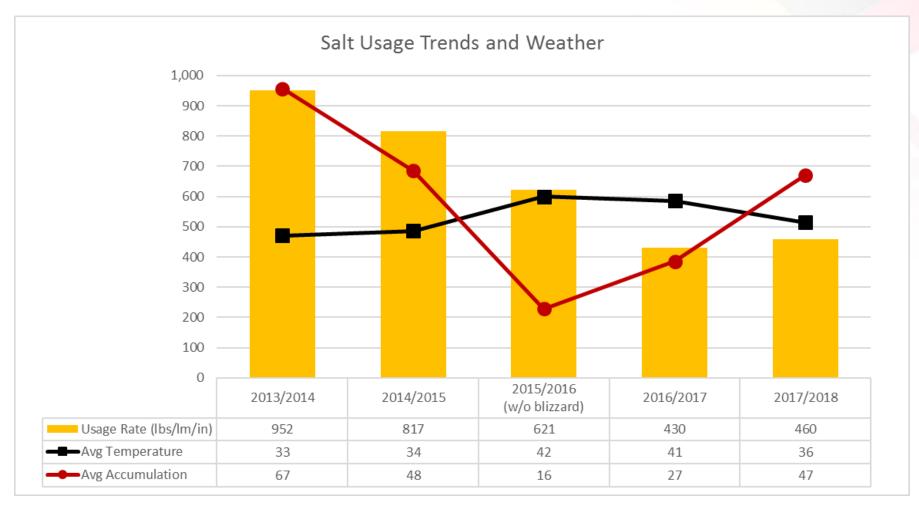
WINTER CLEAN-UP - SPRING

- Assess and Repair Salt Structures
- Re-Stock Salt Supply
- Clean, Inspect, and Repair All Equipment
- Clean Brine Makers and Saddle Tanks
- Assess and Repair/Replace Brine Tanks and Components
- Assess and Repair/Replace Brine Makers
- Perform Route Inspections and Make Roadway Repairs

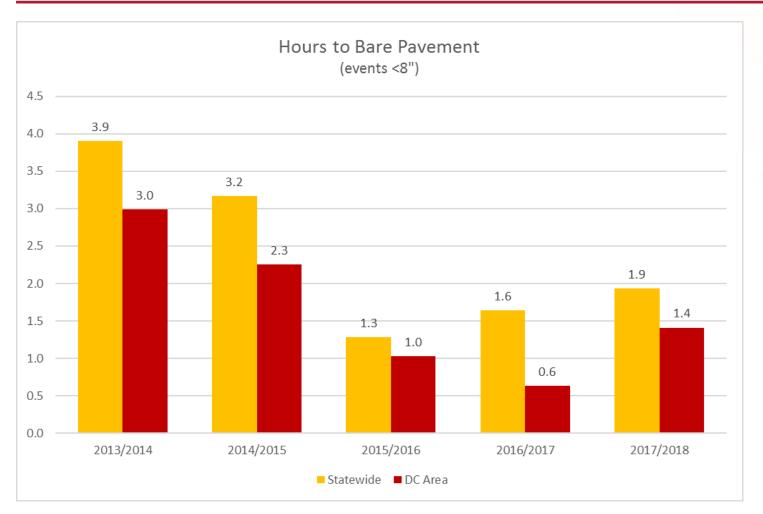
TOP ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Reduced Salt Usage by 52% over the past 5 Winter Seasons
- Average 2.4 Hours to Bare Pavement the past 5 Winter Seasons

SALT USAGE TRENDS/WEATHER



BARE PAVEMENT



SOMEWHAT NEW THIS WINTER

- New Plow Blades
- Loader Scales
- Additional Contract Anti-Icing Equipment
- Expanded Direct Liquid Application Routes
- Additional Brine Making and Storage Capacity

BRINE OPERATION

New Brine Maker



Brine Tanks



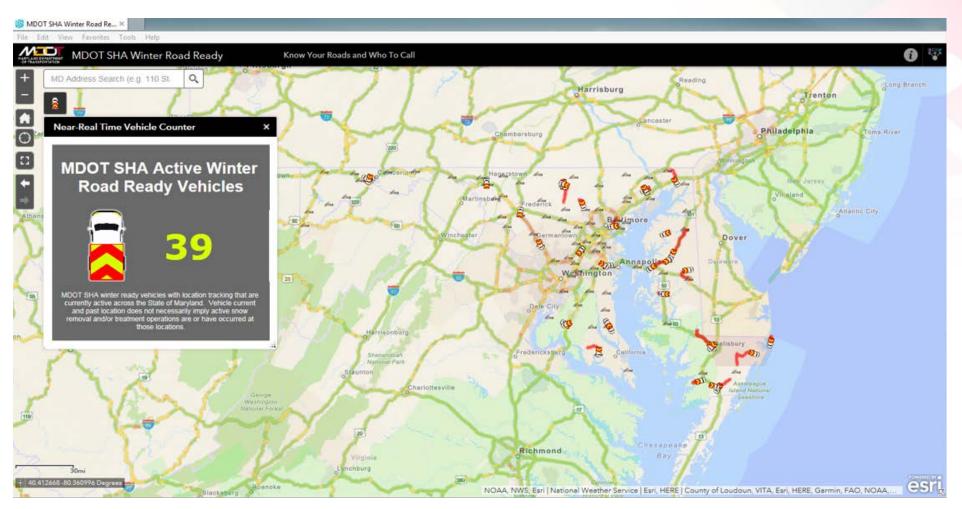
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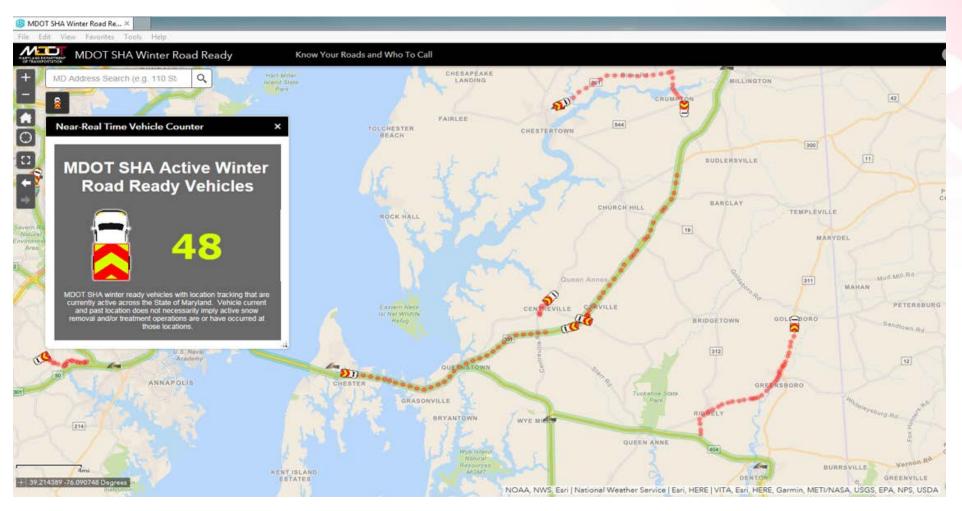
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WINTER ROAD READY - PUBLIC



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WINTER ROAD READY - INTERNAL

