



Long-Term Pavement Performance

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Dear Larry:

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Long-Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) Program Standard Data Release (SDR), version 21.0, and a Reference Library CD. The SDR data is extracted from the production Pavement Performance Database (PPDB) and is divided by data module into multiple relational databases. Due to size limitations the Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD) and profile data tables are further subdivided by highway agency, and Seasonal Monitoring Program (SMP) tables and Climate tables are separated into multiple databases for the same reason. Each data module is provided in a Microsoft® Access 2000 database that has been zipped to save disk space. Double-click on each file and follow instructions to unzip. A list of the contents of is on the package insert.

The Reference Library CD contains several documents and software programs that support use of the LTPP database. They are grouped into directories as follows:

- Utility Software – Several software programs are in this section, including the Table Navigator software, which combines the contents of the reference documents (Database Schema, Data Dictionary, and Codes List) into a searchable database; the ESALCalc software, which calculates ESAL values; and the Rigid Pavement Design spreadsheet.
- Resource Documents – Several important documents are in this section, including, the *Pavement Performance Database User Reference Guide* (January 2005), which provides an overview of the LTPP program and data collected; *Accessing LTPP Data*, which is an introduction in to using Microsoft® Access 2000; *Data Analysis/Operations Feedback Report*; and *LTPP Information Management System: IMS Quality Control Checks*.
- Research Reports – Reports based on LTPP data.

For more information about the LTPP program, you may visit the LTPP Home Page by going to the web site <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/pavement/ltppl/>.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Customer Support Service Center at the email address ltpinfo@fhwa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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