



RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Core Acceptance Requirements for Tulare County

All asphalt density cores submitted to the Tulare County Materials Lab must be clearly marked and each shipment shall be accompanied with a completed core data sheet (available at <https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/index.cfm/rma-documents/public-works-documents/tulare-county-hma-density-core-submittal-form/>). The TC Materials Lab receives and tests cores from all Tulare County paving projects and it is therefore imperative that all archived cores are clearly labeled. When cores are cleaned, keel (wood crayon) may fade making it difficult to identify Projects and lots. For this reason, the use of paint markers for identifying cores is preferred.

Cores shall be marked with the following information:

1. Project Name
2. Date
3. Lot-Sublot-Core Number – ex. “L2 – SL3 – 2” All markings must be legible and easy



This core is not legible and the lab manager had to call the QC lab for further information.

This core is marked with SL & core number on top, Project & Lot/Sublot on the side.

Core log sheets (County form or equivalent) must include the following data and shall be provided with each set of cores:

1. Project Name
2. Date of paving
3. Road Name
4. Lot/Sublot/Core Number
5. Station
6. Offset
7. Lane
8. Lift



All cores turned over to the County without clear identification or a core log sheet may be held without testing until the necessary corrections are made by the Contractor's QC laboratory.

Coring must be done prior to allowing traffic on the newly placed pavement and prior to the placement of any additional lifts.

Any core taken after traffic loading or after additional lift placement will be considered unacceptable for use in the determination of asphalt density.