Connecticut

Route 82
Haddam County

The stretch of Route 82 that won the award includes areas where the Connecticut Department of Transportation had to build through rock cuts. The state constructed most sections of the road with 10 inches of subbase, but used 18 inches of subbase in the sections with rock cuts. That was topped with 6 inches of base followed by 2 inches of HMA binder course plus 2 inches of HMA surface course. The highway opened to traffic in 1971.

In 1982, flooding caused damage to the road between mile points 2.54 and 2.75. ConnDOT repaired, milled and resurfaced the section. The entire 2.75 miles received a 2-inch HMA overlay in 1996.

The road continues to provide a smooth, quality ride to motorists in the area. Average daily traffic is 7,500 vehicles, mostly automobiles.