Core Acceptance Requirement for Tulare County

All asphalt density cores submitted to the Tulare County Materials Lab for density testing and project dispute must be marked clearly and be accompanied with the core data sheet (Available at https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/rma-documents/public-works-documents/core-acceptance-requirement-for-tulare-county/). The Tulare County Materials Lab receives and test cores from all Tulare County paving projects and it is therefore imperative that all archived cores are clearly labeled. When the 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 must be marked with the following data:
1. Project Name
2. Date
3. Lot-Sublot-Core Number – L2SL3-2
All markings must be legible and easy to read.

This core is not legible and had to be deciphered by process of elimination.

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

Core log sheet can be found at: https://tularecounty.ca.gov/rma/rma-documents/public-works-documents/tulare-county-hma-density-core-submittal-form/

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. Lot Sublot
4. Core Number
5. Station
6. Offset (identify CL or edge)
7. Lane
8. Lift (top, bottom or digout)

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.