



CASE STUDY



HULCHER SERVICES SMOOTHS RAMP AND PARKING LOT WITH FAST ASPHALT WORK

Scope

The diesel shop's loading dock allowed forklifts to bring in palletized shipments of heavy cargo such as traction motors from semi trailers to the storage sheds. Unfortunately, the shop's dock ramp had a rough, uneven surface that added to wear and tear on forklifts and increased the risk for mishaps during transport. Additionally, the surrounding parking lots had several cracks and potholes that needed attention.

Solution

Hulcher Services sent in a team with an Air Spade®, skid steer, vibrating asphalt roller and dump truck. Workers cleaned loose materials from the ramp surface with the Air Spade® and then put down a coat of tack oil to seal the asphalt.

Once the tack cured, workers put down new asphalt and rolled it to a smooth surface. The defects in the parking lot received the same treatment as the Hulcher crew patched the cracks and potholes and rolled the asphalt down.

Outcome

The railroad was pleased with how quickly and professionally the crew did its work. In five hours Hulcher transformed the uneven 6' x 100' ramp to like-new condition, giving the railroad's forklifts an even surface for transporting their loads. Visitors and employees to the shop appreciate the vastly improved parking lot as well.

Now that the railroad knows that asphalt surfacing and repair is one of the many services Hulcher provides, they plan to bring the crew back regularly to fix driving surfaces all around their yard.



KEY FACTS

PROJECT SUMMARY: Put down new asphalt on dock ramp and fix parking lot potholes.

AIR SPADE®: The Air Spade® made short work of loose debris on the ramp surface.

TURNKEY SOLUTION: Hulcher's crew performed the entire project, providing a convenient turnkey solution to the railroad.

FAST RESULTS: Resurfacing the ramp was completed in five hours

