

# OUR HISTORY: 1946 to 2021



**1946**  
Al Wendell started Bituminous Roadways, Inc. with a 3-man crew.



**1980**  
A Cedar Rapids drum plant is installed in Inver Grove Heights.



**1991**  
The Halloween blizzard put crews of 10 men per shift on snow plowing duty and they plowed an entire week to clear the snow.



**1996**  
Kent Peterson becomes president of BR.



**1996**  
The IGH plant is replaced with a new Gencor asphalt plant.



**2005**  
BR paves the Miracle Field in Blaine.

**1950**  
2828 Longfellow Avenue in Minneapolis becomes the site of BR's first asphalt plant.



**1958**  
Palmer Peterson joins BR as an asphalt estimator.

**1975**  
BR begins to recycle asphalt.

**1978**  
BR purchases the gravel pit in Inver Grove Heights (IGH).

**1984**  
BR paves 100,000 tons of asphalt on 35E, the most to date on a roadway project.



**1992**  
BR joins the Adopt-A-Highway program for Dakota County and participates annually.



**1996**  
The Children's Grand Prix race was held in Minneapolis and BR paved some of the roadways used for the race.



**2016**  
BR celebrates its 70th anniversary.



**2019**  
The 4th BR asphalt plant is built in Columbus.

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**1957**  
A standard steel batch plant is installed in Minneapolis.

**1967**  
Palmer purchases the company from Al Wendell.



**1973**  
BR replaces the Minneapolis plant. This plant is still in use today.



**2000**  
The Shakopee plant was installed.



**2006**  
BR celebrates its 60th anniversary.

**2013**  
BR installs new aggregate washing equipment at the IGH gravel pit.



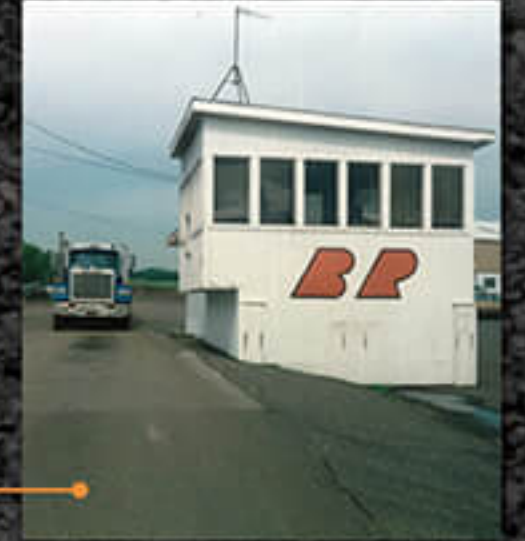
**2020**  
BR breaks the record for number of tons of asphalt produced and installed.

**2021**  
Celebrating 75 Years!

**1965**  
Al and Palmer invent and patent the first asphalt storage silo (Hot Surge Hopper).



**1970s**  
The Company was growing.



**1988**  
BR sets a record for asphalt tons crossing the IGH scale.

**1993**  
BR moves into the Jefferson Trail headquarters in IGH.



**2001**  
The "great flood" of IGH.



**2010**  
BR moves its headquarters to Mendota Heights.

**2011**  
BR starts their own polymer blending operations.

