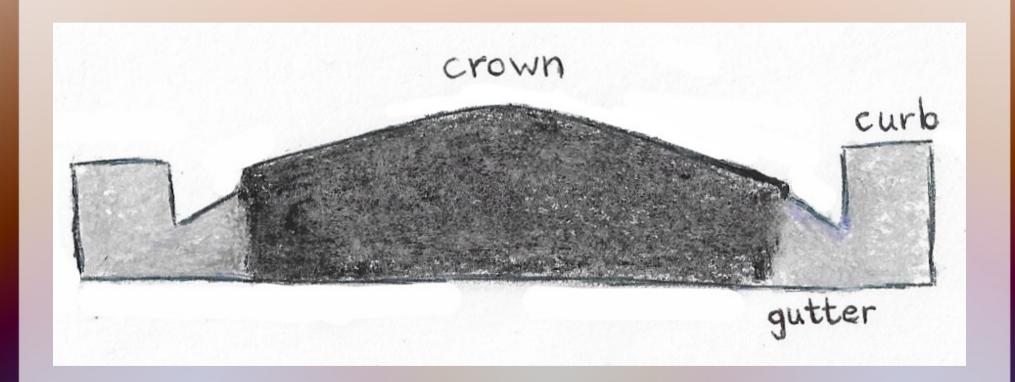
# Smoother Valley Gutters

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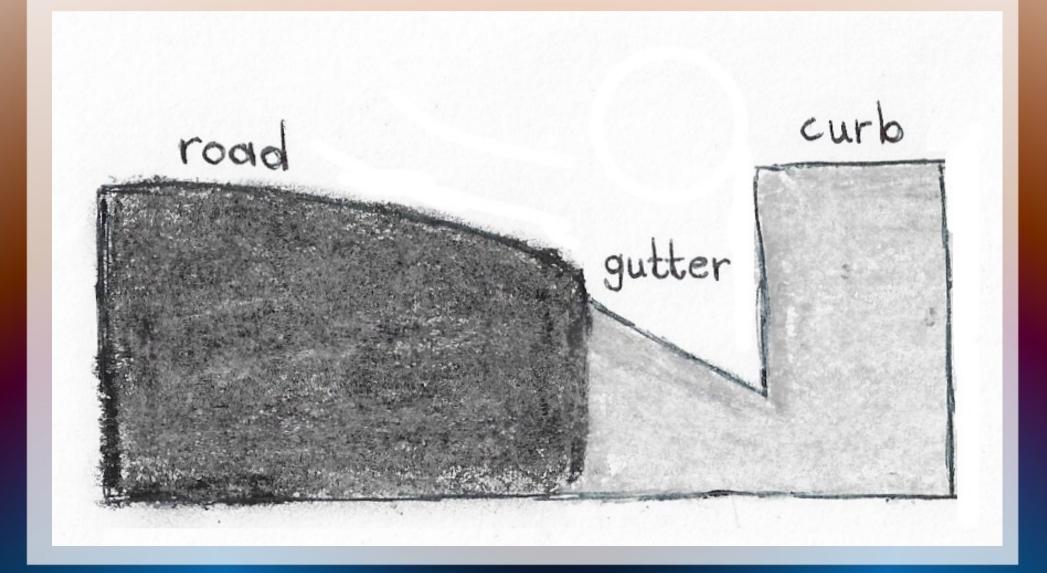
#### Some Definitions

- Valley: low spot in road intersection
- Gutter: section of road paved with concrete for transporting water
- Valley gutter: dip in road intersection paved with concrete designed to transport water

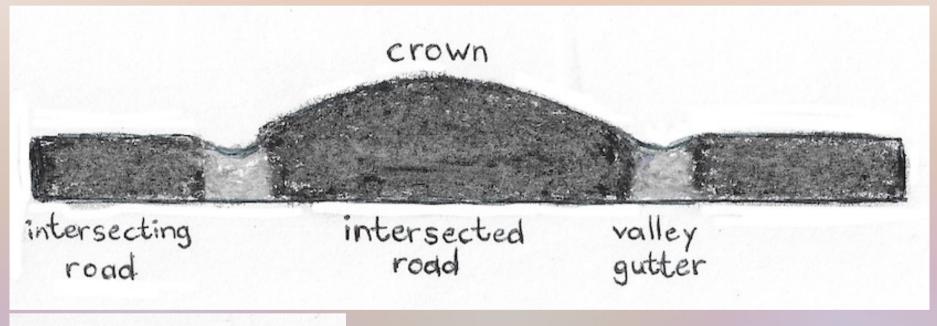
### Basic Road Shape



#### Gutter Detail



#### Intersection Shape



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- On flat surfaces, water seeps into asphalt
- Wet asphalt gradually crumbles
- One solution is valley gutters



# Problem – Slow Dips



## Problem – Road & Car Damage



#### Recommendations

- Create smoother roads
- Eliminate need for slow dip signs
- Remove valley gutters where drainage is sufficient
- Reduce height of excessive road crowns
- Reduce depth of valley; widen, flatten valley
- Align valley gutter slope with road slope
- Optimize valleys for each intersection
- Eliminate bumps between road, valley gutter
- Precision grind existing bumps

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