

PMPC Asphalt Task Group (TG Only) Meeting Minutes

Date: October 7, 2020

Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Webex/Conference Call

Facilitator: Tom Pyle/Jeremy Peterson-Self

Attendees: Tom Pyle, Ken Solak, Phil Reader, Pat Imhoff, Chu Wei, Jeremy Peterson-Self, Kelly Lorah

Not in Attendance: Doug Mason, Cortney VanHook

1. Introductions/Review Agenda
2. Review past action items
 - a. Send direction to the Asphalt STG to review the CRM issues and what it encompasses and determine where it fits on the bin list – Cortney – 7/31/20 – 9/11/20 - **Complete**
3. Introductory Urgent Issues
 - a. Changes to Open Grade Mix Design
 - i. Potential emerging issue that CT may propose to move up the bin list due to water runoff quality characteristic differences between HMA and RHMA.
 - b. Additional Members to the ATG
 - i. Recycling Association & Preservation Group
 - a) There is a proposal to add members to the ATG. Phil Reader opposes. Nominations from the STGs will be reviewed.
 - c. Specification Lifecycle Presentation (SSPs, nSSPs, etc.)
 - i. CTG to present to all PMPC on Oct. 19th.
 - d. TCE RAP pile
 - i. Tony Limas working with Kee on proposal to address concern. Will develop and share with the ATG.
 - e. CPD for Hamburg
 - i. Contractors are being penalized for projects tested prior to release of CPD. Can Caltrans allow retroactive approvals? CPD's are not retroactive as this presents a contract administration challenges and could be costly for previous projects. Third party conflict resolution should be used on the job in question.
4. Section 39 High RAP
 - a. District 7 is strongly considering this project. Expected to be very cost effective. See Monthly tracker for additional details.

5. Evaluate new HMA Pavement Smoothness
 - a. Pete is developing FAQs and resolving issues. Districts are working on using the spec. Training is occurring. Data sheets are coming in. Spec appears to be working as intended. See Monthly tracker for additional details.
 6. RAS up to 3%
 - a. One RAS project has been identified. See Monthly tracker for additional details.
 7. Section 37 Update
 - a. Work group meeting to discuss comments from FHWA, CT and Industry. On schedule and moving forward. Jeremy will follow up on update that stated METS to upload Vialit Test.
 8. PDR (CIR) FA & PDR (CIR) EA
 - a. CIR is being renamed to PDR only to keep in line with the national nomenclature. Letters received opposing the proposed change. The STG should have communicated with the industry prior to putting in as much effort as we have. Allen is investigating the claims in the letters. Tom would like both to be in the same specification assuming they perform the same. Tom to send letter out to ATG.
 9. Post Plant Gradation
 - a. Kick off meeting. In Phase 1 & 2 of their milestones. Focus group being created. Recommendation to be presented to the WPG.
 10. RAP in RHMA-G
 - a. Working through their first milestone. Researching and reaching out appropriately. Creating an extension for the 3rd milestone. There should be opportunities in SoCal. Concern over difficulties in obtaining RHMA mixes from industry are being worked through at WPG level.
 11. Review bin lists
 - a. CCPR scoping document
 - i. Scoping document in review. Comments due today. There are issues (gaps to be filled) before it can be finalized to move forward particularly as it relates to Item 8 above.
 12. Roundtable / Review Action Items / Next Meeting
 - a. Specification Presentation: This presentation is to show the lifecycle of a spec development process. Cortney to record the presentation to be uploaded to the PMPC website.
 - b. PEMD presentation tomorrow. This meeting will summary the findings and observations from the virtual Caltrans Performance Engineer Mixture Design site visit.
 - c. Discussion was had on how to store documentation and resolutions for products developed outside of PMPC (ad hoc groups) when issues arise. Documents must be saved for posterity. Further discussion is needed.
 13. Feedback
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Action Items from 10/7/20:

1. Send the resolution of Courtney's action item – Kelly – 10/7/20 – **Complete**
2. Send Ken information regarding the Hamburg CPD for discussion – Phil – 10/12/20
3. Follow up on Vialit Test upload with Lisa – Jeremy – 10/12/20
4. Forward letters regarding the spec change opposition received from industry to the ATG – Tom – 10/12/20 - **Complete**
5. Reach out to Marco and Scott to discuss personnel representation on the ATG – Pat and Phil – 10/14/20
6. Inform the STG that no more comments (aside from the previous set of comments) are to be made on the CCPR scoping documents – Kelly – 10/7/20 – **Complete**
7. Take the hold off of the Specification Presentation calendar invite and provide more detail – Kelly – 10/7/20
8. Reschedule ATG (TG only) and ATG (TG+STG Chairs/Leads) meetings to Wednesdays at 1pm. Confirm with Tom. – Kelly – 10/23/20

Action Items from 9/2/20:

1. Discuss with Tony to get with Kee and develop an adhoc group to evaluate testing frequency issues between Section 26 specifications and construction manual – Phil – 9/11/20
2. Send RAS/RAP milestone extension requests to the EC – Tom – 9/11/20
3. Check with Raghu on last phase of data collection for intelligent compaction – Ken – 9/18/20

Action Items from 7/28/20:

1. Allen and group to evaluate CIR scoping document and determine what is needed so that ATG can discuss with EC during next quarterly meeting – Allen – 8/14/20

Action Items from 10/2/19:

1. Review and provide feedback on conflict escalation form – All ATG - **HOLD**