

# PMPC Executive Committee/Asphalt Task Group Meeting Minutes

Date: May 16, 2019

Time: 8:30 am-10:00am

Location: New Geotechnical Building, 5900 Folsom Boulevard, Sacramento

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Facilitator: Sergio Aceves

Attendees: Sergio Aceves, Dan Speer, Ray Hopkins, Ruth Fernandes, Brandon Millar, Charley Rea, Tom Pyle, Blair Anderson, Tim Greutert, Pat Imhoff, Tracy Zubek, Deepak Maskey, Cortney VanHook

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Sergio Aceves welcomed Brandon Millar as a new EC member, Mr. Millar replaced former EC member Russ Snyder and represents CalAPA. Meeting continues with self-introduction, agenda review, and the followings were discussed:

1. Action Items from 2/25/2019 Meeting (All):
  - I. All action items are complete.
2. Introductory Urgent Issues (All):
  - I. No urgent issue.
3. Statistical Pay factor (SPF) (Pat Imhoff):
  - I. All work on schedule.
  - II. Training is scheduled for next Tuesday in San Diego and participants will be ½ from Industry and ½ from Caltrans.
  - III. Participants from Industry are welcomed to participate training on May 29 in District 3.
  - IV. Draft specification has been reviewed many times and suggested to get FHWA involved in the specification review process.
4. Sec 39 RAP Scoping Document (Tracy Zubek):
  - I. All work on schedule
  - II. Caltrans is maximizing use of recycled materials and collecting information of amount of recycled materials used.
5. Section 94 Scoping Document (Blair Anderson):
  - I. All work on schedule
  - II. Comments from the mandatory stakeholders on specification will be reviewed and addressed.
6. CT 125 Scoping Document (Blair Anderson):
  - I. All work on schedule
  - II. Drafts of new sample reduction CT 306 is complete, received comments back on appendix B that suggested a lot of confusion, so the working group is reworking.
  - III. Quartermaster HMA sample divider (mechanical splitter) must be used initially to get sample in the boxes before the new process of splitting samples for the testing.
  - IV. May need to update due dates for the last two milestones (5&6) due to the delay of milestone 4.
7. HWT for RHMA Mixes Scoping Document (Blair Anderson):
  - I. Due date of final milestone is unchanged.
  - II. Draft CT 389 is being routed for stakeholder review.
  - III. Intent of work is to follow the AASHTO Standards including heating of water and temperature.
  - IV. Number of wheel passes has been resolved at STG level.
  - V. It was recommended to resolve conflict of meeting dates for the Industry members at ATG or STG level before escalating to the EC level.
  - VI. Working group has developed report and suggested all other PMPC work products should produce similar reports.

8. Evaluate the New HMA Smoothness NSSP for Asphalt Pavements Scoping Document (Tom Pyle):
  - I. Many projects are being added daily and about 75 plus projects are implemented with new smoothness specifications.
  - II. The next step is to collect data, analyze, and review how the specs are going. The next report targeted for January 2020.
  - III. It was recommended to analyze the data as information comes in, in order to not be buried under data at the end.
  
9. Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) up to 5% (Tom Pyle):
  - I. Development of scoping document on progress.
  - II. It was suggestion to put in some intermediate milestones to show progress when Sponsors or Steering Committee looks at it.
  - III. The current milestones are just a placeholder until scoping document is developed. More detailed milestones will be developed with creation of scoping document
  
10. Review of Bin List (Blair Anderson):

EC members enquired intent of the following bin list:

  - I. Post Plant Gradation:
    - a. This one transferred over from the old RPC, issue with max aggregate temperature.
  - II. Standardized Section 39 to be Consistent with SPF Spec.
    - a. Harmonizing the two different specs (example: HWT test representing 10,000 tons vs 750 tons sublots).
    - b. ASTG to put together list of items that need to be addressed
  - III. Next Round of CT 125 Revision:
    - a. This item is to look at the dense grade vs just at RHMA.
  - IV. Removing of "Educational Outreach on all Recycling Strategies":
    - a. This is decided by EC and will be handled by Caltrans Pavement Program.
  - V. ATG Bin List item 16 may be addressed through an existing CT/UCPRC Research project that recently constructed. CT may want to consider if possible to include additional analysis in research project to address this item (if not currently included).
  
11. Round Table:
  - I. Tracy Zubek suggested to have substitutes to backfill for different meetings and be flexible to bring additional people from Industry.
  - II. Sergio Aceves informed that request for RAS has come from higher than EC level, and communication can be improved through both Caltrans and industry. He also suggested that substitutes should be informed about meeting agenda or subject matter and should represent Industry but not individual company.
  - III. Dan Speer suggested to have a precedent about when and how meetings are set and communicated and doesn't recommend for substitutes.
  - IV. Brandon Milar suggested to allow substitutes or include a quorum requirement for meetings.
  - V. Ray Hopkins suggestion to have well informed assigned backups, avoid having a revolving door of backups.
  - VI. Ray Hopkins suggested Industry to elevate any issue pertaining to the dispute or misinterpretation of the specifications.
  
12. Action Items:
  - I. EC will develop guidance pertaining to the substitutes and scheduling meetings (Sergio Aceves).