

PMPC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: September 17, 2020

Time: 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Location: Webex Meeting

Facilitator: Sergio Aceves

Attendees: Sergio Aceves, Douglas Mason, Ray Hopkins, Kevin Keady, Charley Rea, Brandon Milar, Tim Greutert

1. Call to Order

- I. Previous EC + CTG meeting ran longer than scheduled. Meeting started about 10:15 am.

2. Action Items from 8/20/2020 EC meeting (All) Attachment 1:

Action Items

- I. Tim to follow up with Keith Hoffman to see if they are doing a final SSP for 4 x 8 cylinders for compressive strength work product. (Tim G.) Completed
- II. The Executive Committee wants to see the CTG bin list updated. (CTG) Completed
- III. Check UCPRC publications on OGFC mix design research papers. (Doug M.) Completed
- IV. Set up meeting with Brandon M., Chu Wei, and training consultants to discuss the need for on-line instruction. (Doug M.) Ongoing
- V. Check suppliers on material shortages due to rolling blackouts and share information on the cement industry with EC. (Charlie R.) Completed

Action Items from 7/16/2020 EC meeting:

Action Items

- I. Tim and Dolores to meet and discuss what issues need to be addressed to resolve the issues with Concrete Mix Design Naming Protocol. (Tim G. and Dolores V.) Doug stated at last CTG Caltrans only meeting, working group was at an impasse with industry on the aggregate source change creating a change in mix design name. Impasse memo being drafted. Completed

Action Items from 6/18/2020 EC meeting:

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- I. Follow up on how Caltrans is implementing CT 125, on all projects or slow roll out option with just new projects. (Ray H) CDP drafted to incorporate new CT125 but on hold now until issues with CT 306 (?) resolved.
 - a. Ray to check with Ken to confirm CPD is ready.
 - b. When CPD goes out, contractor can request a no cost change order to move to new CT125 test method.
 - c. Brandon: This will mean you will have labs running different CT125s in the same lab for different projects. Is that what Caltrans wants?
 - d. Ray: This is how Caltrans has done it in the past with changes in test methods.

Action Items from 4/16/2020 EC meeting:

Action Items

- I. Brandon to follow up with Ray on D5 issue with CT 389. (Brandon) Ongoing. CPD Drafted and awaiting Rachel Falsetti's signature. CPD is published. Completed.
 - a. Several contractors have complained about Stripping Inflection Point, not just one contractor.
 - b. Ray was aware of only 1 project and needs to know about the other projects too.
 - c. Caltrans is circulating a CPD to address the SIP. (Update at 7/16/20 meeting)

3. Urgent Issues

- I. No urgent issues

4. Work Products and Bin List – Attachments 2 & 3:
 - I. RAP Up to 40% in HMA:
 - a. Office of Asphalt Pavements is still actively looking for projects to use specification on.
 - I. Evaluate the New HMA Pavement Smoothness Specification Work:
 - a) Still continuing to collect smoothness data and appears to be more projects data than concrete. Looking good to meet their milestones
 - II. Recycled Asphalt Shingles (RAS) up to 3%:
 - a) Similar as RAP, still looking for pilot projects to test specification.
 - III. Section 37 Update:
 - a. METS working on Vialit test to post on the web. On schedule.
 - IV. Combine CIR FA & CIR EA:
 - a) On track.
 - V. Post Plant Gradation
 - a) WG working on literature search.
 - VI. RAP in RHMA
 - a) WG working on literature search.
 - VII. Review Closed/Tracking List
 - a) No issues
 - VIII. Bin list for Concrete Sub Task Group.
 - a. Discussion on the 2-year time period for most of the work products. Industry felt that time was okay that some of these work products are heavy lift items that will take time to work through all the specification nuances.
 - IX. Bin list for Recycling Sub Task Group.
 - a) **EC Decision: If a work product requires research, we need to see completed research before the scoping document is developed.**
 - X. Bin list for Pavement Preservation Sub Task Group.
 - a) **Action Item: Touch bases with Tom Pyle on fog seals to see if we really need a working group to complete the specification.**
5. Time Extension Request for High RAP and RAS:
 - I. **EC Decision: EC approves time extension requests for RAP/RAS work products due to inability to find pilot projects.**
 - II. **Action Item: Ask ATG if there is additional work the WG can take on since the delay in schedule.**
6. Final Report and Implementation Plan:
 - I. Final Report CT 523
 - a. Discussion on posting on the final reports and ADA compatibility, the effort it takes to remediate the reports with all the graphs, tables, charts, and colors.
 - i. Industry asked if they can post the final reports on their websites.
 - ii. **EC Decision: Post a list of the final reports with the contact for pmpc@dot.ca.gov for sending copies.**
 - b. 4 x 8 Implementation Plan was reviewed by the EC.
7. COVID Update:
 - I. Brandon: We are keeping track of local restrictions. Everyone is still working.
8. Open Discussion:
 - I. Sergio: On the Foundation STG, how does everyone feel about the 1-year proposal with a mindset a bigger effort might be needed. We have recycling and foundation issues that will likely become its own Task Group (TG). Still will have resource issues with staffing 3 TGs.
 - II. Ray; I agree with approach, let's try the Foundation STG for a year.
 - III. Tim: Think it has merit, but we need to ask, Do we have the right staff on it?
 - IV. Kevin: A 1-year trial period makes sense.
 - V. Charley: The solution makes sense.
 - VI. Brandon: I'm good with the proposed change. Let them get a few projects under their belt.
 - VII. **EC Decision: EC approves of CTG's proposal of the Foundation STG.**
 - VIII. Charley: Research has been incorporated into the PMPC with Dara Wheeler in the Steering Committee. Is there a summary of research that is coming in as it relates to the PMPC?

- IX. Sergio: We have a standing agenda item at the January Meeting to talk about research items for our Sponsors and Steering Committee by Dara or Nick Burmas.
- X. **Action Item: Create agenda item for a research summary for January's meeting by DRSl.**
- XI. Brandon: Want to give huge kudos to METS for opening up the Joint Training Program.
 - a. Tim: It was a team effort. Thanks for the kind words and support.
- XII. Brandon: Trichloroethylene (TCE), thanks for the support at ATG to work out the TCE issues.
- XIII. Sergio: Next meeting is with Steering Committee and Sponsors.
 - a. **Action Item: Ray can you follow up with Rachel and Sergio will with Cory to see if the Sponsors still want to be invited to the quarterly meetings.**
- XIV. Sergio: how does the group want to present the work products to the Sponsors/Steering Committee members? The spreadsheet or something higher level, summarizing the information.
- XV. Tim: I suggest give the Sponsors a list of products and allow industry face time with executive management to see how they are working with Caltrans and the dynamics of the group.
- XVI. **EC Decision: EC recommends a high-level executive summary for Sponsors/Steering Committee meeting.**
- XVII. Discussion on what other topics for Sponsor/Steering Committee, if any come up send to Doug.
- XVIII. Charley: Big issue is COVID and SB1 but not really directed at PMPC efforts.
- XIX. **Action Item: Develop certificate of appreciation for Kirk McDonald.**
 - a. Doug to circulate among EC members for review.

9. Decisions made/Approvals given by EC:

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- II. EC approves time extension requests for RAP/RAS work products due to inability to find pilot projects.
- III. Post a list of the final reports with contact information at pmpc@dot.ca.gov for sending copies.
- IV. EC approves of CTG's proposal of the Foundation STG.
- V. EC recommends a high-level executive summary for Sponsors/Steering Committee meeting.

10. Action Items

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- III. Create agenda item for a research summary for January's meeting by DRSl. (Doug)
- IV. Ray can you follow up with Rachel and Sergio will with Cory to see if the Sponsors still want to be invited to the quarterly meetings. (Ray/Sergio)
- V. Develop certificate of appreciation for Kirk McDonald and circulate for review. (Doug)