

PMPC Asphalt Task Group (TG 3+4) Meeting Minutes

Date: December 3, 2021

Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: Webex

Facilitator: Ken Solak

Attendees: Scott Dmytrow, Pat Imhoff, Douglas Mason, Sarah Hartz (acting for Jacquelyn Wong), Allen King (acting for Tom Pyle), Phil Reader, Ken Solak, Chu Wei, Kelly Lorah

Not in Attendance: Dennis McElroy

1. Introductions/Review Agenda
2. Review Past Action Items (see action items at the bottom of the minutes)
3. Introductory Urgent/Emerging Issues
 - None
4. Asphalt Subtask Group Work Products
 - A. Use RAP up to 40% in HMA
 - a. Allen – Looking for pilot projects.
 - B. RAS up to 3%
 - a. Allen – Looking for pilot projects. There is a project in D3 from George Reed.
 - C. Post Plant Gradation
 - a. Allen – Looking for pilot projects.
 - D. 10% RAP in RHMA-G
 - a. Phil – There's a request to hold the nSSP. There is an impasse regarding the air voids. The conflict resolution form should be routed to the STG soon for resolution. The hold was accepted by the EC.
 - b. There is \$8 million to cover costs of failed project repairs. There is no funding for FY 21/22, but will return FY 22/23. With the new infrastructure bill, there should be a boon to next FY.
5. Pavement Preservation Subtask Group Work Products
 - A. Section 37 Update
 - a. Scott – Steve was waiting for FHWA concurrence on the document.
 - b. Chu – I need to coordinate with the FHWA team to address our comments.
 - c. Scott – The draft has not been accepted and there are comments beyond the original scope.
 - d. Chu – I will discuss with the team.

- e. Allen – The deadline to get the spec approved is very early January to be posted in April. We need to get this in this month or it will be delayed to July to be posted in October. If I can help, please let me know.
 - f. Scott – Industry is willing to discuss and help as well.
 - g. Allen – The changes that FHWA would like to have made are outside of the scope of this WG. We can add their changes to a new scoping document/WG.
 - h. Scott – We may be able to address some of FHWA's comments in a decision document.
 - i. Ken – We should identify comments outside the scope and move forward with applicable comments.
 - j. Chu – If there can be specific response, that would be helpful. Instead of saying it's outside of scope, identify how it will be worked on in the future.
 - k. Allen – If Steve resubmits the spec for FHWA concurrence, would he get approval?
6. In-Place Recycling Subtask Group Work Products
- A. Write nSSPs and Pilot CCPR on Caltrans Projects
 - a. Sarah – We're working through comments within the WG. We're meeting next week.
 - b. Allen – Are we on target to meet milestone dates?
 - c. Sarah – Yes.
7. EC Updates for ATG
- a. Doug – Winter Workshop is 12/10. We're doing dry runs today.
 - b. Phil – Will there be a 2022 Spec book?
 - c. Allen/Phil – They will be electronic. They will be released annually, but will probably allow for emergency changes throughout the year.
8. Pilot Project Tracker Sheet
9. Roundtable / Review Action Items / Next Meeting
- a. Allen – I'll work with Steve to resubmit the spec to FHWA. Steve will be acting next week, assuming there isn't an actor in place yet.
10. Feedback
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Action Items from TG 3+4 on 12/01/21:

- 1. Work with Steve to resubmit the Section 37 spec to FHWA for concurrence – Allen

Action Items from TG 3+4 on 10/05/21:

1. Remove bin lists from TG 3+4 agendas and keep for TG+STG meetings – Kelly – **Complete**

Action Items from TG 3+4 on 09/01/21:

1. Schedule meeting for CTG & ATG in December for SOP update (5 hours) – Kelly - **Complete**
 - Decision Document Guidance
 - Conflict Escalation Process
 - Pilot Project Tracker
 - Add Final Report milestone for Scoping Documents
 - Short Scoping Documents
 - Milestone Extensions (justifications for dates; why the new date will be successful)
2. Send CT 306 recommendations feedback to the adhoc WG and revise the recommendation – Jackie – **Complete**
3. Discuss with industry whether lab rejections are common and if they're not, then we move forward as normal – Pat/Phil – **Complete**
 - a. No further issues have been identified.
4. Send the 3" box size issue back down to the adhoc CT 306 group – Jackie – **Complete**
5. Find industry members for Fog Seals scoping document – Scott – **Complete**
6. Get list of potential PMPC participants from industry to Doug for the PMPC presentation in fall – Pat/Phil – **Complete**
7. Caltrans to make a decision on whether a decision document is feasible for Pay Equations for Binder Content – Section 39 Quality Characteristics – Jackie/Tom/Ken
 - a. Phil will follow up with Tom on Pay Equation Mock-up
8. Add action item handling to the next meeting agenda – Kelly – **Complete**

Action Items from TG 3+4 on 04/07/21:

1. ~~Recover~~ conflict escalation request form from ~~Cortney~~ and have industry review and submit for approval – Phil/Scott/Dennis/Pat/Kelly – 07/06/21
 - 12/01/21: To be discussed at SOP meeting on 12/07
 - 09/01/21: Conflict resolution form is okay; option 1 & 2 need to be clarified. Proposal to be proposed and routed for comments
 - 07/06/21: Industry still looking at this. Will be pushed to next meeting. Send out the conflict resolution form to all ATG – Kelly – 07/09/21

- 06/02/21: More review from industry needed; Postponed to adhoc meeting with decision document vs scoping document guidance
2. Internally evaluate the impacts of pulling the IC nSSP and report the findings to the ATG; also pull a report of data from the IC database to give to industry; Information to be routed through Kelly – Ken – **In progress**
- 12/01/21: Adhoc group meeting set up to finalize the decision.
 - 09/01/21: We're continuing to gather data.
 - 2a. Ken to discuss with Ragu on what jobs to collect data on – Ken
 - 07/29/21: IC data is report only and continuing to collect the data will provide valuable information regarding future evaluation of the IC spec.
 - The data files are too large to email, but the following fields are being collected:
 - Pass count
 - Temperature
 - ICMV – an indicator of the stiffness of the pavement
 - 07/06/21: Ken will provide the summary of why Caltrans wants to keep the nSSP and provide data from the IC database.
 - 06/02/21: More information needed from Ragu