

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

Date: July 6, 2021

Time: 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: Webex

Facilitator: Tom Pyle

Attendees: Scott Dmytrow, Pat Imhoff, Douglas Mason, Jeremy Peterson-Self, Tom Pyle, Tony Limas (for Phil Reader), Ken Solak, Chu Wei, Jacquelyn Wong, 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 Issues
 - Asphalt Rubber Blending MPQP (prior meeting agenda addition)
 - a. Ken – It could be related to the 1-hopper, 2-hopper issue. We haven't done anything to change the MQPQ or the specifications.
 - Industry Comments on CT 125/306 (Phil / Jeremy)
 - a. Jeremy – There are a lot of comments coming in. I want to propose bringing a WG back together to go through the comments.
 - b. Tony – There were comments about the temperature, blade height, blade stiffener, cutting the box appropriately, etc. that were addressed by the revision. The current concern is how 125 interacts with 306.
 - Pilot Project Tracker Sheet (Jeremy) – Edits were made directly on sheet
 - Binder Content Pay Equation: Developing a Scoping Document (Tom) & Discussion of Resources from METS and Construction (Tom)
 - a. Tom – These are related to the discussions we had regarding the SD vs DD.
4. Section 39 High RAP
 - a. Tony – There are no high RAP projects at the moment to my knowledge.
 - b. Jeremy – The update is that there is no update. They're still waiting on pilot projects.
 - c. Tony – Parwaz is still looking for High RAP by CCO.
 - d. Jeremy – The pilot project tracker should help with this. Do you think we have suppliers that are willing to try this or are the changes too radical?
 - e. Tony – We attempted one by CCO, but the RE said no.
 - f. Jeremy – So this needs to get into an actual project?
 - g. Tony – Yes. They aren't CCO friendly.

- h. Jeremy – Any suggestions?
 - i. Tony – If they're put out to bid, they will be bid on.
5. Evaluate new HMA Pavement Smoothness
- a. Ken – I recommend we remove this item. The final report has been published and sent out.
Congratulations team on the completion of this item!
 - b. Doug – The report needs to be sent to the EC.
 - c. Jeremy – Should we be reading the report and sending feedback?
 - d. Ken – The final report email sent by Allen seems to not need feedback.
6. RAS up to 3%
- a. Tony – One project is out for bid.
 - b. Tom – The project is in construction.
7. Section 37 Update
- a. Scott – There were changes made by the OE and they're working on implementing the changes.
8. Post Plant Gradation
- a. Jeremy – There was a discrepancy on expectations on the pilot projects and their outcomes.
 - b. Tony – One project probably went out.
 - c. Jeremy – We need to define what the final product should look like.
9. CCPR Update
- a. Jeremy – Kick off occurred with an extension.
 - b. Ken – They have a meeting coming up tomorrow. There may be 8 members on the team. Does anyone have issue with the MPQP coordinator joining the meetings?
 - c. Doug – No. SMEs are always welcome to join groups as guests.
10. RAP in RHMA-G
- a. Jeremy – We're still working through initial mixes. We're working in parallel with developing the nSSP and doing the mix design testing. We need to account for the data developed from the testing.
 - b. Tony – We can have the data separated out between the lab testing and the pilot project.
11. EC Updates for ATG
- a. Doug – We had some scoping documents from the CTG side that didn't have a final report milestone. We may have a change in the SOP to include a final report in the scoping document.
 - b. Doug – Sponsor and Steering Committee meeting is next week. We may need a refresher course on the SOP and communication. This has been evolved into a two-day event.
12. Review bin lists

13.Roundtable / Review Action Items / Next Meeting
14.Feedback

Action Items from 07/06/21:

1. Assemble a group to go over the comments regarding CT 125 & 306; CT to propose 3-4 members, industry to propose 3-4 members – Pat/Jeremy – 08/04/21
2. Send the draft pilot project tracker sheet to ATG and CTG – Kelly – 07/09/21
3. STGs are to comment and populate the pilot project tracker draft – STG Chairs
4. Confirm that the Pavement Smoothness Final Report includes industry perspective – Pat/Allen
5. Have the EC decide whether their scope is to approve or acknowledge documents – Doug
6. Add sub-bullet to EC Updates for ATG on next agenda to confirm the decision met by EC regarding approval vs acknowledgement of documents – Kelly – 07/21/21
7. Follow up what “completion” of a work product means to the EC – Jeremy/Doug

Action Items from 06/02/21:

1. Create an adhoc meeting to create the decision document vs scoping document guidance in the SOP; also include Conflict Resolution form (9am-2pm; 07/01; 3+4 members + EC industry members; Translab Auditorium, if possible) – **Complete**
2. Kee and Tony are to discuss what Section 39's work entails and the objective of the group and report back to Tom and Phil, respectively – Kee/Tony – Industry suggestion submitted; pending a meeting to discuss SD vs DD decision – **Complete**
3. Tom and Phil to discuss and come to a consensus on Section 39's work scope and adjust the bin list accordingly – Tom/Phil – **Complete**
4. Kelly, Jeremy, Jackie, and Keith to update/modify the Pilot Project Tracking Sheet (pilot projects expected; pilot project numbers) (Kelly to set meeting 1hr) – Kelly/Jeremy/Jackie/Keith – **Complete**

Action Items from 05/05/21:

1. Discuss a memo to go out for the CPD on 2-Year JMF – Tom/Kee – **In progress**
 - 07/06/21: Should be signed this week; awaiting signature

- 06/02/21: Instructions instead of memo to be sent to District/HQ OEs for projects
2. Add Asphalt Rubber Blending MPQP Discussion to next agenda – Kelly – 07/06/21 – Postponed to 07/06 3+4 meeting – **Complete**

Action Items from 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
 - 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**
 - 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

Action Items from 02/03/21:

1. Clarify/evaluate Section 39 and create short scoping documents for Section 39 Quality Characteristics and UCPRC Report on OGFC Mix Design – Kee/Tony – **Closed / Duplicated Effort**
 - 06/02/21: Will be discussed during the DD vs SD guidance adhoc meeting

Action Items from 10/02/19:

1. Review and provide feedback on conflict escalation form – All ATG – **Closed / Duplicated Effort**