

# PMPC Executive Committee (EC) Meeting Minutes

**Date: October 20, 2022**  
**Time: 10:00 am-12:00 pm**  
**Location: Webex Meeting**

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**Facilitator:** Tom Pyle

**Attendees:** Tom Pyle, Gudmund Setberg, Tim Greutert, Raymond Tritt, ~~Brandon Milar~~, Charley Rea, Ian Sun Chee Fore,

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1. Call to Order
2. Sponsor Meeting Recap
  - a. Tim – mentorship – important dynamic
    - i. It was great that Bob was there with a different perspective
    - ii. Important with the open discussion and spending time on sustainability – concrete specs, and Balance Mix Design
    - iii. Steering/sponsor members involvement
      1. Would like to see Cory and Donna – missing out on their perspective
        - a. Sponsor – once a year (in January)
        - b. Steering – quarterly
      2. Ray – get their input
  - b. Gudmund – no comments on the Sponsor Steering Meeting
    - i. Question about the strength-based document – Tim had comments
  - c. Ray – good meeting, brief overview – minimize EC level discussions – great to hear that Tom O looked at the meeting minutes on the website and his interest to attend an asphalt plant – highly recommended by the EC.
    - i. Not reiterate what we said in previous quarter – highlights of new info were helpful – use their time wisely and not be repetitive
  - d. Charley – went well, it was great to have questions from the Sponsor/Steering members.
  - e. Tom – went well, Action Item - update on the completion on the post plant gradation; scoping document – pre-meeting to go over them – review the scoping document
    - i. Sponsor members – what their goals and interests are, aware of any trends they are seeing that the EC aren't seeing. - Today's meeting - Sergio and Cory are in District 1.
    - ii. Note: will be backfilling Doug Mason's position and
    - iii. Kuo-Wei will be retiring mid-January - Will be advertising a temp position
3. Action items
  - a. Most have been completed – mentorship development - will discuss in the 1-hour EC meeting.
4. Urgent Issues
  - a. Scoping documents review - Will discuss in the 1-hour EC meeting.
5. Open Discussion
  - a. Charley - the asphalt industry, they met, and they asked Brandon and Charley to just remind everyone that how difficult has been in District 5 to deal with the single test policy – tear up roads because something fails based on the single test. There's going to be an October 31st meeting – Phil Reader is setting up.

## 6. Next meeting topics to focus on

- a. Tom – hope that Cory will be there – sustainability is his main interest – main focus on with the focus on PMPC across materials and pavement, and the work that's being done and efforts.
  - i. EPD should also be addressed
    1. Gudmund – also agree that these are important; attended a PCI meeting – this was a topic that was discussed as well. ASCE – American Society of Civil Engineers are meeting next week, working on sustainability standard.
    2. Tom - The Climate Challenge initiative by FH WA was originally put out to support EPD's. FHWA thought they would get participation from perhaps about 1/2 a dozen states that they were entirely unprepared. 27 States and they expected 6. They were happily blown away by the interests of EPD's national. – 3 grants received
    3. Tim – important - EPD's are here and now there's national legislation that's coming down the pipe that's going to compel even more steel plants to evaluate what an EPD is; in conjunction with DGS – evoke EPD
      - a. Suggestion engagement – Gudmund – get a copy of the draft standard – Tim has a 1 pager – was sent to the EC.
      - b. Need industry input
        - i. Get an economist to discuss – Charley – Charley mentioned the California Nevada Cement Association had an economic forecast presentation last week. He suggest contacting Tom Tietzs for the presentation from last week because it goes into both both the national economic forecast and how the cement/concrete sector will be impacted.
  - ii. Do we need to have a separate planning EC meeting?
    1. We should have it in our next meeting – research? Conference people are attending.
      - a. Time to prepare for it before the next Sponsor/Steering committee meeting (Jan 2023)
- b. Sustainability Meeting - Would like to explain better what the PMPC is doing in regard to sustainability– we want the ATG and CTG to more clearly state the sustainability priorities.
  - i. Charley – we are doing a lot already, such as RAP and RAS, but there may be more that can be done or do a better job of explaining how current projects address sustainability.
  - ii. Gudmund – what's the target/boundary? – Focus on that California is clean, or the Earth is clean and sustainable? EPD helps to cover.
  - iii. Tim – focus on sustainability. What are your teams seeing as research? What some of the legislation that's been done, what are best practices that you've seen and then we could bring our teams in and have a sustainability conversation and maybe economics is in there. Propose that maybe we put some principles together along the lines of sustainability. The principles that we came up with four or five years ago of this street ready. Overarching principles that we want to share with our teams. Related to sustainability.
  - iv. Tom – alignment - there's two sides to sustainability. One this tail pipe and the other is just the embodied energy, which is aligned with the material. The Pavement Program, we've been having conversations about how we can create a specification to provide an incentive for using a material - Let's give it to the contractors to use

their creativity and you know their connections to say, use warm next or use fibers. Goal to stay away from Pilot Projects.

1. Sustainability Day – maybe bring in economist and Tony Dang
- v. Charley – Cement has both ARB regulation and legislation (AB 596) forcing them to net zero emissions. May want to have CNCA come in and tell what they're doing. Get someone from the Asphalt and Concrete side, too.
  1. Outcome - the top three or the top five things that could be done to achieve
  2. Tom - Outcome – aware and action to move the PMPC. Potentially to create a whole new task group – sustainability task group. Could lead us to making decisions about the next year or future years work within the PMPC
- vi. Tim - Education component – creates visibility and an executive level and brings in industry – road map.
  1. Specific actions to move the PMPC towards
    - a. New task group?
- vii. Schedule - Early December to meet prior to Sponsor/Steering committee meeting
  1. Presentation – 4 Caltrans Divisions - 30 minutes – 10 slides -renewed focus for the upcoming year
    - a. Then as we go through the coming year, we are reporting on the progress of these efforts.
    - b. EC lead the focus to the ATG and CTG.
    - c. More alignment from industry in terms of our focus. A look ahead with legislation.
    - d. Whole day at Translab
      - i. Discuss more in the next EC meeting

## 7. Action Items

- a. Tim - Jim O'Day – Bob mention contacting him – regard to legislation on carbon credits – may be different options that would apply
- b. Tim - Have Tom Tietz – presentation that came from the joint seminar they put on with their National Association; impact with PMPC items – potential to have Tom give EC a presentation
- c. Tom - update on the completion date on the post plantation
- d. Tom – update the pilot project tracker list
- e. Tom – discuss agenda for the Sustainability day in next meeting
- f. Ian – schedule a planning meeting (early December) for the EC on upcoming Sponsor Meeting in January.

**Next 1-hour EC meeting: November 3, 2022, 9:00am – 10:00 am**

**EC+ATG Quarterly Meeting: November 17, 2022, 8:30 am – 10:00 am**

**Next EC Meeting (Post EC+ATG Meeting): November 17, 2022, 10:00 am – NOON**