# **PMPC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

# Date: November 19, 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. Sergio welcomed everyone back after a 10-minute break.

# 2. Action Items from 10/15/2020 EC meeting (All) Attachment 1:

Action Items

- I. Provide a status update on scoping document for Concrete Naming through DIME at next meeting. (Tim) Ongoing
- II. Send out certificate for review with signature blocks and plan for EC to sign certificate. (Doug) Ongoing, Send email and place in Tim's inbox
- III. Send out the organization charts to EC and TG for updating. (Doug) Completed and update is ongoing.

#### Action Items to be aware of from 10/15/2020 Sponsor/Steering Committee + EC meeting:

- I. Present SB 1 new working group's bin list to PMPC executives at next January meeting. (Ray) Ongoing part of agenda
- II. At January's Sponsor/Steering Committee meeting, highlight and recognize working groups for their efforts in sustainability and statistical pay factor. (All) Ongoing part of agenda
- III. Set aside time to work on January's agenda and topics for our next meetings in November and December. (Doug) Ongoing part of agenda

#### Action Items from 9/17/2020 EC meeting:

I. Create agenda item for a research summary for January's meeting by DRSI. (Doug) Ongoing - part of agenda

#### Action Items from 8/20/2020 EC meeting:

I. Set up meeting with Brandon M., Chu Wei, and training consultants to discuss the need for on-line instruction. (Doug M.) Ongoing, take off for now.

## 3. Urgent Issues

- I. Tim: If industry knows or sees any good conferences on-line, please share with us as we navigate the COVID restrictions and maintaining operations.
- II. No other urgent issues.
- 4. Work Products and Bin List Attachments 2 & 3:
  - I. Evaluate the Revised Concrete Pavement Smoothness Specifications
    - a. EC approved a time extension and a removal of interim milestones on this work product.
    - b. Group is gathering data for analysis.
  - II. Recycled Crushed Concrete Aggregate
    - a. Working Group sent final report to CTG for comment and review on 10/29/20.
    - b. Charley: This work product also recommended pilot projects.
    - c. Tim: Do we anticipate a cost increase or decrease when using the two-lift strategy.
  - i. Unknown, industry doesn't do a two-lift system currently. Expecting a cost increase at first. III. Concrete Pavement Acceptance Based on Compressive Strength
    - a. Working Group is still in the process of evaluating specs from other State DOTs. On-track.
  - IV. Evaluating Maturity to Estimate Open to Traffic Strength of Concrete Pavement
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- V. Impact of Portland Limestone Cement (PLC) on Concrete Performance
  - a. WG on track to submit next deliverable by end of November.
  - b. Tim: Everything we are getting out of the OSU on the work product is positive. Preliminary test results show better performance for PLC for certain characteristics than traditional ordinary Portland Cement.
- VI. Closed/tracking list:
  - a. Precast: Make a note in the archive file about Phase III including milestones 3 and 5.
- VII. Bin list for Cast In-Place Sub Task Group.
  - a. EC comment on Item 3 was it should include developing the RCA two-lift system in it for pilot.
- VIII. Bin list for M&QA Sub Task Group.
  - a. Sergio: Charley can you provide an update on the fly ash shortage?
  - b. Charley: This will be an issue through at least till the end of calendar year.
  - c. Tim: Southern CA Producers are bringing in fly ash from China and India, which has increased shipping costs driving up the cost of fly ash close to cement and we need to have a further discussion on this since fly ash was inexpensive and a filler to use less cement.
- 5. Certificate of Appreciation:
  - I. Talked about this in the action items.
  - II. Action Item: Doug will print out certificate, place in Tim's email box for signature and send an email out to EC to say the certificate is available to sign.
- 6. DIME Update (Tim):
  - a. Brett Soldano has left our office almost two months ago. Currently have Seree (Mack) Yenjai acting on temporary assignment. Mack is working on getting the DIME user interface improved.
  - b. Working with DPAC to get contract in December. No promises on meeting delivery for December.
  - c. Brandon: How is D5 implementation going and future expansion of implementation?
    - i. We are working with D5 to resolve some user interface issues.
    - ii. Getting positive comment and taken the feedback for improvements to DIME.
- 7. Sponsor/Steering Committee Agenda:
  - I. EC worked on the various topics that have been asked to be included in the meeting. A rough draft of the agenda was developed and will be sent out to the EC for review.
  - II. Action Item: Doug send draft agenda to EC for review and comment.
  - III. Action Item: Send email to DRSI asking for a research summary of pavement research that is tied to the PMPC and Pavement Program and talk with Nick and Dara regarding our expectations on the presentation.
- 8. Open Discussion:
  - Tim: We are having internal discussions on equity in Caltrans, does Charley or Brandon have any comments on this topic? Caltrans is being asked on how to incorporate equity in our operations, so we are looking for ideas to see if we are moving the needle on equity with any of the PMPC work products.
    a. No comments.
  - II. Brandon: When do you think we will have the final SOP completed? a. End of the month hopefully.
- III. Any plans to recognize Rachel Falsetti for her service? Not much time before she retires, end of the month in two weeks with Thanksgiving thrown in there too. She prefers more in-person recognition than certificates.
- IV. Charley: Is Caltrans going to a permanent paperless ticket system? It is in Ray's business plan to be completed by the end of 2021.
- V. Sergio: To keep on our radar, put the Pilot Project Process on the agenda for next month.
- VI. Ray: Mike Keever is taking the issue to PDAC for help with the district directors. It will be a two-prong effort, Mike and our staff trying to find the right fit.
- VII. Tim: Would like to thank Doug for engaging the EC members with their action items and keeping the meeting running.
- 9. Decisions made/Approvals given by EC:

I. Place Pilot Project Process on the agenda for next month's EC meeting.

## 10. Action Items

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