

NEBPP Conference Call

January 7, 2020 Meeting Minutes

1. Roll Call:

- Ben Foster, Jen Hawkins, Chris Keegan, Raj Ailaney, Lorella Angelini, Darlene Lane, Ed Welch, John Hooks, Jason Arndt, Rod Thornton, Pat Martens, Richard Van Allen, Maurice Agostino, Dick Dunne, Eric Belanger, Ed Liberati, Bob Paveia

2. Approval of Previous Teleconference Minutes:

- Approved & will be posted

3. Next Regional Meeting Development:

- Hotel/facility secured for October 5-7, 2020 at Hilton Harrisburg. Contract has been signed. Starting to work on meeting and breakout room arrangements.
- Considering tour of High Steel Structures for the technical tour.
- A save the date flyer to be sent out in next month or so.
- John is reviewing and synthesizing results of the survey on potential presentation topics. John will narrow down and group the topics and request presentations on these topics.

4. Topic of the Month:

- Ben Foster reported out on the Steel Preservation Breakout Session from Burlington. Experiences and practices were shared at this well attended breakout session (30+ people representing both states and industry). Topics covered included how the individual states handle beam end repairs (design, construction, coatings), use of weathering steel over traffic, using federal aid for painting contracts, metalizing, and coating systems for weathering steel. There was further discussion on use of weathering steel and concerns with salt spray.

5. Working Group Report Outs:

- **Bridge Management Systems** -8 responses have been received to date for a very comprehensive survey sent to state asset management offices.
- **Preservation Construction Quality**-42 survey responses were received.
- **Deck**-Continuing to work on matrix to populate database for patching materials. Ed indicated group is open to ideas for the future direction of the working group.

6. Research:

- FHWA Bridge Preservation Task Group has prioritized a list research projects competing for available research funding.
- Jeff Milton-SEBP working on a list of completed research projects. He hopes to have complete by TRB.

7. Training:

- Need to promote training opportunities for local agencies at annual meetings. Need to get local agencies to attend annual meetings.

8. Treasury:

- Partnership has sufficient funds to attend other regional partnership meetings, MaC, etc.

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9. Volunteer Contributions (Last months):

- No update from last meeting, still showing 6 states have paid as of 10/28/19.

10. TSP2 Website Development:

- No updates

11. Local Agency Involvement:

- Ed suggested having the partnership local government director work to involve more local agencies in the partnership.

12. MaC Report & Upcoming Related Meetings:

- Next meeting will be Denver, Colorado.

13. Other Business & List of Action items:

- TRB Annual Meeting to be held January 12-16th, 2020 in Washington, DC.

Schedule Next Meeting & Adjourn:

- Next agenda meeting is scheduled for **February 3, 2020 at 2PM**
- Next monthly conference meeting scheduled on **February 4, 2020 at 10AM**