

NEBPP Conference Call Agenda

April 7, 2020

1. Roll Call

Darlene Lane, Rod Thornton, Jason Arndt, Ben Foster, Ed Welch, John Hooks, Karim Naji, Maurice Agostino, Scott Snyder, Tom Pechillo, Tim Boodey, Rich Van Allen, Muhammad Akhtar (NJDOT) Jeremy Salvatori, Asim Zaman (NJDOT), Lorella Angelina

2. Motion to Approve Previous Teleconference Minutes

Previous Meeting minutes approved and will be posted on the website.

3. Quick Update on October 2020 Regional Meeting:

- Harrisburg Hilton October 5-7, 2020
- A “save the date” flyer has been sent out.
- Two hospitality nights instead of Technical Tour.
- John Hooks’ update on survey for possible presentation topics. Will be selecting topics over next few weeks.

4. Topic of the Month

Ben Foster – Maine DOT Scour Monitoring Methods

Overview of Maine DOT scour monitoring program including how staff is trained, protocols for extreme weather events, and scour inspection techniques. Presentation will be posted on website.

5. Next Month’s Presentation:

- Paul Schwartz, NYC DOT, and Gerald Oliveto, NJ DOT-Use of Space Under Bridge Spans. Presentation will likely move to June.
- May’s meeting topic will be a General Discussion on COVID-19 Response. Rod Thornton will prepare list of items for discussion. Lorella is interested on writing blog on the discussion

6. Future General Discussion Topics / Presentations:

- Comments/discussion regarding FHWA’s proposed NBIS revisions.
- Issues with gaining access to perform inspections over Amtrak.
- How do States select decks for replacement?
- Policies and procedures for repairing impact damage to bridges.
- Share experiences with the use of Unmanned Aircraft Systems for inspections.
- Requirements and issues with shear keys in concrete planks.
- Office policies toward addressing steel fatigue cracks and mill lap defects.

7. Treasury:

- Current treasury balance **(\$75,819.09)**. Still some outstanding payments due. ***Ed will send out reminders to State that have not made their contribution.***

8. Volunteer Contributions:

- See Treasury Update

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9. TSP2 Website Development:

- Chloride Testing Guide to be posted shortly.

10. Local Agency Involvement: Discussion Items

- Scott Snyder to report on effort to get Bridge Engineers from each PA District attend. ***No update.***

11. Attendance of the MaC & the Other Partnerships:

- Scott Snyder, Ben Foster, and Eric Belanger have volunteered to attend the next MaC meeting in Denver, Colorado in July 17-22. ***Still scheduled to be held.***
- Partnership to decide how many to send to the other Partnership meetings.
 - WBPP Phoenix, Arizona May 12-14 (Status of conference?) ***Postponed to 1st week in November.***
 - MWBPP Lexington, Kentucky September 9-11 ***No NEBPP member currently attending.***

12. Working Group Report Outs:

- Bridge Management Systems. ***Summarizing survey results. Potential presentation at regional meetings or national webinar.***

13. Research:

- Tripp to update on possible research projects in conjunction with all four partnerships. ***Tripp will reach out to group and make recommendations on best mechanisms to move topics forward. Would like to present at MAC and get additional feedback.***

14. Training:

- Update on Local Agencies training. ***Ed reported that Pete W. available to give training.***

15. Other Business & List of Action Items:

- Group discussion on using Wabocrete headers with asphaltic plug joints.

Schedule Next Meeting & Adjourn:

- Next Planning Meeting conference call is scheduled for **May 4, 2020 at 2PM.**
- Next monthly conference call meeting scheduled on **May 5, 2020 at 10AM.**