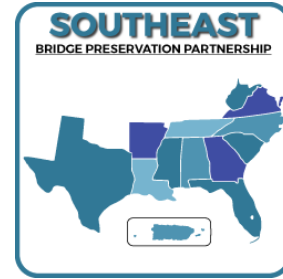


Southeast Bridge Preservation Partnership



April 1, 2020, Teleconference (One Hour)

1. Roll Call

Raj Ailaney	FHWA
Steven Austin	Texas DOT
Clayton Bennett	Georgia DOT
Richard Dunne	GPI
Mike Hill	Arkansas DOT
John Hooks	NCPP
Aaron Immel	Volkert
Chris Keegan	Washington DOT
Darlene Lane	NCPP
David Miller	Louisiana DOT
Jeff Milton	Virginia DOT
Brian Mintz	Phoscrete Concretes
Dan Muller	FHWA
Nick Pierce	North Carolina
Bill Oliva	Wisconsin DOT
Jeff Pouliotte	Florida DOT
Tom Quinn	Tennessee DOT
Chad Robinson	West Virginia DOT
Tim Sherrill	North Carolina DOT
Ed Welch	NCPP

2. Annual Meeting – Hot Springs, AR

March 23 – 26 meeting postponed until August 24 - 26. MSU needs to sign contract with hotel, convention center due to change in date.

Darlene will confirm that there is no penalty from the technical dinner venue for the postponement. Anticipate that we will want to have another planning call or two prior to the meeting to be sure all things are set for August. Next call for April 15. Or wait until May?

WBPP annual meeting has been moved to November.

Currently, annual meeting for NEBPP is still in schedule for October 5 – 7 and MWBPP is still on schedule for September 9 – 11.

Some uncertainty of MaC will go off in July.

Ed hopes to be in Hot Springs in August.

Ed and Chris are working together in their transition. Ed continuing in some ways in a limited role.

3. Election of new officers

- David had sent an e-mail before the meeting to indicate the typical progression of Vice Chair and Secretary to be nominated as Chair and Vice Chair, respectively. In addition, David's e-mail indicated Steven Austin had been nominated for Secretary.
- David opened the floor for additional nominations. None were offered.
- Mike Hill was nominated for Chair; Graham seconded the nomination. Mike was unanimously elected as Chair.
- Tim Sherrill was nominated for Vice Chair. Aaron seconded the nomination. Tim was unanimously elected as Vice Chair.
- Steven Austin was nominated for Secretary. Tim seconded the nomination. Steven was unanimously elected as Secretary.
- Brian Mintz and Aaron Immel were nominated to continue as Co Vice Chairs for Industry. Dick seconded the nominations. Brian and Aaron were unanimously elected as Co Vice Chairs for Industry.

4. General discussion concerning COVID-19

- LaDOT worker in NOLA has died of COVID-19 complications.

- TxDOT had initially elected to suspend inspections but reconsidered and determined that inspections are essential. Working out ways for folks to work safely.
- Many folks working from home; but some folks must be at the office, considered essential.
- David mentioned spending considerable funds buying hand sanitizer for his folks that must report to work.
- Challenges with coordinating work and inspections. Mike mentioned having inspectors drive separate vehicles and meeting at the bridge sites. Coordinating work and discussions beforehand, remotely. David mentioned having some issues with lodging in a few cases.
- Some concerns about FHWA stance on inspections. Dan commented that states can interpret, as necessary, and should have a back-up plan, if full inspections cannot be performed. A risk-based approach is a likely preferable approach to selecting bridges that will be or will not be inspected. Several states said they have done this as a back-up, but so far, things are still getting done without a reduction.
- Ed asked how local agencies are handling the inspections. States indicated that the states are taking of the local inspections, anyway.
- Many states using consultants for inspections, and so far, there have been no issues with the consultant folks continuing with inspections. Mike indicated Arkansas does all self-inspections, so no issues with consultants.
- Make has had some issues with doing larger bridges and close proximity of workers in snoopers, etc., so those larger bridges have been delayed.
- States mentioned that none of their construction projects have shut down, yet. It was mentioned that Washington and Pennsylvania have temporarily halted construction work.

5. Discussion future agenda items

David noted that we had planned on having the annual meeting, and no agenda items have been established for monthly call.

Discussion turned to possibility of having a time for inspections and ratings. Remainder of the call centered around this topic.

Inspections/ Ratings

- David mentioned biennial conference for inspection held in Portland, OR. Next should be in Spring 2021. Really good conference.
- Thoughts were that an initial presentation might be good, but the subject is a much larger topic. Should we have a working group for inspections and ratings?
- Many folks mentioned how peer exchanges are extremely useful. It would be good to have some method for exchanges between inspection/ rating folks.
- Ed asked if there should be a national working group? He mentioned the BMS WG as a model.
- Dan felt it might be good to start as a regional group, then progress to a national WG, as necessary.
- Dan has concern with getting the state Program Managers (PMs) involved with SEBPP. While some of the SEBPP folks might be involved as or with their state's PM, many are not. How do we get them associated with SEBPP?
- John mentioned that this is our group; if we want to have PMs included as part of a WG or some other peer exchange, we can do that.
- Aaron asked about having industry involved. Discussion was that it seems like initial thought is exchange might be more relevant to state PMs. We could evaluate as this is developed, and we can get industry involved, as appropriate.
- Dan will look into list of PMs for the SEBPP states.
- Discussion was that we will work forward with establishing at least a meeting presentation that could be developed into a WG.

6. Future Meetings:

- a. 2020: Hot Springs, Arkansas

August 24 – 26. As we progress closer to the meeting time, John will review the agenda and address issues if presenters/ other pertinent folks cannot attend, due to the schedule change.

- b. 2021: North Carolina, maybe in Raleigh.

No discussion during this call.

7. Monthly SEBPP Presentations

- a. May – Inspections/ Ratings and establishing working group?

8. Working Groups

- a. National Deck.

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

4th Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. (Central)

Contact:

Steven Austin, Steven.Austin@txdot.gov, 512-416-2265

- b. National BMS.

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

3rd Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern)

Contact:

Dave Juntunen, djuntunen@kerchergroup.com, 517-512-3120

- c. National Coatings

No discussion during this call.

Contact:

Jeff Pouliotte, Jeffrey.Pouliotte@dot.state.fl.us, (850) 410-5691

- d. National Working Group for Preservation Construction Quality.

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

4th Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern)

Contact:

Fouad Jaber, Fouad.Jaber@nebraska.gov, (402) 479-3967

- e. Deck Chloride Levels

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

2nd Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. (Eastern)

Contact:

Travis Kinney, Travis.J.Kinney@odot.state.or.us, 503-986-4010

f. Outreach to Local Agencies

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

2nd Wednesday of each month at 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (Eastern)

Contact:

Gregg Freeman, gregg@kwikbondpolymers.com, 720-626-6643

g. Outreach and Communication

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

2nd Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. (Central)

Contact:

David Miller, David.Miller@la.gov, 225-379-1552

h. Industry Technology Demonstration Program (ITD).

No discussion during this call.

Regular Meeting/ Call:

1st Friday of each month at 10:30 a.m. (Eastern)

Contact:

Brian Mintz, brian.mintz@phoscrete.com, 727-944-4368

9. Next Monthly Meetings

a. Agenda Planning for Hot Springs: ?? April 15, 2020, 10:00 a.m. EST

b. Monthly Meeting: May 6, 2020, 10:00 a.m. EST

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m. EST

Research (Listing only active projects)

- **NCHRP 10-97 - “Detection and Remediation of Soluble Salt Contamination Prior to Coating Steel Highway Structures”** – Research Agency: Elzly Technology Corporation – Research in progress

- The final report will be published in the NCHRP report series in Spring 2019.

- **NCHRP 12-104 – “Guidelines to Improve the Quality of Element-Level Bridge Inspection Data”** – Research Agency: University of Missouri – Research in progress - Estimated completion date: November 10, 2017.
- **NCHRP 12-108 – “Guide Specification for Service Life Design of Highway Bridges”** - Research Agency: Modjeski & Masters Inc. – Research in progress - Estimated completion date: February 28, 2019.
- **NCHRP 12-110 – “AASHTO Load Rating Provisions for Implements of Husbandry (Farm Equipment)”** – Research Agency: E&T Consultant Engineers – Research in progress – Estimated completion date: October 20, 2019.
- **NCHRP 12-115 – “Guides for Risk Based Inspection and Strength Evaluation of Suspension Bridge Main Cable Systems”** – Research Agency: Modjeski & Masters Inc. – Research in progress – Estimated completion date: April 13, 2021.
- **NCHRP Project 14-36 – “Proposed AASHTO Guide for Bridge Preservation Actions”**. Research Agency: University of Colorado - Boulder – Research in progress - Estimated completion date: April 30, 2019.
- **NCHRP Project 20-05/Topic 49-03 – “Bridge Demolition Practices”** – Research Agency: Collins Engineering – Research in progress – Second panel meeting August 21, 2018.
- **NCHRP Project 20-05/Topic 50-03 – “Use of Weigh-in-Motion Data for Improving Pavement, Bridge, Weight Enforcement and Freight Logistics Practices”** – Research Agency: University of Texas at Austin – Research in progress – Second panel meeting scheduled for June 25, 2019.
- **NCHRP Project 20-05/Topic 50-12 – “Development and Use of As Built Plans by State DOTs”** – Research Agency: University of Kentucky – Research in progress – Second panel meeting scheduled for June 26, 2019.

- **NCHRP Project 20-07/Task 410 – “Load Rating for the Fast Act Emergency Vehicles EV-2 and EV-3”** – Research Agency: HNTB NY – Research in progress – Estimated completion date March 25, 2019.

Training

NCPP Bridge Preservation Training for Local Agencies

Web Based

130106A Bridge Preservation Fundamentals

130106B Establishing a Bridge Preservation Program Based

130106C Communication Strategies for Bridge Preservation

130109A Bridge Management Fundamentals (web-based prerequisite for the four-day instructor-led training course)

130109B Performance Based Management of Bridge Highways

130107A Fundamentals of Bridge Management

Instructor Led

130108 Bridge Maintenance

130106A Introduction to Transportation Asset Management

130106B Developing a Transportation Asset Management Plan

130091B Underwater Bridge repair, Rehabilitation, and Countermeasures