

Meeting Minutes
Flex TOC
Wisconsin Highway Research Program
Wednesday, July 17, 2007
Truax – ASL Room
9:00 – 12:00 pm

Attendees

Len Makowski (WisDOT) (Chair)	Wes Shemwell (FHWA)
Signe Reichelt (Payne and Dolan)	Scot Schwandt (WAPA)
Tom Brokaw (WisDOT)	Judie Ryan (WisDOT)
Irene Battaglia	Hani Titi (UW Milwaukee)
Peg Lafky (WisDOT)	Jim Crovetti (Marquette University)
Andrew Hanz (WHRP)	Nick Hornyak (Marquette University)
Matt Mullins (CTC & Associates)	Rodrigo Delgadillo (UW Madison)

I. Project Final Presentations

- a. 0092-03-13: “Field Validation of Wisconsin Modified Binder Guidelines.” Rodrigo Delgadillo from UW Madison gave the final report presentation. The panel discussed some comments during the presentation and submitted others to Rodrigo at the end of the meeting. A NCTE is needed, the duration of which will be decided pending Erv’s comments.

Action Item: Andrew will contact Erv regarding the comments. Comments will be shared with Rodrigo, Tom, and Len. Based on the amount of comments a NCTE will be processed to close out the final report.

- b. 0092-06-01 (Phase I): “Perpetual Pavement Instrumentation for the Marquette Interchange Project.” Nick Hornyak and Jim Crovetti gave a presentation of the instrumentation report. There were very few comments at the presentation, however the project end date is 9/30, so comments can still be submitted until the end of the month. A presentation of the Phase II work plan as well as the concurrent MRUTC Materials Characterization effort was also given to provide a look at the overall goal of the project.

Action Item: It was decided that the report for Phase I should be printed and distributed similar to any other research report. Any comments should be submitted to Len by 7/31 to give Marquette adequate time to address comments and publish the final report.

II. Final report presentations projects 0092-02-13 (Slippage) and 0092-04-07 (E*)

- a. After review of the draft final report for 02-13 the panel decided to invite the researcher to discuss comments in person rather than submit them electronically. The panel also decided that a final presentation for 04-07 was required before the project could be accepted.

Action Item: Len scheduled a meeting for August 15th at Truax from 9:00 – noon. For the final project presentations, review of past research ideas/research needs survey results, and open discussion. Andrew has already confirmed that both Dr. Williams and Dr. Mehta can attend.

III. FFY 2007 Implementation Update – AASHTO Overlay Design Procedures

- a. Jim Crovetti gave a presentation to update the panel on his progress for his FFY 2007 implementation project and how he plans to move forward. Based on the presentation, the project will focus on providing an easy tool that gives better overlay design guidance for WisDOT pavement designers, then workshops/presentations to make them aware of the tool.

Action Item: Jim will continue to work with Scot and Deb Bischoff to implement the new overlay design procedures.

IV. New Academic Representative from UW Madison

- a. Hussain sent a letter to Len resigning from the Flex TOC and nominating Dr. Haifang Wen to replace him.

Action Item: The committee approved the replacement unanimously. Haifang should be added to all distribution lists and will be expected to attend next meeting.

V. Implementation and Closure Forms Need for Completion

- a. Andrew reminded the TOC of members of their requirements to complete the “Implementation” section of the research implementation and forms. An email was sent out summarizing which forms need completion.

Action Items: Andrew will work with the individual POC’s and the researchers to get outstanding forms completed.

VI. Possible Application FFY 2009 Highways for Life

- a. Judie let the group know that WisDOT plans on applying for funding from Highways for life in FFY 2009 for a project focused on automated QC/QA. She will keep the TOC up to date as things progress.

VII. Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 15 9:00 – 12:00 WAPA (Basement Conf. Room)

Potential Agenda Items: 02-13 Final Presentation and Discussion

04-07 Final Presentation and Discussion

Review of Past Research Ideas/Needs Survey Results

Steering Committee Update

Open Discussion