

## Wisconsin Department of Transportation

**Date:** February 18, 2026

**Subject:** Meeting Minutes for Aggregate Technical Committee Meeting

**Location:** MS Teams and Red Granite Conference Room, Truax

**Time:** 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

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### Attendance

#### Committee Members:

##### ***WisDOT Members –***

##### *Bureau of Technical Services (BTS):*

- Barry Paye – Director
- Erik Lyngdal – Chief Materials and Pavements Engineer
- Tirupan Mandal – Concrete Materials Unit Supervisor
- Adam Albers – Materials Lab Engineer
- Jeff Bruesewitz – Geologist
- Josh Seaman – Aggregate Specialist
- Mark Kray – Soils and Aggregate Specialist
- Carson Walch – BTS Lab and Field Specialist
- Aleksandra Graff – Concrete Engineer
- Adam Johnson – Independent Assurance Program Coordinator

##### *Bureau of Project Development (BPD):*

- Wayne Chase – Construction Oversight Engineer

##### *Regional Representatives:*

- Craig Smits – NC Region TSS Chief
- Steven Hunter – NC Region Independent Assurance Specialist
- Garrett Vickman – NE Region TSS Supervisor
- Jaime Cynor – NE Region Concrete & Aggregate IA/QMP Coordinator
- Keena Spencer-Dobson – NW Region Materials Engineer
- Orville King – NW Region Materials Engineer
- Andrew Zimmer – SE Region TSS Supervisor
- Greg Brecka – SW Region PDS Project Manager

##### ***FHWA Members –***

- Michelle Gehrke – Transportation Engineer

##### ***Industry Members –***

- Tod Pauly – Aggrecon Ltd
- Chris Braaten – Cemstone Products Company

- Dan Reid – CORRE Inc
- Erin Longmire – Erin Longmire Consulting, LLC
- Brian Wipf – James Peterson Sons, Inc
- Paul Minneti – Lannon Stone Products
- Travis Kurey – MCC, Inc
- JR Ramthun – Michels Corporation
- Erik Olson – MTE Services, Inc
- Mark Sander – MTE Services, Inc
- Matt Oman – MTE Services, Inc
- Tim Hendrickson – MCC Inc.
- Erik de Lorimier – Rock Road Companies, Inc
- Jon Wixom – Rock Road Companies, Inc
- Troy Klutz – Rock Road Companies, Inc
- Neal Atanasoff – Walbec Group
- Jack Peterson – Walbec Group
- Jeremy Barron – Walbec Group
- Paul Eggen – Westwood
- Deb Schwerman – Wisconsin Asphalt Pavement Association
- Leslie Ashauer – Wisconsin Concrete Pavement Association
- Matt Grove – Wisconsin Transportation Builders Association
- Dustin Tourdot – Yahara Materials
- Kevin Stuart – Yahara Materials

### Agenda Items

1. Welcome – T. Mandal (10 min)
  - Incomings:
    - Garrett Vickman – NE Region TSS Supervisor
    - Carson Walch – BTS Lab and Field Specialist
    - Dan Reid – CORRE Inc
2. MOTP Update – A. Albers (5 min)
  - No updates for aggregate related test procedures currently.
  - Reminder to the committee that the deadline to submit test procedure revisions is **August 1<sup>st</sup>**.
3. Task Force Updates – T. Mandal/ J. Bruesewitz (10 min)
  - ASR Testing
    - Coarse aggregate sources (quarries) have been tested. Scope has now expanded to include pit sources. There are 120+ pits in the 9 targeted counties. Half of the pits have been sampled, and the plan is to complete sampling and testing of the pits by the end of the year.
    - Future updates will be presented once testing is completed.

- MSE Wall Backfill
  - Internal WisDOT meetings are planned to discuss the research findings before bringing recommendations to the committee.
- 4. Spec Re-Org and AWP Update – E. Lyngdal (10 min)
  - Three pilot projects will use the re-organized Standard Specifications (Pilot Specifications) and AASHTOWare Materials (AWP). Two projects were let in November 2025 and one project that was withdrawn from November let was moved to January let (proposal #54).
  - The system is going live in the next couple weeks.
- 5. Subcommittee Priorities – T. Mandal/ A. Albers (10 min)
  - Update/Redefine Material Categories
    - A. Albers explained the concept that will use to address redefining the material categories in standard specs 301.
    - An initial draft is being discussed at the subcommittee level.
  - Recycled Concrete F/T
  - Placing Virgin Aggregate on Top of RAP
  - Backfill Spec Revisions
- 6. Testing of 3-inch base – A. Zimmer (10 min)
  - Past Action Item: BTS will investigate draft spec/CMM language to address this issue with non-base applications and will investigate if this issue should extend to all 3-in base applications.
    - Scope is limited to local program projects and isolated to subgrade improvement. It was decided to address this through the local program guidance instead of spec changes.
  - Past Action Item: BTS will investigate guidance and training for local program project teams through the partnering meeting (BPD) between local programs and WisDOT.
    - BTS will contact Brian Edwards, head of local program projects, to inform him of this situation to prevent this and find a solution.
- 7. Aggregate Round Robin – A. Albers (10 min)
  - Review of the 2026 aggregate quality round robin was presented.
- 8. Discussion of Implementation Plan for ASR Specifications – All (5 min)
  - Past Action Item: BTS will identify the sources planned for use and create a plan for properly documenting their ASR tests.
    - No sources will be affected with the new ASR language in the pilot specs.
- 9. Base Dense Aggregate – JR Ramthun (10 min)
  - <https://wisconsin.gov/rdw/fdm/fd-14-05.pdf>
  - If it is 3" below, run it all the way to the slope. Top 3" of the slope should be ¾" of 1 ¼".

- SS says: “Always use 3/4-inch to match the thickness of the paved shoulder in the unpaved portion of the shoulder and on exposed shoulder foreslopes.” This contradicts with the FDM.
- It was decided to update the FDM figure. This change will likely be incorporated into the 2027 lets. BTS will check with BPD if there is a way to incorporate it sooner.

### Upcoming Meetings

2026	
June 10, 2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm
October 14, 2026	9:00 am to 12:00 pm