

MINUTES

Time: 9:00am – 4:30pm

Location: BTS Truax Lab

Host: Tom Portman

Minutes Keeper:



Agenda Topic: Welcome

Presenter: Adam Johnson / Erik Lyngdal

Discussion: Mellissa asked about having the IA meeting in January.

Erik L, thanks for the hard work and inspire people to keep striving to get the numbers.

Action Items:

Agenda Topic: FHWA Updates 9am-940

Presenter: James Pforr

Discussion: Goal is 100%.

Action Items: 2024 Stewardship and Oversight Agreement

Approve the process of APL and SPVs, Work zone safety.

FHWA processes are in Program operation manual (POM). Approval needs to be done by provide by Benjie Hayke.

Role of FHWA for oversight. Establishment, financial integrity(documentation),

FHWA is prioritizing efforts on big fish first. High lighting best practice and working on working to improve areas that need it. Doing annal PLLA reviews looking at SPV's, WisDOT mix designs, QV/QC's test, eliminate improper payments, NCNP, missed test need to be documented prior to payment.

Document missed QV test. If a test is missed, document the cause and additional testing conducted to justify material quality.

How can we improve these missed tests??? James is willing to make videos to show at yearly construction training for PDS talking about above items.

Agenda Topic: IAP Updates 940-1015

Presenter: Adam Johnson

Discussion: 1933 active testers, evaluated 1594, overall 82%

Action Items: Need to keep working to get 90% or better. Need independent evaluation from the IA. IA Rodeos. Letter in February for spring rodeos, one in fall will be invite only. ACT need to get IA's, HTCP can let ACT testers know who there regional IA person is. Complete all tracking spreadsheet fields. Get paperwork done in a timely manner.

For 2025 Adam is going to start reviewing IA reports.

Agenda Topic: HTCP Updates 1015-1040

Presenter: Jodi Pluemer

Discussion: CC the ACT certified tester with their regional IA.

Action Items: CC the ACT certified tester with their regional IA.

New HTCP portal opened on Nov.13th. Video of how the new portal works can be found at the HTCP website!

New PCC mix design certification will be starting in Jan 2025. Need that came from DOT. This will be a one day class, no prerequisite, 30 seats per class per region.

Wallet cards will be going away for 2025.

Agenda Topic: CO Geotech Updates 1040-1100

Presenter: David Staab

Discussion: QMP Subgrade GLS Task force in 2023 the goal to improve subgrade Updated QMP subgrade SPV starting in 2023. Working with industry, WisDOT, FHWA.

Worked through concerns of contractor. Additional testing cost, have the experience of tester, soil variability, discrepancy of moisture, safety of working in trenches.

Formed task force in 2024 with a goal to "improve QMP subgrade while maintaining intent." Also unifying document, improve designer notes. Reviewed HTCP and who is able to perform testing. Made some adjustments.

Increased the testing frequency Density WTM T310 and proctors. Also upped the QV testing.

Piloted project in NER in 2024, starting to get feedback from contractor.

Agenda Topic: CO Aggregate Unit Updates / MOTP 1110 **Presenter:** Tirupan Mandal / Adam Albers

Discussion: Spec change small quantity for 730. Add directed QC test by the engineer.

Re organize 701 Aggregates, source approval going to APL, adding backfill, recycle concrete 76% is failing. Round robin included recycle concrete. MOTP updates are done 2025. MTOP Notable Agg updated- A-001, A-002, A-003 & S-001.

Aggregate source sample tag is being updated. If you need tags talk to Adam Albers

Action Items: Outside labs Need to participate in aashto psp and round robin

Send out GIS map access again.

Agenda Topic: CO PCC Updates 1130-1145 **Presenter:** Tirupan Mandal / Aleks Graff

Discussion: New PCC MDC class, SAM on pause for field testing still using for mix design, APL updates all concrete products, prequalified is shifting to approved or qualified, APL approval process got streamlined.

Concrete spec changes in 700, 701, 706, Updated SPV template for HPC updated aggregate qualities. Lightweights tested every 10,000 CY. New template for depth checks for sidewalk, New concrete plant checks.

Action Items: Active crushing for sampling for HPC aggregates. Blasting reports

Regional ME review mix design for HPC.

Agenda Topic: CO HMA Updates 1145-1205 **Presenter:** Casey Wierzchowski

Discussion: Reorganization of 703 for asphalt.

DMD still continuing to work on. Sending mix to NCAT for testing and will be testing sample here at BTS. Working on putting some test into region labs.

Core only project, mixture use table must show cores.

Project can have nucs and cores for PWL project. Both must be in mixture use table and must have SVP for both in plans.

Need a minimum of three cores to be able to have cores in PWL project

Agenda Topic: Region IAP Presentations
All region presented and did a great job!

Agenda Topic: Buy America

Presenter: Mike Dickey

Discussion:

Material on project need to fit into one of four buckets.

1. Iron or steel, 2. Construction Materials 3. Manufactured 4. Section 70917 ©
Materials are exempt from BABA

Will the Waiver be tied to a project letting?? FHWA is likely to put a date on it and WisDOT will apply then internally put a date on it.

How will this effect WisDOT polices/standards. Would have to updated tracking tools, revision to CMM 228.5, BABA reference spreadsheet updates, new standardized documentation/certification might be required.

Agenda Topic: IRI Ride 315-330

Presenter: Chris Norton

Discussion: Rodeo in Beaver Dam

2024 left wheel path average 3.06%. Right wheel path 3.32% average for 2024

Action Items: If you're having questions call Chris, he is more than willing to come out to the projects and going through things

Agenda Topic: AWP 330- 410

Presenter: Judy Ryan

Discussion: AWP update on how the material part is coming along. Working through developing and design for 90 AV, test results and document inspection screens. Sample characterization fields (AKA headers). Hoping headers will help clear up some of the sample card info, sample ID, stationing, and test info.

Training WisDOT can be found at AWPKE site or AASHTOWare Project – on WisDOT website

TSS access role are currently being set up

Thank you all for coming!!! Next year's meeting is scheduled for December 10th, 2025.