



Executive Committee Conference Call (8/19/03)

Jim Grove, Center for PCC Pavement Technology

TPF-5(066) Material and Construction Optimization for Prevention of Premature Pavement Distress in PCC Pavements

Purpose of Project: To develop optimal mix design and test methods for monitoring Key performance parameters and conduct demonstration tests in participating states.
<http://www.ctre.iastate.edu/pccpoolfund/>

Present:

Tom Cackler
Dan DeGraaf
Max Grogg
Jim Grove
Sandra Larson
George Woolstrum

Absent:

Jenny Balis
Todd Hanson
Doug Schwartz
Marcia Simon
Jerry Voigt
John Volker

1. **Minutes** from the July 10th meeting were approved.
2. **Status report**

Administrative Procedures Plan

The procedures guide will be sent electronically to the entire TAC. Hard copies will be available at the October MCO TAC meeting.

Survey

Jim Grove reported 8 states have reported on 22 projects, he is continuing the effort to collect more information and has had several states indicate they are in the process of sending the reports. He is waiting for a more complete inventory before scheduling visits.

Suite of tests

Scott Schlorholtz is work on test procedures for spring field demo project. Testing is being done to determine the day to day variation which will establish a standard for testing frequency. Sandra suggested that Scott write a short summary about the tests: preliminary tests being conducted, preliminary outcomes, number of tests, etc. This would not be a comprehensive report, just a short summary to keep the TAC informed.

Field demo

Jim hopes to do a field demo on a Iowa project the first part of September.

Practices Manual

The proposal for the “best practices manual” is part of the PCC Center’s federal appropriation package of 9 proposals, and has been submitted to the FHWA for their review.

Mobile Lab

FHWA has a trailer and tractor available. Jim and Karm Kellog, a retired DOT special investigator, will go to D.C. to evaluate it for use as a mobile lab. If it works, the plan would be to outfit it this winter for use in the spring. Max will advise on paperwork and procedures for the FHWA to “give” (gift, lease,?, etc) the trailer to ISU after Jim’s visit to D.C. Tom mentioned he is looking to use industry money to buy equipment for the trailer.

3. MCO TAC meeting – October 14, 2003

Tom reminded everyone of the upcoming MCO TAC meeting on October 14th in Ames. It will precede the Midwest Concrete Consortium (MC²) meeting on the 15th & 16th. We will have a joint registration form for both meetings. There is project money to pay for one state representative from each state. A draft agenda for the TAC meeting as well as for the MC² meeting will be included. The October quarterly report will be available at the TAC meeting.