



MINUTES
ICI/INDOT SOUTHERN REGION JOINT COOPERATIVE
COMMITTEE MEETING
9:00 A.M. EST, TUESDAY
AUGUST 25, 2020
MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING



ATTENDEES

INDOT – Co-Chair Mark Fligor, Office Engineer (Vincennes), Gary Kreuzjans, District Construction Director (Seymour), Carla Irvin, EEO (Vincennes), Mary Brouillette-Konig, EOD (Central Office), Joe Middler (Seymour), Bart Mueller, District Construction Director (Vincennes), Andrew Pinkstaff, Area Engineer (Vincennes), Clint Scherzer, Area Engineer (Vincennes) and Crystal Weaver (Seymour).

Industry – Co-Chair Kimberly Arndt, P.E. (Lutgring Bros., Inc.), Vice-Chair Garret Gough (E & B Paving, Inc.), Jamie Baehl (American Structurepoint, Inc.), Corey Baugh (Milestone Contractors, L.P.), A.J. Chandler (Milestone Contractors, L.P.), Ryan Cross (American Structurepoint, Inc.), Jon Goldsberry (Mulzer), William Heuring (E & B Paving, Inc.), Austin Hoops (E & B Paving, Inc.), Autumn Lee (Milestone Contractors, L.P.), Justin Martin (Lutgring Bros., Inc.), Andrew Meeks (3M), Keith Mullens II (The Hoosier Company, Inc.), Jon Nolting (Milestone Contractors, L.P.), Justin Patterson (Milestone Contractors, L.P.), and Bobby Steele (E & B Paving, Inc.).

ICI Staff – Lori Lynn, Richard Hedgecock & Dan Osborn.

Guest – John Leckie (ACPA), Eryn Fletcher (FHWA)

Introductions

Mr. Osborn introduced the leadership representatives including newly appointed ICI Vice-Chair Garrett Gough with E & B Paving, Inc.

Joint Cooperative Committee Charter – Committee Structure and Leadership

Ms. Arndt reviewed the committee structure and leadership make up and terms of service language in the current committee charter (*see below*).

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Statewide Joint Cooperative Committee

Region Joint Cooperative Committees

- Southern (Seymour & Vincennes districts)
- Central (Greenfield & Crawfordsville districts)
- Northern (LaPorte & Ft. Wayne districts)

Subcommittees

Task Groups

COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP

Statewide and Region Joint Cooperative Committees

ICI	TERM	INDOT	TERM
Co-Chair	2 years	Co-Chair	Indefinite
Vice-Chair	2 years	Vice-Chair	Indefinite
Board Liaison	ICI Board Designation		
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Region Joint Cooperative Committees

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Co-Chair	2 years	Co-Chair	Indefinite
Vice-Chair	2 years	Vice-Chair	Indefinite

Appointments - Co-Chair and Vice-Chair

- ICI – Committee nominations with selection by the current ICI leadership.
- INDOT – **(need input)**

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS

- Mr. Kreutzjans stated that the charter does not include INDOT leadership terms or selection protocol. He mentioned that several INDOT committee leaders have suggested rotating through the leadership positions. He suggested that at least one member of the INDOT leadership representatives could be a District Construction Director while the other may be a member of the district construction staff other than the director. Mr. Fligor agreed.

Work Zone Safety

Ms. Arndt requested feedback about work zone safety or maintenance of traffic (MOT) success stories or challenges, the use of law enforcement officers (LEOs), and truck mounted attenuators (TMAs).

Mr. Osborn reported that the Indiana State Police have been enforcing the new Hands-Free law by pulling people over but mostly issuing warnings through the month of July.

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

- Mr. Hedgecock reported that industry and INDOT have teamed up to initiate a hands-free public awareness and education campaign. (Hands-Free Indiana website [link](#)). The site has greater than 25,000 clicks since publishing in early August, 2020.
- Mr. Kreutzjans commented that he has heard feedback that, in response to the Hands-Free law, motorists are still using their phones but holding them out-of-site creating greater danger.
- Mr. Mullens commented that INDOT and Hoosier Company have collaborated to add barrier wall to a lighting contract on I-65 north of Indianapolis resulting in increased work zone safety.
- Mr. Baugh noted that Milestone and INDOT have collaborated to improve queue protection and greater worker protection while working on I-70 projects.
- Mr. Hedgecock stated that ICI, INDOT and several Indiana State legislators recently met at an I-70 project work zone east of Indianapolis. The meeting was held to provide legislators a first-hand experience of being in interstate work zone.

Presentation – Highway Funding Update

Mr. Osborn introduced Build Indiana Council ([BIC](#)) and its partner associations. He shared BIC's INDOT funding forecast including data provided by INDOT. Participants learned that funds are expected to peak in fiscal year 2021 with declining balances until 2024 due to expended toll road contract negotiation funds and net declining fed funds.

Subcommittee and Topic Updates

Industry was reminded about INDOT's 18-month letting list [dashboard](#) providing access to documents on select projects at the 60 percent or stage two design level. Participants briefly discussed electronic ticketing providing feedback that the practice has not been implemented at the levels some expected. INDOT committee leadership stressed that communication about schedule is even more critical due to decreased inspection and supervision hours.

Continuing Improvement Topics

Mr. Osborn stated that support for two solution proposals for the subgrade treatment type IC (*53 agg.*) paid as type IB (*chem. mod.*) issue is split. All agreed that greater utility coordination during design will contribute to decreased unforeseen conflicts during construction.

The measurement and payment of maintenance of traffic control devices issue is close to a wrap. The majority of the subcommittee have agreed in previous meetings to move forward with proposed specification language

and guidance to designers that would promote greater MOT device contract quantity accuracy and measurement and payment consistency.

New Topics

Mr. Gough presented that specifications do not provide for payment for rock excavation during excavation for culvert structures. He suggests adding language, similar to other specification sections where rock or class "X" excavation is compensated.

Open Forum

- Mr. Nolting expressed concern about the basis of payment for a new "storm water quality preparation" pay item in recurring special provision [205-R-706](#). The language states that payment is based on the number of plan phases. Mr. Osborn and Mr. Harris said they would check on the intent of the Storm Water Quality Management task group in adding this pay item.