

The RAC Region I teleconference was held on Thursday 10/06/16. The following individuals participated.

Bradley Overturf	Conn. DOT
Michael Connors	Conn. DOT
Stephanie Dock	District of Columbia
Allison Hardt	Maryland DOT
Dale Peabody	Maine DOT
Curtis Bradley (Vice Chair)	Mass DOT
Ann Scholz (Chair)	New Hampshire DOT
Beth Klemann	New Hampshire DOT
Robert Sack	NY DOT
Mark Felag	RI DOT
Mike Sock	RI DOT

Minutes from 09/01/16 call were approved.

**Old Business/Announcements:**

- a. Leadership call - UTC awards before Dec 4.
- b. Lisa Tarson of PennDOT is new Region 1 member on VoR Task Force

**RAC Task Forces:**

**Administration-** Website Working Group has released new page on Peer Exchanges. Task Force membership lists are updated. Please check to see if this information is current. If changes are needed, work with Allison. The agenda for the RAC winter meeting at TRB is being set. The redraft of Annual RAC meeting planning guidance is almost completed.

**Coordination and Collaboration-** nothing to report

**Program Management and Quality-** undertaking a major initiative to update priorities

**Value of Research-** Preparing supplemental brochures; one on safety (standard) and one on pavement. Ballots are out to select these projects. PM&Q the VoR Working Group is looking at performance measures for research programs. Synthesis 300 from 2001 may be considered for updating. Folks with Sweet 16 projects should be hearing soon from Bill Stone about the TRB poster session at TRB annual meeting.

**Transportation Knowledge Networks-** Curtis is new Chair. Meeting scheduled for afternoon of 10/6 to provide a quick update on AASHTO's shift to e-publications

**Topic Presentation:** NH presented their result of the September 27-29 Peer Exchange.

Peer exchange went well. Had participants from OH, GA, NV, and CT along with many guests for individual sessions. NH used CTC & Associates as a facilitator and found it greatly helped because could fully participate in the sessions.

Anticipate NJ (Research Showcase) to cover November and MA (Moving Together Conference) to cover December. Looking for other states for presentations on future calls.

**New Business:**

Had general discussion of whether states submit NCHRP problem statements. Generally not done although Maine worked with Vermont two rounds ago on asphalt quality problems that were not funded.

Had discussion regarding STIC participation. It seems to vary from State to State with some leading the efforts and others being only minimally involved.

Reminder to check on task force membership lists for accuracy. Also, if you aren't getting meeting notices please contact the Task Force Chair as each maintains own mailing list.

**NEXT CALL 11/3 at 1:30pm (usual time)**