

The RAC Region I teleconference was held on Thursday 11/3/16. The following individuals participated.

Bradley Overturf	Conn. DOT
Michael Connors	Conn. DOT
Flavia Pereira	Conn. DOT
Stephanie Dock	District of Columbia
Dale Peabody	Maine DOT
Richard Woo	Maryland DOT
Allison Hardt	Maryland DOT
Camille Crichton-Sumners	New Jersey DOT
Ann Scholz (Chair)	New Hampshire DOT
Beth Klemann	New Hampshire DOT
Mike Sock	RI DOT
John Kunin	NY DOT
Chris Jolly (Secretary)	FHWA- Vermont

Minutes from 10/06/16 call were approved.

Old Business:

Minutes from RAC Leadership call on 10/13/16 were reviewed with the following highlights.

- a. NCHRP implementation activities are ramping up under implementation coordinator Waseem Dekelbab. Question if RAC members or one of its Task forces would be interested in conducting an initial screening of implementation funding proposals. Looking for quick responses from RAC/States indicating if funding proposals are a priority for the state good or bad idea. Let Ann or Dale know if you have any thoughts.
- b. USDOT has requested additional information for the current UTC competition and deferred a decision until 12/4. Had a brief discussion on updating SPR Work programs to account for UTC match once the UTC grants are awarded.
- c. FHWA is working with the Office of Innovative Programming on a new initiative called "Innovation as a key business process"

RAC Task Forces/Announcements:

Administration- Have not had a call since last meeting. Working on updating the membership list. Also will be working on planning the winter meeting.

Coordination and Collaboration- No updates.

Program Management and Quality- Recently completed a survey. Will be meeting quarterly. New focus areas have been identified and will be distributed for feedback.

Value of Research- Have not had a call since last meeting. Awards for the sweet 16 will be made at the AASHTO meeting. Working on the sweet 16 poster session at the 2017 TRB meeting.

Transportation Knowledge Networks- Next meeting is scheduled for 12/1/16

Topic Presentation: Camille gave a presentation on her annual research showcase held in early November. This was a weeklong event combined with the TRB partnership visit and her Research Peer Exchange. Jam packed schedule with over 260 folks attending the Research Showcase. Very productive week. Peer exchange addressed complying with program requirements and the challenges of implementing 2 cfr 200. All presentations will be posted on the website.

New Business: Discussion Tabled.

Other Issues: Mike Sock noted that there have been some changes within RIDOT. Colin is longer involved with the Research program.

NEXT CALL 12/1