

The RAC Region I teleconference was held on Thursday 05/01/14. The following individuals participated.

Allison Hardt (Chair)	Maryland DOT
Mike Bonini (Vice Chair)	Penn DOT
Steve Pepin	Mass DOT
Dale Peabody	Maine DOT
George Colgrove	Vermont AOT
Camille Crichton-Sumners	NJ DOT
Mike Sock	Rhode Island DOT
Jim Fallon	Conn DOT
Chris Jolly (Secretary)	FHWA- Vermont

Minutes from 04/03/14 call were approved with edits by Glenn Roberts.

### **Old Business:**

The minutes from the 4/10/14 RAC Leadership call were distributed to RAC Region 1 for review/comment on 4/30/14 via e-mail from Allison. Bob Skinner will be retiring in January 2015. Round 4 of SHRP will open on 5/30 with applications due 6/27. 11 products will be offered including Safety products. As a follow up to our last call it was noted that Leni Oman has identified 31 programs that provide Research funding.

High Value Research Submissions- Allison needs the top four selections from each state. Please work to get those in.

The Admin. Task force is looking to add someone from Region 1. Let Allison know if you are interested.

State DOT Fact Sheet Review- To date only two have been updated. Please work to get these updated as soon as possible.

Region 1 Listserv has been updated see list attached to this 5/1/14 Call Agenda.

### **New Business:**

- a. Had an extensive discussion on how each state identifies its research needs each year and then develops a RFP for solicitations for Universities. Each state explained their process and the challenges encountered. Processes vary from state to state with some commonalities.
- b. Allison provided the results of the survey that Maryland conducted regarding where asset management and ITS functions are located within each DOT in

Region 1. The responsibilities for asset management and ITS functions vary from state to state.

- c. Dale talked about Round 4 of SHRP II and the Safety data needs project. There is a lot of information on safety data that may be of assistance to the states.
- d. Brief discussion on Neil Pedersens's SHRP II visit's. Experience in Region I is that the visits are productive and worthwhile.
- e. Reservations for the regional dinner at the annual summer meeting have been confirmed.

Please let Allison if you have any topics for the next leadership call.

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