



The RAC Region I teleconference was held on Thursday 2/1/18.

The following individuals participated.

Brad Overturf	Conn. DOT
Flavia Pereira	Conn. DOT
Stephanie Dock (Chair)	District of Columbia
Stefanie Brodie	District of Columbia
Dale Peabody	Maine DOT
Allison Hardt	Maryland DOT
Ann Scholz	NH DOT
Lisa Tarson	Penn DOT
Emily Parkany (Vice Chair)	VTrans
Ian Anderson	VTrans
Keith Platte	AASHTO
Chris Jolly (Secretary)	FHWA- Vermont

Minutes from 12/7/17 call were approved with edits. There was no call in January due to the RAC Winter meeting at TRB.

Old Business:

- a. Leadership Update- Minutes from the December 14, 2017 Leadership call were posted on the RPPM site and reviewed. Brief summary of highlights was provided by those on the call and include: R&I allocated a million dollars for developing a framework for assessing the value of NCHRP research. The Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) has new research partnership with TRB. Please reference the posted minutes from the Leadership call for additional details.
- b. Winter meeting Follow Up- Brief discussion on reactions to winter meeting. Good attendance, update on NCHRP 20-11 was helpful, use feedback to help with summer meeting, Admin. Task Force will be looking for formal feedback. It was noted that Region 1 will organize the 2019 Winter meeting.

RAC Task Forces/Announcements:

Administration- “On-Boarding” sessions for new members have been planned. Pooled Funded projects will be the next topic. Calls are scheduled for March and April. Sessions will be recorded. Look for e-mail from Allison to update your states “Fact Sheet” to be posted on the States website. Welcome e-mail that Chris Hedges sends out to new members has been updated.

Coordination and Collaboration- No updates. Calls are quarterly.

Program Management and Quality- No updates available.



Value of Research- There was a call prior to TRB. Next call is scheduled for March. Sweet 16 poster session at TRB was well received. It was noted that the Poster sessions run at the same time of the TT activities which can cause some conflicts. High Value website is up and running. Projects should be submitted by 3/31. Everyone is encouraged to submit projects. Hoping to get a least one from every state.

Topic Presentation: TRB Takeaways. This was added as an amendment to today's agenda. Update on Autonomous Vehicles (AV) was excellent. Georgia Tech's presentation on technology transfer was very good which included a discussion on research programs and how agencies research performance is tracked and mapped. Good information on fiber reinforced polymers. It was noted that TRB committees need to work closer with AASHTO committees which evolved into a long discussion. There are common topics with both committees. Closer coordination will result in better problem statements. Keith indicated that there is a spread sheet that can be found on the TRB/CRC website under a link title "AASHTO and TRB Committee Connections" which will show the coordination between the two. It was mentioned this may be a good topic for the summer meeting. May want to take to the C&C Task Force to evaluate.

New Business:

- a. Bob Bollinger will be leaving the NH DOT and moving over the FHWA NH Division office
- b. Update on planned Peer Exchanges. DC, RI and PA hoping to have Peer Exchange's within the next 18 months.

Next Call: March 1, 2018.