

CELSOC/Caltrans Structures Liaison Committee MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 16, 2006
TIME: 10:00 am
LOCATION: Caltrans DES, Sacramento
Farmers Market I, Room 212

MINUTES

I. REVIEW OF April 28, 2006 MEETING MINUTES

Minor changes needed including name spelling and number of PYEs. Walt will make the changes and resubmit meeting minutes.

II. DESIGN CRITERIA AND STANDARDS

A. CAD Subcommittee

This item can be dropped from the agenda.

B. Metric to English Conversion

Some projects are being done now in English units, but some Standard Drawings not yet updated to English. 2006 Bridge Reference Specifications are done. Districts will be making decisions now on type of project units to be used. US Customary Units description coming out in September.

III COORDINATION/PARTNERING

A. Post Mortem on CELSOC/CT LRFD Training on June 6 and June 8

Mark and Walt gave debriefs on the LRFD workshops that were held in Sacramento June 6 and Los Angeles June 8. Based on the questionnaires received and feedback from attendees, it was believed that the workshops were successful in completing the goal of introducing LRFD to the bridge design industry in California.

Action: Mark to investigate how Personal Development Hours can be given to attendees. Mark to also update the list of attendees and notify them of final presentation material posted on the web. Earl to investigate how to handle in the future Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding LRFD on the CT web site.

B. Project Development Oversight

Action: N/A

C. Recorded Minutes on OSFP Web Site

Action: Earl to post past meeting minutes on the CT web site.

D. Use of CT Software

Rob Stott mentioned that their legal department has secured an expert to get advice on distributing software. The goals are to potentially distribute it. But Caltrans has concerns with liability. A decision document has been prepared to allow Caltrans to sell the software. Caltrans is investigating their options from doing no distribution to possibly distributing through a vendor. In summary, no decision yet as liability issues are discussed.

IV. CELSOC REPORT (Wei Koo)

Action: N/A

V. DES REPORT/DIVISION OF PROJECT MANAGEMENT (Rob Stott for Bob Buckley)

Discussed race neutral requirements.

Action: N/A

VI. STRUCTURE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT REPORT (Vong Toan)

Have spent about \$40M this fiscal year. Projected to spend \$45M which is about 73%-75% of that allocated.

Not receiving many bridge site data submittals from the Districts.

Have asked for \$70M (340 PYEs) for the coming fiscal year.

Action: N/A

VII. SPECIAL FUNDED PROJECTS / STRUCTURE LOCAL ASSISTANCE REPORT (Earl Seaberg)

Earl discussed the OSFP 05-06 projects and the difficulty in tracking schedules and providing review resources.

\$45M spent in the Highway Bridge Program out of the \$120M available.

Action: N/A

VIII. STRUCTURES DESIGN REPORT (Shannon Post for Kevin Thompson)

Have increased capacity of the Diamond Bar office.

Contract for Delivery list just about ready.

Caltrans ESC is developing a high level partnership with UPRR. Focusing on project delivery issues.

Action: N/A

IX. STRUCTURE DESIGN SERVICES AND EARTHQUAKE ENGINEERING REPORT (Rob Stott)

Updating SDC and Seismic Hazard Map. Looking into how to implement.

Action: N/A

X. GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT (Jim Davis)

Implementing QC management guidelines.

Action: N/A

XI. STRUCTURES CONSTRUCTION REPORT

No discussion.

Action: N/A

XII. REMAINING 2006 MEETING CALENDAR

August 25, October 27, December 15

Next meeting will be on August 25, 2006 at DES (Farmers Market I building)

ATTENDEES

Caltrans

Ruth Fernandez
Rob Stott
Jim Davis
Earl Seaberg
Vong Toan
Robert Weber
Shannon Post
Sue Hida

CELSOC

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