



## **WORKING GROUP MEETING**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**LOCATION:** County Operations Center / Kearny Mesa 5500 Overland Avenue, Room No. 120 San Diego, CA 92123; and Virtual via Microsoft Teams Meeting

**DATE OF MEETING:** October 3rd, 2023 (1:30 PM to 3:30 PM)

**ATTENDEES:** See attached attendance roster

**PRESENTATION:** Refer to the presentation link under the 10/03/23 meeting

#### **AGENDA:**

- 1) Introductions / Sign-In / Meeting Overview
- 2) Public Comments
- 3) Welcome
- 4) Industry / Organization Updates
- 5) Subcommittee Update
- 6) Key Presentation: Waste Plastic Use in Hot Mix Asphalt– Adam Barker, The Sparks Company, INC
- 7) Next Working Group Meeting / Close

#### **1) ORIENTATION / SIGN-IN / MEETING OVERVIEW**

Orland Mott, SNC CIVIL, Consultant for County of San Diego

- Orland introduced himself and his role as the Building Better Roads (BBR) Facilitator
- Notified participants that this meeting is being recorded
- Reviewed virtual platform/Teams instructions, functions and etiquette for the virtual attendees, including submitting questions via the chat feature, or by raising a hand
- Covered attendance via sign-in sheet for in-person attendees and asked virtual attendees to enter name, organization, and e-mail address in the chat window
- Reviewed housekeeping, facility orientation/building logistics and emergency/safety protocols for in-person attendees

#### **2) PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Orland informed attendees that meeting files will be posted on BBR website for public comment in accordance with the Brown Act

#### **3) WELCOME**

Orland introduced Derek Gade, County of San Diego, DPW Director

- Derek thanked everyone for attending today's meeting, and also everyone who helped set the meeting up

#### **Derek introduced Joel Anderson, County of San Diego, District 2 Supervisor**

- Supervisor Joel Anderson shared that he lives in rural San Diego County and he uses County roads every day
- Provided information about the budget and funding
- Thanked everyone for participation in today's meeting

#### **4) INDUSTRY / ORGANIZATION UPDATES**

##### **Orland Presented the BBR Report Card**

- The BBR report card highlights some of the groups achievements to date
- A copy is available on the BBR website

##### **Orland Introduced Sam Koohi, County of San Diego, Senior Civil Engineer**

- Sam provided an update to the annual street resurfacing program
- Explained the use of Fiber Pilot Test in Year 3
- Explained the use of RAP Pavement Seal Pilot Test in Year 5
- Shared project forecasts for years 6 & 7
- Listed other potential pilot projects
- Shared the street resurfacing program goals

##### **Orland introduced Mike McManus from AGC San Diego**

- Orland informed the attendees about the changes in Buynet
- Mike explained changes in the construction employment
- Discussed the workforce challenges for hourly craft workers
- Shared the trends in construction costs and spending
- Informed the attendees about California CARB Rules (starting 2024)
- Shared updates about California Water Board
- Discussed the potential changes in California Cost Index
- Summarized prevailing wages and construction trends in San Diego

##### **Orland introduced Brandon Milar from CalAPA**

- Brandon discussed Caltrans emerging initiatives with asphalt mixes and specifications
- Discussed local agencies green book emerging initiatives
- Showed the 2023 Caltrans updates and City and County Pavement Improvement Center
- Shared news about networking and educational events

##### **Orland introduced Tony Limas from CALCIMA**

- Tony provided a summary about Executive Committee meeting on August 22, 2023
- Discussed Caltrans/Industry pavement and materials partnering committee updates

#### **5) SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE / TOPIC OVERVIEWS**

- Orland provided summary and updates for both BBRsubcommittees -sustainability and innovation
- Recapped the goals, process, and benefits for:
  - Regional Mix Design
  - Nondestructive Testing of In Place HMA
  - High RAP HMA
  - AB 2953 Compliance
  - Waste Plastic Additive in HMA

#### **6) KEY PRESENTATION: WASTE PLASTIC USE IN HOT MIX ASPHALT**

Adam Barker, The Sparks Company, INC

- Adam presented BBR Guidance document writing process
- Showed the asphalt industry impact on the environment
- Defined Plastic Asphalt and identified its primary uses
- Presented the life cycle of Recycled Plastic Asphalt Additives
- Stated the technical and environmental benefits of Recycled Plastic Asphalt Additives
- Mentioned completed and planned DOT projects
- Mentioned some products by MacRebur Southern California

#### **7) NEXT WORKING GROUP MEETING / CLOSE**

- Orland informed attendees that the next meeting will likely be February 2024
- Mentioned that he will reach out to more agencies for participation and education of their own practices
- Informed attendees that meeting minutes and presentations will be provided
- **<Meeting Adjourned>**