

Attendees

See attached list

The meeting was called to order by Leland Colvin with introductions.

Old Business

Davis Bacon Wage Regulations-Update

Currently there are seven tables with county breakdowns within the tables that are being used. SCDOT is reviewing the information furnished by the contactors and will conduct a survey to compare rural, urban and economic depressed areas and try to formulate an appeal to condense this to one or two tables for the state. Until the appeal process is complete and a ruling obtained from the Department of Labor, the existing tables will have to be utilized.

DBE Submittals @ Letting - Update

The CAGC has submitted an excel spreadsheet to SCDOT for review that would simplify the bid submittal process in relation to the DBE committal for a project. In lieu of entering all the information into bidx at the time of letting, contractors will be able to submit a summary sheet that will give the DBE contractor's name, work type and dollar amount. The detailed information will be allowed to be submitted after the letting. FHWA is reviewing and the task force may have to reconvene to finalize. Submittal of the detailed information is being reviewed and will be coordinated with other submittals required by SCDOT.

Contractor Status

The Contractors would like to see a Monthly Status Report at each meeting.

Leland Colvin handed out a few graphics which are part of the report provided to SCDOT senior staff every month. Current report showed 249 active projects with 176 (70.7%) on time, 24(9.6%) projects between 10 and 25 percent behind and 49 (19.7%) projects greater than 25% behind.

It was also discussed that the scheduler's task force will be meeting August 8, 2012 in room G-10 from 9:00 to 12:00. The tentative 12 month letting list is currently on the website through November 2013.

NEW BUSINESS

Safety Topic

Chris Davis provided the safety topic on Heat Related Illnesses. See attached toolbox talks on the three types of heat related Illnesses in the workplace, Heat Cramps, Heat Exhaustion and Heat Stroke.

Contractor Payments

Jim Warren reported that the cash balance was doing OK. End of the year payouts made for June was in the \$110 million range. The normal payment process starts when the RCE signs and submits the estimate to the Accounting office. The accounting office processes the payment within 2 to 3 weeks and then is submitted to the Comptroller General's office which cuts the check or electronically deposits the check within one week. Total time to process the estimate for payment has been less than 30 days.

Also, SCDOT is considering having the estimate cut off dates for the entire state to be the end of the month. Any CAGC comments concerning the estimate cut off dates should be submitted to Danny Shealy <u>shealydr@netscape.com</u> by August 15, 2012.

MAP 21 – New Highway Bill

Two year transportation bill to run from July 2012 through September 2014. See attached breakdown of bill.

Issue Escalation

Some districts have been left out of the loop on issues generated on projects. An issue escalation process is developed in the partnering process and this should carry over to the projects that are not partnered and the process established at the preconstruction conference.

Statewide Uniformity

Leland had been notified that interpretation of the Standard Specifications and Special Provisions have been different depending on what part of the state a contractor is working. He would like to have the Road, Bridge and Suppliers subcommittees identify areas of non-uniformity and address in the subcommittee meetings and provide recommendations to the joint committee. This will be included on the agenda for discussion in these subcommittees.

Subcommittee Reports:

Roadway Subcommittee: Did not meet

Bridge Subcommittee: Met and cleaned up some pending items of discussion

Project Development : Met and discussed thin lift vs micro surfacing, engineer of record response times and extending the question period for resurfacing projects.

Utility Subcommittee: Did not meet

Supplier Subcommittee: Did not meet

Design-Build Subcommittee: Met and discussed the committee membership rotation and Best Practices Memorandum

OTHER BUSINESS

Secretary St. Onge reported that the new highway bill is approved for two years at \$1.2 Billion. SASHTO will be in Charleston at the end of August and looks forward to seeing everyone there. Legislative Items: State employee's pension plan was revamped.

John Walsh reported on the new federal highway bill MAP 21 which has six core programs with performance measures. 2013 Federal Aid resurfacing will be added to the STIP in the amount of \$93 million. SCDOT will update their strategic plan based on the new federal bill requirements.

General NPDES Construction Permit is out for public comment.

New District 2 Engineering Administrator announced – Kevin McLaughlin

Next Meeting September 26, 2012

<u>Adjourn</u>



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TOPIC: Heat Related Illnesses

There are three types of heat related illnesses in the workplace.

- ☑ Heat Cramps: Painful cramps in the arms, legs or abdominal muscles caused by the onset of dehydration.
 - If you have heat cramps, stop the activity and move to a cooler area.
 - o Drink cool water and gently stretch the affected muscles.
- ☑ Heat Exhaustion: A milder form of heat related illnesses and occurs from working in high temperatures coupled with inadequate fluid intake.
 - Warning signs include heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea/vomiting and fainting.
 - The victim's skin may feel pale and moist with rapid heart rate and high blood pressure.
 - o If untreated, heat exhaustion may transition into heat stroke.
 - Drink plenty of liquids such as water and sports drinks to replace electrolytes.
 - In extreme temperatures, more frequent breaks may be necessary to reduce the likelihood of heat related illness.
- ☑ Heat Stroke: A serious condition that if untreated by emergency medical care could result in death.
 - Warning signs include pale dry skin with rapid heart rate, difficulty breathing, disorientation, agitation, confusion, fainting, strange behavior, seizures and coma.
 - Contact Emergency Medical Services and start to cool the victim by placing ice under the armpits and groin areas.
 - Keep the victim in a cool place and fan them until emergency medical assistance arrives.

Questions to Generate Discussion

- How can you prevent Heat Exhaustion?
- What are some indications of Heat Stroke?
- Identify some jobs in your work area that if precautions are not followed could lead to an employee suffering from a heat related illness.

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Employee Participants:

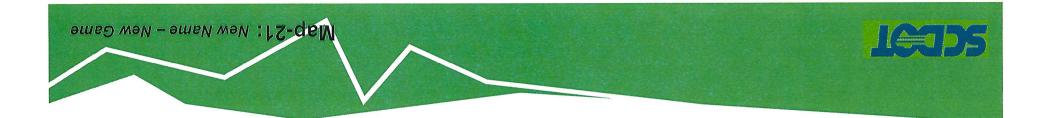
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- July 1- Funding takes effect / October 1-Program changes
- September 30, 2014 Highway Bill expires
- Reduces number of programs from 90 to less than 30.
- Combines programs into 6 core programs (funding categories).
- SAFETEA-LU capped the NHS at 178,250 miles. This cap has been removed under Map-21.



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South Carolina Apportionments:

EFFY '13: \$608M FFY'14: \$613M

- TMA funding remains in place for metropolitan areas of 200,000+ pop.
- Standard match remains 80/20, but it increases to 65/35 if state fails to adopt an approved Asset Management Plan.
- Match for projects in the State Freight Plan is 90/10 for

non-Interstate projects and 95/5 for projects on the

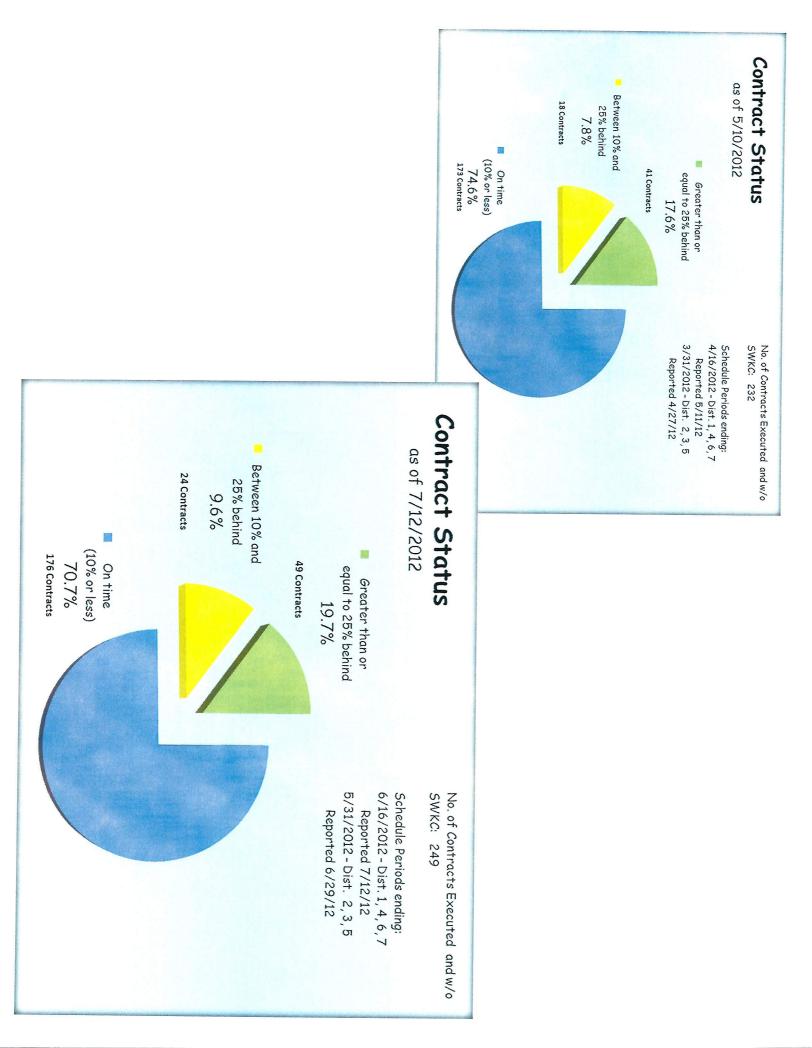
Interstate system.



Core Programs (Funding Categories)

- 1. National Highway Performance Program
- 2. Surface Transportation Program
- 3. Highway Safety Improvement Program
- 4. CMAQ Program
- 5. Metropolitan Planning
- 6. Transportation Alternatives





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