

**NEW ENGLAND TRANSPORTATION CONSORTIUM
QUARTERLY PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT**

A. PROJECT NUMBER AND TITLE:

NETC 10-3 “Low Temperature and Moisture Susceptibility of RAP Mixtures with Warm Mix Technology”

B. PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR(S) & UNIVERSITY(S):

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C. WEB SITE ADDRESS (If one exists):

http://www.uvm.edu/~transctr/?Page=netc/netc_fy/netc_fy2010.php#netc103

D. START DATE (Per NETC Agreement):

9/16/2013

E. END DATE (Per NETC Agreement):

9/15/2016

F. ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE:

*If different from the END DATE in paragraph E., the reason must be given. It is the responsibility of the Principal Investigator to insure that the project, including review of the draft report by the Project Technical Committee and the printing of the Final Report, is completed prior to the Agreement End Date. Costs incurred after the Agreement End Date cannot be reimbursed. **Requests for extensions of the Agreement End Date must contain the reasons for the request and be submitted so as to arrive in the Coordinator’s office at least 90 days prior to the Agreement End Date.***

9/15/2015

G. PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

The research project will evaluate the moisture susceptibility and low temperature cracking properties of RAP mixtures produced with WMA technologies. Plant mixtures produced with varying RAP contents and warm mix technologies will be sampled. Laboratory testing will include an evaluation of mixtures susceptibility to moisture damage using one or more of the following tests: (1) AASHTO T324 “Hamburg Wheel-Track Testing of Compacted Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA)”, (2) AASHTO T-283 “Resistance of Compacted Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) to Moisture-Induced Damage”, and (3) ratio of wet to dry dynamic modulus measured at 20°C. The test(s) selection will be based, as described later in the proposal, on the literature review conducted under Task 1. Also, the low temperature cracking susceptibility will be evaluated using the following two tests: (1) AASHTO TP10-93 “Standard Test Method for Thermal Stress Restrained Specimen Tensile Strength (TSRST)” and (2) AASHTO T322 “Standard Method of Test for Determining the Creep Compliance and Strength of Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Using the Indirect Tensile Test Device.” Additional testing will include evaluating the effect of

the different WMA technologies on the workability of the mixtures and evaluating the degree of blending between the RAP binder and the virgin binder using a procedure developed by Bonaquist.

H. REPORT PERIOD:

2015 Quarter 1 – April through June

I. ACCOMPLISHMENTS THIS PERIOD:

1. UMass Dartmouth contacted Tilcon CT about reproducing the mixtures produced in October 2014 that did not meet the required volumetric properties.
2. UMass Dartmouth contacted the other contractor (Palmer Paving) who agreed to produce mixture for this study. This contractor stated that they will produce the mixtures in April or May 2015.
3. An additional contractor was contacted (PJ Keating) to determine if they would help with producing the mixtures for this study in the event one of the selected contractors cannot supply the mixtures.

J. PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED (If any):

The research team has been making arrangements with contractors to provide plant produced mixtures as stated in the scope of work. However, only once did a contractor provide mixtures. Unfortunately, these mixtures did not meet the target volumetric criteria and accordingly were omitted from further study. The research team has been in negotiation with one contractor located in Massachusetts in the hope of getting the mixtures produced this summer. If this contractor or the other contractors cannot supply the mixtures, the research team will propose using lab produced mixtures instead of plant produced mixtures. The PI will plan a conference call meeting in early fall to give the committee an update.

K. TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ACTIVITIES: *List any reports, papers, presentations published/presented during the report period or anticipated for the next quarter.*

None during the current period.

L. STATUS BY TASK: *Show Work Task Number, description and % complete for each task including those completed, those underway, and those not started.*

- Task 1: Literature Review (80%)
- Task 2: Determine Critical Information (60%)
- Task 3: WMA Technologies Selection Process (50%)
- Task 4: Identify Moisture Susceptibility Test (25%)
- Task 5: Development of a Testing Matrix (60%)
- Task 6: Obtain Plant Produced Samples (15%)
- Task 7: Laboratory Testing of Plant Produced Samples (0%)
- Task 8: Prepare a Final Report (0%)
- Task 9: Execute Implementation Plan (0%)

M. PERCENT COMPLETION OF TOTAL PROJECT: 40%

N. ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR NEXT QUARTER:

UMass Dartmouth will attempt to obtain and begin testing the plant produce mixtures.

O. FINANCIAL STATUS:

As of: *6/31/15*

Total Project Budget: \$ 150,157.70

Total Expenditures: \$ 30,276.15

Note: This report should not require more than 2-3 pages & should be e-mailed to the NETC Coordinator so as to arrive no later than three (3) working days after the end of each calendar quarter.