

Summary of Ideas from Morning Sessions

Research Ideas, thinking behind the ideas, and potential solutions.



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Dust Suppression

David James

- Development of reliable, repeatable and appropriate to use protocols. (1)
 - Do for unpaved roads now and look for broader applications later.
 - Example: vacant lots, construction practices



Dust Suppression

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- What should protocols measure? (2A)
 - environmental safety/impacts
 - occupational safety
 - effectiveness or performance against minimum standards for purpose
 - Measured over the expected life of the control.



Dust Suppression

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- Attributes that should be defined and posted (2B)
 - Service life and manufacturer's warranty
 - Geology
 - Temperature
 - Precipitation
 - Cure time
 - Depth of penetration



- Attributes that should be defined and posted (2B) - continued
 - Solubility for cleanup purposes
 - MSDS
 - Sufficient information to assess risks
 - Shelf life
 - Corrosivity
 - Application process
 - Unit weight
- Performance tied to application practices



Dust Suppression

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- Manual of Essential Practices (3)
 - Available on web
 - Contains
 - information about application methods
 - Information about maintenance
 - Both linked to performance
 - Includes case studies or examples of good practice



Dust Stabilization

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Education of all involved parties

- Something to teach
 - Web Page, LTAP/TTAP, other industries
 - 2nd Annual Dust Conference
 - Form a consortium



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- Need for documentation
 - Hard numbers
 - Case studies
 - Plans for how and what to test
- How to achieve?
 - Use existing practices
 - Share information via web site



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- Include stabilization BMPs in PMS
 - Identify specifications
 - Identify best practices
 - Maintenance
- How to achieve?
 - Trickle-down influence
 - National pool fund studies
 - Keep it simple



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- Long-term product durability
 - Cost-effective solutions
 - Enhanced maintenance programs
 - Increased product reliability
- How to achieve?
 - Work with manufacturers
 - Multi-year funding programs
 - Document successes and failures



Environmental Impacts of Dust Suppressants to Control Dust

Susan Finger

- Where are we now?
- Where are we going?
- Who is driving?
- When will we get there?



Test Protocols

- Establish test protocols to provide consistent information
- Utilize ASTM and EPA methods
- Focus initially on water, sediment, and biota



Guidance Document

- Development of guidance document
 - Use Road Safety Audit Program as a potential guide
 - Using Low Volume Road Committee as a Champion
 - Look to other manuals, guidance documents to find a model



Management Tool

- Develop a clearinghouse for information pertinent to decision making
 - Toxicity information
 - Performance



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Planning and Design for the Future

David Jones

- Peter Bolander (USFS)
- Ken Skorseth (County Engineers)
- John Rushing (USACE)
- Steve Bytnar (Additive Industry)
- Dave Jones (Research)



Barriers

1. Client expectations / knowledge
2. Client perceptions
3. Category specifications
4. New product acceptance
5. Politics / money – future costs
6. Central information location
7. Research / testing protocols
8. Reinventing the wheel
9. Product documentation & info
10. Education & training



Way to move forward

1. An "owner" for unsealed road specs
2. Additive industry association
3. Dedicated funding stream
4. Additive category specifications
5. Research protocol
 - Performance based
6. Environmental assessment protocol
7. Guidelines and specifications
 - Performance based / cost-benefit
8. Education, training, tech transfer



Top Three Priorities

1. Guidelines and specifications
 - Performance based / cost-benefit
2. Education, training, tech transfer
3. Additive category specifications
3. An "owner" for unsealed road specs

