

MINUTES
NORTH CAROLINA SEDIMENTATION CONTROL COMMISSION
COMMISSION'S TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 1, 2024
ONLINE WEBEX MEETING

The North Carolina Sedimentation Control Commission's Commission Technical Committee met on February 15, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. in-person and online via WebEx. The following persons were in attendance for all or part of the meeting:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Karyn Pageau (Vice Chair)
Mr. Donald Pearson
Mr. AJ Lang, PhD
Ms. Lauren Witherspoon
Mr. Jay Wilson
Mr. Jeremy Goodwin
Mr. Nash Hardy

OTHERS

Ms. Rebecca Coppa, Sediment Education Specialist, DEMLR, DEQ
Mr. Graham Parrish, Assistant State Sediment Specialist, DEMLR, DEQ
Mr. Steve Albright, Public Service Director, Town of Kill Devil Hills
Mr. Ryan Roman

Minutes:

Vice Chair Pageau began the meeting at 3:00pm.

Draft meeting minutes from 1/18/24 were reviewed and approved by consensus.

Ms. Pageau moved on to updates of workgroup assignments. In anticipation of the Dr. McLaughlin stepping down from the committee at the end of the month/end of his term Mr. Lang has agreed to move to that workgroup. New members Mr. Wilson and Ms. Rudisill are also part of that workgroup. There were no other updates to the workgroup assignment table.

The committee moved on to the review of Practice Standard 6.15 Riprap, led by Mr. Goodwin. A discussion ensued, and some minor edits were made throughout the text. Mr. Wilson commented that the word synthetic is in-front of geotextile in one place, but not another and that it should be consistent. Members of the committee questioned if there was anything in the

realm of geotextiles that wouldn't be considered synthetic. Mr. Goodwin plans on circling back to this after discussing with NCDOT materials personnel. Mr. Pearson asked about the word survivability on page 8, and several committee members agreed that durability may be a better word. Mr. Wilson commented that he is currently looking at the standard 6.31 riprap channel and asked the committee if these sections should be consistent. Committee agreed that they should, and Mr. Goodwin also commented that he accidentally started that section instead of 6.15 and Mr. Wilson asked him to send the work he's done so far. Ms. Pageau asked if the NCDOT had a riprap standard or if any other states he looked at had a dedicated riprap standard. Mr. Goodwin answered that NCDOT didn't, but a couple of states did, including NY had a verbatim section. Mr. Hardy asked if in the materials section, the required materials should reference a NCDOT type. Discussion ensued. Mr. Wilson asked if this edited standard would be moved to the outbox for reference. Mr. Goodwin confirmed.

Ms. Pageau moved on to open discussion. Ms. Pageau asked if there were any questions/comments about the expectations for when reviewing a standard. Ms. Coppa referred the committee members to minutes from 10-19-23 to review those expectations. Mr. Wilson asked if the committee would be okay with swapping standards to best fit the new work groups/committee members. Ms. Coppa also commented that DEMLR can submit a new prioritization of standards. The committee agreed that would be helpful. Ms. Coppa also commented that the two new committee members will hopefully accept their nominations and be onboard by the next meeting. Ms. Pageau said that if the committee is again at capacity by next meeting, they can add a "standard swap" to the next meeting's agenda.

Mr. Pearson switched topics to asking Mr. Graham Parrish about soliciting the regions for their standard closeout guidance so they can find commonalities that would be appropriate for a new section. Mr. Graham Parrish commented that a closeout section may be most appropriate in the 6.01 Construction Sequence section and also said that he will talk with Ms. Coco about the best way to go about this including possibly soliciting/talking to the regions. Ms. Coppa suggested adding a specific header/section to each standard to address closeout recommendations for each standard may be best. Mr. Pearson asked for Mr. Parrish and Ms. Coco to clarify how/whether they should proceed on creating a new closeout section or if they should incorporate it into other sections. Mr. Parrish agreed to talk with Ms. Coco ahead of next meeting and get back to them.

Mr. Albright commented that Mr. Taylor had asked him to look out the 6.16 dune stabilization section, and that the section is almost verbatim from 1982 Sea Grant document. And that he reached out to a dune stabilization specialist and that the current recommendation is sea oats and that he hopes to finish it up and giving it to Ms. Pageau/Mr. Taylor by next month before stepping back.

Ms. Pageau added that if anyone has recommendations for a coastal expert now that Steve is done to let Ms. Coppa/Ms. Pageau/Mr. Taylor know for future recruitment.

Ms. Pageau reminded the members that if they have any standards that they are working on that would be ready for review next meeting to let Ms. Coppa, Ms. Pageau, and Mr. Taylor know. Mr. Wilson commented that he should be ready with 6.31 for next time.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 21, 2024, from 3 – 5:00pm.

Ms. Pageau adjourned the meeting at 4:15 pm.