

## CSPI – Executive Overview

June 2016

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Tonnage:

CSP Steel Shipments	2016	2015
Imports	1,563	1,345
Domestic	4,322	4,945
Total	5,885	6,290

**Working Plan - 2017** – finalized with TAC & PPC chairs. Please see attachment.

**MTO – St. Catharines:** Will be visiting Art Groenveld on July 5<sup>th</sup> to meet with new MTO staff and schedule a deep buried bridge presentation with Tony Merlo.

**Alta Trans:** Currently working on section 118 to include 3rd party certification and polymer laminated / coating repair guidelines. This should be ready to be reviewed by 1<sup>st</sup> week in July.

**Polymer Laminated Guidelines** – Approval obtained at the annual meeting. Currently at Glassroot for formatting, review and posting to website. Announcement will be made to members only.

**Winter Construction Guidelines** – waiting for graph update from Randy to complete this bulletin.

**Fish Baffle Project with MTO** – This project has created interest on a number of fronts. I have received calls from some consultants asking for more information, such as DFO approvals, will it work here, next steps, etc. This project has put CSPI in contact with a number of biologists and ecologists who are becoming more involved in the design of road crossings and is a positive promotional tool. This may lead to additional installations and opportunities for members as we are able to convince consultants to design the next project.

**University of Windsor** – lecture to 60 3<sup>rd</sup> year civil engineering students on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Member visits** – ES Hubbell

**Annual Meeting** – held on June 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Andrews, NB. Member attendance was 16. TAC minutes have been approved and distributed. Board, Annual and PPC minutes are out for approval.

**Photo Contest** – Judging took place on June 1<sup>st</sup> and winners were announced at the awards dinner in NB on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Announcement to all members was sent out on June 29<sup>th</sup>. Posting to website will take place in July.

**AISI Meeting in Washington** – presentation to the SMDI committee on June 22<sup>nd</sup> on 2016 projects receiving funding. Feedback was very positive on CSPI initiatives which aids in acquiring future funding.

**Webinar** – attended a 2 hour TRB webinar on buried bridges on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Numerous ideas were presented on cost benefits / savings versus traditional bridge decks. Copy of presentation will be posted on the website in July. I will attempt to find out who in Canada attended.

**Engineering Consultants** – visited Aurora site on June 24<sup>th</sup> to inspect 6 structures, perform water testing, and take photos on behalf of Aquaforbeeck. CSPI has worked with this consultant on a previous MTO project and this relationship will reward future opportunities.

**Simcoe County Event** – attended via an invite from CC Tatham (Rex Meadley). Present at this event are Consultants, Road Superintendents and Road Builders. Great networking and facilitates member introductions. Overall feedback was that members need to be more proactive with lunch and learns, seminars, etc. Rex indicated that concrete and plastic are seen very frequently.

**CSCC Annual & Board Meeting:** Attended on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Challenges facing other associations include lower tonnage, wood and concrete threats, and discussion on marketing strategies. Minutes will be posted when ready.

**Future Activity / Travel Plans / Meetings thus far**

July 5<sup>th</sup> MTO St. Catharines

July activity Bulletin completion work (Winter Construction, Polymer Laminated, CSA Protocols), OPS Height of Fill Tables requirements (inconsistencies between different pipe materials), Aurora site report for Aquarforbeech, Posting of bulletins, website member password change and update, PPC & TAC action items, LEEDS investigation, DOT specs, BNQ communication, travel and meeting planning for August and September, TAC booth work for September, municipality planning, PPC meeting scheduled for July 18<sup>th</sup>.

August: AISI meeting in Washington (2017 projects to be presented), TBD  
Visits to Alberta DOT, Calgary, Edmonton, Kleskun Hills, BC DOT, TBD  
Visits to NFLD, NS, NB DOT's, TBD