

**Michigan Bridge Inspection System (MBIS)
User Group Kick –Off Meeting Minutes
May 24, 2006**

Attendance:

Terry Johnson	MDOT University Region	517-750-0423
Rick Smith	MDOT C&T	517-322-5715
Bob Kelley	MDOT C&T	517-322-1398
Scott Geiger	MDOT University Region	517-780-5284
Timothy Lodge	City of Traverse City	231-922-4455
Lori Baetz	Livingston Co. Road Commission	517-546-4250
Sharon Curtis	MDOT Southwest Region	269-327-4499
Arun Sekhi	MDOT Metro Region	248-483-5145
Amy Trahey	Great Lakes Engineering Group	517-363-4400
Jon Nekritz	Federal Hwy Administration	517-702-1837
Brenda O'Brien	MDOT C&T	517-322-1085
David Juntunen	MDOT C&T	517-322-5688
Thumbesh Halnur	MDIT	517-373-4283
Richard Ames	City of Marine City	810-765-9711
Ken Davis	Mich. Dept. of Natural Resources	517-373-9925
Kim O'Rear	OHR	734-522-6711

- ❖ The meeting kicked off with introductions and discussion as to what capacity each person uses MBIS.
- ❖ MBIS User Group sponsor Brenda O'Brien welcomed everyone and expressed her support in our efforts.
- ❖ Rick Smith gave a brief history of MBIS. He also discussed how MBIS is just one component of MDOT's Bridge Management System. MBIS is the data input device and MBRS is data output mechanism. Pontis is the asset management tool. Dave Juntman spoke briefly about how these components of MDOT's Bridge Management System all work together.
- ❖ Terry Johnson passed out a preliminary Mission Statement for the MBIS User Group.
 - Group to review and comment at next meeting.
- ❖ Discussed the means of communications both inward and outward between the MBIS User group and their respective constituents.
 - Important to get input from all users as well as program developers.

- Suggested that MBIS be more flexible so it can be used in conjunction with other Transportation Management programs.
- CRAM, MMC, and ACEC identified as potential secondary forums for communications.
- Email system to disseminate information.
- ❖ Current proposed enhancement, Rick Smith discussed existing list of proposed enhancements.
 - See Attached
 - Group to review, comment, and prioritize at next meeting
 - Additional proposed enhancements
 1. To be able to change location field.
 2. More flexibility in updating SIA fields.
 3. Have sufficiency rating appear on inspection report.
- ❖ Next meeting to be in July.