

ICRI's Technical Committees

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One of ICRI's most important functions is disseminating quality technical information about concrete repair, both to our members and nonmembers alike. Much of this technical material, such as ICRI Guidelines, comes out of ICRI Technical Committees.

The committee structure within ICRI is as follows: we have both Board (Administrative) and Technical Committees. The Board Committees report directly to ICRI's Board of Directors, while the Technical Committees report to the Technical Activities Committee (a Board Committee), which then makes one consolidated report to the Board.

All of our committees, with the exception of the Executive Committee, the Fellows Committee, the Nominating Committee, and the Technical Activities Committee, are open to all members of ICRI. You can attend any committee meeting, even if you are not a member of the committee. As a matter of fact, this is encouraged, because sometimes it takes attending a particular meeting to decide if you want to apply for membership in that committee.

To actually join a committee and get listed on their roster, you need to fill out a Committee Application. These are available from ICRI Headquarters or from the committee chairmen.

Descriptions of all of the Board Committees appeared in the July/August 2001 issue of the *CRB*. They play a different role than the Technical Committees. The technical committees oversee the development of all technical information that ICRI disseminates. The following is a short description of ICRI's technical committee structure.

Technical Activities Committee: Rick Edelson, Chairman

The Technical Activities Committee oversees the activities of all of ICRI's technical committees, subcommittees, and task groups. They developed the review process for the ICRI Guidelines and are responsible for its administration. They are also responsible for recommendations concerning the formation of new technical committees and any other ICRI activities where technical content is an issue.

Technical Committees

Coatings and Waterproofing: Robert Johnson, Chairman

The Coatings and Waterproofing Committee has two subcommittees: the Flooring Subcommittee, which is a joint committee with SSPC and NACE (Robert Johnson, Chairman), and the newly formed Horizontal Waterproofing Committee (Daryl Manual, Chairman). The Committee is working on a document tentatively titled "Guideline for Protective Polymer Flooring Systems," along with several other tasks.

Corrosion: Dennis Pinelle, Chairman

The Corrosion Committee has three subcommittees hard at work: Electrochemical Techniques for Corrosion Mitigation in Concrete Structures (David Whitmore, Chairman); Corrosion Inhibitors (Katherine Klosowski, Chairman); and Reinforcing Steel Coating (Dennis Pinelle, Chairman). These groups are working on several documents.

Evaluation: Larry Olson, Chairman

The Evaluation Committee has two subcommittees: Evaluation of Unbonded Post-Tensioned Structures (Scott Greenhaus, Chairman), which has



a guideline about to be published; and Evaluation of Bond (Tom Kline, Chairman). The committee is also busy helping to sponsor speakers on evaluation for ICRI's Spring Convention, and is developing a guideline for evaluation techniques.

Grouting:

The Grouting Committee's status has been inactive for the last year, but we have recently had several members show an interest in this subject and in serving on the committee, and will have a meeting at ICRI's Spring Convention.

Repair Materials and Methods:

William "Bud" Earley, Chairman

Besides overseeing the revisions on three current ICRI Guidelines, this committee also has two subcommittees: the Case Study Task Group (Peter Emmons, Chairman), and the newly formed Repair of Unbonded Post-Tensioned Structures Subcommittee (Michael Tabassi, Scott Greenhaus, and Dick Bonin, Co-chairmen).

Strengthening and Stabilization:

Michael Brainerd, Chairman

The Strengthening Committee has one subcommittee working on a document tentatively titled "Guideline for Selecting of Strengthening Systems for Concrete and Masonry Structures" (Will Gold



and Garth Fallis, Co-chairmen). They are also planning to sponsor a technical session at the ICRI Fall 2002 Convention in Phoenix, and are actively gathering speakers. The committee and its members were also instrumental in developing the technical material for this issue of the *CRB*. For more information on this committee, see page 4 for a message from the Chairman.

Surface Preparation:

Richard Toman, Chairman

The Surface Preparation Committee has several irons in the fire. They are looking at reaffirming ICRI's Guideline 03732 and developing an expanded version of the document. They also helped to gather speakers and organize hands-on demonstrations for the ICRI Fall 2001 Convention in Dallas, where the theme was "Surface Preparation." The committee also has collected concrete surface preparation information published by other associations, organizations, and governmental agencies for the committee to compare and comment upon. The committee also has a subcommittee, Hydrodemolition (Bob Nittinger, Chairman), which has a document that is in the final stages of editing before going to ballot.

As you can see, ICRI Technical Committees are involved in a variety of activities, from publishing documents, to convention sessions, to industry outreach. They are also going to be instrumental in the review of technical articles for the *CRB* under the recently revised review procedure.

All of the above committees will be meeting at the ICRI Spring 2002 Convention, March 7 and 8, in Charleston, South Carolina. You are all invited to attend any of the committee meetings that may interest you. These committees exist to do the work necessary for ICRI to grow stronger and move boldly into the future. Be a part of that future, and get involved!

