

# 2019 – 2020 Annual Report to the NACE Board Structures and Environment Committee

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## **Background:**

In April 2019, I was asked by NACE President, Tim Hens to Chair the Structures & Environment Committee. This was my first year to Chair a NACE committee. I have served on the Awards Committee, the Emergency Preparedness Committee and the Structures and Environment Committee. I have attended all the NACE Annual Conferences since 2009 in Peoria, IL. In 2010, I was the Conference Co-Chair for the NACE Annual Conference in Fort Worth, Texas. I have been serving on one or more of the above mentioned NACE Committees since 2015.

## **Accomplishments:**

1. The Chairman brought the term Environment back to the Structures and Environment Committee. Somehow, the word Environment was lost on the NACE website listings for the Committee name.
2. The Chairman continued the strong ties between the Structures and Environment Committee and the Short Span Steel Bridge Alliance (SSSBA).
3. The Committee placed NACE Representative Chris Day (Ontario County, NY) on the FHWA National Bridge Bundling Guidebook Project.
4. The Committee had scheduled the following presentations for the 2020 NACE Conference: (Spill Prevention Control & Countermeasure Plan – Tarrant County – A Case Study), (Accelerated Bridge Construction), (Accelerated Bridge Deck Repair) and (A Review of the National Bridge Inspection Standards).
5. The Chairman had scheduled a sit-down meeting of the Committee at the 2020 NACE Conference. There had been no Committee meeting the previous years.

## **Goals for Next Year:**

1. The Committee will continue to review the new National Bridge Inspection Standards.
2. The Committee will continue to review the Waters of the US rules and regulations.
3. The Committee will elect a Vice-Chairperson.
4. The Committee will try to find a National Partner within the Concrete Industry.