Meeting Agenda
ACI 544-D Structural Uses Sub-Committee Meeting
Spring Convention 2019, 544-D, FRC Structural uses
Tuesday, March 26th, 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm C-304A

1. Call to order and approval of agenda
2. Introductions
3. Remarks from the Chair
4. Sessions at the current ACI convention:
   Fiber-Reinforced Self-Consolidating Concrete: From Development to Use, Monday March 25

5. Status of five major document maintenance under with the current 544-D committee
   • ACI 544-9R Mechanical testing of FRC
   • ACI 544-8R Tensile Design Properties from flexural tests, back-calculation procedures
   • ACI 544-4R Design
   • ACI 544-6R Elevated slabs (2015) - Suggested second
   • ACI 544-7R Tunnel lining - Suggested first

6. Direction:
   1) update, rework, rewrite, change ETR to Guide
   2) develop additional examples and case studies
   3) develop a compiled set of examples as design Guide

7. New Document Preparation
   • 544.FR - Guide for Design of Fiber-Reinforced Concrete Tunnel Linings, Task Group Lead: Axel G. Nitschke, WSP

8. Progress report current, ongoing, and proposed documents:
    a) ACI 239: UHPC development of design guides, submitted to the committee
    d) Minimum reinforcement design, Residential, Fibers in Plain Structural Concrete
    e) Long terms Shrinkage, creep, and fatigue of FRC, A design Perspective.

9. Other business / presentations / informal discussion of projects
10. Adjournment
ACI 544.FR  
Guide for Design of Fiber-Reinforced Concrete Tunnel Linings  
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1.1—Introduction  
The utilization of steel and synthetic fiber-reinforced concrete in tunneling is constantly increasing.  
With the document “Report on Design and Construction of Fiber-Reinforced Precast Concrete Tunnel  
Segments” (ACI 544.7R-16) the ACI 544 committee provided a document for TBM segmental  
linings. However, a concise design guide, specialized on conventional tunneling is still missing.  
Tunnel projects using fiber-reinforced concrete are typically heavy-civil construction infrastructure  
projects. Industries affected will primarily include contractors and engineers working in this field.  
Since fiber-reinforced shotcrete (FRS) is a major application of fiber-reinforced concrete (FRC) in  
conventional tunneling, the guide was developed in close coordination with ACI committee 506  
Shotcreting.

1.2—Scope and limitations  
The aim of this guide is providing practicing engineers with design guidelines and recommendations  
for fiber reinforced tunnel linings for conventional tunneling. The guide will cover temporary  
shotcrete linings as well as cast-in-place and shotcrete final linings.  
The primary audience for this document are specifiers, designers, and contractors using fiber-  
reinforced concrete tunnel linings. The secondary audience are agencies and authorities building or  
maintaining tunnel structures with fiber-reinforced concrete, but also manufacturer’s and researchers,  
interested in the current state-of-the art in fiber-reinforced concrete tunnel lining design. In addition,  
it is expected that the guide will be used in tunnel specific design guidelines issued by the Federal  
Highway Administration (FHWA), AASHTO as well as transportation authorities with large  
underground subway systems like New York MTA, Washington DC’s WMATA, Los Angeles Metro,  
or San Francisco MTA.

1.3—Applications and uses in existing tunnels

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