**TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM**

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): \_\_Washington State Department of Transportation\_\_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

*Project Managers and/or research project investigators should complete a quarterly progress report for each calendar quarter during which the projects are active. Please provide a project schedule status of the research activities tied to each task that is defined in the proposal; a percentage completion of each task; a concise discussion (2 or 3 sentences) of the current status, including accomplishments and problems encountered, if any. List all tasks, even if no work was done during this period.*

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| **Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #**  *(i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)*  TPF-5(452) | | **Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:**  □Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31) 2021  □Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)  □XXQuarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)  □Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) | |
| **Project Title:**  **International Conference on Ecology & Transportation (ICOET) 2021 Pooled Fund** | | | |
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| **Lead Agency Project ID:** | **Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):** | | **Project Start Date:**  June 2020 |
| **Original Project End Date:** | **Current Project End Date:**  **December 31, 2021** | | **Number of Extensions:** |

Project schedule status:

X□ On schedule On revised schedule □ Ahead of schedule □ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Budget** | **Total Cost to Date for Project** | **Percentage of Work**  **Completed to Date** |
| $25,000 |  |  |

***Quarterly*** Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Expenses**  **and Percentage This Quarter** | **Total Amount of Funds**  **Expended This Quarter** | **Total Percentage of**  **Time Used to Date** |
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| **Project Description**:  **Background:**  There have been ten biennial International Conferences on Ecology and Transportation (ICOET) since its origin in 1999. The most recent conference was in Sacramento in September 2019 co-hosted by the California Department of Transportation (Cal Trans) and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife with support from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and other sponsors and organized by the Road Ecology Center at the University of California – Davis (UC Davis). This pooled fund will support the next conference in 2021 in Vermont.  ICOET continues to serve as an invaluable conduit for transportation and ecology professionals to share applicable research and best practices, and to transfer knowledge between experienced practitioners and future leaders. The ICOET program includes podium presentations, posters on current research, field trips, and exhibits on topics of interest to researchers, biologists, engineers, planners, project managers, administrators and policy makers. The folks that regularly attend ICOET represent hundreds of professionals that work for government, Tribal, academic, non-governmental and private industry from the United States and other countries. The 2019 conference had 582 participants from 14 countries.  This new pooled fund will supersede the previous pooled fund (TPF 5-434) that was completed January 30, 2020.  The ICOET conference in 2021 will be virtual and not in-person due to the Covid 19 worldwide pandemic.  Each partner contribution of $5,000 will allow for three free conference registration fees for the 2021 ICOET virtual conference.  The contractor for the pooled fund in UC Davis. |

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| **Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):**    The virtual ICOET Conference was held in September this quarter. 581 folks attended from 29 countries. |
| **Anticipated work next quarter**:  Final billings will occur for the project and the project will close out at the end of the year. There will be no 4th quarter 2021 report as the final report will serve for that. |

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| **Significant Results:**  Conference held and project is almost complete. |
| **Circumstance affecting project or budget. (Please describe any challenges encountered or anticipated that**  **might affect the completion of the project within the time, scope and fiscal constraints set forth in the**  **agreement, along with recommended solutions to those problems).** |

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| **Potential Implementation:** |