

Memorandum

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- Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1560"Long-Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) Forensic Investigations"
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In Reply Refer To: HRTM-10

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This memorandum is in response to the August 23, 2021, email from Shin-Che Huang of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research, Subpart B (SPR-B) funds for TPF project solicitation number 1560, "Long-Term Pavement Performance (LTPP) Forensic Investigations"." We understand that the Washington State Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project and Kim Schofield will be the lead agency contact.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SPR-B funds used for research and development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the TPF website: <u>www.pooledfund.org</u>, which serves as the primary mechanism for communication regarding pooled fund studies.

It is important to remember that the lead agency contact is required to report on the status of the pooled fund study on a timely basis. The lead agency contact should notify Tricia Sergeson via email at <u>patricia.sergeson@dot.gov</u> and Masha Shelton via email at <u>masha.shelton.ctr@dot.gov</u> when the contract is signed. Electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents are posted on the TPF website. By doing so, the lead agency will be fulfilling its obligation to provide information to its partners on the status of the project.

Larry Wiser, Highway Research Engineer, will be the Federal Highway Administration's technical liaison for this study. Mr. Wiser can be reached via telephone at (202) 493-3079 or via email at <u>larry.wiser@dot.gov</u>. We hope that Mr. Wiser will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact Tricia Sergeson if you have questions or need further assistance.