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Subject: ALDOT Research Project 931-934P / Transportation Pooled Fund TPF-5(465),
"Consortium for Asphalt Pavement Research and Implementation (CAPRI)"
Approval of No-Cost Time Extension Request

Dear Dr. Taylor:

We have reviewed the principal researcher, Dr. Randy West's written request for a no-cost time extension for the subject referenced research project/pooled fund study. Based on the explanation provided in Dr. West's correspondence, dated June 27, 2024, the extension request was reviewed and approved on August 13, 2024 by Ms. Tricia Sergeson, Transportation Pooled Fund Program Manager. Therefore, you are hereby approved to extend the completion date from December 31, 2025 to **December 31, 2027**.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Mr. Andre' Jenkins at (334) 353-6940. We may also be reached via email at dixonk@dot.state.al.us or jenkinsa@dot.state.al.us.

Sincerely,

Kidada C. Dixon, P.E.
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Attachment

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June 27, 2024

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RE: Time Extension for TPF-5(465), Consortium for Asphalt Pavement Research and Implementation (CAPRI)

Dear Ms. Dixon:

I am writing to request a 2-year time extension for TPF-5(465), Consortium for Asphalt Pavement Research and Implementation (CAPRI). The CAPRI pooled fund is currently set to expire on December 31, 2025. The pooled fund includes contributions from 28 state DOTs (including Puerto Rico) plus FHWA. Several participating state DOTs have funded or requested state-specific projects that will take longer to complete than the current expiration date. In addition, there is a significant balance of funds from all member state contributions that have yet to be allocated to research projects or implementation activities. Such projects or activities are recommended by CAPRI subcommittees and reviewed by the CAPRI Executive Committee for approval. Two significant projects were approved this past March. Additional projects are expected to be recommended in the next year, but it will likely take two more years to complete those projects. To ensure the prudent use of the consortium's resources, I kindly ask for an extension until December 31, 2027.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me at (334) 844-6244 or at westran@auburn.edu. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Randy C. West".

Randy West, PhD, PE
Principal Investigator