

TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM

Quarterly Report

PROJECT TITLE: Latin American Trade and Transportation Studies 700-99-0416

OBJECTIVES: Create the Institute for Trade and Transportation Studies – ITTS – (LATTS Phase III)
The (Institute will include but not be limited to analytical and coordinative services to:

1. Provide trade and transportation related information to member state agencies based on information obtained in previous phases of LATTS.
2. Coordinate the dissemination, review, and analysis of information on forecasts of trade and transportation to state agencies and the FHWA.

Assist state agencies in developing work statements, data collection frameworks, specialized trade & transportation related analysis among states, plus other items not listed here.

PERIOD COVERED: April 2009 to June 2009

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:

Departments of Transportation from the Following States: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia.
Contract is Administered through by Louisiana DOTD.

PROJECT MANAGER:

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SP&R PROJECT NO:

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PROJECT IS:

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ANNUAL BUDGET:

PROJECT EXPENDITURES TO DATE:

WORK COMPLETED:

Participated on NCFRP Project Panel 25, Organized and hosted ITTS advisory Council meeting in conjunction with AASHTO meeting in Huntington WV.

Attended meetings on the Marine Highway Designation for member States (West Virginia, Mississippi),

Presented ITTS Reports to MS, KY, SC, VA in related site visits

Attended AASHTO Standing Committee Meeting in Savannah, Spoke at the International Maritime Statistics Forum on Performance Measures for ports, Conducted Site visit for Auto Industry report and the “Gulf Coast Trade Alliance 2009 World Trade Conference” in Lake Charles.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE PERFORMED NEXT QUARTER:

Attend Smartrivers Meeting in Vienna, including presentations on waterway infrastructure and a summary of the previous meeting in Louisville, and will have an exhibit space at the conference. Conduct significant work on the MDOT M-10 Marine Highway Submission and work with Member States as requested. Organize and participate in SASHTO session on International Trade at annual meeting in Biloxi. Participate in Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Trip to Panama to visit the Canal Zone. Begin meeting organizational activities for January Freight Meeting in Memphis in partnership with Tenn-Dot. Begin work on TRB Summer Meeting on Multimodal Projects in Minnesota, in partnership with USACE. Release State Trade Summaries, Revise ITTS Website, Release Preliminary Reports on Trade with Cuba, Biofuels, the Panama Canal and the Auto Industry.

STATUS AND COMPLETION DATE: June 30, 2010