



U.S. Department  
of Transportation

**Federal Highway  
Administration**

# Memorandum

Subject: **ACTION**: Pooled Fund 100 Percent  
SP &R Waiver Request "Solicitation  
1628, Soil and Erosion Testing Services  
for Bridge Scour Evaluations"

Date: December 16, 2024

From: Jean Nehme  
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To: Tricia Sergeson, MPA, PMP  
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Manager, HRTM-10

Dear Ms. Sergeson,

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Turner Fairbank Highway Research Center (TFHRC) would like to establish a transportation pooled fund study. This request is for the solicitation entitled "Soil and Erosion Testing Services for Bridge Scour Evaluations" (Solicitation 1628) to waive the non-federal funding match for state Departments of Transportation utilizing State Planning and Research funds for this project.

The Team estimates that at least 10 States as well as industry partners will participate in this study with FHWA serving as the lead agency. We anticipate that most of the participating States DOTs will use State Planning and Research (SP&R) funding. The FHWA Lead and Technical Liaison for the study will be James Pagenkopf from the Office of Infrastructure Research and Development.

Your approval to establish this pooled fund study at 100 percent SP&R funding, while waiving the non-Federal match requirement, would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact James Pagenkopf (202) 493-7080 or by e-mail at [james.pagenkopf@dot.gov](mailto:james.pagenkopf@dot.gov).

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