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Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled
Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1640 “International
Conference on Ecology and Transportation
2027”

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This memorandum is in response to the June 18, 2025, email from Shin-Che Huang of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research funds for TPF project solicitation number 1640, “International Conference on Ecology and Transportation 2027.” We understand that the Washington State Department of Transportation be the lead agency for this project and Mr. Jon Peterson will be the lead agency contact.

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

Charlotte Kucera, Ecologist, will be the Federal Highway Administration’s technical liaison for this study. Ms. Kucera can be reached via telephone at (512) 627-1770 or via email at charlotte.kucera@dot.gov.

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