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**Federal Highway
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Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled
Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1641 "National Road
Research Alliance"

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This memorandum is in response to the email from Joe Campbell of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research funds for TPF project solicitation number #1641, "National Road Research Alliance." We understand that the Minnesota Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project and Mr. Leif Halverson 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.

Mr. Salar Zabihi Siabil, Research Civil Engineer, will be the Federal Highway Administration's technical liaison for this study. Mr. Zabihi Siabil can be reached via telephone at (202) 493-3142 or via email at salar.zabihi@dot.gov. Mr. Tom Yu will serve as the FHWA study champion. Mr. Yu can be reached via telephone at (202) 366-1198 or via email at tom.yu@dot.gov.

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