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To: Partner Commitment Contacts

From: Katie Walker, Director - Office of Research & Innovation

Subject: State Lead Acceptance Letter: TPF-5(564) - National Road Research Alliance - NRRA (Phase-III)

The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) accepts the role of the lead agency and agrees to receive, obligate, expend, and manage contributions from participating agencies. We are ready to accept the funds that your agency has committed to this study. When you transfer these funds, (for accounting purposes), please indicate:

- The year of the commitment
- The contribution amount
- The fund's program code

Please send a copy of this letter along with the funding transfer request form (Form FHWA 1575) to your Division Office for their approval. To ensure that our office has accurate financial records, please also copy Mathew Sindt, Acting Finance & Contracting Manager on the documents you submit for processing.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mathew Sindt at [Matthew.Sindt@state.mn.us](mailto:Matthew.Sindt@state.mn.us)

Sincerely,

Catherine Walker  
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