

<i>Project Title</i> <b>PNS Snowfighters, TPF-5(035)</b>		<i>Agmt./Task No.</i> <b>RE2950</b>	<i>Item No.</i> <b>09-950</b>	<i>Agency Bgt. No.</i>
<i>Research Agency</i> <b>WSDOT</b>		<i>Start Date</i> <b>11/30/01</b>	<i>Estimated Completion</i> <b>11/30/03</b>	<i>Revised Completion</i> <b>11/30/04</b>
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<i>Funding Source</i> <b>WA, MT, ID, OR</b>		<i>Schedule Status</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Ahead of schedule <input type="checkbox"/> On revised schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Behind schedule		
<i>Original Estimated Cost</i> <b>\$40,000</b>	<i>Revised Cost</i>	<i>% Funds Expended</i> <b>20%</b>	<i>% Work Completed</i> <b>60%</b>	
<i>Objective</i> <b>Develop specifications for chemicals related to snow and ice control. Support winter maintenance professionals with information on current technologies, supplier contacts and networking opportunities.</b>				

**Progress in the current Quarter:**

The June conference and TRB conference were held the second week of June with great attendance at both events.

PNS specifications for environmental concerns were developed and updated for all PNS approved products. Results are posted on the PNS web site.

**Summary of Activities Expected to be Performed Next Quarter:**

In December 2004, PNS and vendor chemists will be meeting in Montana. They are tasked to develop new testing procedures to detect corrosion damage on aluminum. They will also look at updating current testing procedures.

The minutes and other activities surrounding the June PNS conference and TRB conference will be summarized and posted on the PNS web site.

Plans will be developed for the Spring of 2005 semi-annual meeting.

In the spirit of good maintenance practices to ensure safe roadways, environmental protection and sound economics, the PNS Association proposes a project to prepare a synthesis of information on the advantages and disadvantages of the use of anti-icing and pre-wetting practices. The RFP for this proposal was awarded to Western Transportation Institute. Completion target is May of 2005