TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM
QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): __FHWA_____

INSTRUCTIONS:
Project Managers and/or research project investigators should complete a quarterly progress report for each calendar quarter during which the projects are active. Please provide a project schedule status of the research activities tied to each task that is defined in the proposal; a percentage completion of each task; a concise discussion (2 or 3 sentences) of the current status, including accomplishments and problems encountered, if any. List all tasks, even if no work was done during this period.

Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #	**Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:**
TPF-5(164)	√Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31) 2013 ☐Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30) 2013 ☐Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30) 2013 ☐Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) 2013

Project Title: *Fish Passage in Large Culverts with Low Flows*		
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Lead Agency Project ID:	**Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):**	**Project Start Date:**
Original Project End Date:	**Current Project End Date:**	**Number of Extensions:**

Project schedule status:

√ On schedule ☐ On revised schedule ☐ Ahead of schedule ☐ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

Total Project Budget	**Total Cost to Date for Project**	**Percentage of Work Completed to Date**

Quarterly Project Statistics:

Total Project Expenses and Percentage This Quarter	**Total Amount of Funds Expended This Quarter**	**Total Percentage of Time Used to Date**

Project Description:

A primary objective of this aspect of the fish passage study is to determine the local velocities and flow distributions in corrugated metal pipes and pipe arches. This information is proposed for use to supplement the guidance in the publication FHWA- NHI 01-020 Hydraulic Design of Highway Culverts, Hydraulic Design Series No. 5. Conventional open-channel culvert hydraulics provides the tools and software needed to compute the average velocity of flow at any culvert cross-section for higher flows, given the culvert shape, roughness, slope and boundary conditions. In order to more accurately evaluate the ability of fish to traverse corrugated metal culverts, it is desirable to look at the changes in the local average velocity of the flow adjacent to the culvert wall under low flow conditions. Other studies have documented the tendency of fish to seek out a swimming location with the lowest velocity of flow. The location of lowest velocity can generally be found immediately adjacent to the culvert wall.
The specific objectives of this task order are to develop local average velocity design charts for various hydraulic conditions in support of the "Fish Passage in large Culverts for low Flows" study, which will be incorporated into the FHWA publication HEC-26 "Culvert Design for Aquatic Organism Passage".

Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):

- The preliminary draft report was updated and made compliant to FHWA publication guidelines.
- Revised draft report was circulated among the partnering agencies for comments.
- A design procedure and accompanying design examples based on the velocity distribution model developed in this study were provided in the draft report.
- While the comments from partnering agencies showed that the research findings had great potential in assisting the design process and the design approach developed in the study was logical, it was pointed out a further simplified A-to-Z design procedure was not, with sufficient clarity, laid out in the report. Examples might also need to be expanded to provide better support to designers.
- A number of discussions were convened to identify necessary steps to fulfill the need of a practical design procedure and complete the report.

Anticipated work next quarter:

- Identify and carry out additional CFD simulation to supplement the need of a complete design procedure.
- Update the report accordingly.
- Circulate the report again for potential further comments.

Significant Results:

Produced draft report and gathered comments towards finalizing the research product.

Circumstance affecting project or budget. (Please describe any challenges encountered or anticipated that might affect the completion of the project within the time, scope and fiscal constraints set forth in the agreement, along with recommended solutions to those problems).

Potential Implementation:

Additional design aids that may be incorporated into FHWA HEC-26 "Culvert Design for Aquatic Organism Passage".