## **MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT**

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**TTI Account:** 99-479520-001

**Title:** Evaluation of Guide Sign Fonts

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## **Research Progress**

Task 1: Kick-Off Meeting and Discussion of Work Plan. A conference call including all available representatives of the pooled fund project, as well as TTI project team members was held on September 28, 2012. This call served as the kick-off meeting for the project. Discussions centered around approval of the final scope of work and contract approvals from both the MnDOT and TTI contracting offices. As of the meeting date, TTI was awaiting final approval from MnDOT. Final approval was received, and work on the project officially began on October 1, 2012.

Task 2: Comprehensive Topic Investigation. A comprehensive review of research related to legibility distances of highway guide sign fonts, specifically Clearview and Series E(Mod) fonts, is currently being summarized. Based on this review, modifications that will be made to the existing Series E(Mod) font are being defined and developed. Based on information gathered to date, a more detailed work plan and study design for the Task 3 testing is being developed.

In addition, to ensure a timely start date for the study, all paperwork and required forms have been submitted to the Texas A&M University Institutional Review Board for approval of research involving human subjects.