**TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM**

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Date: \_\_4/21/2014\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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.*

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| **Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #**  *(i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)*  SPR-2(207) and TPF-5(052) | | **Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:**  🗹Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)  □Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)  □Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)  □Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) | |
| **Project Title:**  Transportation Management Center Pooled Fund Study | | | |
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| **Lead Agency Project ID:**  DTFH61-06-D-0004-T-11008 | **Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):** | | **Project Start Date:**  Feb. 1, 2000 |
| **Original Project End Date:**  Sept. 30, 2010 | **Current Project End Date:**  Sept. 30, 2017 | | **Number of Extensions:**  2 |

Project schedule status:

🗹 On schedule □ On revised schedule □ Ahead of schedule □ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Budget** | **Total Cost to Date for Project** | **Percentage of Work**  **Completed to Date** |
| 2,566,697 | 1,529,292 | 59 |

***Quarterly*** Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Expenses**  **and Percentage This Quarter** | **Total Amount of Funds**  **Expended This Quarter** | **Total Percentage of**  **Time Used to Date** |
| 126,033 | 126,033 |  |

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| **Project Description**:  The Transportation Management Center (TMC) Pooled Fund Study (PFS) serves as a forum to identify and address issues that are common among agencies that manage and operate TMCs and provides an opportunity for agencies to collectively take on those key issues and challenges. The TMC PFS also provides an opportunity to facilitate the interaction, sharing of information and successful practices with a broader audience to advance and improve upon the current state-of-the-practice related to the management, operation, and performance of TMCs.  The goal of the TMC PFS is to assemble regional, state, and local transportation management agencies and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to:   * Identify human-centered and operational issues; * Suggest approaches to addressing identified issues; * Initiate and monitor projects intended to address identified issues; * Provide guidance and recommendations and disseminate results; * Provide leadership and coordinate with others with TMC interests; and * Promote and facilitate technology transfer related to TMC issues nationally. |

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| **Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):**  A conference call with the members was held in January to review project progress and status. Members also discussed the scope of a high priority project and identified additional issues and topics to be included.  The draft report for the Effectiveness of Safety and Public Service Messages on DMS project was submitted and reviewed by the project committee. A revised report is anticipated in April.  The Travel Time Displays at Freeway Entrance Approaches Project and the Human Factors Guidelines for TMCs Project were restarted after contractual delays. Kickoff meetings for the two projects were held on March 10.  The Best Practice for Road Condition Reporting Systems project is on schedule. A draft synthesis report is expected in May and will be presented to the members at the annual meeting.  The Guidebook for Development Virtual TMCs project is on schedule. An annotated outline of the guidebook was submitted in January.  The Statement of Work (SOW) for the Next Generation Traveler Information Systems: A 5-Year Outlook was finalized.  The TMC PFS hosted a webinar on Freeway Safety Services Sponsorship and Outsourcing Programs on March 19. The webinar was well participated by the TMC PFS members as well as other non-member agencies and consultants. |
| **Anticipated work next quarter**:  A conference call with the members will be held in April 2014 to discuss the scope of one project that is planned to be initiated in the summer of 2014. Members will also discuss plans for the annual meeting in 2014.  The TMC PFS will host its annual meeting on May 20 and 21 in Raleigh, North Carolina. Members will discuss and prioritize project ideas to pursue and develop a program plan for 2014/2015.  The revised report for the Effectiveness of Safety and Public Service Messages on DMS project will be submitted for review in April.  A draft synthesis report for the Best Practice for Road Condition Reporting Systems project will be submitted in May and will be presented and discussed at the annual meeting.  A draft guidebook for the Guidebook for Development Virtual TMCs project will be delivered in late April, and will be presented and discussed at the annual meeting.  A draft report for the Roles of TMCs in Incident Management on Managed Lanes project will be delivered for review in late May. |

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| **Significant Results:**  None for this reporting period. |
| **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).**  No issues have been encountered to date. |

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| **Potential Implementation:**  Additional webinars to broadcast research results and products by the TMC pooled fund study will be arranged and rolled out on a quarterly basis. |