# TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

## **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 Proje	ect # Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:
TPF-5(211)	Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31) 2016 $\sqrt{Quarter 2}$ (April 1 – June 30) 2016
	Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30) 2016
	Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) 2016
Project Title:	
Bridge Pier Scour Research	
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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:

	$\checkmark$ On schedule $\Box$ On revised schedule	Ahead of schedule	Behind schedule
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**Overall Project Statistics:** 

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

Quarterly Project Statistics:

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

## **Project Description:**

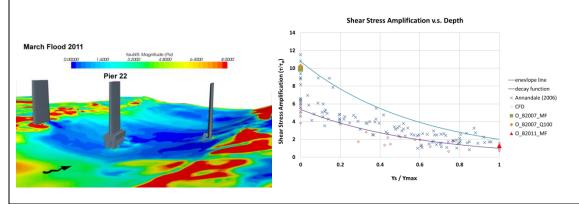
The present evaluation shows that, while the individual scour influences of the many bridge waterway variables are now well understood for simple or standard pier designs, and that recently developed scour estimation methods attempt to encompass these influences, there are several sources of substantial complexity that complicate the development of reliable comprehensive design relationship for estimating scour depth at piers:

- Complexity of flow field
- The fundamental problem of simultaneously scaling three scales (flow depth, bed material size and, structure size)
- Variations in channel boundary materials
- Differences in pier structure
- The complicating interaction of pier scour and other boundary erosion processes , such as accumulation of woody debris, ice bridge over-topping, abutment proximity, channel morphology, bedforms
- The large number of parameters involved

The TFHRC Hydraulics Laboratory will collaborate on this proposed research and will provide Lab capabilities and technical assistance.

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

- Completed a few necessary full-scale CFD runs to offer complete coverage on the cases needed for the conclusion of the study.
- Worked on composing final report.



## Anticipated work next quarter:

• Continue composing final report for the study on the decay of erosion power in complex pier scour.

