

TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Date: 18 July 2016

Lead Agency : Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development

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 # <i>(i.e., SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX))</i> TPF-5(273)		Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period: <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31) <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30) <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31)	
Project Title: Latin American Trade and Transportation Studies			
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Lead Agency Project ID: 13-ITTS	Other Project ID (i.e., contract #): 2000004871/H.005319.5	Project Start Date: 1 Dec 2012	
Original Project End Date: 30 Jun 2017	Current Project End Date: 30 Jun 2017	Number of Extensions: 0	

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
\$1,519,083		

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:

OBJECTIVES:

The purpose of ITTS is to estimate trade volumes with Latin America and other international trade, evaluate infrastructure investments needed to support growth in international trade, and develop strategies to guide infrastructure investments. The overall goal is to help the Southeastern Transportation Alliance states develop their competitive advantages to capture trade opportunities and the associated economic benefits.

The scope of work will consist of, but not be limited to, the following:

- Update the Latin America Trade and Transportation Study but expand to include all international trade.
- Organize and facilitate workshops attended by ITTS member states to review trade forecasts and freight flows, and to present and compare member state transportation plans to ensure proper coordination.
- Organize and sponsor an annual “Freight in the Southeast” conference to provide a continuing education and peer exchange opportunity for member states.
- Within budgetary allowances, provide support to member states such as speaking at member state conferences, offering expert advice, etc.
- Provide technical assistance in meeting the requirements of MAP-21 including but not limited to State Freight Plans, Freight networks and identifying Regional Freight corridors.

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

Network

- Finalized a Statement of Work with CDMSmith SHIFT Model Training Scenarios
- SHIFT Model scenario runs were submitted and prepared by CDMSmith
- Had conference call on SHIFT Model review of LA Scenario
- Materials shared with States

Data

- Had Conference call with DATA Integration group to discuss next Steps
- Integrated FAF4 into Tableau view
- Webinar on Tableau for member states
- Began work on interviews for states on FEAT model
- Began work on data integration of FAF4 databases for Tableau view
- Signed contracts with CS on FEAT model
- Renewed all ITTS Member state Tableau registrations

Communications

- Continued reviewing and providing follow-up information for ITTS member states concerning the ITTS Summer meeting in Kansas City and ITTS Peer Meeting in Baltimore

- Began organizational work with Georgia DOT on the 2017 ITTS Freight in the Southeast Conference
- Answered responses to RFP's for ITTS Conference
- Meet with US DOT Staff to discuss data programs
- Attending World Trade Center meeting in New Orleans, and several FHWA webinars
- Worked on Draft FRP's for ITTS Conference in Savannah
- Worked on Container/Overweight Statement of work
- Had conference call with member states on revising the ITTS newsletter, started work on a draft template
- Continued working on the Truck Parking report, including holding a webinar to discuss key findings
- Worked with AASHTO to organize an introductory phone call for the new freight staff team
- Work continued on the truck parking paper, with several discussions with specific member states on content

Service to States

- Submitted a draft Truck parking paper for review
- Submitted letter to Sec. Foxx in support of University of Kentucky Transportation Center application at the request of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
- Had several organizational calls about ITTS's participation at the SASHTO Conference
- Spoke at West Virginia Planning Conference

Related Tasks

- Prepared materials for ITTS Conference call and for administrative tasks
- Conducted/completed search for an Executive Assistant
- Prepared meetings for ITTS related conference calls

Anticipated work next quarter:

Network

- Finalize SHIFT Model Training Scenarios

Data

- Tableau for State DOT's – initial State/Corridor Dashboards available to states

Communications

- Truck Parking Webinar-release paper
- Paper on trade with Cuba
- ITTS newsletter
- Paper on Panama Canal Implications on the Southeast
- Issue revised newsletter
- Begin securing speakers, registration for the ITTS Freight in the Southeast Conference

Service to States

- As requested

Related Tasks

- Hire administrative staff
- Publish Paper on 3D Printing and the implications on State DOTs

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Significant Results:

- The SHIFT model scenarios was shown to the member states
- All the ITTS member states have access to an updated Tableauview software

Circumstance affecting project or budget. (Please describe any challenges encountered or anticipated 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: