




U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**Federal Highway  
Administration**

# Memorandum

6300 Georgetown Pike  
McLean, VA 22101

Subject: **INFORMATION:** Pooled Fund Solicitation  
#1487 “International Conference on Ecology &  
Transportation (ICOET) Pooled Fund”

Date: 1/25/19

From: Hari Kalla   
Associate Administrator for Research,  
Development, and Technology  
McLean, VA

In Reply Refer To:  
HRTM-10

To: Daniel M. Mathis  
Division Administrator (HDA-WA)  
Olympia, WA

This memorandum is in response to the December 19, e-mail from Megan Hall of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research–Subpart B (SP&R–Subpart B) funds for pooled fund solicitation 1487 “International Conference on Ecology & Transportation (ICOET) Pooled Fund”. We understand that the Washington State Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SP&R–Subpart B funds used for research and development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the Transportation Pooled Fund website: [www.pooledfund.org](http://www.pooledfund.org), which serves as the primary mechanism for communication regarding pooled fund studies.

It is important to remember that the lead agency contact is required to report on the status of the pooled fund study on a timely basis. The contact should indicate when a contract is signed, and electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents should be posted on the website. By doing so, the lead agency will be fulfilling its obligation to provide information to its partners on the status of the project.

Mike Ruth, Ecologist for the Office of Project Development & Environmental Review, will be the Federal Highway Administration’s Technical Liaison for this study. Mr. Ruth can be reached via telephone at (202) 366-9509 or e-mail: [Mike.Ruth@dot.gov](mailto:Mike.Ruth@dot.gov). We hope that Mr. Ruth will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact David Pamplin Transportation Pooled Fund Manager via telephone (202) 493-3166 in the if you have any questions or need further assistance.

FHWA: HRTM-10:M Shelton:33060:1/24/2019  
File:L:\HRTM-10\Pooled Funds\SPR Waiver Memo  
Solicit 1487\SPR Waiver Memo--Ruth-Sollicitaion 1487  
cc:  
HRT-1  
RD&T Reading  
FHWA-HEPE-30, Ruth