



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


# Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Pooled Fund Solicitation  
#1491 “Bridge Element Deterioration for  
Mid-west States”

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This memorandum is in response to the February 15, 2019, email request from Joe Balice of your staff, requesting a waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research–Subpart B (SP&R–Subpart B) funds for pooled fund solicitation #1491 “Bridge Element Deterioration for Mid-west States.” We understand that the Wisconsin 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.

Dr. Ping Lu, Research Engineer, in the Office of Infrastructure R&D will be the Federal Highway Administration’s Technical Liaison for this study. Dr. Lu can be reached via telephone at 202-493-3143 or email at [ping.lu@dot.gov](mailto:ping.lu@dot.gov). We hope that Dr. Lu 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 at (202) 493-3166 or email at [david.pamplin@dot.gov](mailto:david.pamplin@dot.gov) if you have questions or need further assistance.

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