

## Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION**: Pooled Fund Solicitation

#1521 "International Conference on Ecology & Transportation (ICOET) 2021 Pooled Fund"

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This memorandum is in response to the February 7, 2020 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 1521 "International Conference on Ecology & Transportation (ICOET) 2021 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: <a href="www.pooledfund.org">www.pooledfund.org</a>, 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.

Damaris Santiago, Project Mitigation Team Leader in the Office of Project Development and Environmental Review will be the Federal Highway Administration's Technical Liaison for this study. Ms. Santiago can be reached via telephone at 202-366-2034 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:Damaris.Santiago@dot.gov">Damaris.Santiago@dot.gov</a>. We hope that Ms. Santiago will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact Jack Jernigan via telephone (202) 493-3363 or email at <u>jack.jernigan@dot.gov</u> if you have questions or need further assistance.

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