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Dear Mr. Mathis:

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) accepts the role of lead state for the pooled fund study TPF-5(459) "Developing and Calibrating Fragmental Rockfall Models using Physics Engine." WSDOT agrees to receive, obligate, expend, and manage contributions from participating agencies.

Participating agencies are requested to submit a copy of this letter with their funding transfer request form for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for concurrence.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 360-705-7975 or by email at paintef@wsdot.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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