# TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): Iowa Department of Transportation

### **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 #		Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:				
TPF-5(372)		□Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)				
		□Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)				
		☑Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)				
		Quarter 4 (October	1 – December 31)			
Project Title: Building Information Modeling (BIM) for Bridges and Structures						
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Lead Agency Project ID:	Other Proje	ct ID (i.e., contract #):	Project Start Date:			
TPF-5(372)	N/A		November 28, 2018			
Original Project End Date: November 27, 2019	Current Pro	ject End Date: 2021	Number of Extensions: 3			

Project schedule status:

☑ On schedule □ On revised schedule □ Ahead of schedule □ Behind sched	ule
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**Overall Project Statistics:** 

Total Project Budget	Total Cost to Date for Project	Percentage of Work Completed to Date
\$926,268	\$630,955	68%

Quarterly Project Statistics:

Total Project Expenses	Total Amount of Funds	Total Percentage of
and Percentage This Quarter	Expended This Quarter	Time Used to Date
\$3,055 46% direct expenses this quarter, % of total budgeted	\$48,809	84%

### Project Description:

The objective of this project is to provide technical support for the implementation of Building Information Modeling (BIM) for Bridges and Structures under the direction of AASHTO COBS Technical Committee on Technology and Software (T-19) and the Transportation Pooled Fund TPF-5(372) Technical Advisory Committee (AASHTO COBS T-19/Pooled Fund). BIM has been widely used in the commercial sector for vertical construction to manage projects from conception through design, fabrication, construction and future asset management and maintenance. Although some fabricators who perform work on both building construction and transportation structures have begun employing BIM tools in the fabrication of bridge components, BIM use in transportation infrastructure is severely limited due to the lack of standardization. To take advantage of the efficiencies associated with the use of BIM in transportation structures, a comprehensive strategic plan by AASHTO COBS T-19 is needed.

# PROJECT SCOPE:

### 1 Investigation and Exploration

(University of Florida to Lead / Fair Cape Consulting to Support)

The consultant team is performing research to find comparative implementation efforts of common data standards within the infrastructure industry. These common efforts will require a shared vocabulary and definition of terms. The consultant team will document and report the common industry efforts and make terminology recommendations. *Current % complete for this task: 100%* 

# 2 IFC Development and Verification

### (AEC3 / University of Florida)

The main technical achievements will be performed by the consultant team under "IFC Development" work package including developing interoperable solutions starting with process and use case definitions, continuing with the information delivery specification, formalizing the exchanges by creating a model view definition and by supporting the software industry through anticipation, deployment and certification of the IFC interfaces. *Current % complete for this task: 60%* 

### **3 Economic Analysis**

#### (HDR Lead)

In order to support the decision-making process of each state DOT, an economic analysis will be performed, focusing on the benefits and costs of adopting standards for information modeling to facilitate the exchange of models and data. The team will explore how enhanced interoperability affects operational expenses, savings in information verification costs, improvements in workflows, and enhancements in collaboration.

Current % complete for this task: 0%

# **4 Industry Organization**

### (Jeff Ouellette Lead, HDR Support)

The current roadmap that AASHTO COBS T-19/Pooled Fund developed two years prior to the start of this project is in need of an update to show an achievable plan with actionable goals based on current industry activity. The consultant team will update the roadmap of BIM for bridges and structures. Involvement with bSI is critical for allowing AASHTO COBS T-19/Pooled Fund to have a voice in the development of this national standard. Recommendations and long-term strategies will be developed. Governance of this program will require the cooperative involvement of key industry stakeholders. The consultant team will review the current governance model to assure the structure and assignments are relevant. Recommendations on how to best maintain influence on direction and development of IFC will be developed. The leadership of the governance body will need to support key relationships with bSI, an international organization with chapters worldwide. The consultant team will work with AASHTO COBS T-19/Pooled Fund to create a plan to facilitate this engagement.

Current % complete for this task: 80%

# **5** Implementation and Collaboration

### (Fair Cape Consulting / HDR Co-Lead)

The consultant team will build an Engagement and Implementation Plan that is focused on design and development of industry tailored tools and tactics. Our team will identify and leverage the balance between the right message and the appropriate approach for engagement and meaningful dialogue. HDR will also support states implementing the national standard to clarify what that product is. Having a tangible, common end-goal will allow independent areas to mature concurrently. HDR will develop an implementation plan that supports this goal. Tasks 5.2 Engagement Tool Kit Development and 5.3 Implementation Support will be completed in future contract years due to budget constraints. *Current % complete for this task: 70%* 

#### 6 Management and Internal Coordination

(HDR Lead)

This task includes management of budget and schedule, project reporting, internal coordination with consultant team, and quality control review of deliverables. *Current % complete for this task: 75%* 

### 8 Communications and Coordination

#### (HDR Lead)

This task includes coordination with AASHTO COBS T-19/Pooled Fund, online and in-person meetings, preparation of monthly e-Update newsletters, and external technical coordination with related external initiatives. *Current % complete for this task: 45%* 

Note: The percentage completion values shown correspond to the percent complete for the current contract. The project is anticipated to last through 2022 with contract renewals at the end of each calendar year.

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

### Q3 2020

### **Progress Achieved:**

- Issued memo on data dictionary governance and held joint meeting with Working Groups 2 and 3
- Finalized Roadmap infographic and prepared communications
- Task 2 IFC Development work
- Conducted Software Vendor one-on-one meetings
- Continued coordination with newly formed buildingSMART USA Chapter
- Coordination with related external initiatives, including NSBA TG 15
- Conducted quarterly online meeting (September 14, 2020)

#### Anticipated work next quarter:

- Continue IFC IDM and MVD Development; issue draft IDM
- Continue engagement with buildingSMART USA Chapter
- Update Software Vendor Engagement Plan
- Issue Letters of Intent for software vendors
- Continue engagement with software vendors
- Publish Roadmap infographic on collaboration site and prepare communications for external distribution
- Coordination with external initiatives
- Planning and coordination for contract Year 3 activities
- Facilitate online meeting(s) with AASHTO COBS T-19/Pooled Fund

#### Significant Results:

None at this time.

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

None at this time.

# Potential Implementation:

Nothing to report at this time.