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Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled
Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1558 “Improving the
Design Efficiency of Ultra-High Performance
Concrete (UHPC) Piles”

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This memorandum is in response to the July 14, 2021, email from Micah Loesch of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research, Subpart B (SPR-B) funds for TPF project solicitation number 1558, “Improving the Design Efficiency of Ultra-High Performance Concrete (UHPC) Piles.” We understand that the Iowa Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project and Khyle Clute will be the lead agency contact.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SPR-B funds used for research and development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the TPF website: 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 lead agency contact should notify Jill Stark via email at jill.stark@dot.gov and Masha Shelton via email at masha.shelton.ctr@dot.gov when the contract is signed. Electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents are posted on the TPF 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. Ben Graybeal, Structures and Foundations Team Leader, in the Office of Infrastructure R&D will be the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA's) technical liaison for this study. Dr. Graybeal can be reached via telephone at (202) 493-3122 or via email at benjamin.graybeal@dot.gov. We hope that Dr. Graybeal will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact Jill Stark if you have questions or need further assistance.