



TPF EXCELLENCE AWARDS PROGRAM

2024 Transportation Pooled Fund Excellence Awards Program

Nomination Form

Overview and Instructions

The Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Program Excellence Awards highlight the importance of meaningful collaboration and partnership in transportation research by recognizing TPF studies that have significantly advanced national research efforts in the areas of safety, economic growth, equity, climate solutions, and/or transformation. Administered through a partnership between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Research Advisory Committee (RAC), the biennial TPF Excellence Award will recognize two TPF studies, with at least one led by a State department of transportation (DOT).

Any participant in the TPF program can nominate a TPF study that is completed and has posted a final report/deliverable by June 30 of the year submitted. The nominator is responsible for completing the nomination form that summarizes the outstanding accomplishments of the entry. FHWA will use the collected information to evaluate, showcase, and enhance the public's knowledge of research and innovation conducted through these TPF projects.

Nominations will be reviewed by an independent panel of judges from various backgrounds. Judges will evaluate nominations based on how clearly the application demonstrates and describes how the TPF study research achieved the following:

- Strong collaboration.
- Improvements to the transportation industry.
- Value added to and utilization and implementation by the transportation community.
- Promotion of research and/or innovation.
- Use of the project deliverables by multiple State partners.
- Advancement of [USDOT strategic goals](#): safety, economic strength, equity, climate and sustainability, transformation and organizational excellence.

Questions with red asterisks are required for this nomination form. Only complete nomination forms will be considered.

Nominations for the 2024 TPF Excellence Awards cycle will open in September 11, 2023 and close in October 20, 2023.

For any questions and to submit completed nomination forms and materials to TPFExcellenceAwards@dot.gov.

This collection of information is voluntary, and will be used to support the Federal Highway Administration Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Program Excellence Awards, which highlight the importance of meaningful collaboration and partnership in transportation research by recognizing TPF studies that have significantly advanced national research efforts in the areas of safety, economic growth, equity, climate solutions, and/or transformation. Public reporting burden is estimated to average five (5) hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The temporary OMB control number for this collection is 2125-0002. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: Information Collection Clearance Officer, Federal Highway Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590





Background Information

TPF Study Title:* _____ TPF Study Number:* _____

TPF Study Contract Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy):* _____ End Date (mm/dd/yyyy):* _____

Please provide a brief project description. (Limit answer to 1500 characters.)*

Please summarize why you have selected this project for nomination for a TPF Program Excellence Award. What makes this project stand out above other potential nominations?

(Limit answer to 1500 characters.)*

Images*

Include the file name, description, and attribution (such as: © 2019 Florida Department of Transportation) for each image. Please submit image files along with this completed nomination form via email TPFExcellenceAwards@dot.gov

File name(s), Short image description(s), and Attribution(s):*

I agree to the below image(s) release statement:* Yes No

I represent that I have authority to grant the requested permission, and hereby grant to the U.S. Government, and others acting on its behalf permission to use image(s) submitted in this nomination form for any official government purpose.

Are there specific limitations on FHWA’s use in your permission (if yes, please explain below)?* Yes No

Name and contact information of the person granting permission:*

First & Last Name:* _____ Phone:* _____ Email:* _____

Primary Applicant Point of Contact

Please list the person to receive all communications about the awards, including notification of selection. The primary applicant point of contact is responsible for notifying other team members about award selection.

Salutation (Dr./Mr./Mrs./Ms.): _____ First Name:* _____ Last Name:* _____

Organization:* _____

Phone:* _____ Fax: _____ Email:* _____

Address Line 1:* _____ Address Line 2: _____

City:* _____ State:* _____ Zip: _____

Comments:





Nomination Questions

Please describe how the nominated TPF study demonstrates strong collaboration.

*(Limit answer to 1500 characters).**

Please describe how the nominated TPF study has improved the transportation industry.

*(Limit answer to 1500 characters).**

Please describe how the nominated TPF study research adds value to and is being utilized and implemented by the transportation community. *(Limit answer to 1500 characters).**

Please describe how the nominated TPF study has promoted research and/or innovation.

*(Limit answer to 1500 characters).**

Please describe if and how the nominated TPF study deliverables are being utilized by multiple State partners.

*(Limit answer to 1500 characters).**

Please describe how the nominated TPF study advances one of the following USDOT strategic goals: safety, economic strength, equity, climate and sustainability, transformation and/or organizational excellence.

*(Limit answer to 1500 characters).**

