TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM
QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): FHWA Office of Planning

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 # *(i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)* TPF5(154)	**Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:** ☑ 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: Census Transportation Planning Products (CTPP)		
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Lead Agency Project ID:	**Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):**	**Project Start Date:**
Original Project End Date:	**Current Project End Date:** March 30, 2013	**Number of Extensions:** 1

Project schedule status:

☐ On schedule ☑ On revised schedule ☐ Ahead of schedule ☐ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

Total Project Budget	Total Cost to Date for Project	Percentage of Work Completed to Date
$1,565,697	$1,559,052	100%

Quarterly Project Statistics:

Total Project Expenses and Percentage This Quarter	Total Amount of Funds Expended This Quarter	Total Percentage of Time Used to Date
$14,278	$ 0	100%

Project Description:

In 1990 and again in 2000, AASHTO partnered with all of the states on pooled fund projects to support the development of special census products and data tabulations for transportation. These census transportation data packages have proved invaluable in understanding characteristics about where people live and work, their journey to work commuting patterns, and the modes they use for getting to work. Significant cost savings were achieved by using a nationwide coordinated approach, and resulted in data availability at detailed geography (census tract and TAZs where specified) for the entire nation.

The American Community Survey is the replacement for the decennial census "long form" and requires multiple years of data accumulation before small area tabulations can be released. Because of this change in survey methods, a research project to improve the useability of the data for transportation planning is needed.

Objectives: To provide data tabulations from the American Community Survey (ACS) that are designed specifically for the needs of transportation planners. This data project will be called Census Transportation Planning Products (CTPP). This will include tabulations for residence, workplace, and flow between home and work. Both 3-year ACS data aggregates, and 5-year ACS data aggregates will be used for the tabulations. The geographic level of detail for the 5-year ACS will include Transportation Analysis Zones (TAZs) and census tracts. The data will be distributed to State DOTs and MPOs using the best format available which may include Internet or CDs and DVDs.

In addition to data tabulations, the project will include technical support, training and capacity building, research, and project oversight. Scope of Work: The CTPP includes five major components: data tabulations, on-demand technical support, training and capacity building, research, and project oversight.

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

This is the last quarterly report for this pooled fund project. All remaining tasks for the 2006-2010 CTPP are with AASHTO. As of April 25, the Census Bureau is on schedule to deliver the 2006-2010 CTPP to AASHTO by the end of May 2013.

The Census Bureau staff had been working on the feasibility of extended workplace geocoding process into the standard ACS processing, but recently, we were told that because of budget cuts to the Census Bureau due to the "sequestration" and hiring losses due to retirements, they were not currently planning to include extended workplace geocoding into the standard ACS. Budget estimates that fold in additional costs for extended workplace geocoding have been submitted to AASHTO for consideration of any future CTPP products.

Anticipated work next quarter:

Elaine Murakami will proceed with the closeout process as soon as possible.

Significant Results:

Please read the May 2013 Issue of the CTPP Status report for more information:
http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/planning/census_issues/ctpp/status_report/

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).

A Task Order contract with Cambridge Systematics has a remainder of $6,645. Beginning in 2011, I attempted to close out this task order and move the remaining $6,645 to a new task order. However, after many emails, I was unsuccessful, and believe that at this point in time, it is best to close out the TPF 5 (154) project and return the remainder to the contributing State DOTs, even if the remainder amounts will be very small.

Potential Implementation:

The 2006-2010 CTPP tabulations will be delivered to AASHTO in May 2013, under a separate contract between AASHTO and the Census Bureau. AASHTO will provide a software interface to provide easy access to these data, with software beta-testing currently planned for June 2013.