**TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM**

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Date: \_\_10/28/2013\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): \_\_FHWA\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**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.*

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| **Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #***(i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)*SPR-2(207) and TPF-5(052) | **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:**Transportation Management Center Pooled Fund Study |
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| **Lead Agency Project ID:**DTFH61-06-D-0004-T-11008 | **Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):** | **Project Start Date:**Feb. 1, 2000 |
| **Original Project End Date:**Sept. 30, 2010 | **Current Project End Date:**Sept. 30, 2014 | **Number of Extensions:**1 |

Project schedule status:

🗹 On schedule □ On revised schedule □ Ahead of schedule □ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

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|  **Total Project Budget** |  **Total Cost to Date for Project** |  **Percentage of Work**  **Completed to Date** |
| 2566697 | 1286450 | 50 |

***Quarterly*** Project Statistics:

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|  **Total Project Expenses**  **and Percentage This Quarter** |  **Total Amount of Funds**  **Expended This Quarter** |  **Total Percentage of**  **Time Used to Date** |
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| **Project Description**:The Transportation Management Center (TMC) Pooled Fund Study (PFS) serves as a forum to identify and address issues that are common among agencies that manage and operate TMCs and provides an opportunity for agencies to collectively take on those key issues and challenges. The TMC PFS also provides an opportunity to facilitate the interaction, sharing of information and successful practices with a broader audience to advance and improve upon the current state-of-the-practice related to the management, operation, and performance of TMCs. The goal of the TMC PFS is to assemble regional, state, and local transportation management agencies and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to:* Identify human-centered and operational issues;
* Suggest approaches to addressing identified issues;
* Initiate and monitor projects intended to address identified issues;
* Provide guidance and recommendations and disseminate results;
* Provide leadership and coordinate with others with TMC interests; and
* Promote and facilitate technology transfer related to TMC issues nationally.
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| **Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):**Final reports for the Travel Time on Arterials/Rural Roadways – State-of-the-Practice Synthesis on Technology Project were published on the FHWA web site.The Effectiveness of Safety and Public Service Messages on DMS project was on schedule. Surveys were conducted in Houston in September 2013. Surveys for three other metropolitan areas were expected to be conducted in October.The kickoff meeting for the Best Practice for Road Condition Reporting Systems project was held on July 31, 2013. The project was on schedule.The Roles of TMCs in Incident Management on Managed Lanes project was kicked off on July 15, 2013. A webinar for early results and progress discussion would be held in November.The kickoff meeting for the Guidebook for Development Virtual TMCs project was held in August 2013. This would be a 12-month effort with a final guidebook expected in August 2014. |
| **Anticipated work next quarter**:A conference call with the members would be held in early October to discuss the plan for initiating projects that were selected at the annual meeting in May 2013. Members would review the scopes of the projects and discuss additional issues and topics to be included, and determine the priority for moving them forward. |

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| **Significant Results:**The report for the Impacts of Technology Advancements on TMC Operations project was published. This report provides guidance to TMCs and transportation management agencies on how to better position themselves operationally in anticipation of future technology changes and advancements.The Guide to TMC Data Capture for Performance and Mobility Measures is a two-volume document consisting of a summary Guidebook and a Reference Manual. These documents are the final products of the TMC Data Capture for Performance and Mobility Measures project. These documents provide technical guidance and recommended practices regarding concepts, methods, techniques, and procedures for collecting, analyzing, and archiving TMC operations data to develop measures of roadway and TMC performance, as well as documenting the benefits of TMC activities for a variety of stakeholders.Two reports developed for the Travel Time on Arterials/Rural Roadways – State-of-the-Practice Synthesis on Technology project identify, review, and synthesize information on current and potential future efforts in real-time travel time on arterials and rural highways. The core of the reports discusses available and emerging arterial travel time data sources as well as implementation considerations, advantages, and limitations of each. |
| **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).**No issues have been encountered to date. |

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| **Potential Implementation:** Additional webinars to broadcast research results and products by the TMC pooled fund study will be arranged and rolled out on a quarterly basis. |