**TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM**

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Date: 30 October 2015

Lead Agency : Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development

**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)*  TPF-5(273) | | **Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:**  □ Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)  □ Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)  X Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)  □ Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) | |
| **Project Title:**  **Latin American Trade and Transportation Studies** | | | |
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| **Lead Agency Project ID:**  **13-ITTS** | **Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):**  **2000004871/H.005319.5** | | **Project Start Date:**  **1 Dec 2012** |
| **Original Project End Date:**  **30 Jun 2017** | **Current Project End Date:**  **30 Jun 2017** | | **Number of Extensions:**  **0** |

Project schedule status:

x 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** |
| $1,519,083 | $727,134.99 | 62% |

***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** |
| $727,134.99 (48%) | $69,289.71 | 62% |

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| **Project Description**:  **OBJECTIVES:**  The purpose of ITTS is to estimate trade volumes with Latin America and other international trade, evaluate infrastructure investments needed to support growth in international trade, and develop strategies to guide infrastructure investments. The overall goal is to help the Southeastern Transportation Alliance states develop their competitive advantages to capture trade opportunities and the associated economic benefits.    The scope of work will consist of, but not be limited to, the following:   * Update the Latin America Trade and Transportation Study but expand to include all international trade. * Organize and facilitate workshops attended by ITTS member states to review trade forecasts and freight flows, and to present and compare member state transportation plans to ensure proper coordination. * Organize and sponsor an annual “Freight in the Southeast” conference to provide a continuing education and peer exchange opportunity for member states. * Within budgetary allowances, provide support to member states such as speaking at member state conferences, offering expert advice, etc. * Provide technical assistance in meeting the requirements of MAP-21 including but not limited to State Freight Plans, Freight networks and identifying Regional Freight corridors. |

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| **Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):**  Network   * SHIFT Model network data collected from ITTS and neighboring states * Organized webinar by Kentucky on integrating probe data into performance measures   Data   * Purchased Tableau data subscription for member states * Meetings with states, Marad, and US Army Corps on maritime data availability for member states to integrate into Tableau * Organized webinar on WISER International Trade data for member states   Communications   * States Approved ITTS work plan for FY 2016 * Prepared notes for SASHTO Board of Directors * Began planning next ITTS Freight in the Southeast Conference, including finalizing agenda, conference location, and budget   Service to States   * Began research on analytical challenges on truck parking studies, including organizing conference calls and literature review. (Jason’s Law study released by FHWA in August.) * Trade flows for Mississippi DOT * Presentation at Florida Transportation Data Symposium and related follow-up tasks   Related Tasks   * Attended AASHTO meeting, where I discussed performance measures, and the implication of the Panama Canal on discussions of freight connectivity |
| **Anticipated work next quarter**:  Network   * Finish SHIFT Model including data and training for member states   Data   * Release database on maritime flows in Tableau for states, including training * Setup webinars on Bluetooth routing information and Freight Performance Measures   Communications   * First “save the date” announcement on ITTS Freight in the Southeast Conference * Truck parking study published   Service to States   * Review State of Louisiana Freight Plan * Work with States on National Freight Strategy Coordination comments   Related Tasks   * CFS Conference meeting * Participate in NCFRP Review meeting |

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| **Significant Results:**     * SHIFT Model by CDMSmith received data from states * Tableau Subscriptions purchase for member states * Work plan approved by Member states * Began organization of ITTS Freight in the Southeast Conference |
| **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).** |

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| **Potential Implementation:** |