Transportation Pooled Fund Program

Project Title: Roadside Safety Research Program		
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Reporting Period: September 2005 – December 2005	Multi Year Project 2005,2006,2007	
Description of Work Performed and Progress: The Roadside Safety Research Committee met in August to develop a research workplan for testing and analysis of various roadside safety features by Texas Transportation Institute. Representatives from the states of Washington, Alaska, Tennessee, Minnesota and Louisiana contributed ideas for the research plan. The first research examination will involve the development of a guardrail design that meets NCHRP TL-3 that allows for I or 2 posts to be omitted. A second project will develop a restrained (pinned or bolted to existing bridge deck or roadway) 12.5 – 15 ft. long temporary "I" shape concrete barrier that meets MCHRP TL-3 and limits dynamic deflection to meet space requirements in a work zone. Two more research projects were approved with available funding from FFY05 and FFY 06—one that tests alternative designs for placement of guardrails on slopes and testing the Box Culver Guardrail.		
STATUS AND COMPLETION DATE		
Percentage of work completed to date for total project Project is:5_% x_on schedule behind schedule, explain:		
Expected Completion D	Date: December 2008	