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Phillip Ditzler Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration, Oregon Division 530 Center Street NE, Suite 100 Salem, OR 97301

Dear Mr. Ditzler,

ODOT is the lead state for the Pooled Fund Study, TPF-5(259) "Imaging Tools for Evaluation of Gusset Plate Connections in Steel Truss Bridges." The Oregon Department of Transportation accepts the role of lead agency and agrees to receive, obligate, expend and manage contributions from participating agencies.

The participating agencies are requested to submit a copy of this letter with their funding transfer request form for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for their concurrence.

Please contact Barnie Jones, Ph D, Research Section Manager, 200 Hawthorne SE, Suite B-240, Salem, OR 97301, 503-986-2845 or Barnie.p.jones@odot.state.or.us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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