

## TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): Iowa Department of Transportation

### 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.

<b>Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #</b> TPF-5(372)	<b>Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)  <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)  <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)  <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31)	
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<b>Lead Agency Project ID:</b> TPF-5(372)	<b>Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):</b> N/A	<b>Project Start Date:</b> November 28, 2018
<b>Original Project End Date:</b> November 27, 2019	<b>Current Project End Date:</b> January 31, 2023	<b>Number of Extensions:</b> 5

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
\$1,792,559	\$1,362,539	75%

Quarterly Project Statistics:

Total Project Expenses and Percentage This Quarter	Total Amount of Funds Expended This Quarter	Total Percentage of Time Used to Date
\$3,246    50% <i>direct expenses this quarter, % of total budgeted</i>	\$106,500	80%

## **Project Description:**

The objective of this project is to provide technical support for the implementation of Building Information Modeling (BIM) for Bridges and Structures under the direction of AASHTO CBS Technical Committee on Technology and Software (T-19) and the Transportation Pooled Fund TPF-5(372) Technical Advisory Committee (AASHTO CBS T-19/Pooled Fund). BIM has been widely used in the commercial sector for vertical construction to manage projects from conception through design, fabrication, construction and future asset management and maintenance. Although some fabricators who perform work on both building construction and transportation structures have begun employing BIM tools in the fabrication of bridge components, BIM use in transportation infrastructure is severely limited due to the lack of standardization. To take advantage of the efficiencies associated with the use of BIM in transportation structures, a comprehensive strategic plan by AASHTO CBS T-19 is needed.

### **PROJECT SCOPE:**

#### **1 Investigation and Exploration**

(University of Florida to Lead / Fair Cape Consulting to Support)

The consultant team is performing research to find comparative implementation efforts of common data standards within the infrastructure industry. These common efforts will require a shared vocabulary and definition of terms. The consultant team will document and report the common industry efforts and make terminology recommendations.

*Current % complete for this task: 100%*

#### **2 IFC Development and Verification**

(AEC3 / University of Florida)

The main technical achievements will be performed by the consultant team under "IFC Development" work package including developing interoperable solutions starting with process and use case definitions, continuing with the information delivery specification, formalizing the exchanges by creating a model view definition and by supporting the software industry through anticipation, deployment and certification of the IFC interfaces.

*Current % complete for this task: 70%*

#### **3 Economic Analysis**

(HDR Lead)

In order to support the decision-making process of each state DOT, an economic analysis will be performed, focusing on the benefits and costs of adopting standards for information modeling to facilitate the exchange of models and data. The team will explore how enhanced interoperability affects operational expenses, savings in information verification costs, improvements in workflows, and enhancements in collaboration.

*Current % complete for this task: 15%*

#### **4 Industry Organization**

(Jeff Ouellette Lead, HDR Support)

The current roadmap that AASHTO CBS T-19/Pooled Fund developed two years prior to the start of this project is in need of an update to show an achievable plan with actionable goals based on current industry activity. The consultant team will update the roadmap of BIM for bridges and structures. Involvement with bSI is critical for allowing AASHTO CBS T-19/Pooled Fund to have a voice in the development of this national standard. Recommendations and long-term strategies will be developed. Governance of this program will require the cooperative involvement of key industry stakeholders. The consultant team will review the current governance model to assure the structure and assignments are relevant. Recommendations on how to best maintain influence on direction and development of IFC will be developed. The leadership of the governance body will need to support key relationships with bSI, an international organization with chapters worldwide. The consultant team will work with AASHTO CBS T-19/Pooled Fund to create a plan to facilitate this engagement.

*Current % complete for this task: 80%*

#### **5 Implementation and Collaboration**

(Fair Cape Consulting / HDR Co-Lead)

The consultant team will build an Engagement and Implementation Plan that is focused on design and development of industry tailored tools and tactics. Our team will identify and leverage the balance between the right message and the appropriate approach for engagement and meaningful dialogue. HDR will also support states implementing the national standard to clarify what that product is. Having a tangible, common end-goal will allow independent areas to mature concurrently. HDR will develop an implementation plan that supports this goal. Tasks 5.2 Engagement Tool Kit Development and 5.3 Implementation Support will be completed in future contract years.

*Current % complete for this task: 70%*

## **6 Management and Internal Coordination**

(HDR Lead)

This task includes management of budget and schedule, project reporting, internal coordination with consultant team, and quality control review of deliverables.

*Current % complete for this task: 88%*

## **8 Communications and Coordination**

(HDR Lead)

This task includes coordination with AASHTO CBS T-19/Pooled Fund, online and in-person meetings, preparation of monthly e-Update newsletters, and external technical coordination with related external initiatives.

*Current % complete for this task: 83%*

## **9 Transition Planning**

(HDR Lead)

This task includes developing a transition plan with recommendations for activities to be carried out through future efforts to further advance the overall project objectives.

*Current % complete for this task: 0%*

*Note: The percentage completion values shown correspond to the percent complete for the current contract. The project is anticipated to last through 2023 with contract renewals at the end of each calendar year.*

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

#### **Q1 2022**

##### **Progress Achieved:**

- Finalized the Information Delivery Manual (IDM) for AASHTO CBS balloting and submitted to T-19 for processing
- Prepared narrative about ballot agenda item
- Continued development of Model View Definition (MVD)
- Development of Unit Test template and draft procedure for software testing
- Involvement of senior bridge advisors on data model elements for Unit Test Suite
- Coordination with buildingSMART International and buildingSMART USA Chapter
- Continued coordination of Letters of Intent for software vendors
- Conducted in-person meeting with pooled fund members in North Carolina, with virtual option
- Began literature review and kicked off return on investment (ROI) analysis task
- Met with ROI Working Group to coordinate ROI objective and activities

##### **Anticipated work next quarter:**

- Address comments from the States on the IDM as part of the AASHTO CBS balloting process
- Continue MVD development
- Finalize content of US Bridge Data Dictionary
- Continue development of the Unit Test Suite
- Finalize literature review and continue ROI analysis task
- Continue engagement with buildingSMART International and buildingSMART USA Chapter
- Continue to obtain signed Letters of Intent from software vendors
- Coordination with external initiatives
- Provide project update at the AASHTO Committee on Bridges and Structures Annual Meeting in June 2022

**Significant Results:**

The project team finalized *Information Delivery Manual: Guide Specification for Design to Construction Data Exchange for Highway Bridges* for submittal by T-19 to AASHTO in preparation for balloting at the AASHTO Committee on Bridges and Structures Annual Meeting in June 2022.

**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).**

None at this time.

**Potential Implementation:**

Nothing to report at this time.