

Memorandum

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- Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1569 "Continuous Bituminous Pavement Stripping Assessment Through Non-destructive Testing"
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This memorandum is in response to the March 24, 2022, email from Joe Campbell of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research, Subpart B (SPR-B) funds for TPF project solicitation number 1569, "Continuous Bituminous Pavement Stripping Assessment Through Non-destructive Testing." We understand that the Minnesota Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project and Eyoab Zegeye will be the lead agency contact.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SPR-B funds used for research and development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the TPF website: <u>www.pooledfund.org</u>, which serves as the primary mechanism for communication regarding pooled fund studies.

It is important to remember that the lead agency contact is required to report on the status of the pooled fund study on a timely basis. The lead agency contact should notify Tricia Sergeson via email at <u>patricia.sergeson@dot.gov</u> and Masha Shelton via email at <u>masha.shelton.ctr@dot.gov</u> when the contract is signed. Electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents are posted on the TPF website. By doing so, the lead agency will be fulfilling its obligation to provide information to its partners on the status of the project.

Date:

In Reply Refer To: HRTM-10 Steve Cooper, Senior Pavement and Materials Engineer, will be the Federal Highway Administration's technical liaison for this study. Mr. Cooper can be reached via telephone at 443) 257-7145 or via email <u>stephen.j.cooper@dot.gov</u>. We hope that Mr. Cooper will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

You may contact Tricia Sergeson if you have questions or need further assistance.