TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

Lead Agency (FHWA or State DOT): Mississippi 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.

Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project # (i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)	Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period: X Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)
TPF-5(390)	□Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)
	□Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)
	□Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31)

Project Title: Institute for Trade and Transportation Studies (ITTS)

Name of Project Manager(s):	Phone Number:	E-Mail
Lead Agency Project ID: 2019 ITTS IDIQ Master Contract	Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):	Project Start Date: 12/6/2018
Original Project End Date: 12/6/2023	Current Project End Date: 12/6/2023	Number of Extensions: 0

Project schedule status:

X On schedule \Box On revised schedule \Box Ahead of so

Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

Total Project Budget	Total Cost to Date for Project	Percentage of Work Completed to Date
\$199,000.00	\$0	

Quarterly Project Statistics:

Total Project Expenses	Total Amount of Funds	Total Percentage of
and Percentage This Quarter	Expended This Quarter	Time Used to Date

Project Description:

The purpose of ITTS is to support member states in developing their competitive advantages to capture trade opportunities and economic benefits through improved transportation planning, investments, collaboration, and operations.

ITTS provides the following services towards achieving its purpose.

- Provide a platform for regional collaboration
- Inform members of current and anticipated freight trends
- Develop effective freight planning tools for member states
- Identify and nurture close and collaborative working relationships with relevant federal and state agencies, associations, academic institutions, and private sector firms, to keep abreast of developments in freight planning and trade, and to enhance the outcomes of work on common interests
- Assist member state DOTs to integrate freight planning into their core business procedures
- Partner with other organizations, including, but not limited to, public agencies, private firms, multi-state coalitions, and industry associations, to advance freight planning through research and collaboration

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

Meetings

ITTS Monthly Status/Technical Advisory Committee Meetings

Project Management Status/Progress

- Project Management Structure Coordination with the Technical Advisory Committee/consulting firms/MDOT Consultant Services Unit towards the development of the MDOT ITTS Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Master Contract included the following
 - > Completed review of consulting firms' proposals to RFP
 - Finalized consultant selections
 - > Started consultants master contract initiation

Anticipated work next quarter:

Meetings

- ITTS Monthly Status/Technical Advisory Committee Meetings
- FFY2020 Work Plan Subcommittee Meetings

Project Management Activities

 Project Management Structure – Continue coordination with the Technical Advisory Committee/consulting firms/ MDOT Consultant Services Unit to finalize IDIQ master contract

Work Plan Activities

• FFY2020 Work Plan Development – Establish work plan subcommittee and coordinate with Technical Advisory Committee to start work plan development

Significant Results:

Project Management Structure

• In Progress

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).

Potential Implementation: