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Ms. Tricia Sergeson
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Office of Corporate Research, Technology and Innovation Management
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6300 Georgetown Pike
McLean, VA 22101

RE: Transportation Pooled Fund - 5(464), Hydrologic and Hydraulic Software Enhancements (SMS, WMS, Hydraulic Toolbox, and HY-8); <https://www.pooledfund.org/Details/Study/691>

Dear Ms. Sergeson:

The Federal Highway Administration, Office of Bridges and Structures is the lead for the pooled fund study TPF-5(464) "Hydrologic and Hydraulic Software Enhancements (SMS, WMS, Hydraulic Toolbox, and HY-8)." The objective of this study is to enhance the technical capabilities of four FHWA-sponsored hydraulic design software programs, which are used nationally by State DOT engineers and designers to analyze and design bridges, culverts, and other infrastructure in a safe and reliable manner.

The Office of Bridges and Structures, and specifically HIBS-20 (Hydraulics and Geotechnical Engineering), accepts the role of lead agency and agrees to receive, obligate, expand, and manage contributions from participating agencies. Two FHWA key staff contacts follow:

- Lead Agency Contact: Eric Brown (eric.r.brown@dot.gov; 202-366-4598)
- Program Office Financial Manager: [REDACTED]

The participating agencies are requested to submit a copy of this letter with their funding transfer request form (FHWA 1576) for this project to their respective FHWA Division Office for concurrence.

Please feel free to contact Eric Brown if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Joseph L. Hartmann
Director, Office of Bridges and Structures
Sponsor, Hydraulic Engineering Discipline