TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM **Quarterly Report**

PROJECT TITLE: LATTS - Latin American Trade and Transportation Study & Institute

OBJECTIVES: Create the Institute for Trade and Transportation Studies – ITTS – (LATTS Phase III) The (Institute will include but not be limited to analytical and coordinative services to:

- 1. Provide trade and transportation related information to member state agencies based on information obtained in previous phases of LATTS.
- 2. Coordinate the dissemination, review, and analysis of information on forecasts of trade and transportation to state agencies and the FHWA.

Assist state agencies in developing work statements, data collection frameworks, specialized trade & transportation related analysis among states, plus other items not listed here.

PERIOD COVERED: January 2008 - March 2008

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:			
Departments of Transportation from the Following States: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia. FHWA			
PROJECT MANAGER:	SP&R PROJECT NO:	PROJECT IS:	
Tom Bartkiewicz			
LEAD AGENCY : Louisiana DOTD	700-99-0416	XX Planning	
PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:			
Bruce Lambert		Research & Development	
ANNUAL BUDGET:	PROJECT EXPENDITURES TO DATE:		
FY 07/08 - \$476,200			
FY 08/09 - \$466,260			
FY 09/10 - \$474,626			

WORK COMPLETED:

Most of the work related to ITTS focused on conferences and supporting member states. Mr. Lambert attended the Transportation Research Board Meeting in Washington, D.C., where he met with several advisory council members. Mr. Lambert also attended a conference on the Panama Canal, which is expected to open up more port development in the Southeastern United States. Mr. Lambert also finished the draft report on the Smartrivers conference. Mr. Lambert also attended North Carolina and Mississippi related freight meetings.

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE PERFORMED NEXT QUARTER:

Attend related meetings concerning freight activities, as well as develop materials related to a regional view of the region concerning present and future freight movements. Mr. Lambert will continue support specific state assistance and continue working on ITTS Organizational activities. Work on developing other conferences over next year on economics and international trade, including holding another advisory council meeting in May and attending the TRB Summer Meetings in Baltimore in June.

STATUS AND COMPLETION DATE:	June 30, 2010