State Planning and Research Program Quarterly Report

PROJECT TITLE:

TPF-5(215) Transportation Engineering and Road Research Alliance (TERRA)

OBJECTIVES: The main objectives of the TERRA is to:

- · Guide future pavement research investments and activities;
- · Exchange information, share ideas, and learn research results:
- · Develop relationships, and provide a network for expanded collaboration and development of proposals;
- · Attract key public, industry, academic and other program partners to contribute resources;
- · Expand entrepreneurial use of the capacity and capabilities of the MnROAD facility by pursuing opportunities to serve a broader research community.

PERIOD COVERED:

July 1, 2009 – September 30, 2009

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES:

MN, MI, ND, NY, WI, LRRB		
PROJECT MANAGER:	SP&R PROJECT NO:	PROJECT IS:
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	TPF-5 (215)	Planning
LEAD AGENCY:		X Research &
Mn/DOT		Development
PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:		
ANNUAL BUDGET:	PROJECT EXPENDITURES TO DATE:	
\$15,000 from the pooled fund. TERRA has	• None	
additional funding outside the pooled fund		

WORK COMPLETED:

Three new states have joined the TERRA via the pooled fund. The process for transferring funds and establishing the pooled fund is ongoing

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES EXPECTED TO BE PERFORMED NEXT QUARTER:

- 1. Meeting dates for the Board and its several standing committees are scheduled to be held
- 2. Continued review of project proposals will be conducted on the 28 submissions received.
- 3. Planning for the 3rd Innovation series event will begin

STATUS AND COMPLETION DATES:

The pooled fund is expected to have funds transferred prior to the next board meeting in mid November. Board Meetings are scheduled for:

Nov 12, 2009

March 11, 2010

July 28-29, 2010 which will include an innovation series event