

Transportation Pooled Fund Program

Project Title: Latin America Trade & Transportation Study / Institute (LATTS II / Institute)		
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Reporting Period: July – September, 2005	Multi-Year Project: Yes	
<p>Description of Work Performed & Progress:</p> <p>The southeastern states (SASHTO) undertook the Latin American Trade and Transportation Study (LATTS) in an attempt to plan for their future freight transportation challenges. To continue the initiative originated by LATTS and LATTS II, the member states decided to form an independent Institute that will continue LATTS' efforts in assisting the member states on freight related transportation issues.</p> <p>The Institute, owned by the region states, will perform specialized analysis and research that individual states would need and could not undertake singularly. The Institute's effectiveness will be in its ability to identify member states with similar needs and to address those needs regionally in a collaborative and cost effective manner. The name of the institute is Institute for Trade and Transportation Studies (ITTS).</p> <p>Domicile: The Institute is to be located in New Orleans, Louisiana, and on temporary basis, will be housed at World Trade Center, 2 Canal Street, Suite 2900, New Orleans, LA 70130-1507.</p> <p>At a recent AASHTO meeting in Nashville, TN., the ITTS Board & Bylaws was approved. At the meeting, Johnny Bradberry, Executive Director of the Louisiana DOT was elected President, Harold Linnenkohl, , Executive Director of the Georgia DOT was elected Vice President, and Butch Brown, Executive Director of the Mississippi DOT was elected Secretary/Treasurer of the newly formed ITTS Executive Committee.</p>		
<p>Status & Completion Date:</p> <p style="margin-left: 200px;">Percentage of work completed to date for total project: Project is : <u>60</u> % <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> on schedule <input type="checkbox"/> behind schedule, explain:</p> <p style="margin-left: 200px;">Expected Completion Date: <u>12/31/2006</u></p>		

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