



U.S. Department  
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# Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION:** Transportation Pooled  
Fund (TPF) Solicitation #1549 “Accelerated  
Performance Testing on the 2021 NCAT  
Pavement Test Track with MnROAD Research  
Partnership”

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This memorandum is in response to the October 27, 2020 e-mail from Kristy Harris of your staff, requesting the waiver of the non-Federal funding match for State Planning and Research–Subpart B (SP&R-Subpart B) funds for TPF solicitation - “Accelerated Performance Testing on the 2021 NCAT Pavement Test Track with MnROAD Research Partnership”. We understand that the Alabama Department of Transportation will be the lead agency for this project and Virgil Clifton will be the lead agency contact.

The proposed study meets the criteria for use of SP&R–Subpart B funds used for research and development studies without non-Federal matching funds. The approval status will be reflected on the TPF website: [www.pooledfund.org](http://www.pooledfund.org), which serves as the primary mechanism for communication regarding pooled fund studies.

It is important to remember that the lead agency contact is required to report on the status of the pooled fund study on a timely basis. The lead agency contact should notify Tricia Sergeson via email at [patricia.sergeson@dot.gov](mailto:patricia.sergeson@dot.gov) and Masha Shelton at [masha.shelton.ctr@dot.gov](mailto:masha.shelton.ctr@dot.gov) when the contract is signed and electronic copies of the quarterly and final reports and other relevant study documents are posted on the Transportation Pooled Fund website. By doing so, the lead agency will be fulfilling its obligation to provide information to its partners on the status of the project.

Derek Nener-Plante, Pavement and Materials Engineer in the Resource Center will be the Federal Highway Administration's Technical Liaison for this study. Mr. Nener-Plante can be reached via telephone at (202) 763-4017 or e-mail: [derek.nenerplante@dot.gov](mailto:derek.nenerplante@dot.gov). We hope that Mr. Nener-Plante will have the opportunity to participate in the study activities as a technical resource to the project.

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