**TRANSPORTATION POOLED FUND PROGRAM**

**QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT**

Date: 16 August 2014

Lead Agency : Louisiana Department of Transportation & Development

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

*Project Managers and/or research project investigators should complete a quarterly progress report for each calendar quarter during which the projects are active. Please provide a project schedule status of the research activities tied to each task that is defined in the proposal; a percentage completion of each task; a concise discussion (2 or 3 sentences) of the current status, including accomplishments and problems encountered, if any. List all tasks, even if no work was done during this period.*

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| **Transportation Pooled Fund Program Project #***(i.e, SPR-2(XXX), SPR-3(XXX) or TPF-5(XXX)*TPF-5(273) | **Transportation Pooled Fund Program - Report Period:**□ Quarter 1 (January 1 – March 31)X Quarter 2 (April 1 – June 30)□Quarter 3 (July 1 – September 30)□Quarter 4 (October 1 – December 31) |
| **Project Title:****Latin American Trade and Transportation Studies** |
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| **Lead Agency Project ID:****13-ITTS** | **Other Project ID (i.e., contract #):****2000004871/H.005319.5** | **Project Start Date:** **1 Dec 2012** |
| **Original Project End Date:** **30 Jun 2017** | **Current Project End Date:** **30 Jun 2017** | **Number of Extensions:** **0** |

Project schedule status:

x On schedule □ On revised schedule □ Ahead of schedule □ Behind schedule

Overall Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Budget** |  **Total Cost to Date for Project** |  **Percentage of Work**  **Completed to Date** |
| $1,519,083 |  $402,666.96 | 32%  |

***Quarterly*** Project Statistics:

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| **Total Project Expenses**  **and Percentage This Quarter** |  **Total Amount of Funds** **Expended This Quarter** | **Total Percentage of**  **Time Used to Date** |
| $402,666.96 (27%) | $61,960.32 | 32% |

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| **Project Description**:OBJECTIVES:   |

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| **Progress this Quarter (includes meetings, work plan status, contract status, significant progress, etc.):**1. Network* No substantial work on network. Funding challenges continue.

2. Data* Worked with Tableauview on Proposal for member states
* Met with USACE Staff in Huntington to discuss waterway performance metrics
* Met with USACE staff in New Orleans to discuss integrating databases into a public releasable database

3. Communications* Follow-up details from ITTS Conference (closing out billing, and related financial matters)
* Assisted states in ITTS related travel reimbursement

4. Service to States* Assisted Louisiana in Developing Freight Session at SASHTO
* Worked with Florida DOT on updating them on ITTS related freight activities
* Provided materials for Mississippi DOT concerning ITTS Conference in 2015
* Organized ort of Bienville tour for MDOT and LADOTD Staff
* Assisted on MoDot freight plan
* In West Virginia, I met with WVDOT staff, while speaking at the KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission on urban freight movements and a second speech for the WV Regional Planning and Development Councils Conference.
* In Arkansas, I spoke at the TRC & Engineering Conference and meet with the Arkansas Waterways Commission and Arkansas State Highway and Transportation staff.

5. Related Tasks* Attended World Trade Center Transportation Committee, and made report on ITTS activities and State Freight Plan work (at the request of Matt Johns)
* Attended the Critical Commodities Conference in New Orleans
* Moderated session at “The 4th Annual Manufacturing Summit” at Mississippi State.
* Meet with Rahill Institute Staff to discuss freight research programs
* Submitted coauthored Chapter for Book on “the Governance of Intermodal Facilities”. Chapter title is “Operational Constraints of Effective Governance of Intermodal Transport”
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| **Anticipated work next quarter**: Network* Work on developing a SOW with CDM Smith and CS to finish data programs for remainder of year
* Work on Transcad on routing assignments and rail networks

Data* Continue to work on data integration and data outlining for planning related research

Communications* ITTS Newsletter
* Speech on Regional Corridors at SASHTO
* Begin work on ITTS 2015 Conference with Mississippi
* Prepare materials for SASHTO Board of Directors Meeting
* Tolling and topical briefs
* Prepare Workplan meeting for ITTS States on Aug 7th
* Review all state reimbursements for travel related to summer meeting
* Update ITTS Website for international trade statistics

Service to States* Assist Louisiana in Developing Freight Session at SASHTO
* Working with Florida DOT on Bluetooth technologies and autonomous vehicles
* Attend IAME Meeting
* Providing materials for Mississippi DOT concerning ITTS Conference in 2015

Related Tasks*
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| **Significant Results:** * Closed out all funding and organization matters from the ITTS Freight in the Southeast Conference
* Meet with several states to discuss freight analysis, planning and policy issues
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| **Circumstance affecting project or budget. (Please describe any challenges encountered or anticipated that** **might affect the completion of the project within the time, scope and fiscal constraints set forth in the** **agreement, along with recommended solutions to those problems).** |

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| **Potential Implementation:**  |