

**State of Wisconsin/Department of Transportation/Midwest Regional University Transportation Center
RESEARCH PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING: September 30, 2004**

Project Title: Administration of Transportation Asset Management Pooled Fund	Project ID: 0092-02-18
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Description: Administer and award research of the “Transportation Asset Management Research Program” Pooled Fund study number TPF-5(036). Participate in the Development and Execution of the 5th National Transportation Asset Management Conference.

Total study budget	Expenditures for current quarter	Total Expenditures to date
\$70,000	\$940.44	\$53465.14

Percent Complete: 90%

Progress This Quarter: Proposals were accepted peer reviewed and reported on. The committee met via electronic discussions during the week of September 13th. The committee officially awarded a project on the Use of Functional Silos to a research team at Iowa State University. A separate contract has been drafted and submitted for the conduct of this project.

Work continued on the planning of the Maintenance Quality Assurance Peer Exchange. The event will be October 11-13 workshop in Madison at the Concourse Hotel.

Discussions with WisDOT concerning the future of the Transportation Asset Management Pooled Fund and Wisconsin’s contribution continued.

Texas officially signed a MOU for participation in the Pooled Fund, bringing voting membership to 6 states.

Final summary information is posted to the Pooled Fund website.

Work Next Quarter: Continued monitoring of awarded research. Coordinate the contacting for the Functional Silos project and establish the oversight for the Thresholds Project. A meeting will be coordinated with the Transportation Asset Management Pooled Fund to encourage 2005 project ideas and further activities.

The hosting of the MQA Peer Exchange will occur and the beginning planning for the next Transportation Asset Management national conference will be in place. Center Director Ernie Wittwer is the Program Chair for the Conference and MRUTC Executive Committee Member Katie Zimmerman is leading the overall conference committee.

