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1. Accomplishments: What was done? What was learned?

a. What are the major goals of the program?
The overall objectives are to: (1) conduct basic and applied research, the products of which are judged by peers or other experts in the field of transportation to advance the body of knowledge in transportation; (2) offer an education program in transportation that includes multidisciplinary course work and participation in research; (3) conduct workforce development activities and programs to expand the workforce of transportation professionals; and (4) provide an ongoing program of technology transfer to make transportation research results available to potential users in a form that can be readily used. Other program goals are to select projects and activities using peer review principles and procedures and client input that: (1) address the Secretary’s five strategic goals, and (2) leverage UTC funds with matching funds from state and local governments and private industry. The chief operational goals are to make important contributions to research and technology transfer in key areas related to the Secretary’s goals of State of Good Repair, Safety, and Economic Competitiveness, while addressing critical issues of the region and stakeholder groups.

b. What was accomplished under these goals?

i. Project Selection
Seventy-four research projects were selected from 2013 to present under this grant. Projects have been selected for the original grant, Modification 1, and 2 while projects are still being submitted for the Modification 3 to the original grant. Thus the peer review process is ongoing for possible selection. The projects reflect substantial input and matching resources from state departments of transportation and MPOs in the region. Collectively, this set of projects addresses all five of the Secretary’s strategic goals and several of USDOT’s requested emphasis areas under State of Good Repair—e.g., (1) bridge condition monitoring, (2) locating critical infrastructure defects, (3) identifying tools to prevent and detect corrosion in transportation infrastructure, (4) analytical tools for infrastructure performance management, and (5) methods and criteria to measure performance of new materials and methods. Other research projects are related to the Secretary’s strategic goals of Safety, Economic Competitiveness, Livable Communities, and Environmental Sustainability. MPC projects selected under this grant include; MPC-371, 409, 447, 451, 472 (Year 2), MPC-446 through MPC-518.

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16. MPC-476: Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Traffic Hazard Forecasting Model
17. MPC-479: Modeling Multi-class Truck Traffic Assignment Method with Different Traffic Restraint Constraints
18. MPC-480: A Comprehensive Safety Assessment Methodology for Innovative Geometric Designs
19. MPC-483: Interaction Analysis of Girder Bridges and Traffic System subjected to Earthquakes
20. MPC-486: Sustainable Heated Pavements for Infrastructure Longevity, Safety and Economic Competiveness
21. MPC-487: Investigation of Cross Laminated Timber Bridge Decks as a Sustainable Solution for Repair of Deficient Rural Wood Bridges
22. MPC-491: Self-Centering Buckling Restraint Braces for Curved Bridges
23. MPC-495: Safety Effects of Protected and Protected/Permitted Left-Turn Phases
24. MPC-502: Experimental and Computational Study of Self-Consolidating Concrete for Prestressed Bridge Girders
25. MPC-503: Characterization of Crushed Bases in Wyoming
26. MPC-504: Improved Element-Level Bridge Inspection Criteria for Better Bridge Management and Preservation
27. MPC-505: An Intelligent Transportation Systems Approach to Railroad Infrastructure Performance Evaluation
28. MPC-515: Redefining the Child Pedestrian Safety Paradigm

Table 2: MPC Research Projects Most Directly Correlated with State of Good Repair

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2. MPC-448: Reducing Flood Vulnerability of Communities with Limited Road Access by Optimizing Bridge Elevation
3. MPC-449: Determining the Uncertainty in the Current Condition of Bridges for Use in Risk Based Inspection and Management
4. MPC-450: Using Building Information Modeling to Track and Assess Structural Condition
5. MPC-451: Assessing the Cost-Effectiveness of Wyoming's CMAQ Unpaved Road Dust Suppression Program
6. MPC-452: Updating the Highway Safety Manual 2010 - Part C: Regional Consideration of the Rocky Mountains and Plain Regions
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20. MPC-478: Long-Term Behavior of Precast Concrete Bridges
22. MPC-481: Incorporating River Network Structure for Improved Hydrologic Design of Transportation Infrastructure
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30. MPC-496: Prevention of Low Temperature Cracking of Pavements
31. MPC-497: Compaction Testing of Granular Materials
32. MPC-500: Rehabilitation of Longitudinal Joints in Double-Tee Bridge Girders
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38. MPC-506: Reliable Prediction of Shear Strength of Swelling Clays
39. MPC-511: Mechanical Bar Splices for Accelerated Bridge Construction of Columns
40. MPC-512: Pre-stress Losses and Development of Short-Term Data Acquisition System for Bridge Monitoring
41. MPC-516: Innovative Strengthening for Deteriorated Concrete Bridges Using Embedded
Table 3: MPC Research Projects Most Directly Correlated with Economic Competitiveness

1. MPC-451: Assessing the Cost-Effectiveness of Wyoming's CMAQ Unpaved Road Dust Suppression Program
2. MPC-456: Performance of Steel Girders Repaired with Advanced Composite Sheets in a Corrosive Environment: A Multi-Physics Approach Leading to Practical Design Recommendations
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26. MPC-509: Expansive Soil Mitigation for Transportation Earthworks by Polymer Amendment
27. MPC-511: Mechanical Bar Splices for Accelerated Bridge Construction of Columns
29. MPC-514: Impacts of Ridesourcing on VMT, Parking Demand, Transportation Equity, and Travel Behavior
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iii. Educational Accomplishments

The transportation and transportation-related courses offered during spring, summer, and fall 2016 are listed in Table 6, organized by major subject area. In some cases, courses with the same titles were offered at more than one MPC university. In these cases, the number of courses offered is shown in parenthesis.

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Altogether, 75 transportation and transportation-related courses have been offered this reporting period, for a total of 437 total transportation courses offered this grant period. In addition to the courses listed in Table 6, foundational courses in engineering materials, mechanics, structural analysis, and geotechnical engineering were offered at most MPC universities.

iv. Workforce Development Accomplishments

Training: A list of training events provided for transportation professionals during this reporting period is presented below.

1. ATSSA Flag Certification
2. ATSSA Flagger Instructor Training
3. ATSSA Traffic Control
4. Asphalt Paving Maintenance 1
5. Basics of good Roads
6. Communication Skills for Supervisors
7. Evaluation and Mitigation of Vehicle Impact Hazards for Overpasses
8. Heavy Equipment Safety Operations
9. Precast Bridge Girder Details for Improved Performance
10. Registered Stormwater Inspector
11. Retroreflectivity for signs
12. Road and Safety Fundamentals
13. Roadway Drainage
14. Roadway Materials
15. Street Lighting
16. Street Sweeper
17. Winter Road Maintenance
18. Workplace, Equipment and Jobsite Safety
19. Workzone Safety
20. Wyoming Transportation and Safety Congress

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v. Research Accomplishments

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c. How have the results been disseminated?

The results are being disseminated in a variety of ways, including: (1) workshops and conferences, (2) videoconferences, (3) online modules, (4) presentations at conferences, (5) publications, (6) webpage postings and displays, and (7) Internet-based dissemination media, including broadcast emails and webinars.

d. What do you plan to do during the next reporting period to accomplish the goals/objectives?

No changes are foreseen to the accepted plan and implementation schedule.

2. Products: What has the program produced?

a. Publications, conference papers, presentations

i. Key Conferences and Workshops

- 2nd Serbian Road Congress
- ASCE GeoChicago 2016: Sustainability, Energy, and the Geoenvironment
- Asphalt Maintenance: Crack Sealing/Pouring & Spot Surface Repairs
- ATSSA Traffic Control Technician
• ATSSA Truck Mounted Attenuators
• Basic Construction Survey
• Basic Sign Installation
• Changing Perspectives
• Construction Project Management: Contract Administration
• Construction Research Congress
• Development of a Model to Assess the Feasibility of Transit-Oriented Development
• Electrical Plan Reading - Inspection & Installation
• Erosion Control Options
• Ethics Awareness for the Transportation Industry
• Evaluation of Grouted Spliced Sleeve Connetions Reinforced Precast Concrete Bridge Piers - MPC Research Project
• Fundamentals of Geometric Design: Exploring the Green Book
• Gravel Roads Maintenance - New Manual Review
• Guardrail Installation & Inspection
• Guardrail Maintenance
• Highway Pipe Installation
• Hosted by Mineta Transportation Institute/San Jose State University
• Implementation of Low Temperature Tests for Asphalt Mixtures
• International Conference on Transport & Health
• ITE Colorado-Wyoming Section Transportation Symposium
• ITE Western District Annual Meeting
• John Maxwell: 15 Invaluable Laws of Growth
• John Maxwell: Sometimes You Win, Sometimes you Learn
• John Maxwell: Today Matters
• John Maxwell's Becoming A Person of Influence: How to Positively Impact the Lives of Others
• Joint Detailing for Improved Performance of Double Tee Bridge Systems - MPC Research Project
• Keyhole Technology for Urban Utility Excavations to Reduce the Impact of Pavement Cuts
• Leadership - Developing a Presence
• Leading a Successful Change Initiative
• Live Ride Share
• Math for Survey and Construction
• Midyear Meeting of the TRB Geometric Design Committee (AFB10), Operational Effects of Geometrics Committee, and AASHTO Technical Committee on Geometric Design
• Midyear Meeting of the TRB Highway Safety Performance Committee (ANB25)
• Negotiation Strategies & Techniques to Improve Construction Project Mgmt
• Organized by the Transportation Public Health Link in Partnership with the
• PE Exam for Civil Engineers
• Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety
• Pipe Jacking for Culverts and Storm Sewers
• Practical Bridge Scour Analysis, Methods & Countermeasures
• Presenting the Story of Your Data
• Preventing Runovers and Backovers
• Pro Walk/Pro Bike/Pro Place
• Reducing Roadway Departure Crashes
• Results Based Performance Mgmt
• Route & Preliminary Survey and LiDar 3-D Modeling
• Seal Coat Workshop
• SHRP2 Implementation Assistance Program Issues Resolution Workshop
• Stormwater Detention & Design
• The Balancing Act: Stress and Productivity
• The Transportation Research Board Innovations in Travel Modeling Conference
• Tier IV Regeneration & Digital Multi-Meter Principles
• Tractor Mower Safety Training
• Traffic Data Collection
• Trenching Safety Practices
• Understanding Linear Scheduling for Roadway Construction Projects
• United States Centers for Disease Control & Prevention
• Utah Society of Professional Engineers Continuing Education Conference

ii. Key Publications

• Clevenger, C.M., Ozbek, M.E., Simpson, S., and Atadero, R. (2016). "Challenges in Developing a Transportation Sustainability Rating System that meets the Preferences of a Department of Transportation."
• Henao, A. and Marshall, W. “A Framework for Understanding the Impacts of Ridesourcing on Transportation”
• McGuire, Brendan; Atadero, Rebecca; Clevenger, Caroline; Ozbek, Mehmet. Using Building Information Modeling to Track and Assess the Structural Condition of Bridges
• Pan Lu, and Denver Tolliver. Accident Prediction Model for Public Highway-Rail Grade Crossings, Accident Analysis & Prevention, 90, 73-81, 2016
• Peterson, S.J., Fagnant, D.J., and Porter, R.J. “Potential Impacts of Self-Driving Vehicles on the Road Construction Industry,”
• Romero, P.: Using the Bending Beam Rheometer for Low Temperature Testing of Asphalt Mixtures
• Sudbury, D. and Romero, P.: Performance Evaluation of Surface Treatments, Interim Report to Utah Department of Transportation
• Taylor, J. Liu, X.C., and Porter, R.J. “Using Bikeshare Trajectory Data to Explore Roadway Characterization,”
• Thiese, M.S., Hanowski, R.J., Kales, S.N., Porter, R.J., Moffitt, G., Hu, N., and Hegmann, K.T. “Multiple Conditions Increase Preventable Crash Risks among Commercial Truck Drivers in a Cohort Study,”
• Zijian Zheng, Pan Lu, and Denver Tolliver. Accident Prediction for Highway-Rail Grade Crossings using Decision Tree Approach

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iii. Key Conference Papers

- Bondanza & Sherry "A22 A Study of Female Shift Workers and Health in the Transportation Industry."
- Chen, Z. and Liu, X. Sampling Scheme for Multiple Asset Management using Locality Sensitive Hashing
- Hong Pan, Ruisi Ge, Jinhui Wang, Na Gong and Zhibin Lin, "Integrated Wireless Sensor Networks with UAS for Damage Detection and Monitoring of Bridges and Other Large-Scale Critical Civil Infrastructures"
- Kalpana S. Katti, and Dinesh R. Katti, “Applications of FTIR Spectroscopy in Flow and Swelling Behavior of Smectite Clays”
- Kim, Min Ook, Amanda Bordelon. “Age-Dependent Properties of Fiber Reinforced Concrete Used in Thin Overlays”
- Sherry & Philbrick "A46 Models of Accident Risk and Fatigue in Railroad Operations"
- Song, Y., Zlatkovic, M., and Porter, R.J. A Corridor-Level Evaluation of GPS-Based Transit Signal Priority
- Torres, E., Seo, J., and Lederle, R. A Framework to Examine Experimental Material Properties of Self-Consolidating Concrete for Prestressed Bridge Girder Fabrication
- Upadhyay, A., Pantelides, C.P., Ibarra, L. "Seismic Performance of Curved Bridges on Soft Soils Retrofitted with Buckling Restrained Braces"
- Xingyu Wang, Xiaoning Qi, Zhibin Lin*, Jinhui Wang and Na Gong "Electrochemical Characterization of Soils Surrounding Buried or Embedded Steel Elements"

iv. Key Presentations

- Abdallah, M. and Clevenger Exploring Student Commute Behavior and Identifying Opportunities to Minimize Commute GHG and Air Pollution Emissions
- Carnahan, Z., Tazarv, M., and Wehbe, N. Development of an Alternative to the Double Tee Bridge System
• Fayyaz, K. and Liu, X. GTFS-enabled Spatiotemporal Analysis of Transit Services. ITS Professional Capacity Building Program Talking Technology and Transportation Education
• Ferenczak, N. and Marshall, W. The Relative (In)Effectiveness of Bicycle Sharrows on Safety Outcomes.
• Hansen, G., Hua, G., Min, K., and Schmit, C. Reuse of Aqueous Waste Streams in Transportation Related Applications
• Henao, A. and Marshall, W. Impacts of Lyft and Uber on Transportation. ITE Western District Annual Meeting
• Henao, A. and Marshall, W. The Sustainability Impacts of Ridesourcing. The Transportation Research Board Innovations in Travel Modeling Conference
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• Kim, Min Ook, Amanda Bordelon. “Age-Dependent Properties of Fiber Reinforced Concrete Used in Thin Overlays”
• Tasic, I., and Porter, R.J. "Multimodal Transportation Safety in Major U.S. Cities,”
• Mingo, M., Tazarv, M., and Wehbe, N. Development of an Alternative to the Double Tee Bridge System
• Porter, R.J. “Substantive Safety Analysis: Tools for Practitioners,”
• Seo, J., and Schaffer, W. Experimental Study of Self-Consolidating Concrete for Prestressed Bridge Girders.
• Song, Y., Zlatkovic, M., and Porter, R.J. “A Corridor-Level Evaluation of GPS-Based Transit Signal Priority,”
• Taylor, J. and Liu, X. Characterizing Bikeshare Usage with Network Modeling Techniques. ITS Professional Capacity Building Program Talking Technology and Transportation Education
• Tazarv, M., Wehbe, N., and Bohn, L. Rehabilitation of Longitudinal Joints in Double-Tee Bridge Girders
• Upadhyay, A., Pantelides, C.P., Ibarra, L. "Seismic Performance of Curved Bridges on Soft Soils Retrofit with Buckling Restrained Braces"
• Wehbe, N. and Konrad, M. Precast Bridge Girder Details for Improved Performance.
• Zijian Zheng, Pan Lu, and Denver Tolliver. Accident Prediction for Highway-Rail Grade Crossings using Decision Tree Approach

v. Other Items Produced During this Period

• Dinesh R. Katti, Anurag Sharma and Kalpana S. Katti, “Predictive Methodologies for Design of Bone Tissue Engineering Scaffolds” Chapter 10, Materials and Devices for Bone Disorders, Elsevier 2016. Accepted
b. Books or other non-periodical, one-time publications

Nothing to report at this time.


c. Website(s) or other internet site(s)

The MPC website is fully operational at:  http://www.mountain-plains.org/

The MPC Center Director can be found at:

d. Technologies or Techniques

Nothing to report at this time.

e. Inventions, patent applications, and/or licenses?

Nothing to report at this time.

f. Other

Nothing to report at this time.

3. Participants and Other Collaborating Organizations: Who has been involved?

a. What individuals have worked on the program?

The principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects:

Twelve principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at Colorado State University are: Christopher Bareither, Paul Heyliger, John W. van de Lindt, Bolivar Senior, Rebecca Atadero, Mehmet Ozbek, Caroline Clevenger, Suren Chen, Jeffrey D. Niemann, Hussam Mahmoud, Kelly Strong, and Scott Glick. In addition, sixteen students are working on MPC research projects at Colorado State University: Doctorate Students – Kristen Peterson; Masters Students - Taylor Ray, David Turner, Patrick Sanders, Brendan McGuire, Luke Chen, Yufen Zhou, Guangyang Hou, Almotasem Maamon, Kelsey Czyzyk, Aliena Debelak, Avi Sharma, and Trai Nguyen.

Eight principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at North Dakota State University are: Bruce J. Rafert, Raj Bridgelall, Brenda Lantz, Pan Lu, Denver Tolliver, Zhibin Lin, Dinesh Katti, and Kalpana Katti. In addition, eight students are working on MPC projects at North Dakota State University: Ali Rahim Talegani, Zijian Zheng Fei Yan, Mingli Li, Mohsen Azimi, Leonard Chia, Keshab Thapa, and H M Nasrullah Faisal.
Ten principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at **South Dakota State University** are: Wesley Marshall, Carolyn McAndrews, Bruce Janson, Austin Troy, Matthew Cross, Moatassem Abdallah, Caroline M. Clevenger, E. Ozbek, Yail Jimmy Kim, and Farnoush Banaei-Kashani. In addition, ten students are working in MPC research projects at **South Dakota State University**:


Seven principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at the **University of Colorado Denver** are: Wesley Marshall, MPC Director and PI; Carolyn McAndrews, PI and Co-PI; Bruce Janson, Co-PI; Jimmy Kim, PI; Krista Nordback Postdoctoral student and Co-PI; Austin Troy, Faculty; and Matthew Cross, Faculty. In addition, five students are working on MPC research projects at the **University of Colorado Denver**:

Doctorate Students - Nick Ferenchak, Yaneev Golombek, Alejandro Henao, Abdullah Alajmi, Rob Fitzgerald, Omar Alqahtani; Masters Students - Nick Coppola and Evan Rosenlieb.

One principle investigator, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at the **University of Denver** is: Patrick Sherry. In addition, 2 students are working on MPC research projects at the **University of Denver**:

Masters Students - Jessica Mantia and Clare Jinzhao Zhao.

Fourteen principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at the **University of Utah** are: Richard J. Porter, Milan Zlatkovic, Tiffany Hortin, Cathy Liu, David Sanbonmatsu, David Strayer, Joel Cooper, Pedro Romero, Amanda Bordelon, Chris P. Pantelides, Juan Medina, and Brendan Duffy. In addition, twenty-four students are working on MPC research projects at the **University of Utah**:

Doctorate Students - Ivana Tasic, Jeff Taylor, Kiavash Fayyaz, Arwen Behrends, Yu Song, Catalina Arboleda, Joel Parks, MJ Ameli, Anurag Upadhyay, Ruoyang Wu, Min Ook Kim, Anusha Musunuru, Zhuo Chen, and M. Scott Shea; Masters Students - Jem Locquiao, Daniel Sudbury, Yang Li, Lingkun Li, James Holt, Martin Dinsmore, Siddartha Rayaprolu, , Ryan Betz, Ariel Froerer, Daniel Sudbury, Joseph Herkimer, Kyle Strayer, Sean Strayer, and Donald Godfrey.

Seven principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at the **University of Wyoming** are: Bart Evans, Mohamed Ahmed, Dennis Trusty, Promothes Saha, Rhonda Young, Kam Ng, and Khaled Ksaibati. In addition, ten students are working on MPC research projects at the **University of Wyoming**:

Masters Students - Chris Chamberlin, Mohammed Okok, Rameshwar Chalise, Sandeep Thapa, Trenna Terrell, Melake Brhanemeskel, Waleed Mohammed Abd Allah Al Eadelat, Sadia Sharmin, and Dawit Mebrahtom; Undergraduate Student - Nicole Peterson.

Eleven principle investigators, faculty, and administrators participating in MPC projects at **Utah State University** are: Anthony Chen, Xiangdong Xu, Sarawut Jansuwan, Jim Bay, John Rice, Paul Barr, Marv Halling, Paul J. Barr. In addition, ten students are working on MPC research projects at **Utah State University**:

Doctorate Students - Majid Khalilikkah, Seungkyu Ryu, and Ann Heaslip; Masters Students - Yi He, Holly Lloyd, Nirdosh Gaire, Jen Ostrowski, Phillip Powelson, Ethan Pickett, and Holly Llyod.

b. **What other organizations have been involved as partners?**

The timing of match funding and the commitments of collaborators vary widely throughout the life of the grant. During this period, we have the following committed collaborators.

1. AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety
2. Ajou University, Korea
3. American Association of SHortline Railroads
4. American Short Line Railroad Association
5. California State Fresno
6. Campbell Scientific, Bridge Diagnostic Inc.
7. Campbell County Road and Bridge Department
8. City of Watertown, SD
9. Colorado Department of Transportation
10. Converse County Road and Bridge Department
11. Crook County Road and Bridge Department
12. Denver Regional Transportation District
13. Digital Glove Foundation
14. Dust Suppression Program
15. East Dakota Water Development District
16. Fehr & Peers
17. FHWA, Wyoming Division.
18. Inberg Miller Engineers
19. James River Water Development District
20. Key Laboratory of Road and Traffic Engineering
21. LA Metro Rail
22. Lincoln County Road and Bridge Department
23. MetroLink Railroad
24. Michigan Technological Research Institute
25. National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA)
26. Roaring Fork Transportation Authority
27. Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Reservation
28. South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources
29. South Dakota Department of Transportation
30. Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Indian Reservation
31. StarSeismic LLC
32. Teton County Road and Bridge Department
33. Union Pacific Railroads
34. University of Utah
35. Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT)
36. Utah Transit Authority (UTA)
37. Virginia Tech
38. Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC)
39. Wisconsin Department of Transportation
40. Wyoming Technology Transfer Center
41. Yankton Sioux Tribe

c. Have other collaborators or contacts been involved?

The list of collaborating organizations in 3(b) is complete, as of this grant period.

4. Impact/ Expected Impacts

a. Impacts
North Dakota State University: Students supported by UTC funds here at North Dakota State University have gone onto very successful positions with fortune 500 companies, academia, federal, state, and local transportation agencies. Students continue to excel while building transportation skills that will enhance the transportation workforce now into the future. With the support of UTC funds, NDSU
researchers have been able to focus on tribal needs throughout the state, infrastructure assessment, asset management, bridge strength analysis, and technology transfer. These efforts will continue to develop the skills and knowledge of the transportation workforce to face the challenges of the 21st century. NDSU researchers continue to move into sensor networks, smart city applications, and addressing the needs and challenges of public transportation in rural and metropolitan areas. Research findings are being disseminated through webinars, transportation learning network, newsletters, social media, and email blasts.

**Wyoming:** The MPC projects provided excellent learning opportunities to students at the graduate level as well as the undergraduate levels. Several students graduated from the program. The UW research projects helped in implementing PMS on county paved roads. In addition, the tribal safety studies helped several tribes in the region implement a safety improvement program.

**Colorado State University:**
Several graduate students working on MPC projects at CSU have earned their degrees and are now part of the civil engineering and transportation workforce. The journal paper on using BIM for tracking bridge structural condition has been a frequently downloaded paper for the Journal of Bridge Engineering, which suggests that it is having an impact on the research community.

**South Dakota State University:** The projects provided research and learning experience for eight graduate students. Thirty-one engineers learned about a new detailing for longitudinal joints in double tee girders which will lead to the design of better and long lasting bridges on county roads in transportation Region 8. SDDOT will achieve efficiency with construction quality control of compaction activities. Potential reuse of MIEX brine for ice control at SDDOT which could lead to the implementation of beneficial reuse of this waste stream at SDDOT. Development of standard SCC mix design and new recommendations for prestressed SCC mix design.

**University of Colorado Denver:** For the Civil Engineering discipline, the MPC associated research and education efforts have been instrumental in helping grow our transportation program and establish a solid reputation. We have once again broadened our reach and brought in researchers from not only Urban Planning but also Geography, GIS, Computer Science, and Construction Engineering. Our efforts are helping build a transportation workforce with both technical skill and expertise as well as the ability to understand the larger context of their work. Our affiliation with the MPC and the UTC program is the improving national reputation of CU Denver's research and education work within the field of transportation. This program period continues our successes with regard to publications, presentations, and popular press articles related to these efforts. The research activities address three important national issues - infrastructure deterioration, safety, and sustainability. Our educational program is also helping building better students in areas of national need.

**University of Utah:** As noted in previous progress reports, one of the biggest, early impacts of the program comes from MPC-496: Prevention of Low Temperature Cracking of Pavements. Results from this project have led to a new specification for testing asphalt mixtures has been developed and will be an AASHTO provisional standard. Another project PI has noted that early ideas generated from the initial tasks of MPC-493 has already been incorporated into a graduate-level highway engineering class at the University of Utah. MPC-495 has already resulted in expanded real-time connections between Utah DOT's Traffic Operations Center and the Utah Traffic Lab to support data collection for the project, which includes an interface to detailed information on all traffic signals throughout Salt Lake City. This interface will likely be incorporated into the University of Utah's Introduction to Transportation Engineering course during signal timing lectures and homework problems. This will allow undergraduate students to more readily "visualize" traffic signal operations. MPC-490 has helped to create and revise a
physical NOx photocatalytic analysis system at the University of Utah Civil Engineering Concrete Lab. This analysis box can be used for all types of materials to measure their NO and NO2 photocatalytic efficiency. The new MS student on MPC-490 has been trained on using SEM as a tool for measuring chemistry and microstructure topography. The prototype system was used for a middle-school student science fair project in spring 2016. The technology was also incorporated into CVEEN 6225 in spring 2016. As part of MPC-492, the University of Utah was able to build a wedge-splitting test apparatus for fracture testing and a ring shrinkage concrete test apparatus at the Utah Department of Transportation.

The program already shows substantial support in the area of workforce development, with 28 undergraduate and graduate students heavily involved in the research projects.

**Utah State University:** We have a multi-disciplinary approach with transportation, structures and geotechnical engineering on these projects so the research impact is broad in terms of scope within civil engineering. Each project has at least one graduate student (at the MS or PhD level) and many also involve undergraduate students. We also hope and anticipate that the technology or research findings will be distributed through reports, conferences and journal publications.

**b. Expected Impacts**

**North Dakota State University:** NDSU transportation and logistics students will continue to infiltrate the transportation workforce bringing excellent data analysis and assessment skills to the organizations. Students continue to present and participate in industry workshops and conferences, and seek top level transportation positions around the world. NDSU researchers continue to disseminate the results of ongoing projects and research to transportation professionals around the state. Expected outcomes will continue to be shared through technology transfer opportunities, webinars, and social media.

**Wyoming:** The MPC funding will continue supporting graduate students who will join the transportation workforce after graduation. The research studies conducted will facilitate selecting maintenance and rehabilitation strategies on local paved roads, reduce crashes on tribal roads, enhance the effectiveness of air quality programs such as the CMAQ program, and reduce truck related crashes in rural areas.

**Colorado State University:** As documented in the individual project reports, the MPC program at CSU is expected to impact engineering practice through recommendations such as those for post-fire ground treatments in MPC-447 or ways to estimate flow rates from MPC-481 or to evaluate the quality of TOD in MPC-485. Our research is also expected to impact transportation research as new tools are developed to assess the efficacy of varying ground treatments, or ways to model physical phenomena.

**South Dakota State University:** Development of a low-maintenance, low-cost mixed-media filtration system for stormwater treatment. This filtration system can be used to reduce the impact of highway runoff on surface waters and improve the environmental sustainability of transportation. Transform waste streams that are now environmentally and financially expensive to discard into valuable materials for transportation-related applications and improve the performance of ice and dust control on roadways. Reuse of waste streams for transportation applications in South Dakota. Development of new rehabilitation techniques for bridge girder joints. Extending the useful life and eliminating the need for replacement of many existing bridges on local roads. Final reports and digital brochures will be prepared to disseminate the findings to DOTs, bridge engineers, local governments, and bridge owners.

**University of Colorado Denver:** Expanding our portfolio of work has continued to help grow the UTC program at CU Denver. More importantly, the work we are doing is helping develop the next generation
of transportation professionals and doing so in a way that will benefit society in many different fashions. These projects will be of particular benefit to those looking to provide and promote a safer and more resilient transportation system.

**University of Utah:** Results of the ongoing projects are expected to be implemented in state transportation and transit agency policies, procedures, and practices related to road and transit infrastructure planning, design, construction, and operations. Example expected broader project outcomes include: the ability to more thoroughly assess innovative intersection/interchange designs; increase transit ridership through more accessible stations, improve infrastructure resiliency to earthquakes, gain greater insights to distracted driving behavior, extend pavement life, quantify benefits of transit signal priority implementations, and improve air quality. Expected outcomes will also include training of the next generation of the transportation workforce in these areas, by working with undergraduate and graduate students in the research and by incorporating results into existing and future transportation courses at the University of Utah. Chances of implementation and technology transfer have been maximized by including transportation agency practitioners in the formulation and review of research problem statements. Practitioners are also providing feedback to the research teams on a regular basis through technical advisory committees formed for each project.

**Utah State University:** The individual projects have addressed the specific impacts for their projects. From an overall perspective, the UTC funding is creating opportunities. These opportunities are within the university as well as with agencies outside the university. They are providing students with unique transportation related research that they would not have otherwise and giving them connections for potential jobs and mentoring after school. There is long term impacts of a growth in the transportation workforce through projects that are exciting for these students.

### 5. Changes/Problems

No changes are foreseen at this time.

#### 5a. Additional Information Regarding Products and Impacts

Nothing to report at this time.

**PROGRAM OUTPUTS:** Nothing to report at this time.

**PROGRAM OUTCOMES:** Nothing to report at this time.

**PROGRAM IMPACTS:** Nothing to report at this time.

### 6. SPECIAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

None