

# CTPP Consolidated Purchase

## Commitment and Funding Process

- \* The States should indicate their commitments of SPR and PL funds by returning the AASHTO-provided commitment form directly to AASHTO and/or by using the FHWA pooled fund website (Solicitation Number 1148, Census Transportation Planning Products (CTPP) from the American Community Survey). Commitments through both mechanisms would ensure the most accurate count, and is therefore preferable, but not mandatory.

Use the following shortcut to access the FHWA pooled fund website

<http://www.pooledfund.org/projectdetails.asp?id=1148&status=1>

- \* Last July, FHWA approved a waiver of the matching requirements for State Planning and Research (SPR) and Metropolitan Planning (PL) funding for the CTPP using the 2005-2009 American Community Survey (ACS). Because this will mean a different matching ratio from other items in state and metropolitan work programs, and in order to be able to better track the obligation of funds by the States for the project, FHWA has assigned a pooled fund study number [TPF-5(154)] to the CTPP purchase and related activities.
- \* Before the States send any funds to AASHTO (or to FHWA) they will need to obligate the funds in FMIS under this FA project number, not under their work program project numbers. Sign-off by the FHWA Division and obligation of funds through FMIS must occur prior to transmitting the funds to AASHTO. For any state that is prohibited from making payments directly to AASHTO, an alternative procedure is available under which funding would go to FHWA.
- \* In addition, States and MPOs should show their commitments to the CTPP, using the pooled fund study number TPF-5(154) in their work program budget summaries for INFORMATION purposes only. However, the CTPP funds should NOT be obligated under the work program project number.
- \* No later than the end of January, 2007, based on the commitments received by AASHTO and/or FHWA, AASHTO will invoice the states (with the exception of those DOTs that cannot make a direct payment to AASHTO).

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