

### **Quarterly Progress and Performance Indicators Report:**

Project Number and Title: 1-14: Exploring the Safety Impact of Rumble Strips on Prevention of Lane Departure Crashes in Maine
Research Area: Thrust Area 1
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Reporting Period: 4/1/2022 to 6/30/2022
Submission Date: 6/30//2022

\*\*\*IMPORTANT: Please fill out each section fully and reply with N/A for questions/sections with nothing to report. For ease of reporting to the USDOT, please do not remove, or change the order of, any sections/text. You may remove/add each rows in tables as needed. Thank you! \*\*\* The report is due on the last day of the reporting period in .doc format to tidc@maine.edu.

## **Overview:**

Provide **BRIEF** highlights of activities performed during the reporting period.

- We completed literature review about before/after studies and CMFs developed in other states for rumble strips.
- We explored our initial data need. We plan to meet with DOT to discuss our data needs
- The grad student used FB and EB codes and simulated data to understand how to model datasets.

## Meeting the Overarching Goals of the Project:

How did the previous items help you achieve the project goals and objects? Please give one bullet point for each bullet point listed above.

- Literature review assist us to refine our approach and methodology.
- The data needed for the analysis were identified.
- Student learned about FB and EB approach using simulated data.

#### Accomplishments:

List any accomplishments achieved under the project goals in bullet point form...

- Completed a first draft of literature review.
- The grad student learned before and after analysis.
- We investigated our data needs and will discuss this during our meeting with DOT in July.

### Task, Milestone, and Budget Progress:

Complete the following tables to document the work toward each task and budget



Table 1: Task Progress*							
Task Number: Title*	Start Date	End Date	% Complete				
1. Literature Review	01/17/2022*	04/30/2022	95%				
2. Data Collection	01/01/2022	04/30/2022	40%				
3. Preliminary Analysis	05/01/2022	06/30/2022	25%.				
4. Before/After study	07/01/2022	12/31/2022	10%				
5. Analyzing Results	01/01/2023	02/28/2023	Not started.				
6. Benefit/Cost Analysis	03/01/2022	04/30/2023	Not started.				
7. Recommendations	05/01/2023	06/30/2023	Not started.				
8. Final Report	07/01/2023	08/31/2023	Not started.				

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Table 2: Milestone Progress						
Milestone #: Description	Corresponding Deliverable	Start Date	End Date			
Literature Review	Summary of Reviewed Studies	01/17/2022*	04/30/2022			
Data Collection	Summary Statistics of Uniform Datasets	01/01/2022	04/30/2022			
Preliminary Analysis	Summary of Preliminary Analysis	05/01/2022	06/30/2022			
Before-and-After Study	Summary of Results	07/01/2022	12/31/2022			
Analyzing Results/CMFs	Summary of CMFs	01/01/2023	02/28/2023			
Benefit/Cost Ratio Analysis	Benefit-Cost Ratios	03/01/2022	04/30/2023			
Recommendations	Summary of Recommendations	05/01/2023	06/31/2023			
Final Report	Final Report	07/01/2023	08/31/2023			

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Table 3: Budget Progress*					
Project Budget*	Spend – Project to Date	% Project to Date (include the date)			
Enter Full Budget (\$76,863 TIDC and					
\$41,000 Maine DOT match)					

\*This table has been updated to reflect phase 2.

### Is your Research Project Applied or Advanced?

Applied (*The systematic study to gain knowledge or understanding necessary for determining the means by which a recognized and specific need may be met.*)

**Advanced** (An intermediate research effort between basic research and applied research. This study bridges basic (study to understand fundamental aspects of phenomena without specific applications in mind) and applied research and includes transformative change rather than incremental advances. The investigation into the use of basic research results to an area of application without a specific problem to resolve.)

#### **Education and Workforce Development:**

Answer the following questions (N/A if there is nothing to report):

1. Did you provide any workforce development or training opportunities to transportation professionals (already in the field)? If so, what was the training? When was it offered? How many people attended? (i.e. The research team provided an in the field training for the SAR technology for 3 maintenance crew members of the MassDOT on 3/31/2021. The members learned how to use the technology and interrupt the data.)

N/A

- 2. Did you hold meetings with any transportation industry organizations or DOTs? If so, what was the meeting's purpose? When was it offered? How many people attended? (i.e. The research team held a meeting with MaineDOT to update them on the progress of the research findings and how the findings can be implemented on 3/31/2021. 15 DOT maintenance members were present at the meeting.)
  - We will meet with the Maine DOT technical campion in July, 12, 2022 to discuss our data needs and approach.
- 3. Did you host/participant in any K-12 education outreach activities? If so, what was the activity? What was the target age/grade level of the participants? How many students/teachers attended? When was the activity held? (i.e. 25 8<sup>th</sup> graders and 2 teachers visited the concrete lab and created small concrete trinkets like Legos on 3/31/2021. They learned about the different types of fibers that can be used in the concrete.)

N/A



### **Technology Transfer:**

Complete all of the tables below and provide additional information where requested. Please provide ALL requested information as this is one of the most important sections for reporting to the USDOT. **ONLY provide information relevant to this reporting period.** 

Use the table below to complete information about conference sessions, workshops, webinars, seminars, or other events you led/attended where you shared findings as a result of the work you conducted on this project:

	Table 4: Presentations at Conferences, Workshops, Seminars, and Other Events									
Туре	Title	Citation	Event & Intended Audience	Location	Date(s)					
N/A										

Use the table below to report any publications, technical reports, peer-reviewed articles, newspaper articles referencing your work, graduate papers, dissertations, etc. written as a result of the work you conducted on this project. Please list only completed items and exclude work in progress.

Table 5: Submitted/Accepted Publications, Technical Reports, Theses, Dissertations, Papers, and Reports								
TypeTitleCitationDateStatus								
N/A								

Answer the following questions (N/A if there is nothing to report):

- Did you deploy any technology during the reporting period through pilot or demonstration studies as a result of this work? If so, what was the technology? When was it deployed? N/A
- Was any technology adopted by industry or transportation agencies as a result of this work? If so, what was the technology? When was is adopted? Who adopted the technology? N/A
- 3. Did findings from this research project result in changing industry or transportation agency practices, decision making, or policies? If so, what was the change? When was the change implemented? Who adopted the change? N/A



- 4. Were any licenses granted to industry as a result of findings from this work? If so, when? To whom was the license granted? N/A
- Were any patent applications submitted as a result of findings from this research? If so, please provide a copy of the patent application with your report. N/A
- Did industry organizations or DOTs provide cost-share (cash or in-kind) to your research during the reporting period? Who was the organization? Please provide an in-kind support invoice from the organization with your report (this is kept confidential and used for record keeping purposes only). N/A

Please add figures/images that can be included on the website and/or in marketing/social media materials to further clarify your research to the general public. This is very important to our Technology Transfer initiatives.

## **Insert figures here**

Describe any additional activities involving the dissemination of research results not listed above under the following headings:

## **Outputs:**

Definition: Any new or improved process, practice, technology, software, training aid, or other tangible product resulting from research and development activities. They are used to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and safety of transportation systems. List any outputs accomplished during this reporting period:

• N/A

# **Outcomes:**

Definition: The application of outputs; any changes made to the transportation system, or its regulatory, legislative, or policy framework resulting from research and development activities. List any outcomes accomplished during this reporting period:

• N/A

# **Impacts:**

Definition: The effects of the outcomes on the transportation system such as reduced fatalities, decreased capital or operating costs, community impacts, or environmental benefits. The reported impacts from UTCs are used for the assessment of each UTC and to make a case for Federal funding of research and education by demonstrating the impacts that UTC funding has had on technology and education. NOTE: The U.S. DOT uses this information to assess how the research and education programs (a) improve the operation and safety of the transportation system; (b) increase the body of knowledge and technologies; (c) enlarge the pool of people trained to develop knowledge and utilize technologies; and (d) improves the physical, institutional, and information resources that enable people to have access to training and new technologies. List any outcomes accomplished during this reporting period:

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• N/A

### **Participants and Collaborators:**

*Use the table below to list individuals (compensated or not) who have worked on the project other than students.* 

Table 6: Active Principal Investigators, faculty, administrators, and Management Team Members							
Individual Name & Title Dates involved Email Address Department Role in Research							

Use the table below to list **all** students who have participated in the project during the reporting period. (This includes all paid, unpaid, intern, independent study, or any other student that participated in this project.) **ALL FIELDS ARE REQUIRED.** 

	Table 7: Student Participants during the reporting period									
Student Name	Start Date	End Date	Advisor	Email Address	Level	Major	Funding Source	Role in research		
Jhan Kevin Gil-Marin	1/17/2022	12/31/2022	Dr. Shirazi		Master Student	Civil Engineering (Transportation)	TIDC	Graduate Research Assistant		
Alainie Sawtelle	02/01/2022	03/31/2022	Dr. Shirazi		Master Student	Civil Engineering (Transportation)	PI's start- up	Graduate Research Assistant		

Use the table below to list any students who worked on this project and graduated or received a certificate during this reporting period. Include information about the student's accepted employment during the reporting period (i.e. the student is now working at MaineDOT) or if they are continuing their students through an advanced degree (list the degree and where they are attending).

Table 8: Students who Graduated During the Reporting Period						
Student Name	Degree/Certificate Earned	Graduation/Certification Date	Did the student enter the transportation field or continue another degree at your university?			
N/A			Please list the organization or degree			

Use the table below to list any students that participated in Industrial Internships during the reporting period:



	Table 9: Industrial Internships						
	Student Name	Degree/Certificate Earned	Graduation/Certification Date	Did the student enter the transportation field or continue another degree at your university?			
Ν	/A			Please list the organization or degree			

Use the table below to list **organizations** that have been involved as partners on this project and their contribution to the project during the reporting period.

Table 10: Research Project Collaborators during the reporting period							
		Contribution to the Project					
Organization	Location	Financial Support	In-Kind Support	Facilities	Collaborative Research	Personnel Exchanges	
Maine Department of Transportation (Maine DOT)	Augusta, ME	X			Х		

Use the table below to list **individuals** that have been involved as partners on this project and their contribution to the project during the reporting period. (*List your technical champion(s) in this table.* This also includes collaborations within the lead or partner universities who are not already listed as PIs; especially interdepartmental or interdisciplinary collaborations.)

Table 11: Other Collaborators						
Collaborator Name and Title	<b>Contact Information</b>	Organization and Department	Date(s) Involved	Contribution to Research		
Mr. Robert A Skehan		Maine DOT	01/ 17/ 2022	Technical Champion		

Use the following table to list any transportation related course that were taught or led by researchers associated with this research project during the reporting period:



	Table 12: Course List								
Course Code	Course Title	Level	University	Professor	Semester	# of Students			
CE 225	Transportation Engineering	Undergrad	UMaine	Dr. Shirazi	Spring 2022	56			
CIE 598	Advanced Transportation Planning	Grad	UMaine	Dr. Shirazi	Spring 2022	5			

## **Changes:**

• We modified the start date of the project due to student's late arrival.

# **Planned Activities:**

- Meeting with DOT about our data needs (scheduled on July, 12 2022).
- Continue preliminary analysis and start using the EB method.