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Memorandum

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Subject: **INFORMATION**: AASHTOWare Bridge
Management (BrM), SPR Match Waiver
Request

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This memorandum is in response to your September 8, 2021 letter requesting to use State Planning and Research, Subpart B (SPR-B) funds for the AASHTOWare Bridge Management (BrM) project and to waive the non-Federal funding match for SPR-B funds. I understand that with this approval, the project will be supported using SPR funds voluntarily contributed by the AASHTO member agencies and that AASHTO is seeking a minimum of 32 member agencies to participate in funding the project at \$300,000 each to raise sufficient funds.

I have determined that the AASHTOWare BrM project meets the criteria for use of SPR funds used for Research, Development and Technology purposes without a non-Federal funding match. States are authorized to use 100 percent SPR funding on the AASHTOWare BrM project.

Please keep in mind that if a State decides to use SPR funds to participate in this project, it still must be included in the State's Research, Development and Technology work program that is approved by the respective FHWA Division Administrator. States must adhere to the provisions found in 23 U.S.C. 505 and 23 CFR 420 when contributing funds that are made available under the apportionment of Federal-aid highway funds for any fiscal year.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Jill Stark, Acting Transportation Pooled Fund Program Manager and SPR-B Point of Contact at jill.stark@dot.gov or (202) 366-8870.

Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance in conducting this project.