

*Fundamental Properties & Advanced Models
ETG*

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**“How Year 2 Workplans were Developed and
How Input was Considered”**

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SAFETEA-LU Authorizations ***Title V --- Research***

Sect 5204(g)(1) & (3)

**“Fundamental Properties of Asphalts and
Modified Asphalts, III” Contract**

\$4.2M/year for 5 years

\$21.0M

Sect 5513(k)(1) & (2)

Asphalt Research Consortium

\$7.5M/year for 4 years

\$30.0M

TOTAL SAFETEA-LU AUTHORIZATION

\$51.0M

Sect 5513(m) 20 percent cost share required for ARC

Actual Consortium & Contract 5 Year Funding

Fundamental Properties Contract

Tasks 1, 2 & 4	\$ 9,073,754	Federal Share
Task 3 (IDIQ)	<u>5,826,221</u>	Max Federal Share
Total for Contract	14,899,975	

Asphalt Research Consortium \$21,000,000 Federal Share
Sect 5513(m) 20 percent cost share required

Total of Both \$35,899,975 Max Federal Share*

- **The ARC and Contract Plans have been presented to ETGs in progressively greater detail at**

Denver	May 2006
Crystal City	September 2006
Phoenix	February 2007
Denver	July 2007
- **First year workplans were distributed to ETG members and friends**
- **Seventeen pages of questions were received from FHWA for the ARC. All were considered in design of the Year 2 Workplan and all were answered in writing to FHWA.**

- **Due to late start of year 1 work (July 2007), ARC anniversary date is being moved from December 26 to April 1**
- **Year 2 Workplans for ARC and Contract were distributed to ETG members, friends and others**
- **Pertinent comments have been solicited from ETG members by FHWA**
- **A mechanism for FHWA to receive, filter and forward pertinent questions and comments on the ARC and Contract Workplan was developed (in writing) in April 2007**

- **“Purpose:**
To conduct the kickoff meeting of the Asphalt Research Consortium cooperative agreement between WRI and FHWA. The purpose of the kickoff meeting was to reach an agreement on what activities will appear in the first annual work plan, what format that plan should take, and what the process will be for obtaining peer review of the plan and the research results.”
- **“The AOTRs indicated that once the workplan was received from the Consortium, the ETG chairs would be consulted to determine which parts of the plan should be reviewed by the appropriate ETG members.”**

- **To Date no written questions/comments have been received from FHWA on either Year 2 Workplan**