# Funding Incentives for Innovative Bridge Preservation Technologies

A Missouri DOT Case Study













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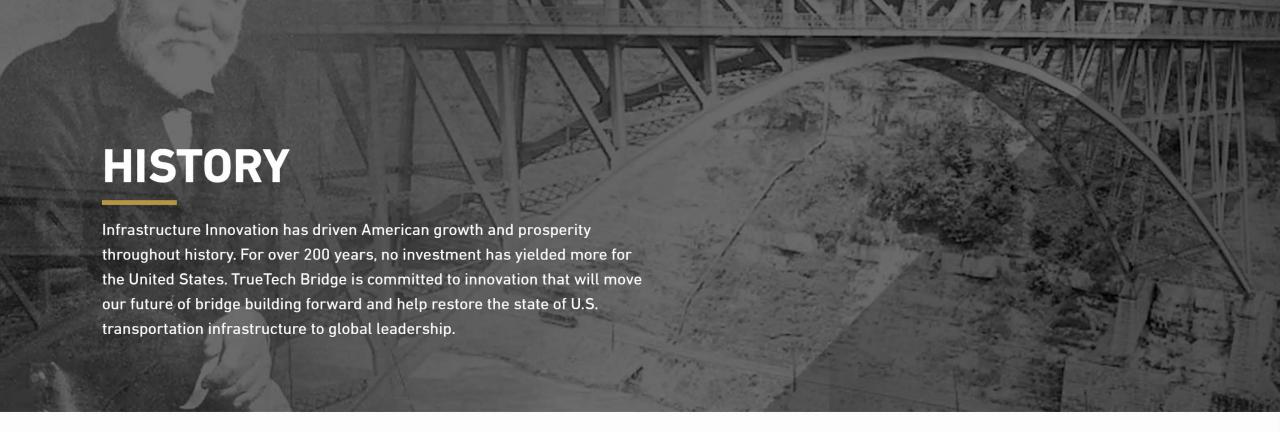
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FIRST FEDERALLY FUNDED ROAD















52 Institutions

52 Introductions

52 Processes

52 Biases

## Difficult for industry BUT understandable for Owners:

- Climate / Geography / Environment
- Labor Force
- Material Preferences
- Traffic Constraints
- Culture













#### **DIFFUSION OF INNOVATION MODEL**

#### **Early Majority** These people adopt new Early Adopters ideas after seeing evidence Late Majority that the innovation works These people are The second to last segment already aware of the of a population to adopt need to change and innovative technology as it are very comfortable Innovators diffuses through a society. in adopting new ideas Laggards These people are very The last to adopt a new product or willing to take risks and service. They resent change and may want to be the first to 6 continue to rely on traditional try the innovation products until they are no longer available 10% 15% 50% **15**% 10% **Techies Visionaries Pragmatists** Conservatives Skeptics













#### **Mainstreaming Technologies**

Victoria Sheehan – NHDOT Commissioner

"Biggest barrier to mainstreaming technology is uncertainty around available funding in the future."

"If I have a material that has a lower life cycle cost over it's deployment, I might still not be able to select that product if it costs more in today's dollars because I only have certainty in funding for the next few years...the more predictability we have around resources the further out we can look into the future and ensure we are making smart decisions."

"It's not about just appealing to the bridge engineer but all individuals who are involved in every aspect of the lifecycle of the infrastructure."

"Having to report [asset performance] data to the Federal Government but also use that data to drive decision making in our organizations has allowed us to make the case for certain investments."

Credit: InfraTalk America



Every Innovation Starts With A Conversation







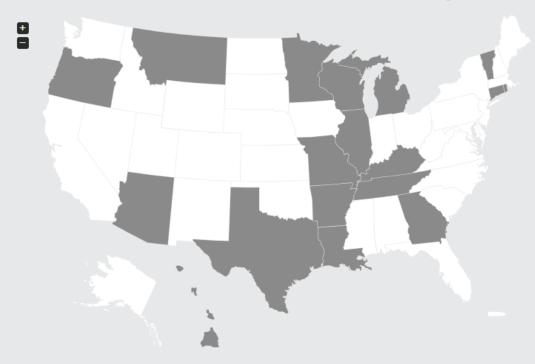






#### Increased Federal Share For Innovation

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Q & A

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#### MoDOT Timetable

Webinar Intro to MoDOT

May 2020

**June 2020** 

2<sup>nd</sup> Project Identified

September 2021

(2 new bridges)

1st Project Identified

November 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Projects Identified



Spring 2022

Fall 2022

5th Project Identified

**July 2024** 

**June 2023** 

Innovation included in MoDOT's Engineering Policy Guide (EPG)

Incentives helped speed adoption of technology benefiting the Owner & Industry



Summer 2024













#### Owner Champions



BRYAN A. HARTNAGEL, P.E., Ph.D.

State Bridge Engineer

Missouri Department of
Transportation
Central Office – Bridge Division

## **Bridge Division Innovations**



ClearCast deck forms, 5 bridges so far (www.TrueTechBridge.com)

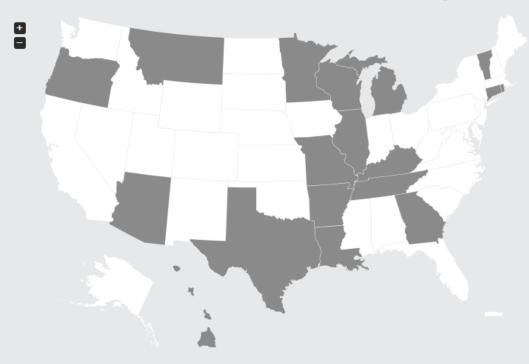


INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE CONFERENCE 2024



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## What's the Purpose?

- Increase Federal apportionment from 80/20 to 85/15 (or 90/10 to 95/5 for Interstates) by using innovative products, methods, or processes.
- Incentivizes MoDOT to continue innovating
  - Shorten Project Delivery
  - Enhance Safety
  - Reduce congestion
  - Integrate automation
  - Save time, money, and resources

# History of MoDOT's Additional Federal Dollars per Calendar Year



## **MoDOT Approved Innovations**

#### **Bridge**

- ClearCast Forms
- Ultra High-Performance Concrete
- Polyester Concrete
- Galvanized Rebar and Girders
- System G Overcoat
- Epoxy Urethane Polymer
- MMA for concrete crack filling

#### Other/Pavement

- Intelligent Compaction
- Balanced Mix Design

#### **Alternative Delivery Methods**

- Design-Build
- Alternative Technical Concept
- Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study

#### Safety Improvements

- Continuous Flow Interchange
- HAWK Traffic Beacon

## Gathering Projects in the STIP

## But we can't tell

County:	St. Louis  Upgrade pedestrian facilities to comply with the ADA Transition Plan and pavement resurfacing from Rte. 61 to Big Bend Blvd, bridge replacement over Black Creek, signal	Engineering:	2,754	600	1,449	0	0	0
Route:	replacement. Project involves bridges G0681, A4844. \$6,479,000 Statewide Transportation	R/W:	3,032	0	0	0	0	0
Job No.: Length:	6S1718 Alternative f 4.69 MPO: Y	Construction:	0	0	21,692	0	0	0
Fund Cat:	Taking Care Of System Fed: 18,993 State: 4,748 Local: 0	FFOS:	0	0	6,479	0	0	0
Sec Cat: TIP #:	Rehab And Reconst Awd Date: Summer 20 Anticipated Fed Cat: NHPP  4412L-10 Let With: 6S1718C, 6S1718B Future Cost: 0 Estimate Total: 29,527	Payments:	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Worth \$1.47M Federal Share





## Inquiry of Increased Federal-Share for Project-Level

Survey to classify projects and prepare application for additional federal funding for Innovative projects. Please reference the list of applicable innovations (To be attached with survey invite). To be completed by Project Managers, Transportation Project Designers or Area Teams.

Innovations Listing: FHWA List.docx

FHWA FAQ: Increased Federal-share for Project-level Innovation | Federal Highway Administration (dot.gov)

District *	~
	Select District
Project Number *	
Letting Date *	
Construction Budget *	
	In Thousands
FMIS Number *	
	Federal Aid ID Number
Program Codes *	<b>v</b>
Innovation Category *	<b>~</b>
	Please select the category of innovation that relates to your project
Innovation Description	
	Please describe the Innovation to be included in the project. Be as specific as possible and applicable.

# Gathering Projects in the STIP

- Simplistic Data Entry
- Universality
  - Applicable Statewide



5 minutes to submit to save 5%

Cancel

#### Plan of Attack

- 1. PM submits Innovative Project via Innovations Portal
- 2. Team bundles jobs by Innovation Categories
- 3. Teams input project data on Standard FHWA application forms
- 4. Receive approval
- 5. Carry out Project
- 6. Re-invest savings into Missouri



#### Application Form Technology and Innovation Deployment Program (TIDP)

**Increased Federal Share for Project-Level Innovation** 

23 USC 120(c)(3)

#### A. Project Information (completed by Applicant)

State	Missouri
Project Name	J4S3454, J6S3435, J8S0836D, JSU0080
Location of Project (Include Route Name and general location information)	See Attached Supplemental Forms.
Description of Project	Bridges
Anticipated Authorization Date	5/15/24
Approximate Additional Federal Share (\$)	\$3,249,700 Combined. See Supplemental Forms
Increased Federal Share (%)	5%
Funding Source Used	■ National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)
	Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program
	☐ National Highway Freight Program (NHFP)
	☐ Metropolitan Planning (PL)
Innovation Being Proposed	Galvanized Rebar, MMA Crack Filler, Clearcast Forms, Galvabar
Description of Expected Benefit (include how the innovative technology or practice increases the efficiency of construction, accelerates the construction, improves the safety, improves the quality, reduces congestion from construction, and/ or extends the service life of highways and bridges)	Galvanized Rebar in Bridges: Jobs J4S3454 - The use of galvanized rebar in the above project will ultimately extend the expected Service Life of associated structures and significantly reduce the frequency of future bridge repairs. This innovation will mitigate future long-term costs by reducing the maintenance and rehabilitation of the respected structures. This innovation is currently in the
Describe How the Project is Innovative in your State (Include how the technologies or practices proposed are new or have only rarely been used for unique or special applications and represent significant improvement to the state or local agency's conventional practice.)	These Bridge projects are innovative to Missouri, as this state does not use these construction methods or materials regularly, if at all. These practices and materials have only started being tested by MoDOT as we are trying to further enhance our State's bridge quality and life cycle.

## Federal application

#### MoDOT Engineering Policy Guide

#### 104.2.1 Increased Federal Share Program

#### Introduction

Using Federal funding for transportation projects is a complex process as described in EPG 123.1. This article describes a process that allows MoDOT to increase its federal share of a project's eligible cost by 5% for projects using project-level innovation per CFR 23 U.S.C. 120(c)(3)₺.

#### Request for Increased Federal Share

An obligation is a commitment by the Federal government to reimburse MoDOT for the Federal share of a project's eligible cost. This commitment occurs at each phase of the project and prior to advancing to the next phase. Federal aid transportation projects are developed by completing work in the following distinct work phases:

- 1. Preliminary Engineering (PE)
- 2. Right of Way (ROW)
- 3. Utilities, if applicable
- Construction.

## Key Takeaways

- 5% can be applied to entire project including Design, Construction, and Right of Way
- MoDOT is eligible for up to 10% of certain funding types annually (NHPP, STBG, PL)
- Based on MoDOT appropriations, can receive between \$100M and \$125M

## How this helped MoDOT?

- Provide States an opportunity to introduce higher quality products
  - Longer service life = Reduction in maintenance and replacement cost
- Reward for accelerated construction
  - Utilize this reward to maintain MoDOT's aging fleet
  - Utilize this reward to execute "back-burner" projects

Bottom Line: Improve the way we deliver a World Class Transportation System



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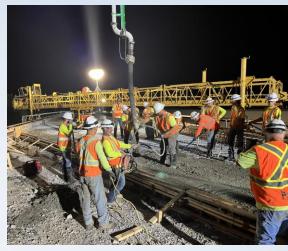
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## MoDOT Route 50 Bridge Deck Replacement













Project: 1094 Gr60 Bridge Deck Replacement

Location: Knob Noster MO

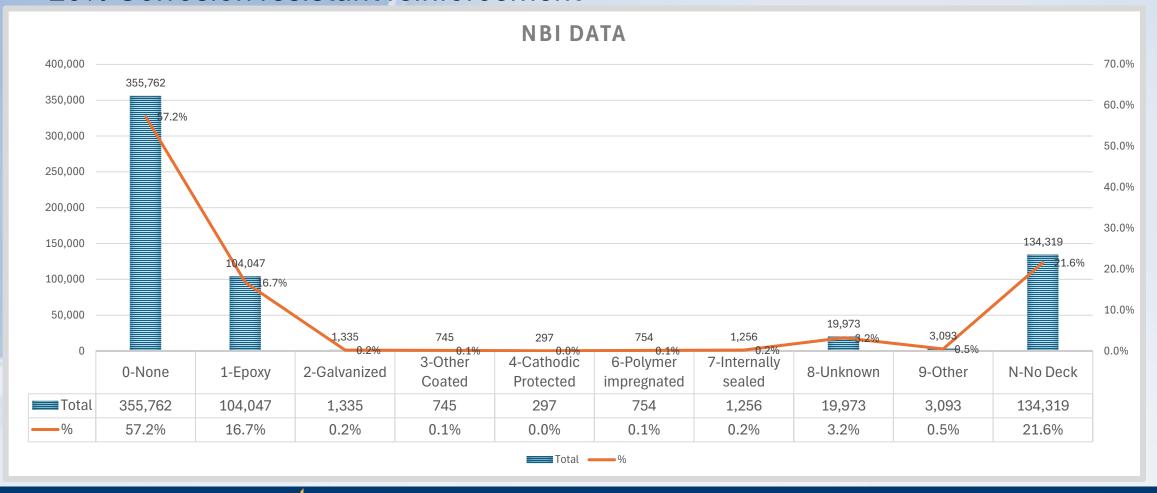
Type of Project: Concrete Bridge Deck 775 Replacement

**Contractor**: Hardy Group

Constructed: 2024

## **CRR Market** %

#### 20% Corrosion resistant reinforcement



#### Specifications & Benefits of Continuous Galvanized (A1094)

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

- ✓ Designation: ASTM A1094/A1094M Standard Specification for Continuous Hot-Dip Galvanized Steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement
- ✓ AASHTO M 111M/M 111-11 Zinc
- ✓ (Hot-Dip Galvanized) Coatings on Iron and Steel Products
- ✓ Coating minimum thickness (50 µm) 2 Mil
- ✓ Substrates = A1035, A996, A722, A706, A615
- ✓ Grades 60 100 and up to 150 (A722)

#### **BENEFITS**

- ✓ Longest "in service" coating for corrosion resistant steel
- ✓ Bond Strength to concrete superior to Black Steel
- ✓ Lap Splice lengths design like black steel
- ✓ Low price volatility (zinc)
- ✓ Can be used in seismic areas without concerns (A706)

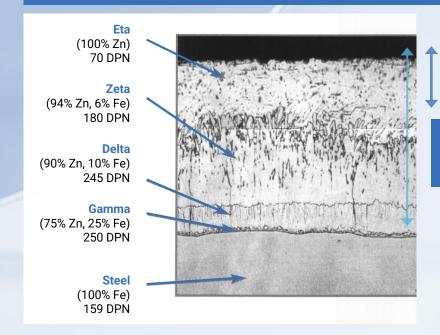


## Composition and Materials

Cross Section Comparison of Coating

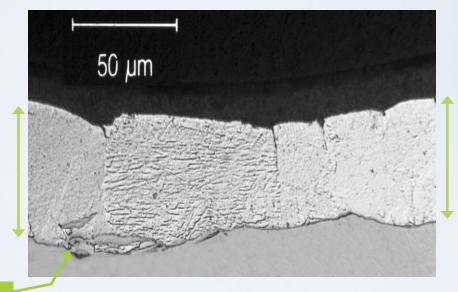


Continuously Galvanized - 50µm min. (ASTM A1094)



**10-40μm** Zinc layer

129-150µm Intermetallic Zinc-Iron



**Ternary Layer** Fe<sub>2</sub>Al<sub>5</sub>-XZn<sub>x</sub>

Source: University of South Wells Canberra (Thicker Pure Zinc Layer)

#### Notable Research Initiatives

#### Comparison of A1094 to A767 and other CRR

- Comprehensive Corrosion Performance for (RC) systems
  - Dr. Castaneda, Texas A&M / Tran-SET 19STLSU10
- Thicker Pure Zinc Layer
  - Dr. Yeomans, Galvanized rebar concrete researcher
- Larger Reduction of Bridge Deck Cracking
  - Dr. Patnaik, University of Akron / Ohio DOT
- Equal or Better Corrosion Performance of Reinforcing Bar
  - Dr. Darwin, University of Kansas / Oklahoma DOT
- Performance Evaluation of GalvaBar ASTM A1094 Continuous Hot Dip Galvanized Rebar
  - Bond Strength Testing
- Additional Corrosion Control Methods for Reinforced Concrete
  - Tran-SET Project No. 21CTAMU01, 22STTAMU53

#### Successful Implementation of Innovations

- Must solve a problem or address a pain point for Owner.
- Must have a DOT/Owner Champion.
- Must "work", benefits advertised are realized.
- Must be able to scale.

FUNDING INCENTIVES HELP CHAMPIONS INITIATE CHANGE.