

Status of FY 2010 Call for Research Statements

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An update on the call process

(All dates are subject to change)

- MDOT issued an internal call for problem statements in December and a public call in early January
- MDOT provided external investigators a new MDOT form (Number 5309, RESEARCH PROBLEM STATEMENT FROM MDOT'S EXTERNAL PARTNERS) and instructions on its use



An update on the call process (continued)

- ❑ MDOT asked external partners to identify a possible MDOT project champion for the research
 - ORBP will facilitate the process of matching external investigators with possible MDOT champions
- ❑ All external problem statements were due on Feb. 2
 - We are processing external problem statements now



An update on the call process (continued)

- ❑ The period of early February to early March involved a series of internal reviews, rankings and approvals:
 - First by MDOT's focus area managers
 - Then by our deputy directors
 - Finally by our chief administrative officer and chief operations officer
- ❑ ORBP will issue RFPs for appropriate projects by mid-April
 - We will address this in our next presentation on the investigator selection process

