WHAT FHWA RESEARCHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT THE LIBRARY...

“The library supplies our office with valuable, effective research services. We rely on library staff to stretch our research dollars whether they are finding updates on automated vehicles or delivering thorough search results on traffic models.”

David Kuehn, Director, FHWA Exploratory Advanced Research Program

“I’d be working with blinders on if I didn’t have FHWA librarians to get me earthquake engineering articles on the latest procedures for evaluating complex liquefaction and lateral spread issues.”

Eric Lim, Geotechnical Engineer, Western Federal Lands Highway Division

“I have been a customer of the library for more than a decade; have always found their products to be of significant value; and have used their literature searches to support research projects, failure investigations, and program development. I rely on their ability to identify and procure hard-to-find references, and their assistance is always timely and, ultimately, helps me to do my job better!”

Joey Hartmann, Director, Office of Bridges and Structures

CONTACT THE LIBRARY TO HELP EXPAND YOUR RESEARCH CAPABILITIES!

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ABOUT THE RESEARCH LIBRARY
The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Research Library is an integral part of FHWA’s research, development, and technology transfer activities.

The library eases workloads, reduces costs, and expands research capabilities through the following support:
- Conducting searches for your research evaluation, development, and application efforts.
- Performing research to help you determine investment opportunities.
- Providing quick access to focused, quality digital content.
- Preserving research output and furnishing a specialized, dynamic collection.
- Helping to connect experts and communicate results.
- Accessing a worldwide network of transportation libraries and knowledge management experts when providing research assistance.

Services and collections are available to FHWA employees and onsite contractors at Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Center, U.S. Department of Transportation headquarters, and field offices. Requests are accepted via phone, email, or in person.

LIBRARY SERVICES
The library supports the research of FHWA employees and fills limited requests from the public.

Research Assistance
- Comprehensive, topical literature searches.
- Preliminary searches for related content.
- Scans for ongoing projects.
- Intellectual property searches for prior art.
- Identification of relevant experts and institutions.
- Location of facts and statistics.
- Citation analyses.

Supplying Materials
- Books and articles from the collection and other libraries.
- Online documents, such as journal articles and conference papers.
- Collection purchases based on researcher input.

Other Support Services
- Providing training for using and searching online tools.
- Providing presentations on topics of interest.
- Helping facilitate communications to extend FHWA’s research knowledge and decisionmaking capabilities.
- Reviewing donations from researchers.
- Providing guidance on organizing materials.
- Providing space for studying, meetings, and collaboration.

ONLINE TOOLS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS
The library offers access to subscription databases, e-journals, and e-books that provide current and historical content. Researchers can use these resources to do the following:
- Quickly access full-text documents.
- Search for citations on relevant research, methods, technologies, and trends.
- Locate experts and institutions of interest.
- Evaluate the impact of publications from certain offices or individuals.

FHWA employees can access online tools such as the ASCE Online Research Library, Compendex, and IEEE Xplore through the library’s Microsoft® SharePoint site.

COLLECTION HIGHLIGHTS
FHWA employees can discover materials in the collection through an online catalog or by visiting the library. Highlights include the following:
- Reports produced or sponsored by FHWA.
- Publications from the Transportation Research Board, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, and ASTM International.
- Proceedings, seminal works, international reports, dissertations, and reference books.
- Journals and magazines.
- Historic materials.

BORROWING
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