

## Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Policies

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## RESEARCH AGREEMENTS

In order to be aware of and implement cost-effective transportation innovations, the Director, Chief Engineer, Chief Financial Officer, Assistant Chief Engineer, or the State Construction and Materials Engineer may approve bids and quotes and execute contracts with the National Academy of Sciences, the Federal Highway Administration, universities, private consultants, research organizations, other states, or other entities pertaining to research projects, or testing functions provided (1) no single transaction exceeds \$200,000 without approval of the Director, Chief Engineer, Chief Financial Officer, or Assistant Chief Engineer, and (2) the expenditures do not exceed the amount of State Planning and Research Funds reflected in the Department's State Planning and Research Work Program.

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Last Reaffirmed:

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Related Commission Minutes: August 18, 1972-EOD; January 9, 1987-added universities and others; June 2, 1995-Research programs-\$25,000 limit; March 3, 1998; July 10, 2001-EOD-limit removed; December 10, 2004-EOD; January 12, 2011-EOD; April 3, 2012-EOD; November 7, 2013 – Comprehensive Policy Review