

Propose ACRP, CTBSSP, NCHRP, and TCRP Synthesis Study Topics

The Airport Cooperative Research Program, Commercial Truck and Bus Safety Synthesis Program (CTBSSP), National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) and Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP) are seeking study topics for the **Synthesis Studies Program**. This year, ACRP will pick 5 new topics, CTBSSP will pick 2, NCHRP will pick 12, and TCRP will pick 7. These result in widely used reports on key topics in transportation. Proposed study topics may be submitted by anyone or any TRB Committee. The deadlines for submissions for this funding cycle are-

ACRP	October, 2009
CTBSSP	March 31, 2009
NCHRP	February 13, 2009
TCRP	March 31, 2009

All proposals for topics must be submitted at the following site on TRB's webpage:

<http://www.trb.org/Studies/Synthesis/SynthesesSubmittal.asp>

A synthesis study documents existing knowledge and experience for specific transportation topics. The following factors are considered in the selection process for new topics.

- Does the topic address a problem that is widespread and of general interest?
- Is the topic timely and critical?
- Is there sufficient information on the topic to warrant synthesizing what has been learned and written.
- Is there no other ongoing or recently completed research on the subject?

If you require further information, please feel free to contact

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