Who We Are

The South Carolina Department of Transportation’s (SCDOT’s) Research Unit is part of the Office of Materials and Research (OMR). The OMR is one of the offices reporting to the Director of Construction in the Engineering Division.

How We Are Funded

Funding is provided primarily by the SPR Part II Program. Additional sources of funding within the Department and other federal agencies are leveraged for specific projects when applicable.

What We Do

The Research Unit administers SCDOT’s SPR Research Program that typically includes twenty to thirty active projects at any given time, most contracted with in-state institutes of higher education. The unit also manages the Department’s In-House Investigation Program that includes small-scale studies conducted by staff at the OMR utilizing state funds. Other tasks include coordinating the Department’s New Products Program, oversight of the LTAP Center, and handling national research activities involved with the Transportation Research Board (TRB), National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP), and the Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) Program.

Staff

The staff is composed of the Research Engineer, Research Program Manager, and Research Program Coordinator.

Facilities

The Research Unit is housed at the OMR located at 1406 Shop Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29201.

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