

The SST Office directly funds very little research in NASA and DOD laboratories. A great deal of support is provided the SST from NASA and DOD, and the funding of that research is accomplished through the normal budgetary process of those agencies.

This generally means that NASA and DOD would request funds for SST work and use their own appropriated moneys to carry it out. There are certain exceptions to this; for example, it is standard practice at the Air Force Arnold Engineering Development Center that the cost of using their facilities is paid for by the users. In the case of the SST program, the cost for using the Arnold Center facilities is paid under the SST contract with Boeing.

2. In your statement, you refer to a single data source to provide current and projected status of all laboratories. Would you estimate what the cost of this operation would be, and do you believe it would be of sufficient benefit to agencies to justify the cost?

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The Committee on Federal Laboratories of the Federal Council for Science and Technology is presently considering this matter of a single source of information on laboratories. Considerations of benefits versus costs of collecting and maintaining such information should evolve from their findings.

3. Please describe the extent to which other agencies have submitted proposals to DOT for the funding of research, the purpose of the research, and the status of the proposals.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Bureau of Public Roads

"At the present time, no proposals from NASA or DOD for the conduct of contract research are before the Office of Research and Development, Bureau of Public Roads. A project from AEC is under development, probably for FY 1969 funding, to evaluate a radioisotope method for determining cement content in plastic concrete."

National Highway Safety Bureau

The proposals received from other Government agencies and their status are as follows:

Agency	Subject matter	Proposal date
National Bureau of Standards.....	Occupant restraint performance standards.....	Dec. 29, 1966.
Do.....	Tire systems; occupant restraint systems; braking systems.	Revised Feb. 15, 1967. Mar. 10, 1967.

"These two proposals led to the following contracts:

Contract FH-11-6090—Tire Systems—due June 30, 1969:

Fiscal year 1967.....	\$870,000.00
Fiscal year 1968.....	990,000.00

Contract FH-11-6091—Restraint Systems—due June 30, 1969:

Fiscal year 1967.....	291,162.70
Fiscal year 1968.....	320,000.00

Contract FH-11-6092—Braking Systems—due June 30, 1969:

Fiscal year 1967.....	379,000.00
Fiscal year 1968.....	439,000.00

"Air Force Systems—Holloman Air Force Base submitted no formal proposal. However, an interagency agreement exists for the performance of Human Impact Tolerance in the amount of \$92,000, due June 30, 1968."

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

Office of High Speed Ground Transportation

"The Environmental Science Services Administration, Boulder, Colorado, is engaged in a theoretical and experimental study of the feasibility of surface wave transmission to provide required high speed ground transportation system communication without frequency allocation. (First year's funding, \$295,000.) A proposal for follow-on research is now being evaluated.