



# Proposal for ICTD Funding

Prepared for the Student Government Association of

**New Mexico Tech** 

Presented by:

**Austin Starnes** 

#### **Austin Starnes ICTD Cover Letter**

Over the summer of 2021, New Mexico Tech participated in implementation of a Culvert Asset Management Program (CAMP) for the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT). A comprehensive survey of 8,502 culverts was completed by five pairs of student interns yielding valuable information on the state of culverts in New Mexico. I am the primary author for "Collaborative Framework to Create a Culvert Asset Management System for NMDOT", a paper that presents the methodology, findings, and implications of the first phase of the project. The paper has been accepted by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) for inclusion in the 2022 International Conference on Transportation and Development (ICTD) and will be published in the conference proceedings. The conference is in Seattle, Washington this May 31<sup>st</sup>-June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The purpose of this senate bill is to request funding for registration, travel, and lodging to represent NMT at this conference and present our research to an international audience.

In the interest of conservation of funds, I have reserved an Airbnb at the cheapest rate available near the location, a total of \$313.28 for a 3-night stay near downtown Seattle (the discounted rate for the conference hotel was \$220/night plus taxes and fees). The research and poster will be presented at the SRS and will be printed cost-free through attendance of SRS workshops. The conference registration costs \$390, and the flight is expected to cost \$400-500. Uber will also be necessary to and from the airport, with an estimated cost of \$50 each way as shown in the attached documents. The Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE) department at Tech has some funds available and is able to contribute \$500 towards my attendance of the conference. I am financially able to contribute \$500, which will partially go towards meals and other uncovered costs (estimated around \$200) and cover \$300 towards lodging and transportation. This leaves a difference of \$613, which I am requesting through the SGA.

Funding from the SGA will make this trip possible and allow me to represent New Mexico Tech at the ICTD. Participation in this conference will award recognition of NMT and the CEE department and may result in establishing relationships, furthering our research, and collaboration with other entities such as state DOTs, researchers, and educational institutions. I will be honored to represent NMT at this conference and will continue to commit to excellence throughout this research and presentation.

Thank you for your consideration,

**Austin Starnes** 

# Collaborative Framework to Create a Culvert Asset Management System for NMDOT

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) is in the process of developing an asset management program for small culverts, which are not required to be included in biennial bridge inspections and can lead to catastrophic road failures if unmaintained. Aside from a partial statewide inventory in 2004, culverts in New Mexico have not been comprehensively inspected or had their condition assessed. The NMDOT initiated a Culvert Asset Management Program (CAMP) in 2021 to create an inventory of the state's projected 70,000 culverts, which will be regularly updated and used statewide to prioritize and plan maintenance and improve road safety. Student interns from New Mexico Tech (NMT) and New Mexico State University (NMSU) completed the first of six seasons of CAMP inspections in the Summer of 2021. This paper will review the data collected by NMT and make suggestions for future work. Researchers used Trimble devices with Terraflex GIS software to compile GPS points and photos for each culvert, along with entries for size, material, and condition. The condition was recorded by visual inspection, describing corrosion, concrete spalling and cracking, other structural damage, and blockage of flow by silting or other means. Researchers examined data for completeness and accuracy by comparing photos with reported data and holding team discussions to improve uniformity at weekly QA/QC Meetings. Five teams from NMT surveyed 8,502 culverts, averaging 53 culverts per team per day. A total of 1,480 (17%) may warrant immediate intervention (e.g., severe corrosion, spalling, or silting). This paper summarizes the contributions of CAMP from NMT, makes suggestions for improved survey efficiency, and assesses the program's utility in future applications. This research proposes a methodology that can be utilized by other entities for culvert asset management and produces a database useful in other analyses.



New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology Student Government Association

Senate Bill
Short Title:
Agency, Agent, or Individual Proposing: Austin Starnes
Requested Date of Resolution: 1 day of April
Proposing Individuals' Information:
Name 1: Austin Starnes Student Researcher
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Phone: 2145515259 Austin.starnes@student.nmt.edu Campus Box: N/A  Student/Non-Student: Student Signature:
To the Proposing Agency, Agent, or Individual:
Please attach a typewritten explanation of your needs and/or concerns in double-spaced 12-point format, placing a page number and title on the top of each page. Include all information necessary and pertinent to your argument. State exactly what action you would like the Senate to consider taking and by when you must have a decision. Please take in to consideration that the Senate meets approximately once every two weeks while classes are in session — a schedule is available from the SGA Secretary.
Please see the Manual for Drafting Bills to help fill this page out; it includes explanations and
examples for each field. If you have any further questions, please contact the SA Vice President.
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Date Presented to the Vice President: Initials of Receipt by Vice President:
Session of the Senate: ( ) Fall ( ) Spring/Summer of the calendar year
Amount Approved:
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Presidential Signature: Date:

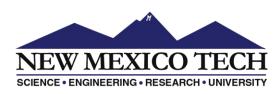


#### **Application for Senate Bills**

Requesting Club/Agency: Austin Starnes
Classification: SGA Club Associate Club Sports Club Other
If an SGA club, what were your required volunteer hours (last semester): $N/A$
How many hours has your club fulfilled to date: $\sim 5$
Please detail events where volunteer credit was earned:
I contributed to organizing the Keep Socorro Beautiful event through EWB and ENVE club
Requested Amount of funding: \$613.28
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Event: International Conference on Transportation and Development
Location: Seattle, Washington
Event Dates: May 31 - June 3
Have you received funding from another source for this event:    Yes    No    If yes, how much: $$500$
From whom: Civil and Environmental Engineering Department
Have you fundraised for this event? Yes No
If yes, please detail the fundraiser and how much money was earned
Student Government Association
If requesting funds for traveling please fill out below information:
# Members Attending: Undergraduate: Graduate: Special:
Method of Travel: NMT Vehicle Personal Vehicle Plane Other

#### **FOR ALL REQUESTING AGENCIES**:

Please attach a ONE PAGE (12 pt. font) explanation for your funding request. This should include any additional information relevant to your request and an itemized budget with exact costs and explanations for all necessary items which may or may not include: Supplies and Materials, Services, Equipment, Travel, Registration, Etc.



## **Travel Funding Request**

Budget Item	Total
Transportation	\$500
Lodging/Meals	\$313.28
Registration/Misc.	\$490

Grand Total:\$913.28

Transportation (Vans, Gas, Flights, Rentals, Taxis)			
Items: Highest to Lowest Priority	Quantity	Price Each	Total
Round-trip Flight	1	\$500	\$500
Taxi (Uber)	2	\$50	\$100
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	11/2	Total:	\$600

Lodging/Meals				
Items: Highest to Lowest Priority	Quantity	Price Each	Total	
Airbnb	3 nights	\$104.43	\$313.28	
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		Total:	\$313.28	

Registration/Miscellaneous				
Items: Highest to Lowest Priority	Quantity	Price Each	Total	
ICTD Conference Registration	1	\$390	\$390	
		Total:	\$390	

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#### **BILLING ADDRESS:**

Austin Starnes, S.M.ASCE 505 Western Ave Socorro, NM 87801-4447

YES

## **SUMMARY:**

#### **REFERENCE NUMBER: 1045271405**

T&DI	International Conference on Transportation and E 5/31/2022 – 6/3/2022  Add to Calendar	Development	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
	test 2		1	\$390.00	\$390.00
	QUESTIONS/ANSWERS				
	T 0			SubTotal:	\$390.00
	The Organization I work for is:  Education			Tax:	\$0.00
	Education		С	order Total:	\$390.00
	My Position is:	Paid on 02/28/22	with Visa e	nding in 4352 f	or \$390.00
	Student			Balance:	
	How many previous ASCE conferences have attended, including this one?	re you		Amount Due:	\$0.00
	My Age Group is: 25-34				
	Gender:				
	Male				
	Please specify your ethnicity				
	White				
	I have reviewed ASCE's COVID-19 policy a understand I will not be permitted to attemproviding proof of vaccination or a recent r COVID-19 test:	d without			



← To Itinerary

# Your payment details

#### Seattle

#### 3 nights in Seattle

Tue, May 31, 2022  $\rightarrow$  Fri, Jun 3, 2022

Entire home/apt · 1 bed · 1 guest

Confirmation code: HMH8E3RYDR



#### **Payments**

Payment 1 of 2 \$62.66

Feb 28, 2022 · 10:40PM CST VISA .... 4352

Get receipt

Amount paid (USD) \$62.66

# **Scheduled Payments**

Payment 2 of 2 \$250.62

Scheduled for May 18, 2022 VISA ••• 4352

Update payment details

Balance due (USD) \$250.62

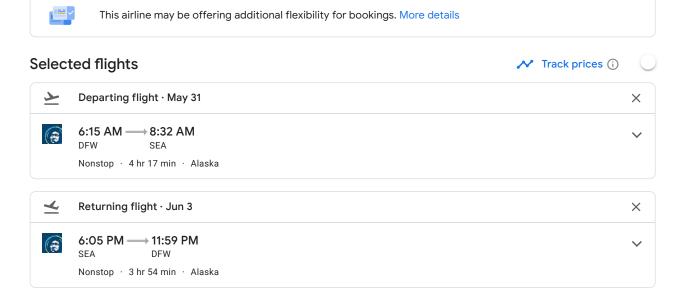






Total price from \$513

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#### Fare options

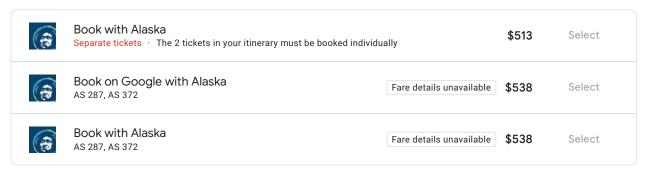
Departing flight

Returning flight

Main +\$0 First +\$280 \$513 \$793 Free seat selection Free seat selection Standard seat Premium seat Standard boarding Priority boarding Free change, possible fare difference Free change, possible fare difference 1 free carry-on 1 free carry-on 1st checked bag: \$30 2 free checked bags

Alaska bag policy

#### Booking options (i)



#### **Screenshot of Uber Estimate from Airport**

