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**Subject:** FW: Research Collaboration with MTRI

From: City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission <xxxxxxxxxx@a2gov.org>

Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2023 1:19 PM
To: Joseph Paki < xxxxxxxxxx @mtu.edu>
Subject: RE: Research Collaboration with MTRI

Good afternoon Joseph,

Thank you for contacting the City of Ann Arbor Transportation Commission. Your concerns will be provided as a communication item on the July 19th Commission Agenda.

Your message has also been forwarded too transportation staff, so that they are also aware of your comments and may respond separately.

From: Joseph Paki < xxxxxxxxxxx <u>@mtu.edu</u>> Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2023 4:21 PM Subject: Research Collaboration with MTRI

## Hello!

My name is Joseph Paki. I am a researcher with <u>Michigan Tech Research Institute (MTRI)</u>, which is a non-profit lab located in Ann Arbor and associated with Michigan Technological University in the UP. Our staff work on a wide variety of transportation, infrastructure, and environmental research projects. Some examples include a DOE funded connected vehicle experiment at the American Center for Mobility in Ypsilanti, bridge scour monitoring with MDOT, and water quality monitoring within the Great Lakes.

Due to our previous work with the <u>DOE Energy Efficient Mobility Systems</u> program and upcoming infrastructure and transportation research opportunities funded by the infrastructure bill, our lab is interested in connecting with local stakeholders, policy makers, and managers in order to collaboratively develop research programs. As an Ann Arbor resident and UM grad, I'm also very interested in applying research towards local issues and connecting with local governments and organizations.

Would you be interested in meeting with some MTRI staff to exchange ideas and experience? We would love to hear your perspective on challenges that research programs might be able to address, and we would be happy to share some background on our lab and previous projects.

Finally, please let me know if you think there is another local contact who might be interested in meeting with us.

Thanks for your time! -Joe

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