IRISE: Year 6 Program

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Formulating the Program

- October 27 brainstorming session
- Steering Committee/District review of 15
 - short problem statements prepared by faculty
 - Identification of priorities



- Recommended three projects to Steering Committee
 - Constrained by available funds
- Development of draft project scope statements
 - > Review by Steering Committee representatives
- Development of final project scope statements based on comments received

Year 6 Projects

Bridge Load Ratings
Self-Heating Pavements
Pavement Robochat

Bridge Load Ratings

The Problem: Need for a simplified and sufficiently accurate analysis procedure to determine whether a load posting is warranted if it is found that current analysis procedures are overly conservative

Approach:

- Conduct FEM analysis of several concrete T-beam bridges
- Compare with results obtained from current procedure (are postings overly conservative?)
- Develop software tool based on extrapolated FEM analysis
- Duration: 18-months
- Cost: \$174,578
- PI: Piero Rizzo



Self-Heating Pavements

- The Problem: Constructing existing approaches to selfheating is complex & costly, mainly applicable to new pavements, and difficult to maintain
- Approach: Develop an approach using surface-mounted heating elements that can be applied to existing pavements and requires less power to operate
 - Determine electrical flow requirements
 - Fabricate slabs with surface-mounted heating elements
 - Laboratory and small-scale field testing
- Duration: 24-months
- 🖵 Cost: \$191,510
- 🗆 PI: Amir Alavi

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Pavement Robochat

The Problem: Need to improve consistency and currency of practice and provide effective/efficient training

Approach:

- Identify appropriate platform
- Select domain knowledge sources
- Fine tune and validate
- Duration: 24-months
- **Cost:** \$204,543
- □ PI: Lev Khazanovich



Year 6 Project Budgets & Contributions

Project	Cost Estimate
Bridge Load Ratings	\$174,578
Self-Heating Pavements	\$191,510
Pavement Robochat	\$204,543
TOTAL	\$570,631
Expected Membership Contributions	\$750,000
Remaining	\$179,369



IDEA Form Submission Assistance

Infrastructure Projects

- Bridge Asset Management Prioritization
- Bridge Scour Forecasting
- Constructability of Longer Channel Beam Bridges

Operations

- > Arrivals on Green Using Stop Bar Detection
- Emergency Response Vehicles Through Work Zones