

BACKGROUND

The desired outcome of the work under the TPF-5(372) Project was to establish a standard for bridge semantic and geometric information that is common in the United States, which was a continuation of a previous effort known as the IFC Bridge project to create international standards. The resulting products from the TPF-5(372) may be used by States as a baseline for future projects to further refine standards at the local level. The work under this project was conducted in a series of activities in a five-year timeline to accomplish four major goals:



Development of Information **Delivery Manual (IDM)**



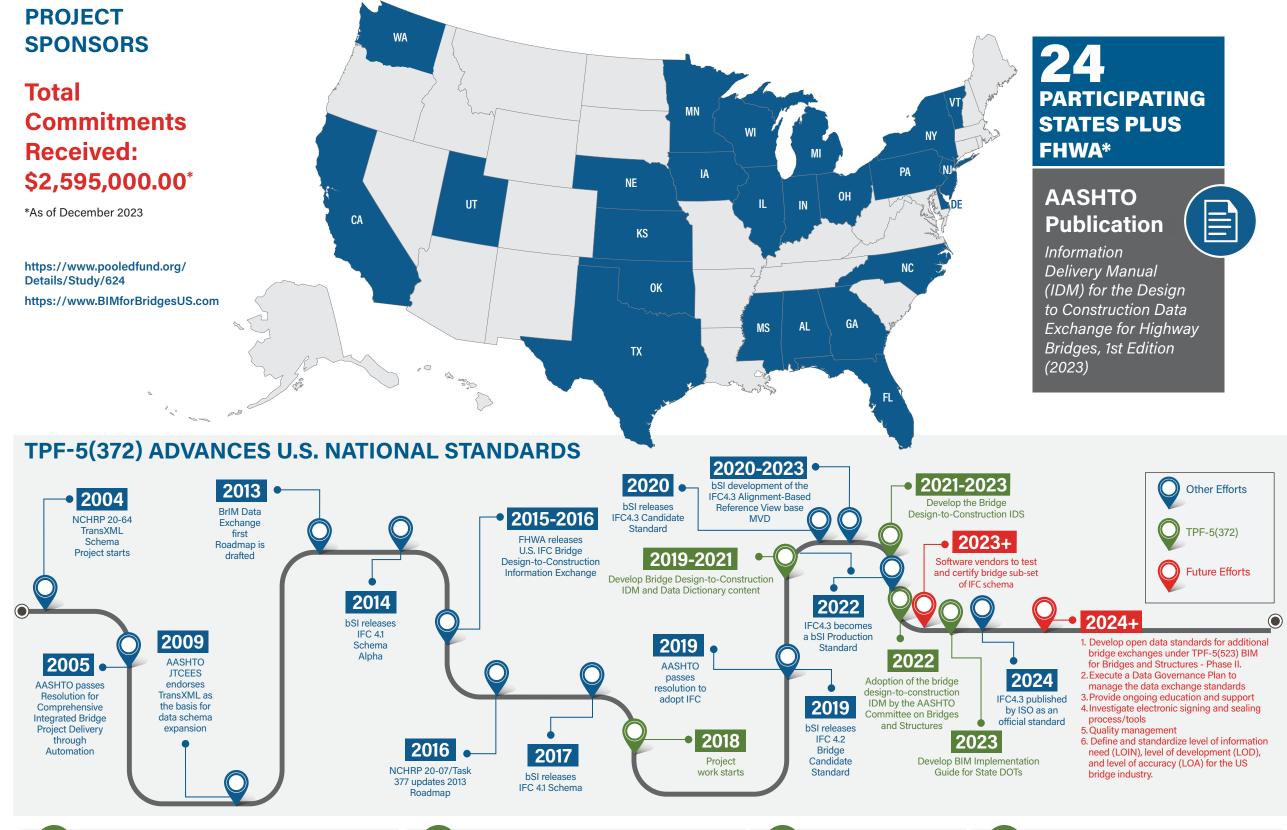
Creation of a US Bridge Data Dictionary

OUTCOME 3:

Creation of Information Delivery Specification (IDS)

OUTCOME 4:

Development of Software Certification Materials





Key Activities to Create IDM

- Validate FHWA Bridge Lifecycle Process Map
- Develop Bridge Lifecycle Management Overview Map* and Bridge Construction Process Map*
- Research common terms for bridge taxonomy
- Develop IDM narrative and exchange requirements
- Ballot and publish the IDM through AASHTO * Based on earlier work by FHWA
 - **With contributions from NSBA Task Group 15



Key Activities to Create US Bridge Data Dictionary

- Standardize terminology, definitions, and properties
- Classify data into bridge entity and property groups
- Assign the metadata to describe the technical
- Identify and assign related IFC terminology
- Encode the data into the buildingSMART Data Dictionary



Key Activities to Create IDS

- Identify model-based properties
- Enrich its definition by data types and units
- Add mapping to IFC for elements and properties
- Consider further constraints on values
- Generate IDS XML file



Key Activities to Develop Software **Certification Materials**

- Create a software vendor engagement plan
- Create unit test instructions for IFC 4.3 certification (to be performed by others)
- Utilize project IDS for certification
- Create technical documentation of required IFC mappings and custom properties