

## PROJECT OVERVIEW REPORT

1. UTC Identifying Number  
69A3551847102
2. Center Identifying Number  
CAIT-UTC-REG 19
3. Project Title  
Improving Transportation Infrastructure Resilience against Hurricanes, other  
Natural Disasters, and Weathering: Part III
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7. Project Description  
The primary goal of this proposal is to analyze motor vehicle bridges that were damaged or collapsed during Hurricane Maria. The specific objectives of the project are: (a) develop an inventory of bridges that experienced damages or collapsed, (b) determine the causes of failure, (c) suggest improvements to the design and construction to avoid or reduce the risk of damages in future hurricane events.
8. Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented)  
The intended outcome of the project is to raise awareness of potential issues related to the design, construction and maintenance procedures of motor vehicle bridges in Puerto Rico. It is expected that PRDOT and FHWA-PR will take measures to protect the structural elements of motor vehicle bridges from impacts associated to extreme weather events.

9. Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, not anticipated)  
To Be Determined

10. Dates and Budget

Start date: 10/1/2018  
End date: 9/30/2020  
UTC (CAIT) Dollars: \$70,684  
Cost Sharing: \$69,130  
Total Dollars: \$139,814

11. Keywords

Highway bridges, wind-borne debris impact, hurricane damage, transportation infrastructure damages, infrastructure life expectancy, flooding impact, flood-induced scour

12. Web Links (Reports and Project Website)

<https://cait.rutgers.edu/research/improving-transportation-infrastructure-resilience-against-hurricanes-other-natural-disasters-and-weathering-part-iii/>