UTC Project Information		
Project Title	Developing of Surface-Mounted Smart Piezoelectric Modules for Bridge Damage Identification and Safety Monitoring	
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Brief Description of Research Project	The objective of the proposed study is to develop an effective non- destructive ultrasonic smart piezoelectric module (SPM) to be used for identifying the damage and condition (cracks, material degradation, etc.) in highway bridges. Such a smart sensing technology can be used to identify damage in bridge structures, monitor safety conditions, assist bridge maintenance decision-making, help state DOTs perform forensic studies on the bridge premature failure, and meet the PacTrans theme of " <u>developing data driven solutions and decision-</u> <u>making for safe transport</u> ".	

Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented) Place Any Photos Here	 An effort was made to implement the developed smart piezoelectric module (SPM) system in material property assessment and durability monitoring of concrete, including ultra high performance concrete (UHPC) (see Photos below of SPM and their embedment in UHPC) and shotcrete, in the projects funded by WSDOT and the Center for Environmentally sustainable Transportation in Cold Climates (CESTICC). Wight and their embedment in UHPC and shotcrete, in the projects funded by WSDOT and the Center for Environmentally sustainable Transportation in Cold Climates (CESTICC). Wight and the center for Environmentally for the center for Environmentally sustainable Transportation in Cold Climates (CESTICC). Fabrication process of smart piezoelectric module (SPM) Wight and the center for Environmental process of smart piezoelectric module (SPM) Wight and the center for Environmental process of smart piezoelectric module (SPM)
Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, or anticipated)	 UHPC has been applied in construction of bridge deck connections (as by WSDOT) to improve durability and fatigue resistance of connection. Monitoring durability and aging of UHPC connection is critical. The proposed SPM system has demonstrated its capability in monitoring material property change of UHPC over accelerated freeze-thaw process, and it benefits life cycle assessment of civil infrastructure. The SPM system also has the potential to in situ and real time assess and monitor the condition of concrete structures, and it anticipate that it will be implemented in the ongoing shotcrete substrate interface study by WSDOT (2019-2021).
Web Links Reports Project Website 	 Zhou ZD and Qiao PZ (2018). "Durability of ultra-high performance concrete in tension under cold weather conditions," Cement and Concrete Composites, 94: 94-106. http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.cemconcomp.2018.08.019 (demonstrating implementation of SPM in durability assessment of UHPC).