Entries are now being accepted for the 2018 Build a Better Mousetrap National Competition!

What is the Build a Better Mousetrap National Competition?
The Build a Better Mousetrap National Competition highlights innovative solutions to everyday problems and issues that local and tribal transportation workers and other LTAP/TTAP clients encounter. They can range from the development of tools, equipment modifications, and/or processes that increase safety, reduce cost, improve efficiency and the quality of transportation. Have a better idea that you have implemented in your agency? Submit it for the competition!

How does the Competition work?
* Centers hold their own state Build a Better Mousetrap Competition – Entries due May 4th 2018!
* Louisiana LTAP Center will select the winner of their state competition
* Louisiana LTAP Center will submit their nominee to the Build a Better Mousetrap National Competition
* Nominations to the national competition are accepted only through Center submission
* Winners will be announced at the LTAP/TTAP National Conference in New Orleans, LA in July 2018

How are the winners selected?
Winners will be selected by an independent panel of judges. All entries will be posted on LTAP.org and compiled into an electronic booklet for you and your clients to learn more about the best practices from around the country.

The National Competition is judged on the criteria listed below:
* Cost Savings/Benefits to the Community
* Ingenuity
* Ease of Transference to Others
* Effectiveness

How to Enter
Please fill out the attached entry form and submit your entry to the Louisiana LTAP Center at sstrength.lsu.edu. Entries must be submitted no later than Friday, May 4th, 2018. Please see entry form for additional requirements. If you have any questions, please feel free to email Steve Strength at steve.strength@la.gov or Courtney Dupre at Courtney.Dupre@la.gov

We look forward to your submissions for the 2018 National Competition!

Also attached is the brochure of 2015 winners and submissions that might help stimulate your imagination! GOOD LUCK!

2015 Competition Winners:
1st Place Winner: Curve Analysis Application—Virginia
2nd Place Winner (Tie): Under Body and Frame Pressure Washer—Kentucky
2nd Place Winner (Tie): Transportation Asset Collection Using Android Tablet & ArcGIS—Michigan
3rd Place Winner: Redesigned Sign Truck—North Dakota