



**MarTREC UTC Project Information Form**  
USDOT Tier 1 University Transportation Center  
Agency ID or Contract Number 69A3551747130

Project Title: Changing Trade and Transportation Patterns: NAFTA, Cuba, and the US Gulf Coast
Project Abstract (Brief Description): Since the passage of the National Environmental Protection Act in 1969, transportation planning became a complex, interdisciplinary challenge. The need for meeting environmental legislation coupled with public participation demands have revealed innumerable problems associated with the use of outdated techniques. In order to satisfy the current regulations and public policies, the transportation planning process can no longer solely rely on the basics of engineering; it is now forced to find the way in a sea of data, values and actors towards a comprehensive and integrated solution. As a consequence, not only the variety of data, but also the quality and vast amount of data to be processed has become one of the big issues for transportation practitioners.
Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented) - Place any photos here <i>To be determined upon conclusion of the project:</i>
Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, not anticipated) <i>To be determined upon conclusion of the project:</i>
Web Links: <a href="http://martrec.uark.edu">martrec.uark.edu</a>
Budget (Funding) Amounts & Source(s) (US DOT +Match(s) =Total Costs): USDOT: \$52,629 + Match: \$34,629 =Total Cost: \$87,258
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