

# Finding Research Reports in CDOT Library's Catalog

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## Overview of OAR's Research Reports

The Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) Office of Applied Research (OAR), also referred to as the Research Branch, manages a program to address research needs across CDOT. Research can provide solutions to many problems facing today's transportation practitioners. Through OAR, CDOT leads, participates in, and applies transportation research that takes place locally through research conducted and managed directly by CDOT, regionally through research collaboratively conducted by multiple states through Transportation Pooled Fund (TPF) projects, and nationally through the research conducted through the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP). Research addresses methods, materials, technologies, and planning to enable CDOT to promote safety, enhance mobility and sustainability, save money, plan for future technologies, and protect the public investment in transportation infrastructure. At all levels, OAR brings to bear knowledge and solutions that improve Colorado's transportation system.

In 2022, the Library digitized all published CDOT Research Reports from the 1950's through the early 2000's. As a result, full-text copies can be found in the CDOT Library catalog. Research Reports published within the last three years can be found on [OAR's website](#).

If you cannot find a report, you can request it using the [Research Report Request Form](#). We will email you the link to the research report you are looking for.

# Accessing Research Reports in EOS

## Searching on EOS

EOS.Web is the open access catalog used by Colorado Department of Transportation's Library. The library catalog can be found [here](#). We use EOS to catalog books and materials in the library, including research reports published by CDOT.

Items can be searched for on EOS using descriptive fields on the Advanced Search page. The advanced search function allows users to search by field(s) to find an item in the catalog.

## Research Report Fields

CDOT Library utilizes a standardized workflow when creating records for research reports. The following is an overview of the metadata in each record:

**Title Statement:** Title of report

**Main Author:** First author listed on report (last name, first name)

**Additional Authors:** Other authors listed on report (last name, first name)

**Edition:** Type of report (I.E. Final Report, Interim Report, etc.)

**Call Number:** Call number for report in library (format: CDOT-YYYY-ID)

**URL:** Public link to the report in OnBase, CDOT's file repository

**Abstract:** Summary of report

**Subject:** First three keywords listed on the report

**Notes:** Any additional notes provided for the report

**Publisher:** Colorado Department of Transportation Research Branch

**Series:** CDOT Research Reports

**File Type:** PDF

## Searching for Research Reports

All of the research reports are findable when you search "CDOT Research Reports" in the **Series** field in the EOS Catalog. If you would like to narrow the search, you can search by various other fields including Title, Author, Call Number, or Subject. There are also Boolean functions such as "AND," "OR," and "NOT" to tailor the search using the aforementioned fields. Keywords can be searched individually.

**[You can search for research reports in the catalog here.](#)**