

# Interstate 69 Coalition

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# I-69 History

Year	Description
1991	<p>Congress Designated Corridor 18 and Corridor 20 as High Priority Corridors of National Significance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Corridor 18 - Indianapolis to Memphis</li><li>✓ Corridor 20 - Laredo to Texarkana</li></ul>
1993	<p>Corridor 18 Extended from Memphis to Houston Connecting to Corridor 20 I-69 Steering Committee Established - Arkansas Lead State</p>
1995	<p>The National Highway System Designation Act added Specific Language that Corridor 18 would serve Mississippi and Arkansas and that Corridors 18 and 20 were "Future Parts of the Interstate System"</p>
1998	<p>Congress Further Expands Corridor 18, Officially Designates the Route as Interstate 69 and adds Connections to Pine Bluff and Chicago</p>
2007	<p>USDOT Selected Interstate 69 as one of six Corridors of the Future</p>

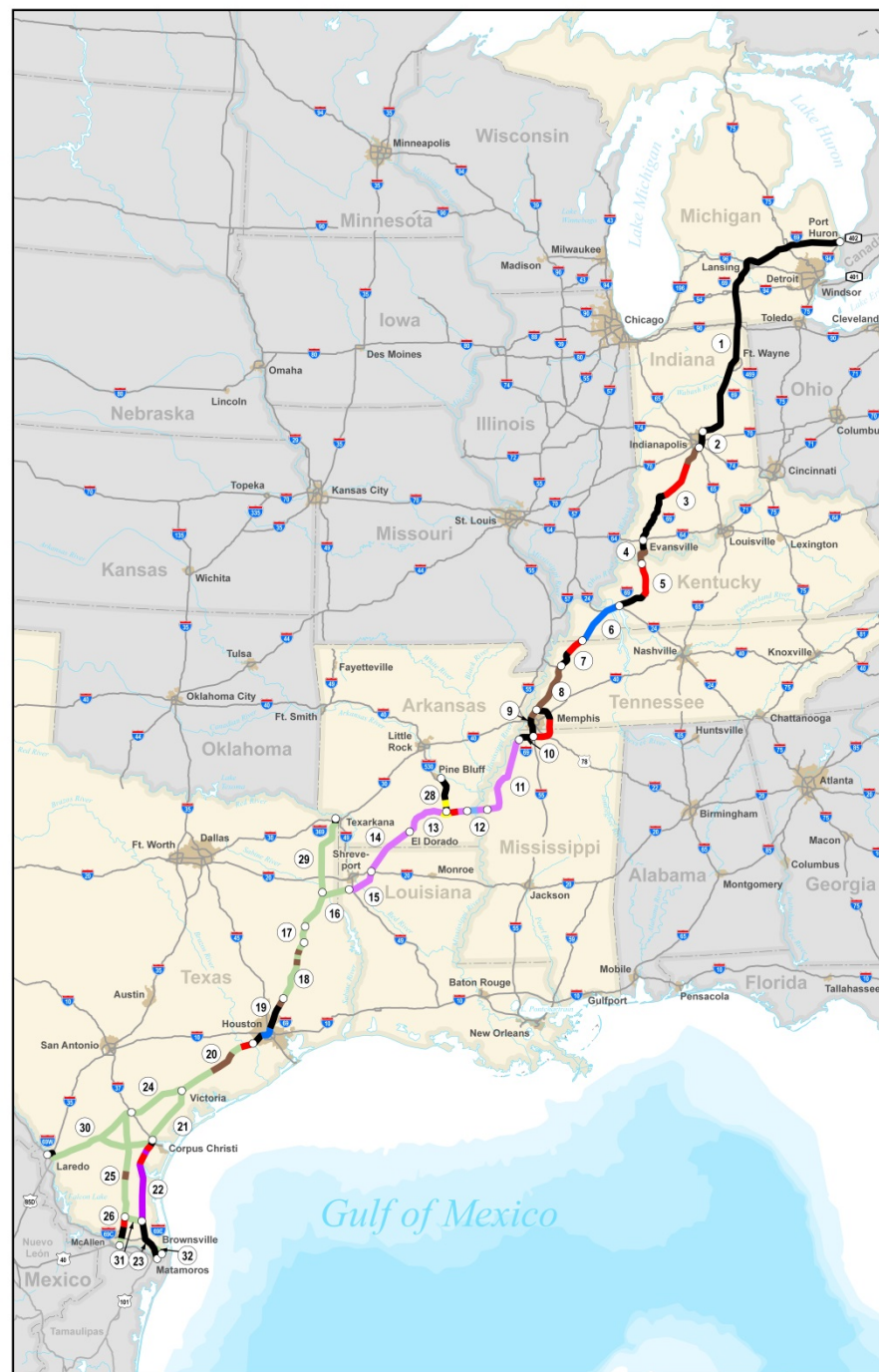
# I-69 Status



## Interstate 69 Corridor Status

-  Open to Traffic
-  Under Construction
-  Right of Way Acquisition in Progress
-  Design in Progress
-  NEPA Complete (FONSI Issued)
-  NEPA Complete (Record of Decision Issued)
-  NEPA in Progress
-  Evaluation - Use Existing Alignments to the Greatest Extent Possible
-  Corridor to Utilize Existing Fully Controlled Access Facilities
-  Section of Independent Utility

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# I-69 Statistics

- 2,730 miles
- Estimated Cost to Complete - \$30 Billion
- 32 “Segments of Independent Utility” (SIUs)
- Innovative Financing Study Complete
  - ✓ *“Based on the limited availability of resources for I-69 at the state level, it appears that significant Federal assistance will be required to advance development of the I-69 Corridor, particularly given the high cost of the bridges across the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers that are keys to ensuring connectivity throughout the corridor.”*

# Legislation



Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act  
(FAST Act)

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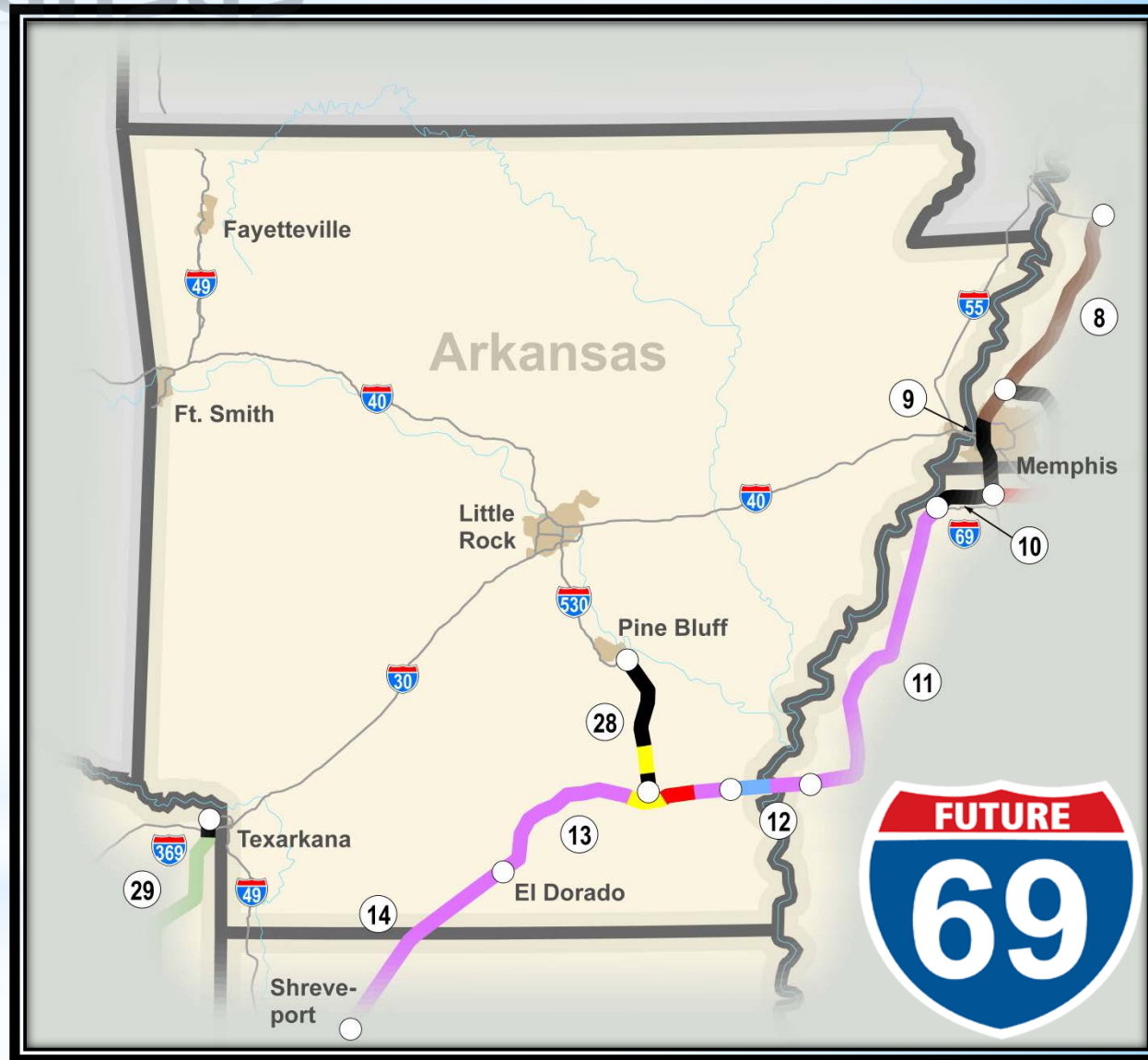


- ✓ National Freight Program
- ✓ Nationally Significant Freight and Highway Projects Program
- ✓ Future Interstate System



# I-69 in Arkansas

- Preferred Alignment Identified
- 184 miles
- Estimated Cost to Complete - \$3.0 Billion
- 4 “Segments of Independent Utility” (SIUs)
- Federal Earmarked Funds - \$300 Million



# I-69 Corridor







# I-69 Connector

- Environmental Studies Complete / Preferred Alignment Selected
- 42 miles
- Right-of-Way Purchased for 4-lane Interstate Facility
- Initial Construction 2 Lanes
- Current Estimate is \$616 million for the ultimate 4-lane Interstate Facility





# I-69 Connector Funding Summary



Status	Miles	Total ( millions)
Complete	29.0	\$ 186
Scheduled	2.8	\$ 14
Unfunded	10.5	\$ 52
<b>Sub-Total (2 lanes)</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>\$ 252</b>
Unfunded (4-lane Interstate)	-----	\$ 364
<b>Totals</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>\$ 616</b>



FUTURE  
INTERSTATE 69



MONTICELLO BYPASS  
GROUNDBREAKING

NOVEMBER 9, 2011  
11:00 AM

# Monticello Bypass





# Great River Bridge



## LEGEND



SIU 12



SIU 13

## Future I-69 Great River Bridge

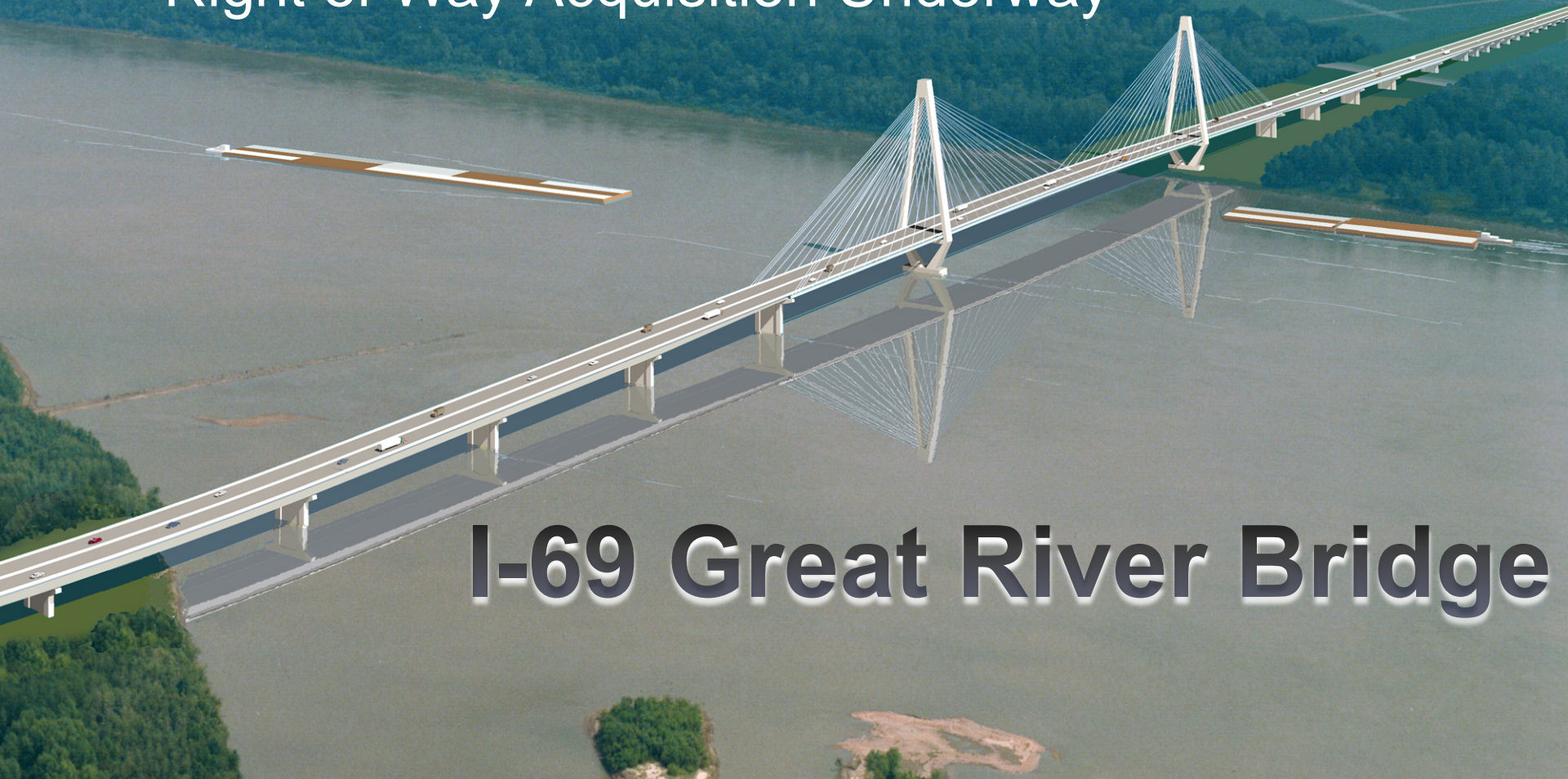
Desha County, Arkansas

Bolivar County, Mississippi





- Design Complete
- Estimated Cost - \$1.3 Billion
  - ✓ Arkansas' Portion - \$910 Million
- Right of Way Acquisition Underway



**I-69 Great River Bridge**





# I-69 Funding Summary



Status	Miles	Total (millions)
Complete	29.0	\$ 186
Under Construction	8.5	\$ 13
Scheduled	11.3	\$ 61
Unfunded	135.2	\$ 2,772
Totals	184.0	\$ 3,032





QUESTIONS?