

# 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





- 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.”*

## I-69 Corridor





# Arkansas Interstate 69 Update



# I-69 in Arkansas

- Preferred Alignment Identified
- 180 miles
- Estimated Cost to Complete - \$3.6 Billion
- 4 “Segments of Independent Utility” (SIUs)
- Federal Earmarked Funds - \$300 Million



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# I-69 in Arkansas



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 \$633 million for the ultimate 4-lane Interstate Facility





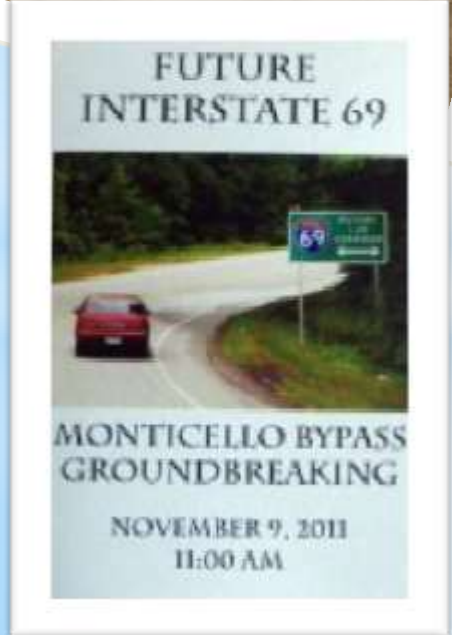


# I-69 Connector Funding Summary



Status	Miles	Total (millions)
Complete	29.0	\$ 187.1
Scheduled	2.8	\$ 11.4
Unfunded	10.5	\$ 434.2*
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.3</b>	<b>\$ 632.7</b>

\* Completion of initial two lanes and additional lanes for entire route.



# Monticello Bypass



# Great River Bridge



## Future I-69 Great River Bridge

Desha County, Arkansas  
Bolivar County, Mississippi



PH: PH: CLD: 12-1-2018

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



# I-69 Great River Bridge

Spanning a River – Connecting a Nation



# I-69 Funding Summary



Status	Miles	Total (millions)
Complete	-	-
Under Construction	8.5	\$ 13
Scheduled	11.3	\$ 75
Unfunded	122.0	\$ 2,953
<b>Totals</b>	<b>141.8</b>	<b>\$ 3,041</b>

## FASTLANE 2017 GRANT APPLICATION

### I-69 (MONTICELLO BYPASS - US HIGHWAY 65)



# Fostering Advancements in Shipping and Transportation for the Long-term Achievement of National Efficiencies (FASTLANE) Grant

- Requested \$20 Million
- Total Project Cost \$118.5 Million
- Project Development Activities
- Complete Monticello Bypass and Project Development on New Location to Highway 65



# President Trump's America First Infrastructure Plan



## I-69 Projects Submitted:

- Great River Bridge
- Monticello Bypass to McGehee
- Connector - Monticello Bypass to Pine Bluff





**“Coming together is a beginning;  
keeping together is progress; working together is success.”  
– Henry Ford**