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# **Arkansas State Highway Commission Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 6, 2018**

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# Agenda Item 1

**Meeting Minutes**

**December 6, 2017**

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# Agenda Item 2

## Consideration of Minute Orders

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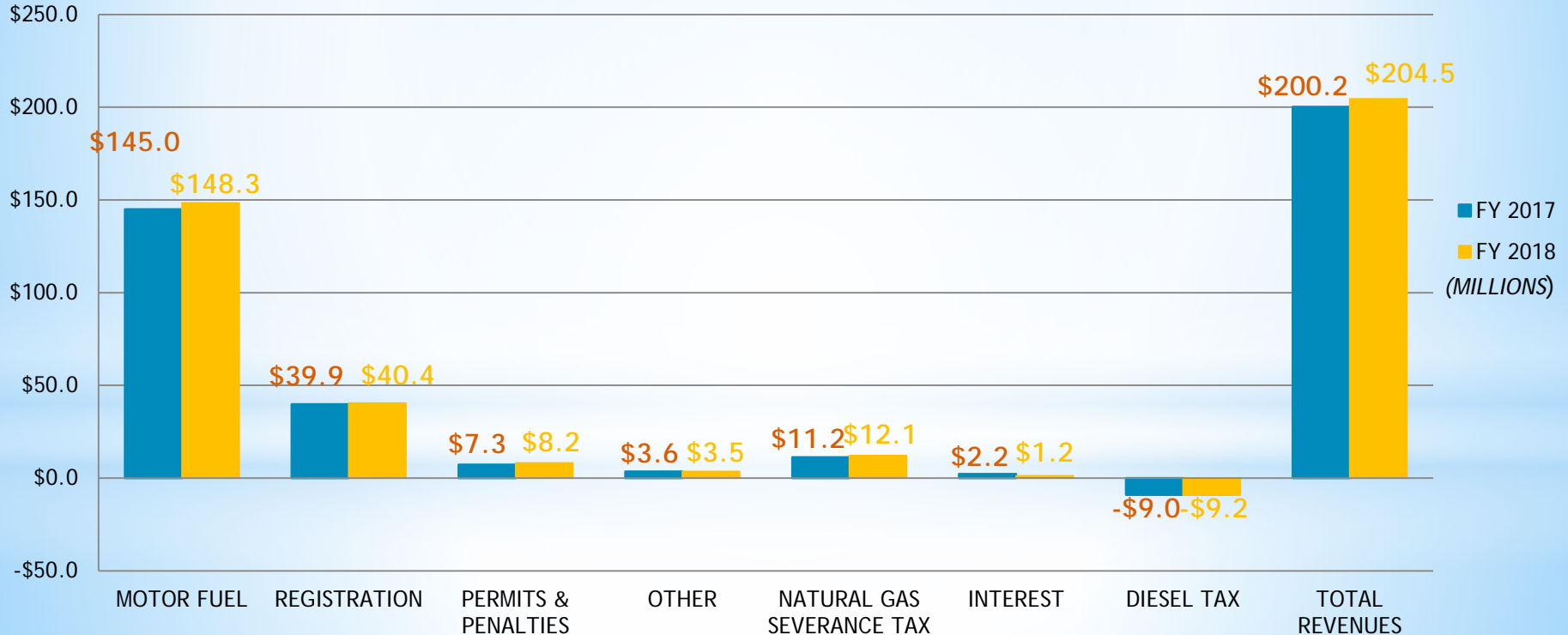
# Agenda Item 3

## State Highway Revenue Update



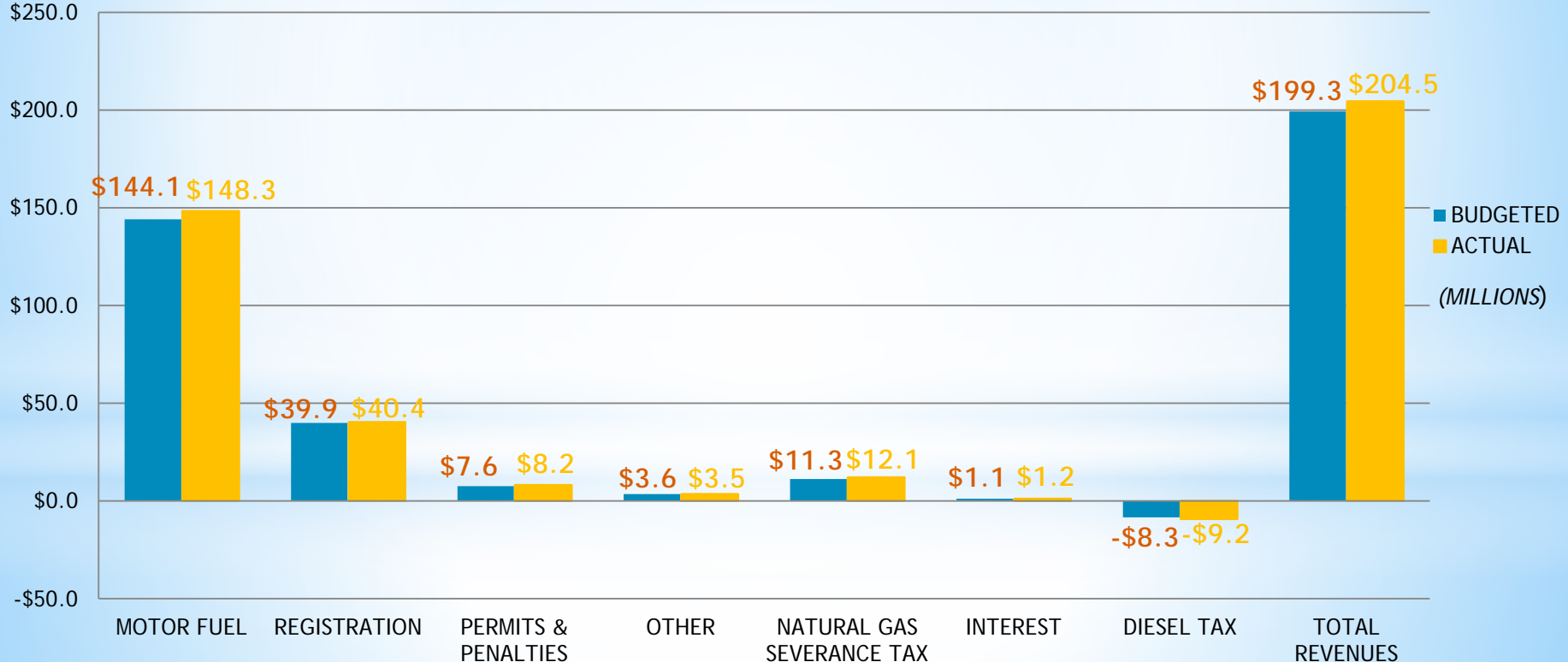
# DECEMBER 2017-2018 REVENUE

VARIANCE	\$3.3	\$0.5	\$0.9	-\$0.1	\$0.9	-\$1.0	-\$0.2	\$4.3
% CHANGE	2.3%	1.3%	12.3%	-2.8%	8.0%	-45.5%	-2.2%	2.2%



# FY 2018 BUDGETED VS. ACTUAL - DECEMBER

	MOTOR FUEL	REGISTRATION	PERMITS & PENALTIES	OTHER	NATURAL GAS SEVERANCE TAX	INTEREST	DIESEL TAX	TOTAL REVENUES
VARIANCE	\$4.2	\$0.5	\$0.6	-\$0.1	\$0.8	\$0.1	-\$0.9	\$5.2
% CHANGE	2.9%	1.3%	7.9%	-2.8%	7.1%	9.1%	-10.8%	2.6%



# DECEMBER 2017-2018 FUEL CONSUMPTION

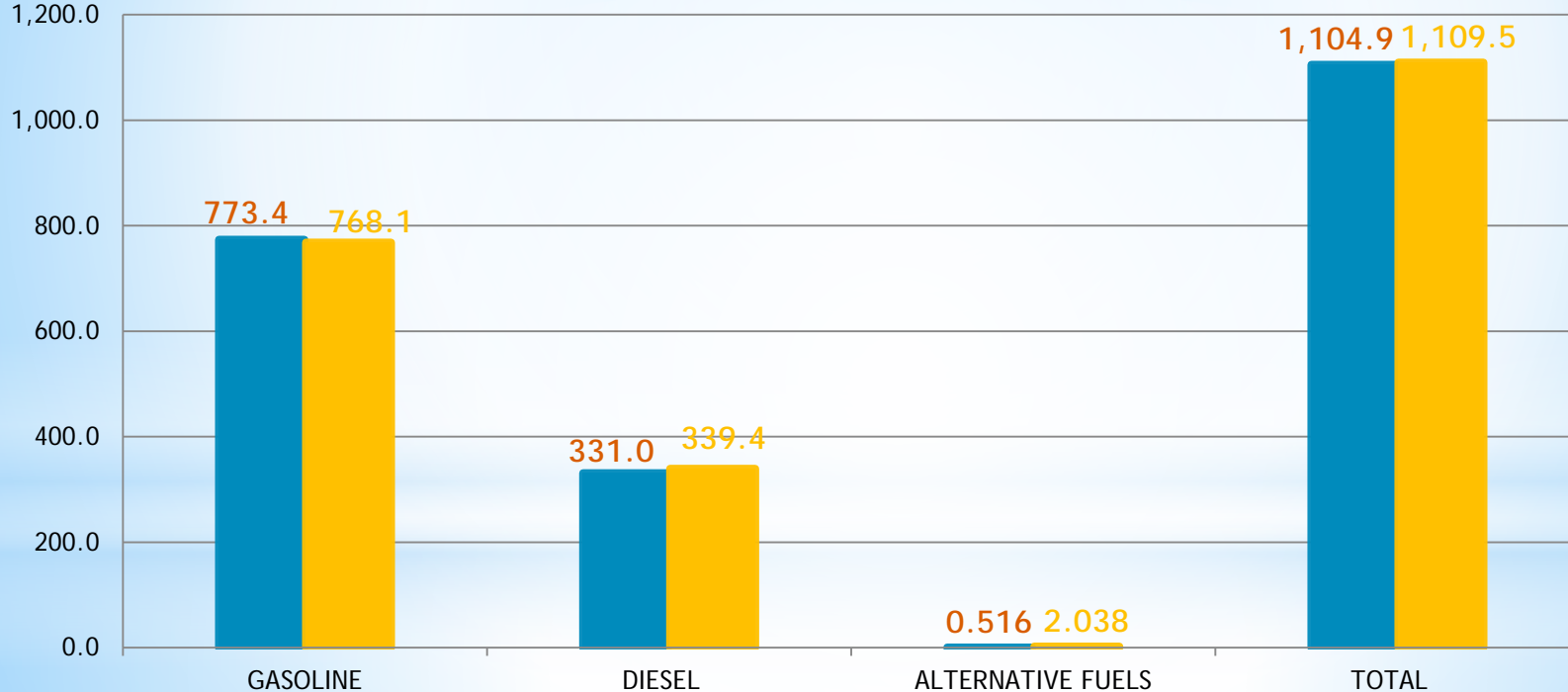
VARIANCE  
% CHANGE

-5.3  
-0.7%

8.4  
2.5%

1.52  
294.7%

3.1  
0.3%



FY 2017  
FY 2018

(MILLION  
GALLONS)



# *Arkansas Fuel Consumption*

## *Rolling 12-month Comparison*

Fuel	Previous 12 Months (millions)	Current 12 Months (millions)	Variance
Gasoline	1,491,351,202	1,505,555,537	0.95%
Diesel	632,547,095	660,780,288	4.46%
Alternative	1,026,565	2,463,980	140.02%
Total	2,124,924,862	2,168,799,805	2.06%

# State Fiscal Year 2017 Sales Tax

Mon	Projected Net	Actual Receipts	Variance	Monthly Variance	Annual Variance
Jul	15,126,090	14,939,612	(186,478)	-1.23%	-1.23%
Aug	15,668,730	15,068,928	(599,802)	-3.83%	-2.55%
Sept	15,668,730	15,089,982	(578,748)	-3.69%	-2.94%
Oct	15,533,070	14,457,261	(1,075,810)	-6.93%	-3.94%
Nov	14,651,280	14,142,719	(508,561)	-3.47%	-3.85%
Dec	16,007,880	16,554,930	537,050	3.35%	-2.60%
Jan					
Feb					
Mar					
Apr					
May					
Jun					
Total	92,655,780	90,248,431	(2,412,350)		

# *Half-Cent Sales Tax Projected vs Actual*

Projected Net	Actual Receipts	Variance	Percent Variance
\$759,265,780	\$753,975,144	\$(5,290,636)	-0.70%



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# Agenda Item 4

**Status of Federal Highway and  
Transit Funding Issues**

# Federal Highway Funding Issues

Congressman Steve Womack (R)  
Named Chairman of House Budget Committee



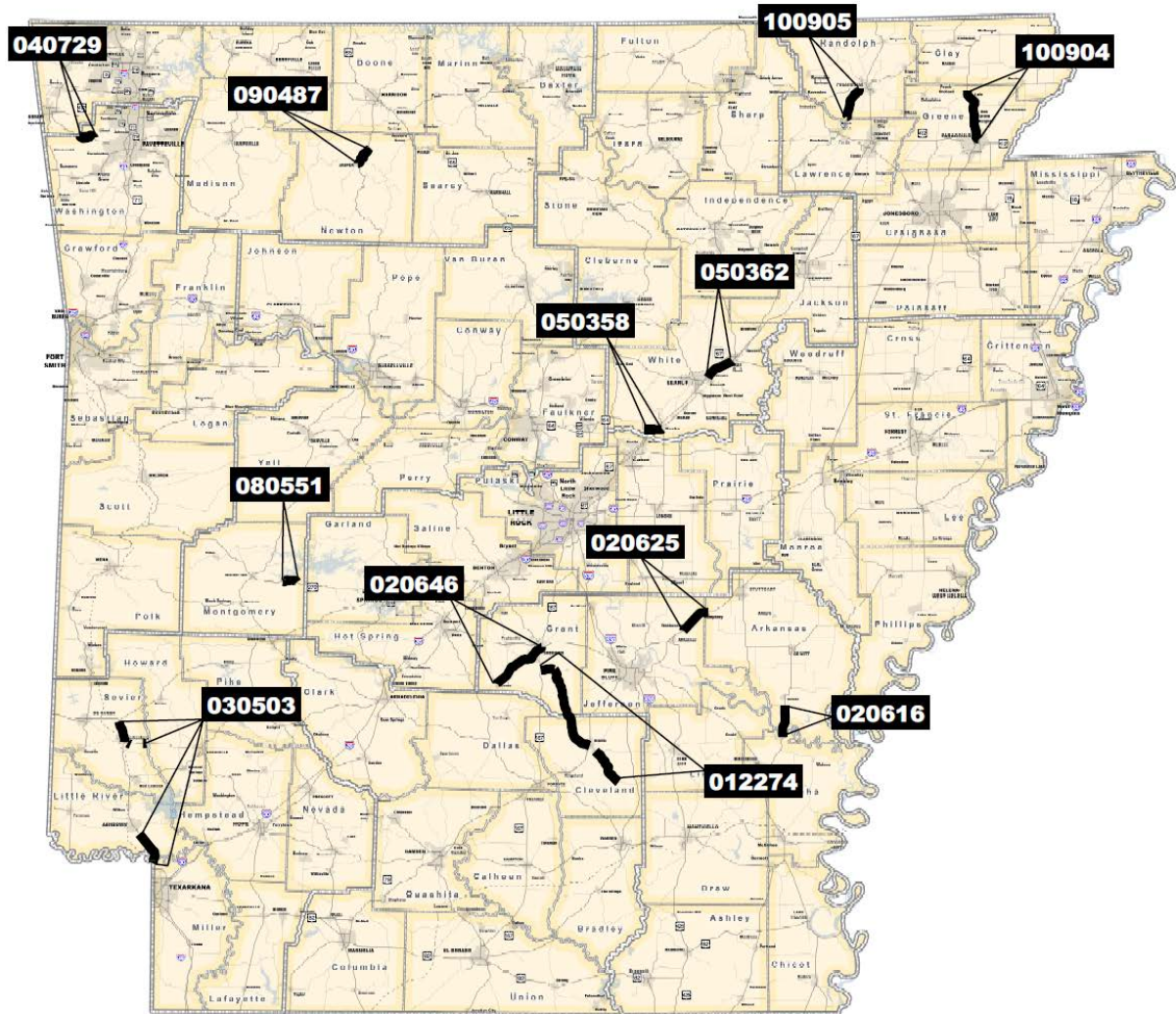
# Federal Highway Funding Issues

- Continuing Resolutions and a Government Shutdown
- Current Funding Ends February 8<sup>th</sup>
- Current Impacts
- Potential Future Impacts





12 Projects  
\$26.5 Million



Projects Withdrawn From  
the February Letting

# Federal Highway Funding Issues

## Quotes from the State of the Union Address

- “As we rebuild our industries, it is also time to rebuild our crumbling infrastructure.”
- “America is a nation of builders. We built the Empire State Building in just one year—isn’t it a disgrace that it can now take 10 years just to get a minor permit approved for a simple road?”
- “Every Federal dollar should be leveraged by partnering with State and local governments and, where appropriate, tapping into private-sector investment—to permanently fix the infrastructure deficit. And we can do it.”



# Federal Highway Funding Issues

## Recently Leaked Infrastructure Plan

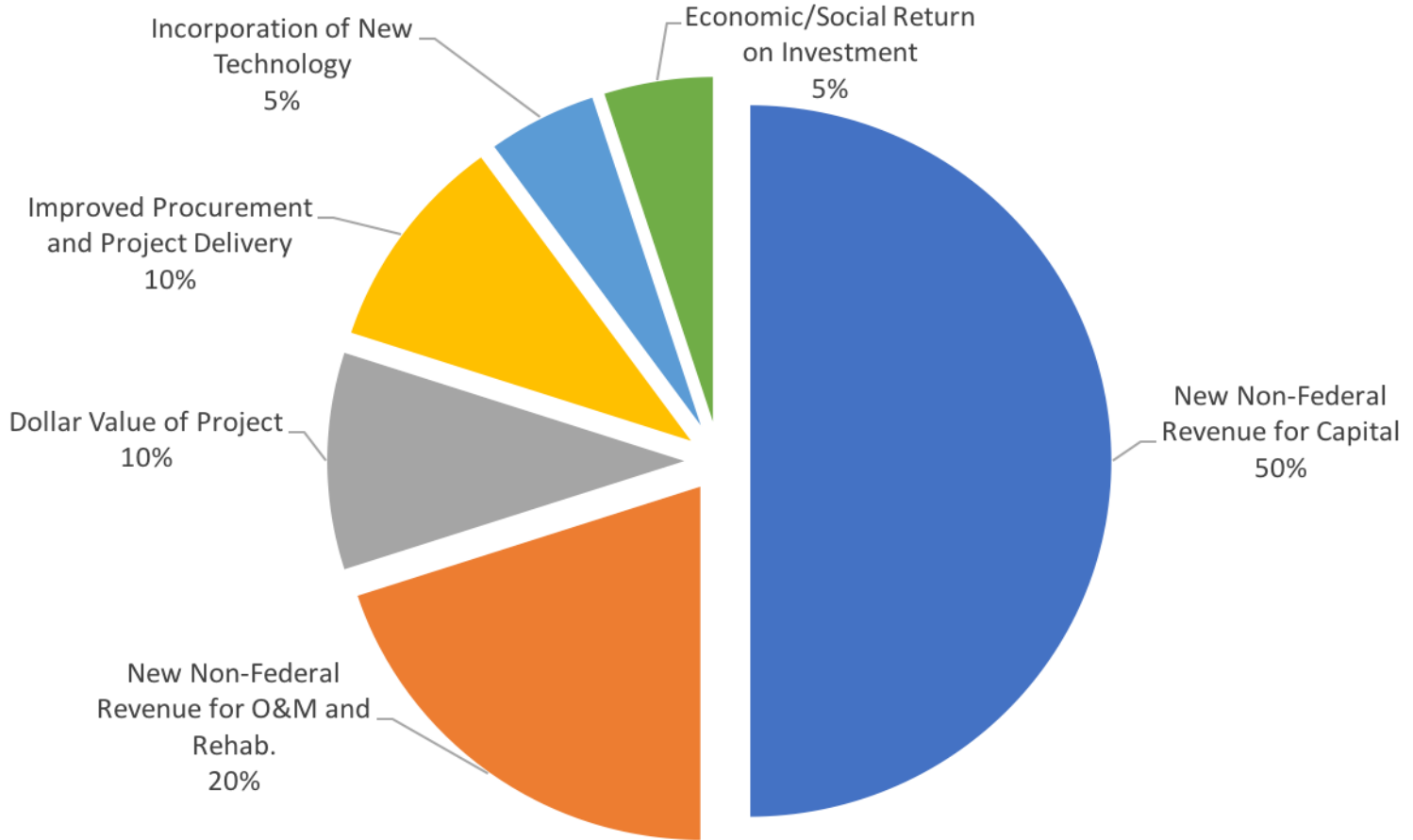
- **Infrastructure Incentives Initiative – \$100 Billion or 50%**
- Transformative Projects Program – \$20 Billion or 10%
- Rural Infrastructure Program – \$50 Billion or 25%
- Federal Credit Programs – \$14.1 Billion or 7.05%
- Federal Capital Financing Fund – \$10 Billion or 5%
- Public Lands Infrastructure Fund
- Disposition of Federal Real Property
- Private Activity Bonds





# Recently Leaked Infrastructure Plan

## Weighting Of Evaluation Criteria For \$100 Billion Infrastructure Initiatives Incentive



# Federal Highway Funding Issues

## Recently Leaked Infrastructure Plan

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- **Disposition of Federal Real Property**
- **Private Activity Bonds**



# Federal Highway Funding Issues



**“The biggest thing is make up your frickin’ mind. We need sustainability. We need to know what it’s going to be and what it’s going to look like.”**

Jennifer Cohan, Secretary of the Delaware DOT



**“I’ll be the first one on this panel to cry B.S. to that. There are many areas, such as the state of Tennessee, [where] that can’t happen. We’re scared that the money we’ve already increased our funding with won’t get any credit with new infrastructure package.”**

Tennessee DOT Commissioner and President of AASHTO John Schroer



**“If you’ve been around long enough, you’ve already heard this rhetoric that states need to participate more in the transportation system. States did step up. I’m hoping that the new program doesn’t come out and say ‘You guys need to step up’ and not know that we already did.”**

Mike Patterson, Executive Director of Oklahoma DOT

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# Agenda Item 5

**2011 Interstate Rehabilitation Program  
and Connecting Arkansas Program**



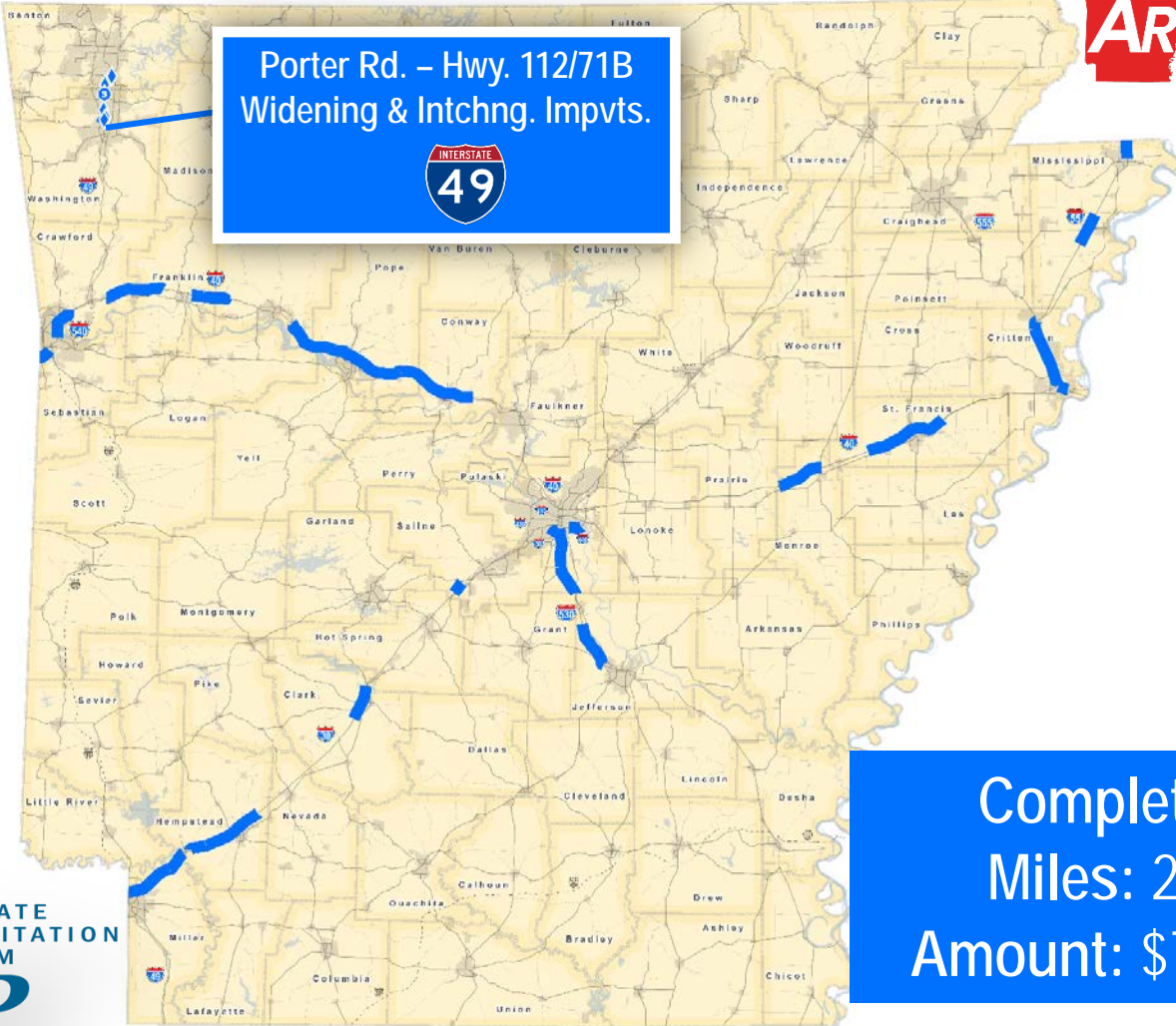


INTERSTATE  
REHABILITATION  
PROGRAM

**IRP**

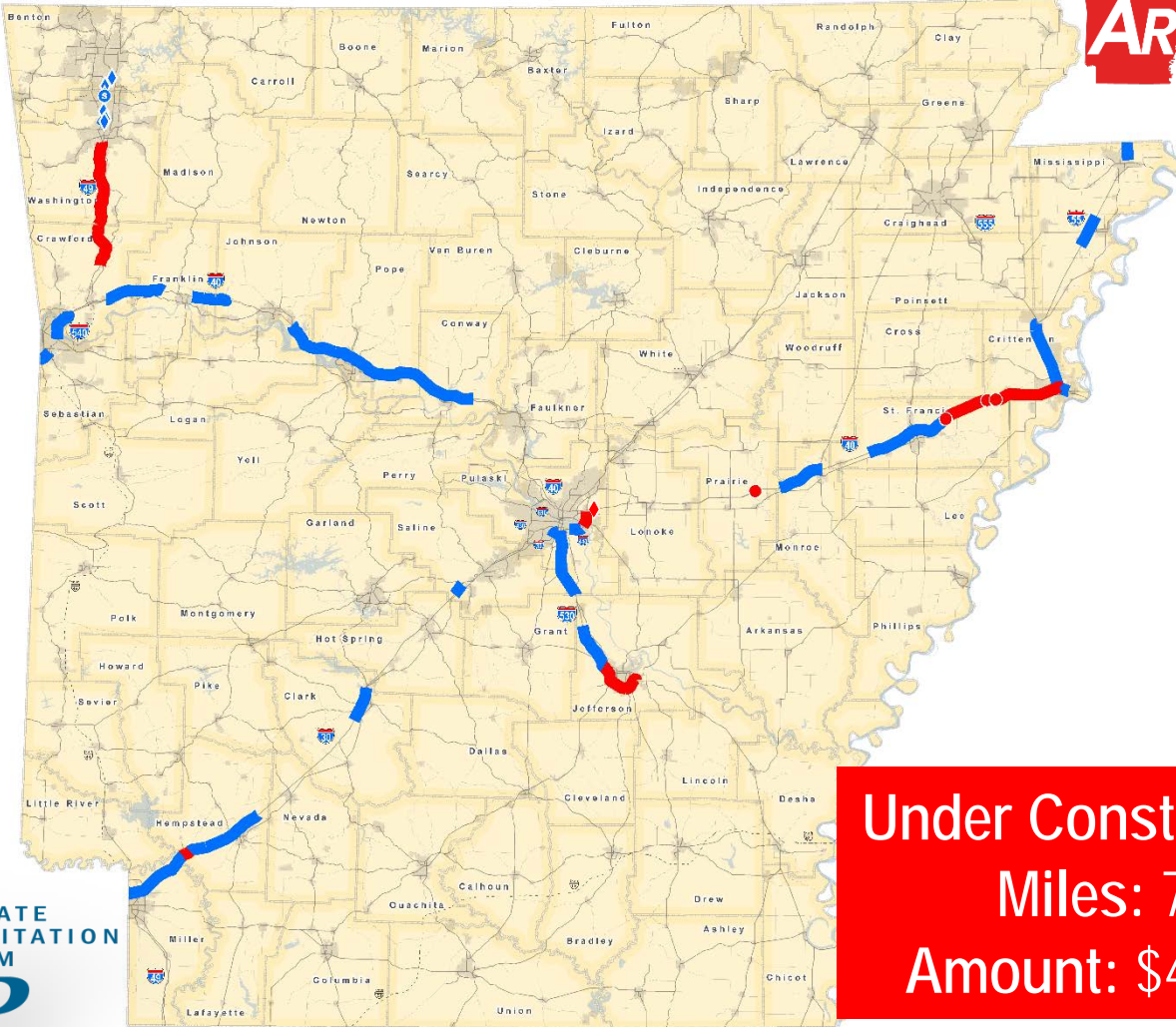


Porter Rd. – Hwy. 112/71B  
Widening & Intchg. Impvts.



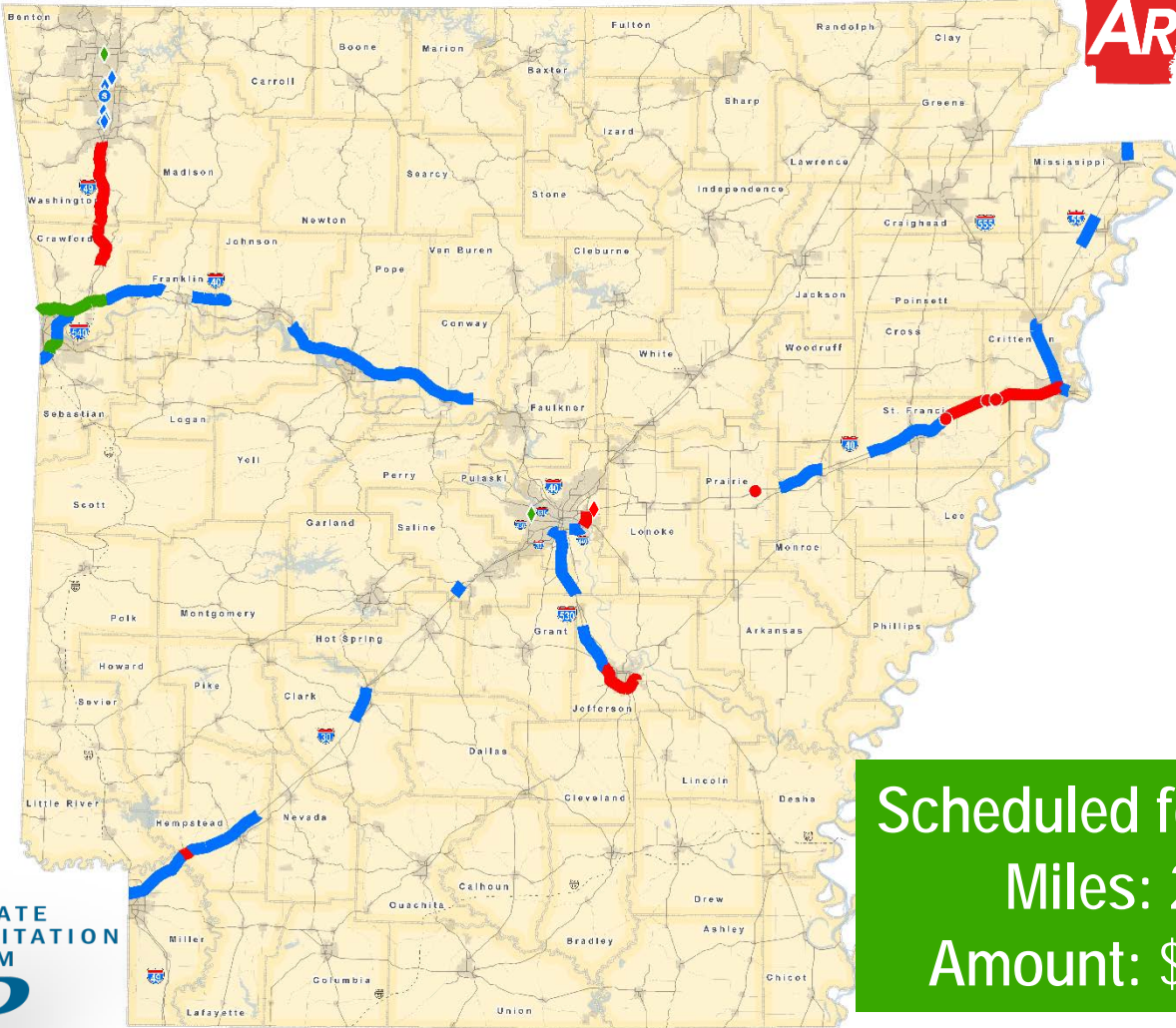
Completed  
Miles: 225  
Amount: \$763 M





**Under Construction**  
**Miles: 78**  
**Amount: \$429 M**

**Interstate Rehabilitation Program**



Scheduled for 2018  
Miles: 21  
Amount: \$44 M

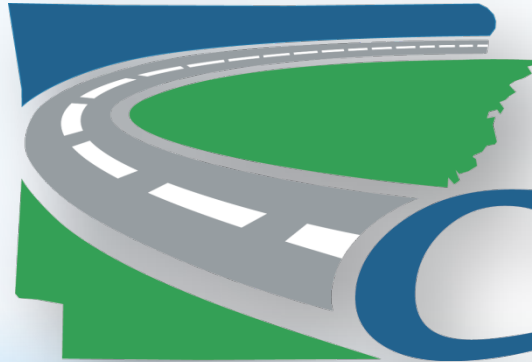
Interstate Rehabilitation Program







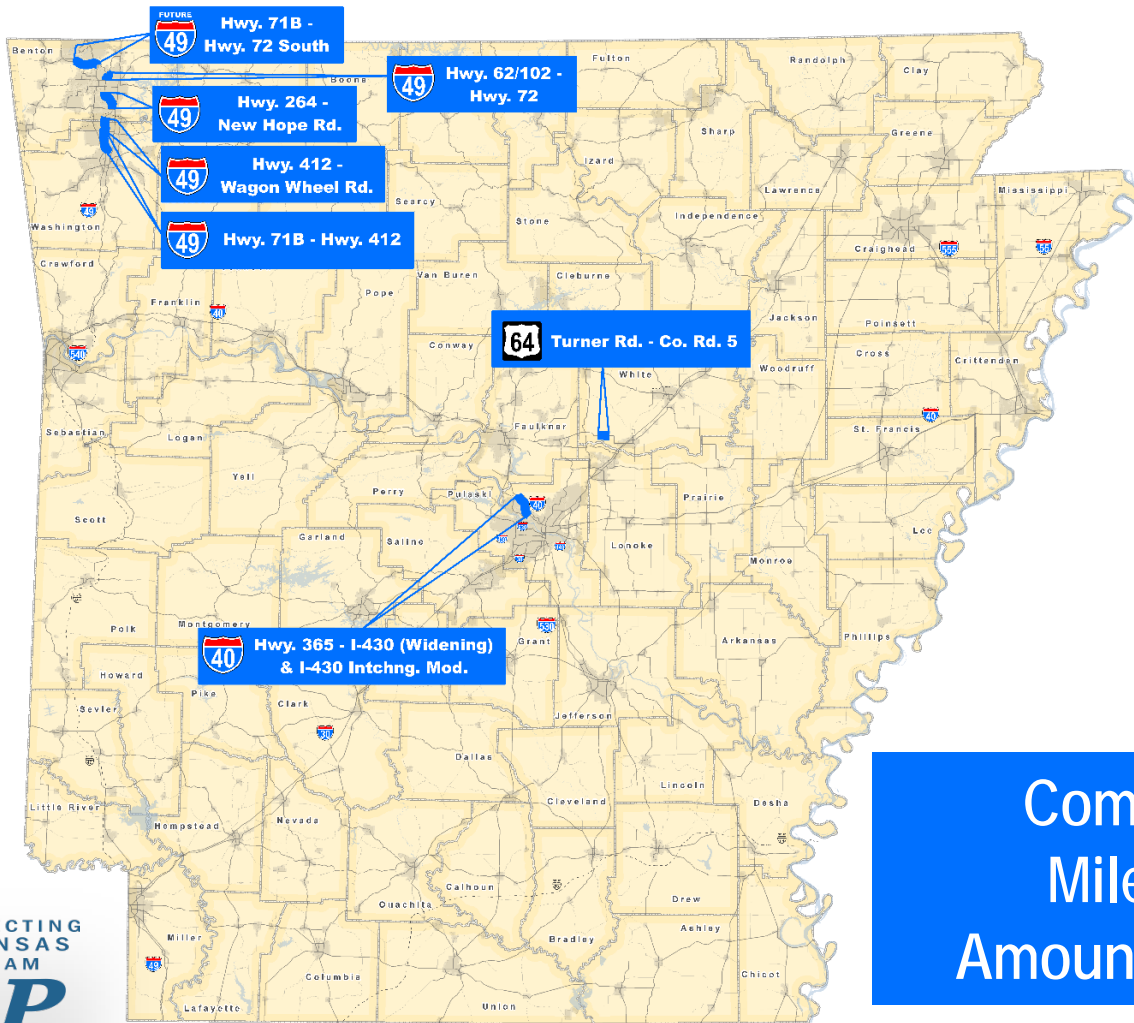




CONNECTING  
ARKANSAS  
PROGRAM

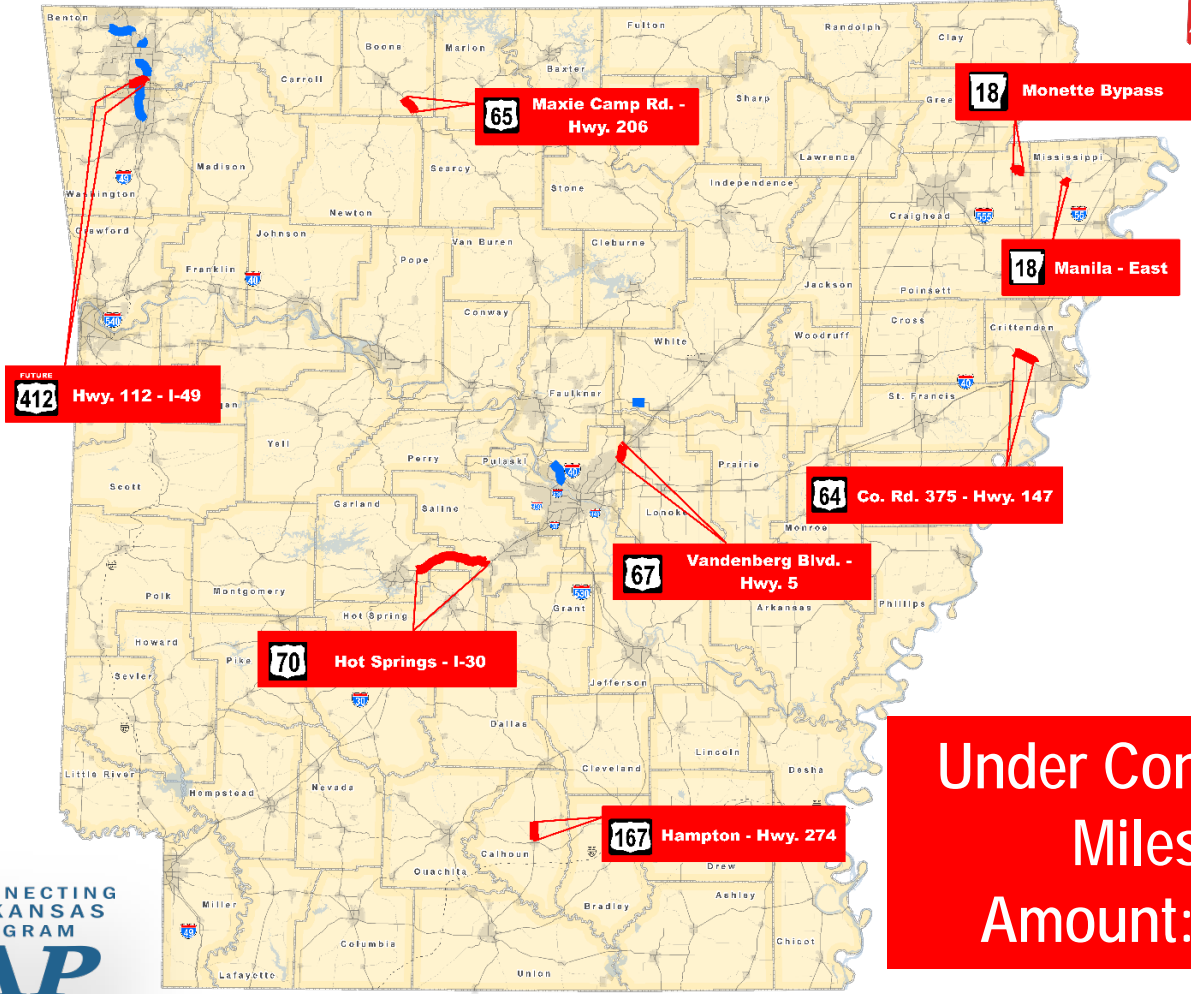
**CAP**





Completed  
Miles: 30  
Amount: \$215 M





**FUTURE**  
**412** Hwy. 112 - I-49

**65** Maxie Camp Rd. - Hwy. 206

**18** Monette Bypass

**18** Manila - East

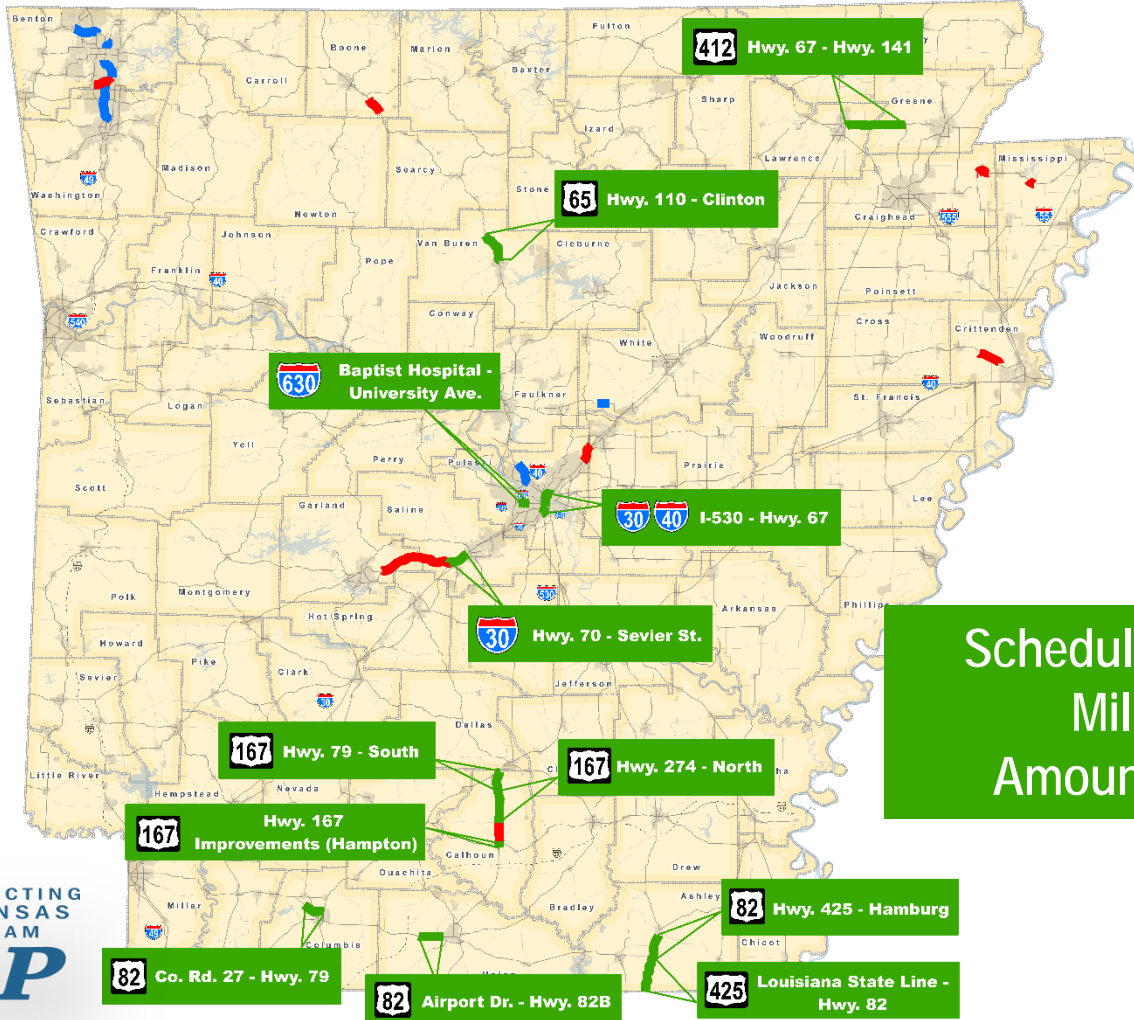
**64** Co. Rd. 375 - Hwy. 147

**67** Vandenberg Blvd. - Hwy. 5

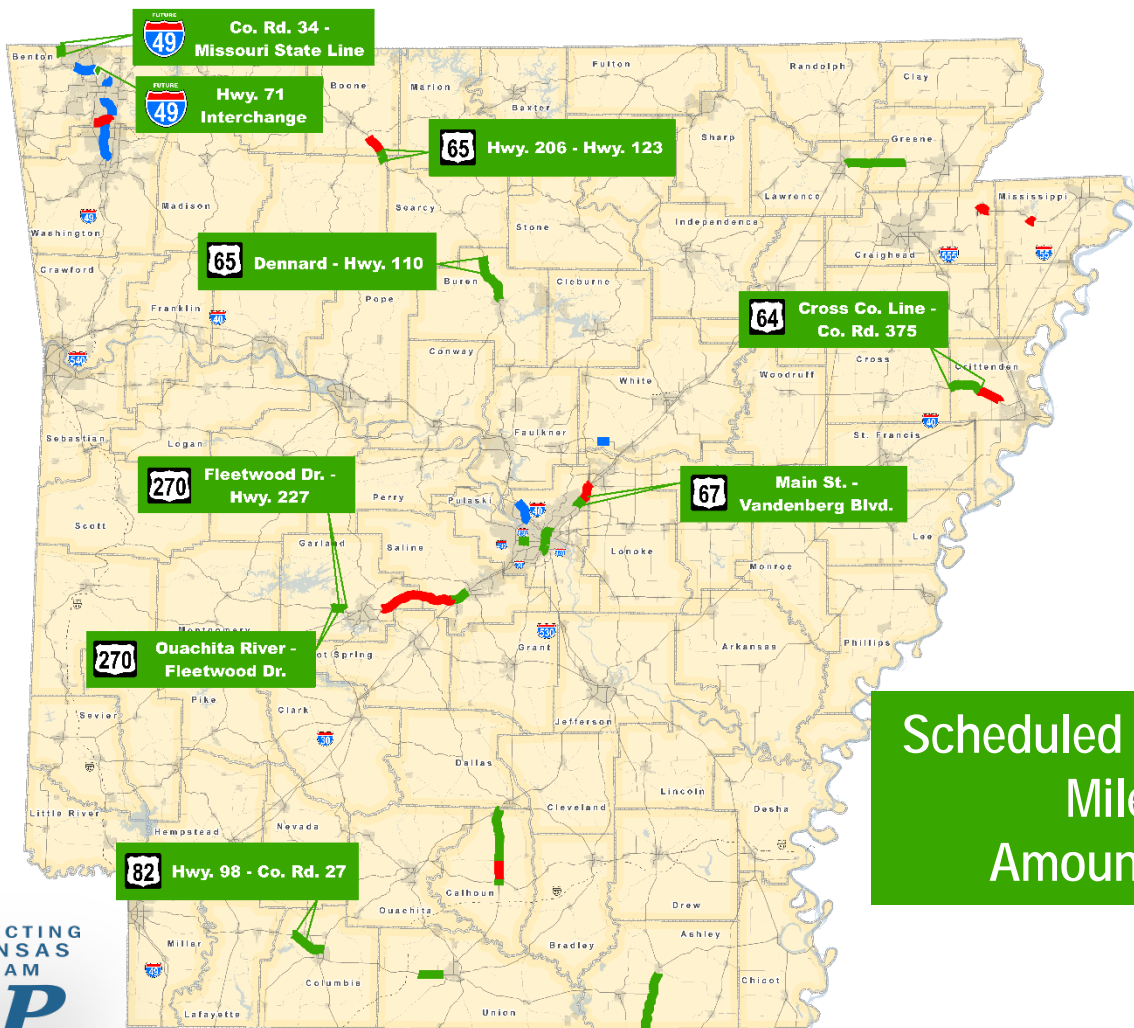
**70** Hot Springs - I-30

**167** Hampton - Hwy. 274

**Under Construction**  
**Miles: 46**  
**Amount: \$376 M**



Scheduled for 2018  
 Miles: 78  
 Amount: \$1.09 B



Scheduled for 2019-2020  
Miles: 30  
Amount: \$258 M

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# Agenda Item 6

**Bid Letting Results**

**January 17, 2018**









# Summary of the January 17<sup>th</sup> Bid Letting







Type Projects	Number of Projects	Award Amount
State	16	38,001,122
City	6	1,983,799
County	4	3,350,521
Total	26	43,335,442



# Details of the January 17<sup>th</sup> Bid Letting

Route	County	Job Name	Contractor	Award Amount
	Monroe	White River Structures Demolition & Removal (Clarendon)	Century Construction Group	11,306,870
	Crittenden	Bridgeport & Riverside AHP Inspection Facilities	R. L. Persons Construction	1,625,690
	Desha & Drew	Monticello – McGehee (Selected Sections)	Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel	4,795,927
	Desha	Halley – Hwy. 4	Redstone Construction	1,617,031
	Miller	Hwys. 67, 71 & 82 (Selected Sections) (Texarkana)	Redstone Construction	3,445,321
	Miller	Hwy. 237 – Lafayette County Line	Redstone Construction	2,445,755

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Route	County	Job Name	Contractor	Award Amount
	Little River & Sevier	Hwy. 71 Slide Repair (Little River & Sevier Counties)	Kesser International	3,121,673
	Fulton	Izard County Line – Hwy. 62	Dilbeck Excavation	2,028,543
	Independence & Sharp	Hwy. 167 Improvements (Cave City)	White River Materials	631,847
	Johnson	Franklin Co. Line – Coal Hill (Selected Sections)	Blackstone Construction	519,028
	Faulkner	Hwy. 64 & Sunny Gap Road Signal (Faulkner County)	All Service Electric	150,543
	Craighead	Henson Rd. RR Signal Upgrade & Traffic Signal (Jonesboro)	Construction Management & Maintenance	243,209

# Details of the January 17<sup>th</sup> Bid Letting

Route	County	Job Name	Contractor	Award Amount
	Craighead	Watt Street – Ingels Road (Jonesboro)	White River Materials	648,205
	Mississippi	Hwys. 150 & 181 (Gosnell) (Selected Sections)	Delta Asphalt	1,312,181
	Lawrence	Randolph County Line – South of Hwy. 63	Asphalt Producers	514,649
	Lawrence	Sharp County Line – Hwy. 117 (Strawberry)	Asphalt Producers	756,180
	Greene	Craighead County Line – North	Sugg Construction	539,714
Various	Various	Districts 2, 6, 7 & 8 Pavement Friction Impvts. (Selected Sections)	Total Highway Maintenance	2,692,508



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# **Agenda Item 7**

**Selection of  
Construction Manager/General Contractor  
for Job 061331**

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# Agenda Item 8

**Selection of Independent Cost Estimator  
for Job 061331**

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# Agenda Item 9

**Consultant Selection for On-Call Certified  
Public Accountant Review Services**

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# **Agenda Item 10**

**Consultant Selection for Statewide  
Mitigation and Monitoring for Indiana Bats**



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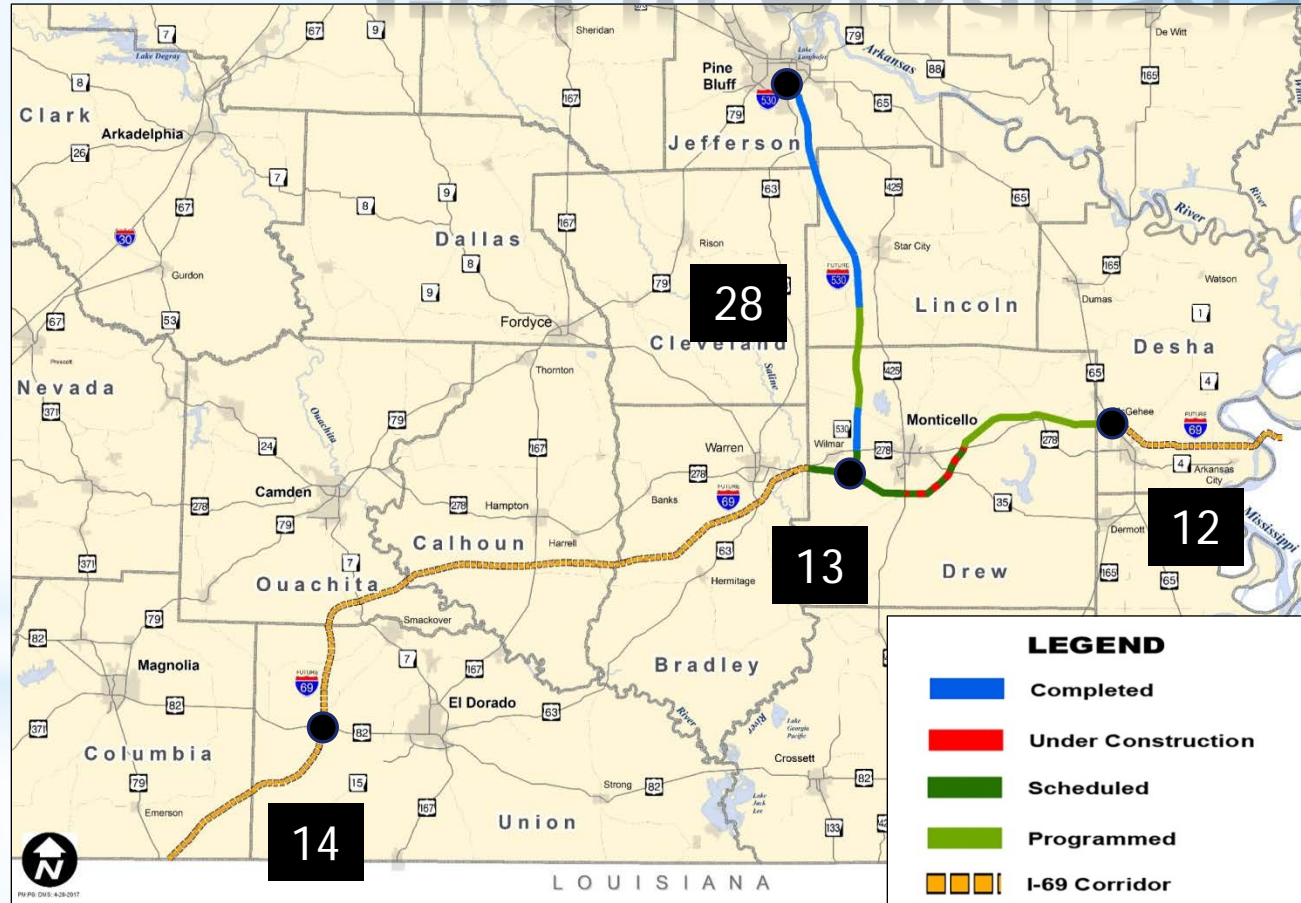
# Agenda Item 11

## Future I-69 Funding Options



# 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



# Current Funding Available

## **INTERSTATE 69 (SIUs 13 and 14)**

**Balance of Earmarked Funds - \$66 Million**

**Regular Federal Funds - \$10 Million**

**Total Available - \$76 Million**

# Current Funding Scenario

Construct

Monticello

Bypass

Western Leg

2-Lanes

## STATUS



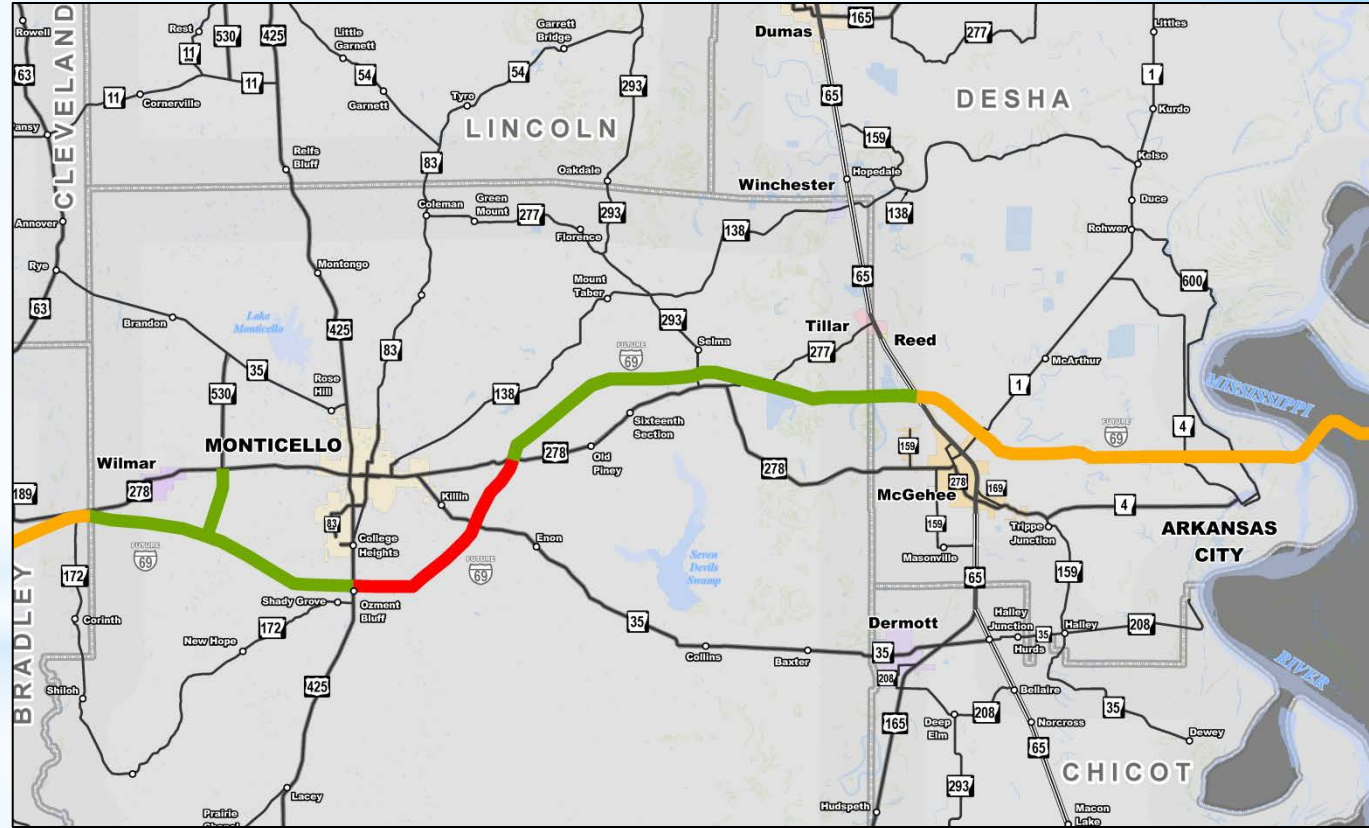
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Scheduled



Unfunded





# Funding Summary

## CURRENT SCENARIO

**Scheduled..... \$ 73 Million**

✓ Monticello Bypass West

■ Right of Way (4-Lanes) ..... \$ 9 M

■ Construction (2-Lanes) ..... \$ 52 M

✓ Monticello Bypass to McGehee

■ Design and Right of Way (4-Lanes) ..... \$ 12 M

### Unfunded for 2-Lane Facility

✓ Monticello Bypass to McGehee

■ Construction ..... **\$ 57 Million**

# Alternative Funding Scenario

**Construct**

Eastern Terminus of  
Monticello Bypass  
to  
Highway 65  
2-Lanes

## STATUS



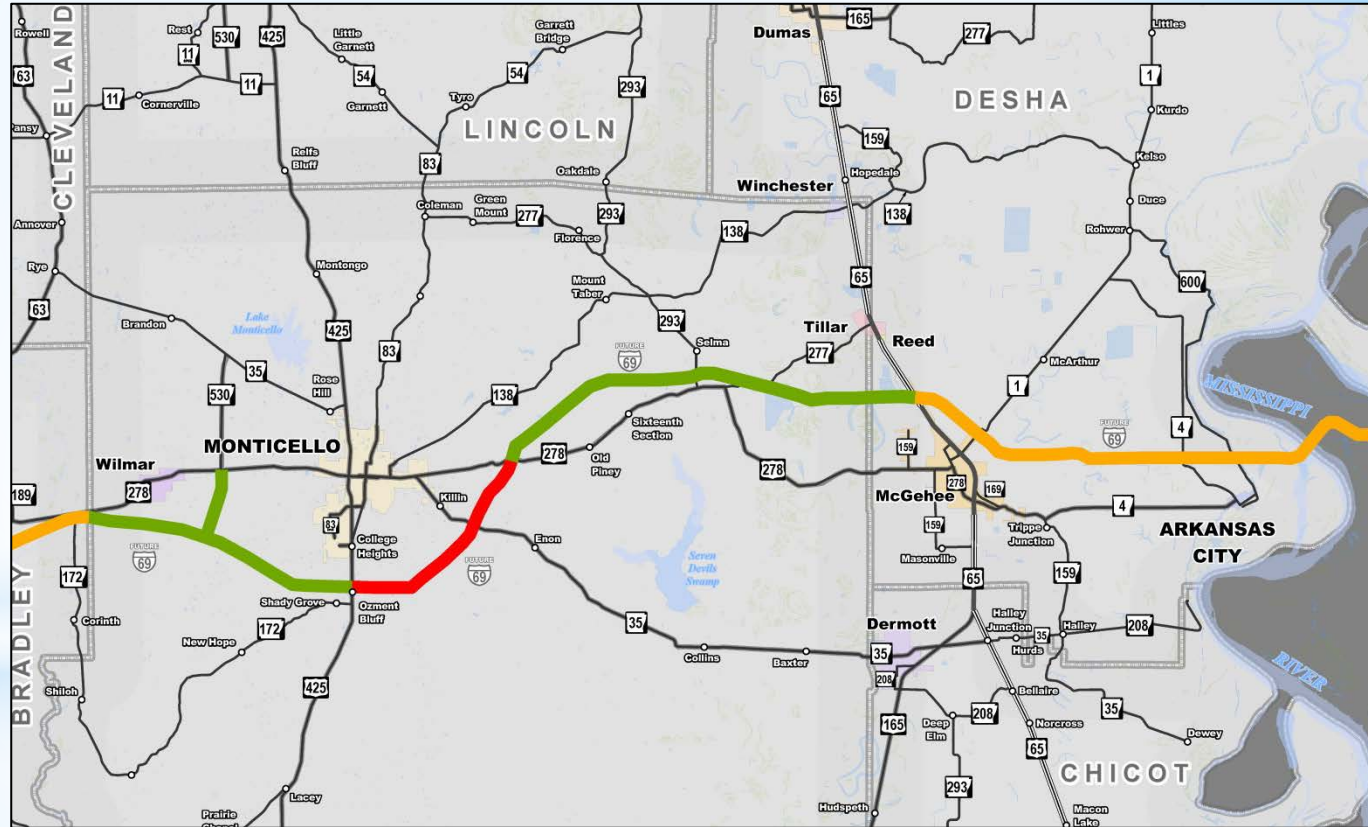
Under Construction



Scheduled



Unfunded



# Funding Summary

## ALTERNATIVE SCENARIO

**Scheduled..... \$ 78 Million**

✓ Monticello Bypass West

■ Right of Way (4-Lanes) ..... \$ 9 M

✓ Monticello Bypass to McGehee

■ Design and Right of Way (4-Lanes) ..... \$ 12 M

■ Construction (2-Lanes) ..... \$ 57 M

### Unfunded for 2-Lane Facility

✓ Monticello Bypass West

■ Construction ..... **\$ 52 Million**







# Alternative Scenario

## SUPPORT

- Drew County Judge and Quorum Court
- Chicot County Judge and Quorum Court
- Desha County Judge and Quorum Court
- Chicot-Desha Metropolitan Port Authority
- Monticello Mayor and City Council
- Monticello Economic Development Commission
- McGehee Mayor
- Crossett Economic Development Foundation
- Southeast Arkansas Cornerstone Coalition
- University of Arkansas at Monticello

## OPPOSE

- Bradley County Judge and Quorum Court
- Bradley County Economic Development Corporation

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# Agenda Item 12

2017 in Review &

Looking Ahead to 2018

# Commissioner Philip Taldo



# President Donald Trump

- **\$1 Trillion Over 10 Years**
- **Relied on Private Funding**
- **Details of Plan Were Expected in Summer 2017**
- **Other Priorities**
  - **Repealing Obamacare**
  - **Overhauling the Tax Code**
  - **Easing Regulations**





# President Donald Trump

- **Steve Bannon**  
Former Chief Strategist and Senior Advisor

✓ *“We’re just going to throw it up against the wall and see if it sticks.”*



- **Elaine Chao**  
Transportation Secretary

✓ *Supports More Direct Federal Spending*

✓ *Fixing Trust Fund Among Top Priorities*

# Federal Funding

- Budget Agreement Reached
- Provides Federal Funding until September 30<sup>th</sup>
- Increased Funding
- Possible 2018 Shutdown



# 91<sup>st</sup> General Assembly

## 2017 Legislative Update





# Legislative Session





# 2017 Legislative Session

- Act 809 - Construction Manager/General Contractor
- Alternative Project Delivery
- Pilot Program
  - ✓ Limit of Three Projects
  - ✓ Grand Total Not to Exceed \$200 million
  - ✓ One Project at a Time
  - ✓ Program Expires July 31, 2022

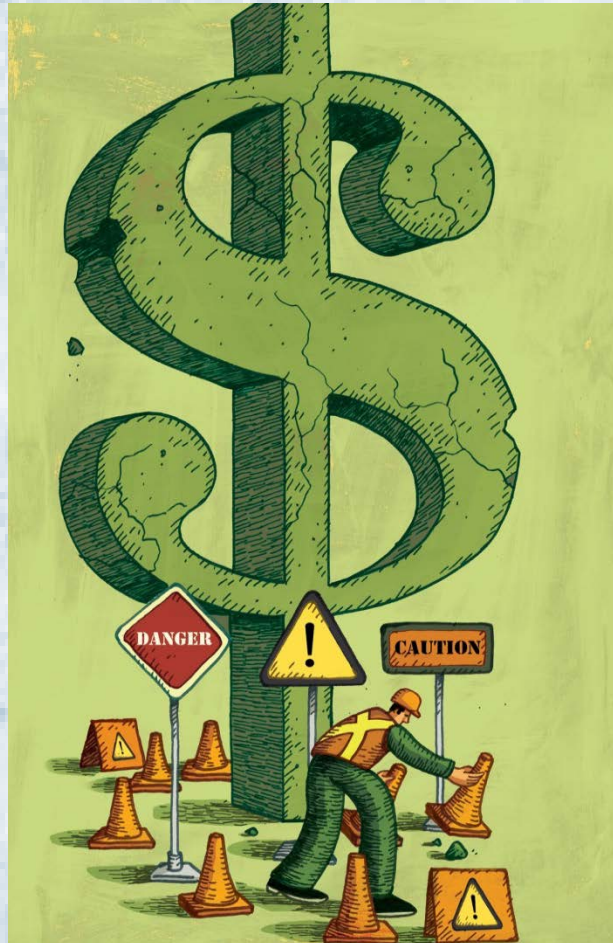


2017 Legislative Session

# TRANSPORTATION FUNDING



# 2017 Legislative Session



- Act 704  
Interest Income
- Act 705  
RITA Funding and  
Transportation Research  
Grants

# 2017 Legislative Session

- Act 1019 – Severance Tax Redistribution
  - ✓ \$675,000 – Hold General Revenue Harmless
  - ✓ Remainder Split:
    - 5 percent to Fayetteville Shale Counties
    - 95 percent to Department, Cities and Counties
  - ✓ Result:
    - \$448,875 Reduction to Department
    - \$192,375 Reduction to Cities and Counties
    - \$641,250 Increase to Fayetteville Shale Counties



# 2017 Legislative Session

## House Bill 2085

Revenue from Internet Sales Tax

Allocated to Highway Department, Cities and Counties

Passed the House

Died in Senate Revenue and Tax Committee

House Debated and Defeated a Different Internet Sales Tax Bill

# 2017 Legislative Session

## House Bills 1726 and 1727

Good Roads Foundation

6.5 Percent Sales Tax on Motor Fuels – Wholesale Level

Authorization to Issue Bonds to Voters

Failure at Polls – Tax Not Collected

Defeated in House

Needed 51 Votes

38 for, 35 against, 27 not voting

# 2017 Legislative Session

"As to the long-term solutions, it emphasizes that it is difficult to get a referral of this General Assembly out to the voters, and that I hope the leadership of our state and the business community and others **will look at an initiated act that might go on the ballot for a highway program,**" he said. "Otherwise, we'll continue to debate the long-term solution in future sessions."

Governor Asa Hutchinson

# Possible 2018 Initiated Act Timeline

- ❑ June 7, 2017 – Decision on whether to pursue
- ❑ June – October 2017 – Discussion, stakeholder meetings, and possible polling
- ❑ October 18, 2017 – Decision on funding proposal
- ❑ Early November 2017 – Begin development of ballot language
- ❑ Early January 2018 – Submit ballot language to Attorney General
- ❑ February – June 2018 – Publish ballot language in statewide newspaper
- ❑ February – June 2018 – Signature collection
- ❑ July 13, 2018 – Deadline to file petitions with Secretary of State
- ❑ November 14, 2018 – General election



# Possible 2018 Initiated Act – Additional Funding Targets

## Governor's Highway Funding Working Group

- ✓ Immediate: \$ 50 Million
- ✓ Short-term (0-3 years): \$110 Million
- ✓ Mid-term (3-5 years): \$250 Million
- ✓ Long-term (6-9 years): \$400 Million

All figures are annual amounts for state highways.



# Citizens Opinion Survey Results

## CITIZENS OPINION SURVEY ON HIGHWAYS IN ARKANSAS

MAIL OR EMAIL RESPONSES TO:  
ArDOT  
Public Information  
P.O. Box 2261  
Little Rock, AR 72203  
[info@ardot.ar.gov](mailto:info@ardot.ar.gov)

Are you satisfied with the condition of the existing state highway system?

Yes  No

What highways in your area need improvements, and what type of improvements do they need?

Priority 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Priority 2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Priority 3: \_\_\_\_\_  
Priority 4: \_\_\_\_\_

If you want better highway conditions, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department will need additional funds. Would you support a new highway program that would generate additional revenue?

Yes  No

Which of the following sources do you recommend be utilized in obtaining additional funds (check all that apply):

- Increase in gas tax
- Increase in diesel tax
- Increase in sales tax (dedicated to highways)
- Increase in registration fees
- Add sales tax on wholesale price of motor fuels
- Transfer existing sales and use tax on motor vehicles and related parts and service (currently collected but not paid to highways)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be willing to sign a petition to put a highway revenue proposal on the 2018 general election ballot?

Yes  No

How did you hear about this survey

- Presentation  TV/Radio/Print  Website/Search Engine
- Social Media  Family or Friend
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Optional:

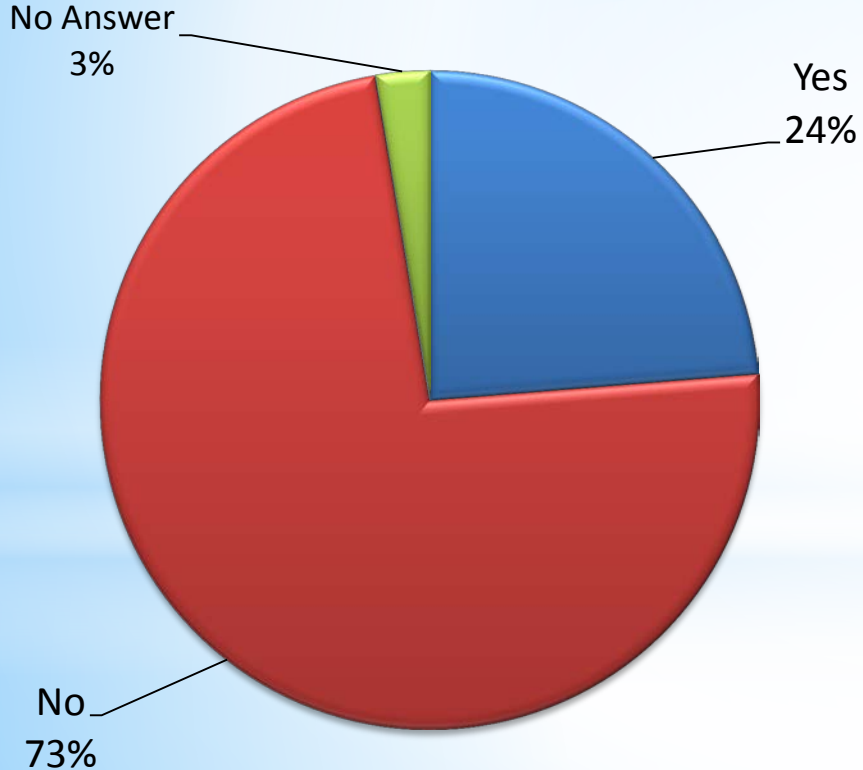
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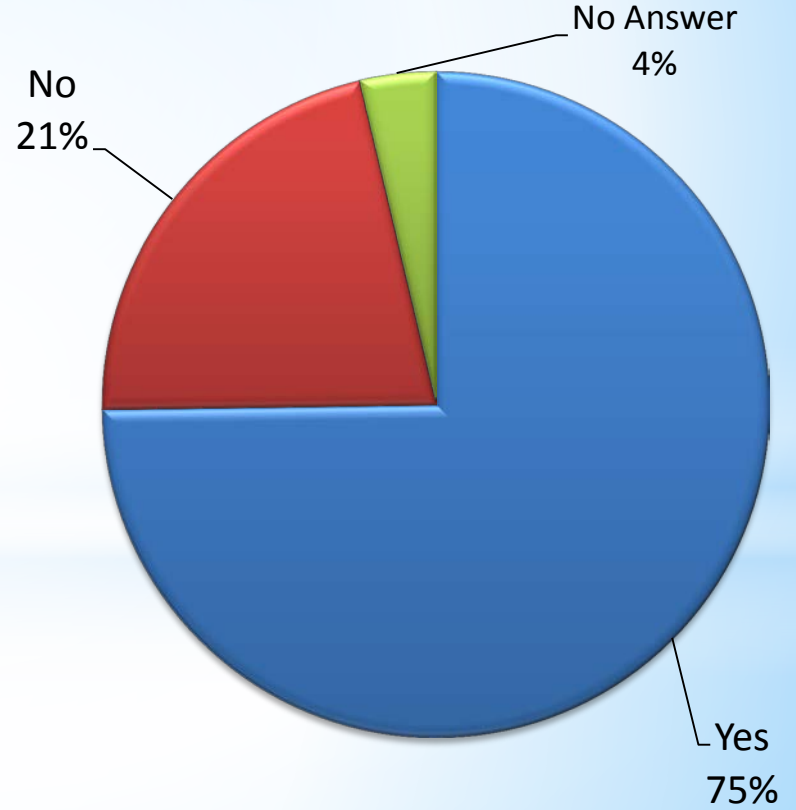


# Citizens Opinion Survey Results

Are you satisfied with the condition of the existing highway system?

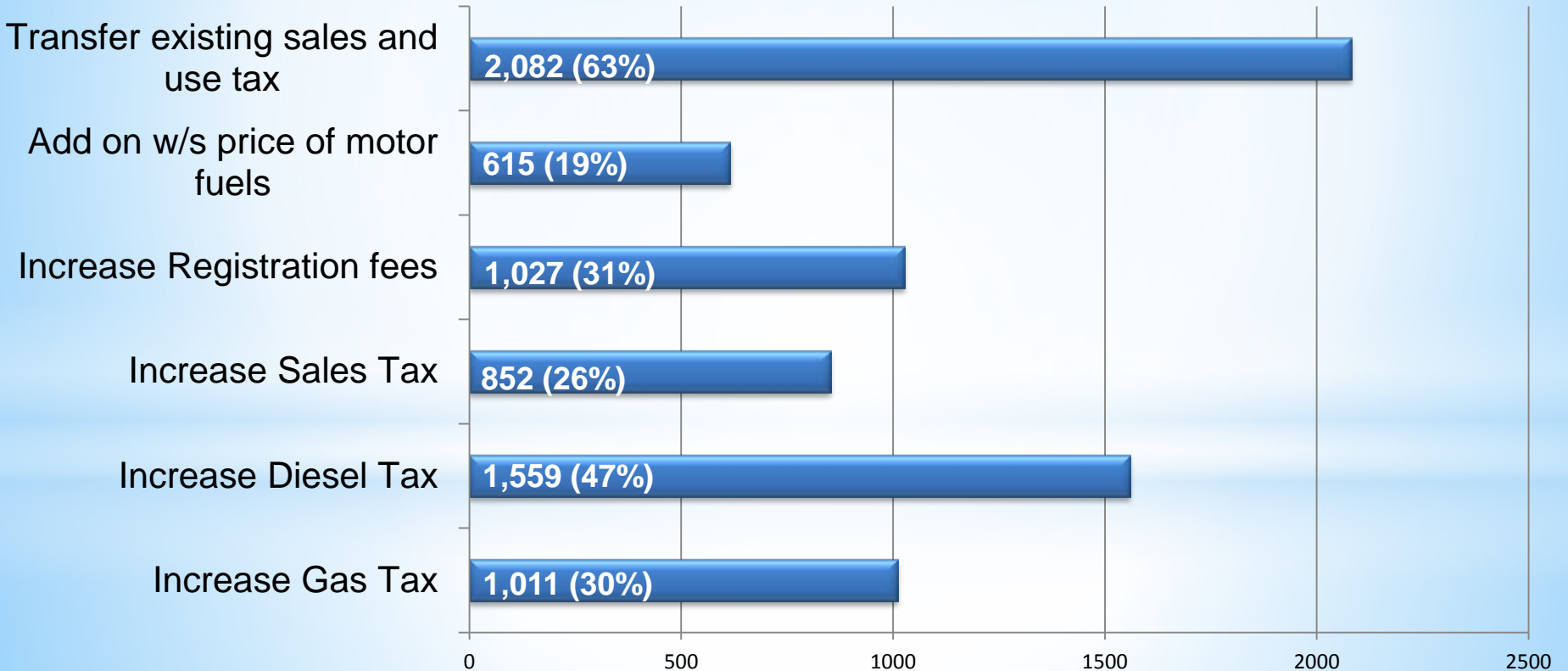


Would you support a new highway program that would generate additional revenue?



# Citizens Opinion Survey Results

Which of the following sources do you recommend be utilized in obtaining additional funds?





# Arkansas Legislative Audit

- May 16, 2017 - Arkansas Legislative Audit - Review of Highway Funding
- Purpose:
  - ✓ To review and verify ARDOT information, estimates and calculations related to highway funding
- Report Objectives:
  - ✓ History of funding sources
  - ✓ History of construction and maintenance costs
  - ✓ State match needed for Federal funds
  - ✓ Additional State revenue to meet system preservation needs
  - ✓ History of bond activities



# Arkansas Legislative Audit

## Special Report

Arkansas Legislative Audit

### Review of Sources and Uses of Funds

Arkansas Department of Transportation

For the Period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2016 and  
Projected for Fiscal Years 2017 through 2020



#### INTRODUCTION

This report is presented in response to a request for Arkansas Legislative Audit (ALA) to review information, estimates, and calculations provided by the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), formerly known as the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, related to highway funding. ARDOT has indicated that additional state funding is needed to fully maximize available federal funds and to expand non-federal construction and maintenance projects.

#### OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this report were to:

1. Provide information regarding state funding sources and uses for highways, with associated construction and maintenance costs, for prior years.
2. Determine the amount of matching funds needed annually in order for ARDOT to receive the maximum federal aid available.
3. Determine the amount of additional state revenues needed to fund ARDOT's proposed construction and maintenance program for roads and facilities.
4. Provide a history of bond issuances, including balances and associated costs.

#### SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

This report was prepared by reviewing activities for state fiscal years ended June 30, 2010 through 2016, and projections and estimates for federal fiscal years ending September 30, 2017 through 2020. ALA staff reviewed audit reports from prior years, particularly revenues and expenditures related to construction, and determined future federal funding from reports obtained from the Federal Highway Administration. All information for additional construction and maintenance projects was provided by ARDOT and tested for accuracy and reasonableness by ALA staff.

The methodology used in preparing this report was developed uniquely to address the stated objectives; therefore, this report is more limited in scope than an audit or attestation engagement performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### BACKGROUND

ARDOT recognizes revenues from both federal and state sources. State revenues include motor fuel taxes, registration fees, natural gas severance fees, and overload permits and penalties. Many highway construction projects are funded with both federal and state monies. The percentage of state participation in these projects varies depending on the federal program involved, but most programs require a 20% match.

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## Exhibit III

### Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) Summary of Annual State Funds Needed to Meet Proposed Highway Construction Plan Over a 10-Year Period

Description			Additional Annual Revenues for
System Preservation			
Pavement			
Bridges			
Total System Preservation			
Capacity Relief			00
Safety Improvements			000,000
Maintenance			
Equipment upgrades	19,000,000	19,000,000	
Facilities upgrades	8,000,000		8,000,000
Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)	3,000,000		3,000,000
Total Maintenance	30,000,000	19,000,000	11,000,000
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 925,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 447,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 478,000,000</b>

Note: Amounts shown are rounded.

\$ 447,000,000

ALA staff reviewed projected revenues and expenditures for fiscal years 2017 through 2020 ....for consistency and reasonableness when compared with prior years.

# Arkansas Legislative Audit

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Description		Additional Annual Revenues	
System Preservation			
Pavement			
Bridges			
Total System Preservation			
Capacity Relief			1,000,000
Safety Improvements			42,000,000
Maintenance			
Equipment upgrades	19,000,000	19,000,000	
Facilities upgrades	8,000,000		8,000,000
Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)	3,000,000		3,000,000
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**\$ 478,000,000**

ALA staff reviewed supporting documentation obtained from ARDOT to verify that costs for the projects were reasonable, based on historical information.



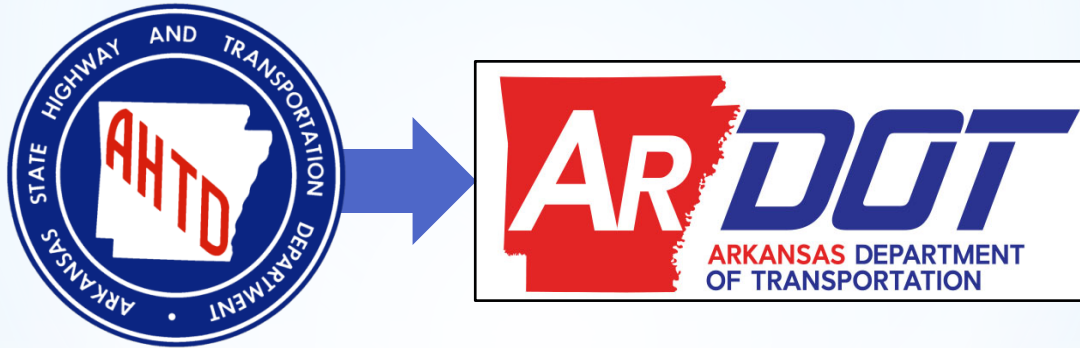
# State and Federal Issues

## Same Funding Issues Remain



# New Name and Logo

## Name Change—AHTD to ARDOT



Act 707 – Arkansas Department of Transportation

Effective July 31, 2017

New Logo Revealed at the June 7 Commission Meeting

# Mission Statement

*Provide safe and efficient transportation solutions to support Arkansas' economy and enhance the quality of life for generations to come.*

**Adopted June 7, 2017**

# Core Values

Safety

– *Safety first in all we do*

Public Service

– *Focus on the greater good*

Teamwork

– *One vision through collaboration and communication*

Quality

– *Deliver reliable transportation solutions*

Integrity

– *Commitment to ethics and transparency*

Efficiency

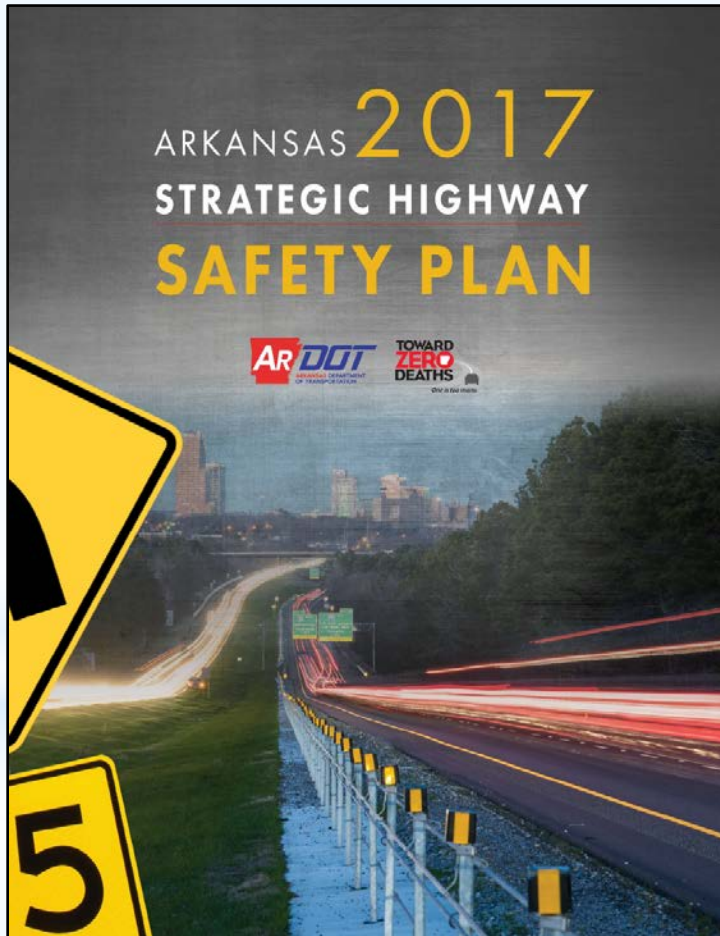
– *Achieve maximum benefit through fiscal responsibility*



# Arkansas Long Range Intermodal Transportation Plan





# 2017 Strategic Highway Safety Plan







# Projects Let in 2017

## Connecting Arkansas Program

Route	County	Job Name	Amount
	Boone	Maxie Camp Rd. – Hwy. 206 (Widening)	\$22,942,316
	Calhoun	Hampton – Hwy. 274 (Widening)	\$21,759,588

# Projects Let in 2017

## Interstate Rehabilitation Program

Route	County	Job Name	Amount
	Jefferson	Hwy. 65B – Hwy. 65	\$67,232,300
	St. Francis	Shearerville – West (Pavement Improvements)	\$29,699,614
	Pulaski	Hwy. 391 Interchange Improvements	\$8,063,205
	Monroe	Bayou DeView – Brinkley	\$7,291,612



# Projects Let in 2017

## Federal-aid Program

Route	County	Job Name	Amount
	Van Buren	Bee Branch – North	\$30,870,727
	Benton	Hwy. 71 – Co. Rd. 34 (Additional Lanes) (B.V. Bypass)	\$27,505,531
	Cross, White & Woodruff	Hwy. 367 – Crittenden Co. Line	\$19,149,095
	Drew	Hwy. 425 – Hwy. 278 East (Base & Surfacing) (Monticello Bypass)	\$16,197,356
	Desha	Ditch No. 43 – Arkansas City	\$12,883,465

# Projects Let in 2017

## Federal-aid Program

Route	County	Job Name	Amount
	Greene	Hwy. 412 West - Hwy. 49	\$12,768,505
	Poinsett	Sunken Lands Structures Rehabilitation (I-555)	\$12,272,674
	Benton & Washington	Randall Wobbe Lane – Hwy. 264 (Springdale)	\$10,243,392

# Broadway Bridge Ribbon Cutting





# Bella Vista Ribbon Cutting





# Emergency Events

Highway 1B Overpass of Interstate 555



# Awards



# A Look Ahead to 2018





# Funding



## *A New Revenue Source?*

“The Arkansas Casino Gaming  
and  
Highway Funding Amendment of 2018”





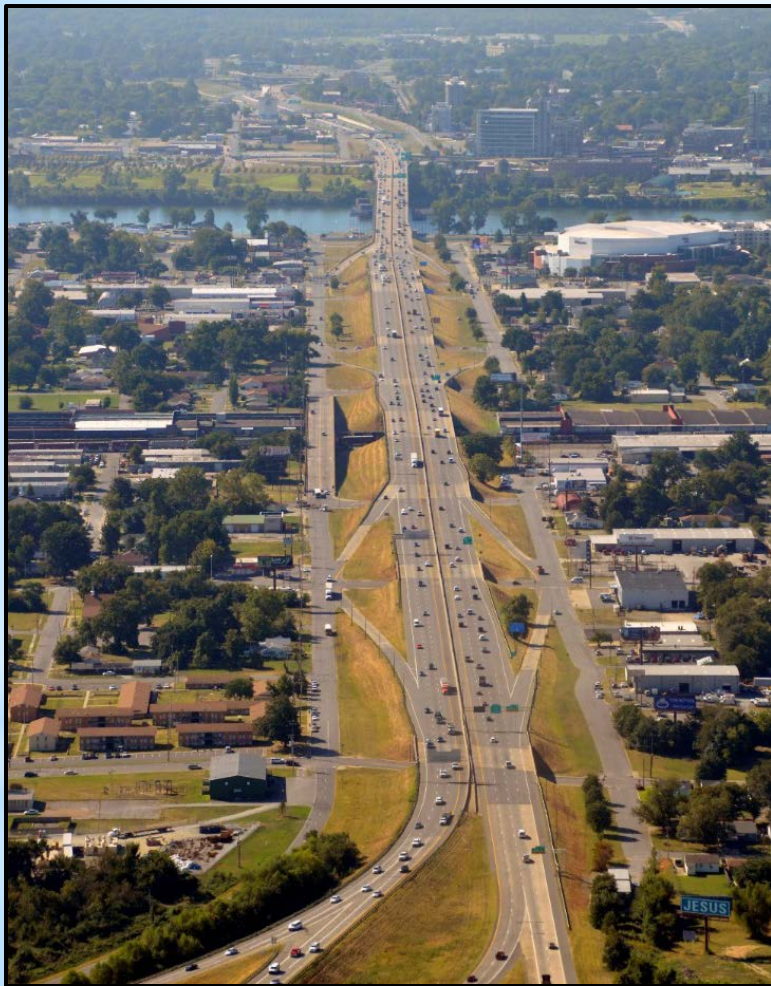
# Employees



RATING		
5	Outstanding	Consistently exceeds expectations and the individual's contribution and accomplishments are often significant
4	Above Expectations	Consistently meets or exceeds expectations and the individual's contribution and accomplishments are often significant
3	Meets Expectations	Consistently meets expectations and the individual's contribution and accomplishments are consistent with the individual's position and the individual can work independently
2	Below Expectations	Consistently does not meet expectations and the individual's contribution and accomplishments are below expectations and the individual needs improvement through education and training
1	Unsatisfactory	Consistently does not meet expectations and the individual's contribution and accomplishments are below expectations and the individual needs improvement



# 30 Crossing



*2018 Update*



*Eastern Leg of the Monticello Bypass*



*First Segment of the Northern Springdale Bypass*



*Widening from I-30 to Hot Springs*



*Widening from Vilonia to Beebe*



*Main St. and Redmond Rd. Bridges in Jacksonville*



*Searcy Northern Bypass*





# Southeastern Regional EQUIPMENT OPERATORS ROADEO



*Rogers, Arkansas  
September 4-6, 2018*

- ✓ 10 States Participating
- ✓ 120 Workers Competing
- ✓ 400-500 Total Attendees





# Commissioner Trammell



# What's Next?



*Questions / Discussion*

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# Agenda Item 13

Potential New Program

# Potential New Program

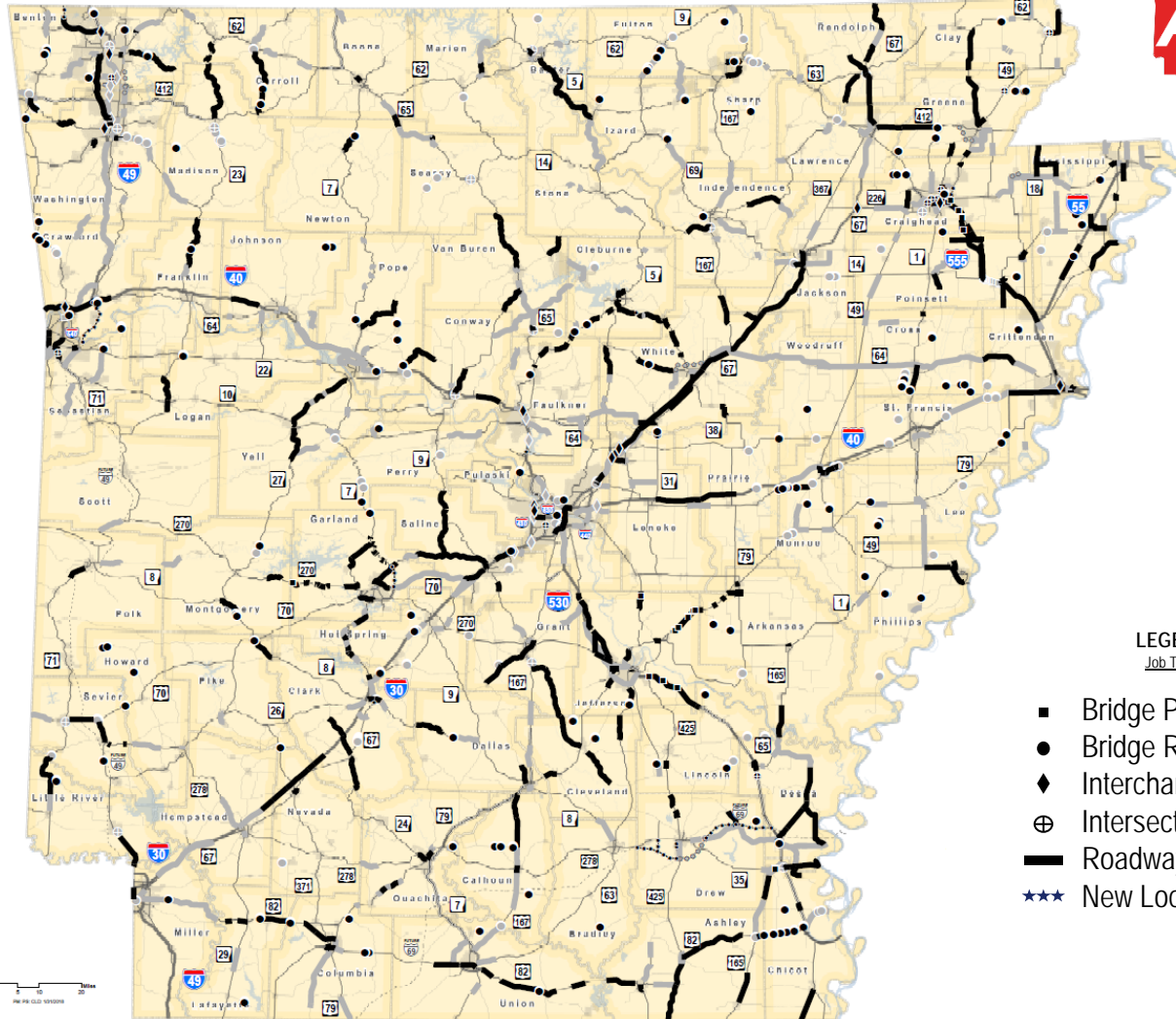
## Summary

Interstate Improvements	\$1.00 Billion
Pavement Preservation	\$3.84 Billion
Bridge Replacement and Preservation	\$1.14 Billion
Capital Improvements	\$1.20 Billion
Capacity Improvements	\$0.72 Billion
Safety Improvements	\$0.47 Billion

**Totals \$8.37 Billion Over 10 Years**



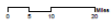


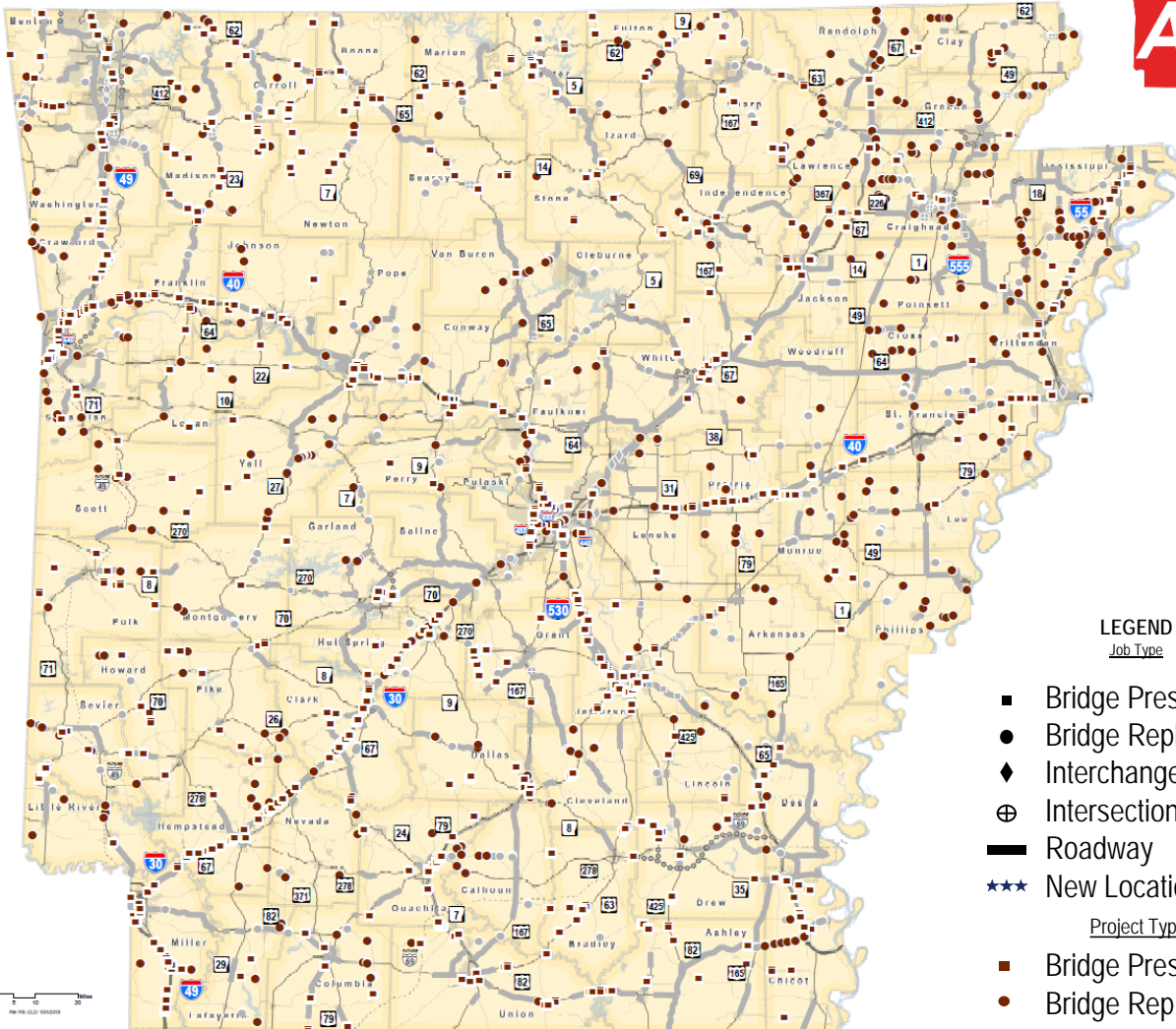


LEGEND

Job Type

- Bridge Preservation
- Bridge Replacement
- ◆ Interchange
- ⊕ Intersection
- Roadway
- ☆☆ New Location





Draft Possible Program of Projects  
 Bridges  
 2020-2029

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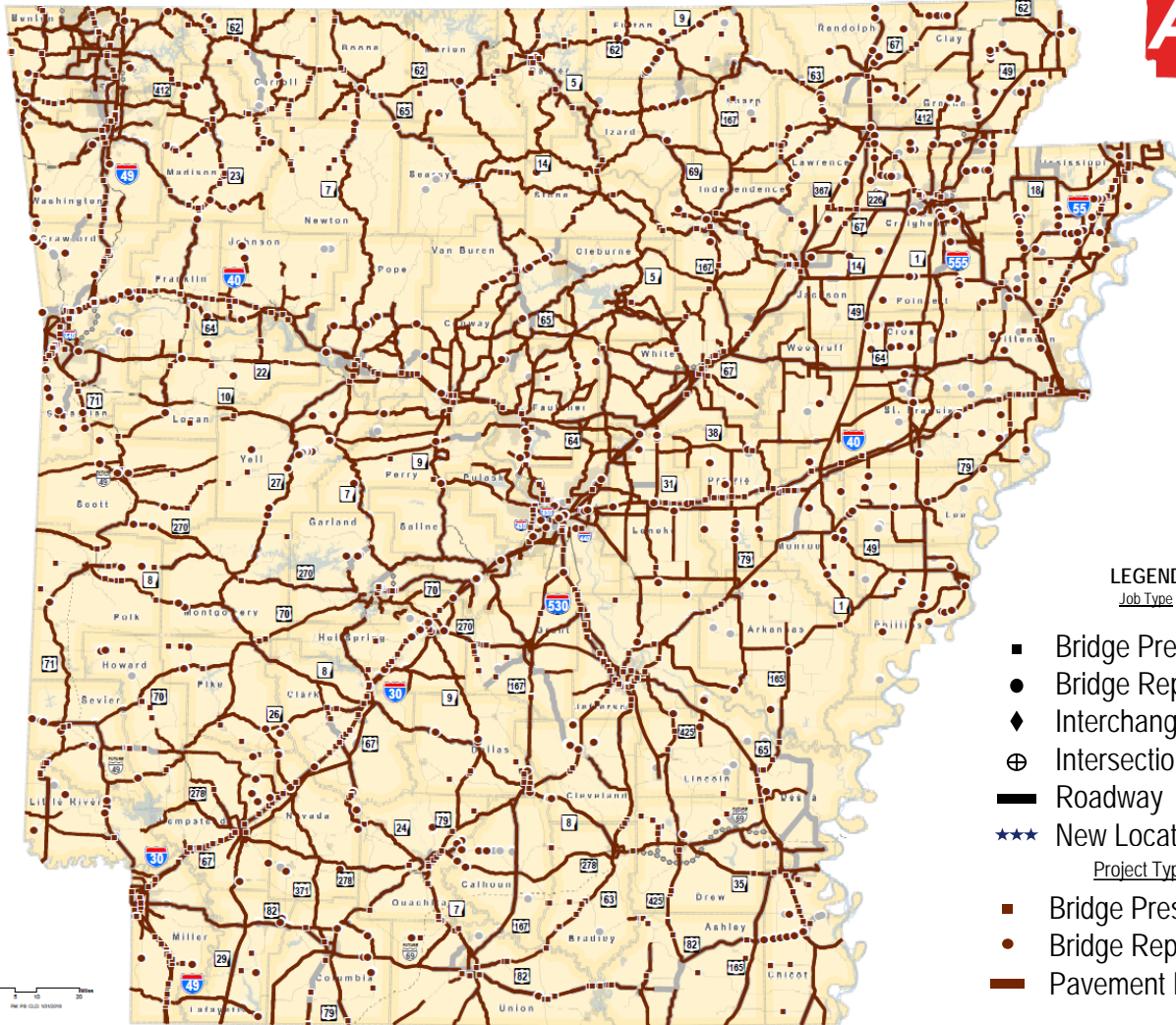
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Project Type

- Bridge Preservation
- Bridge Replacement







Draft Possible Program of Projects  
 Bridges and Pavement  
 2020-2029

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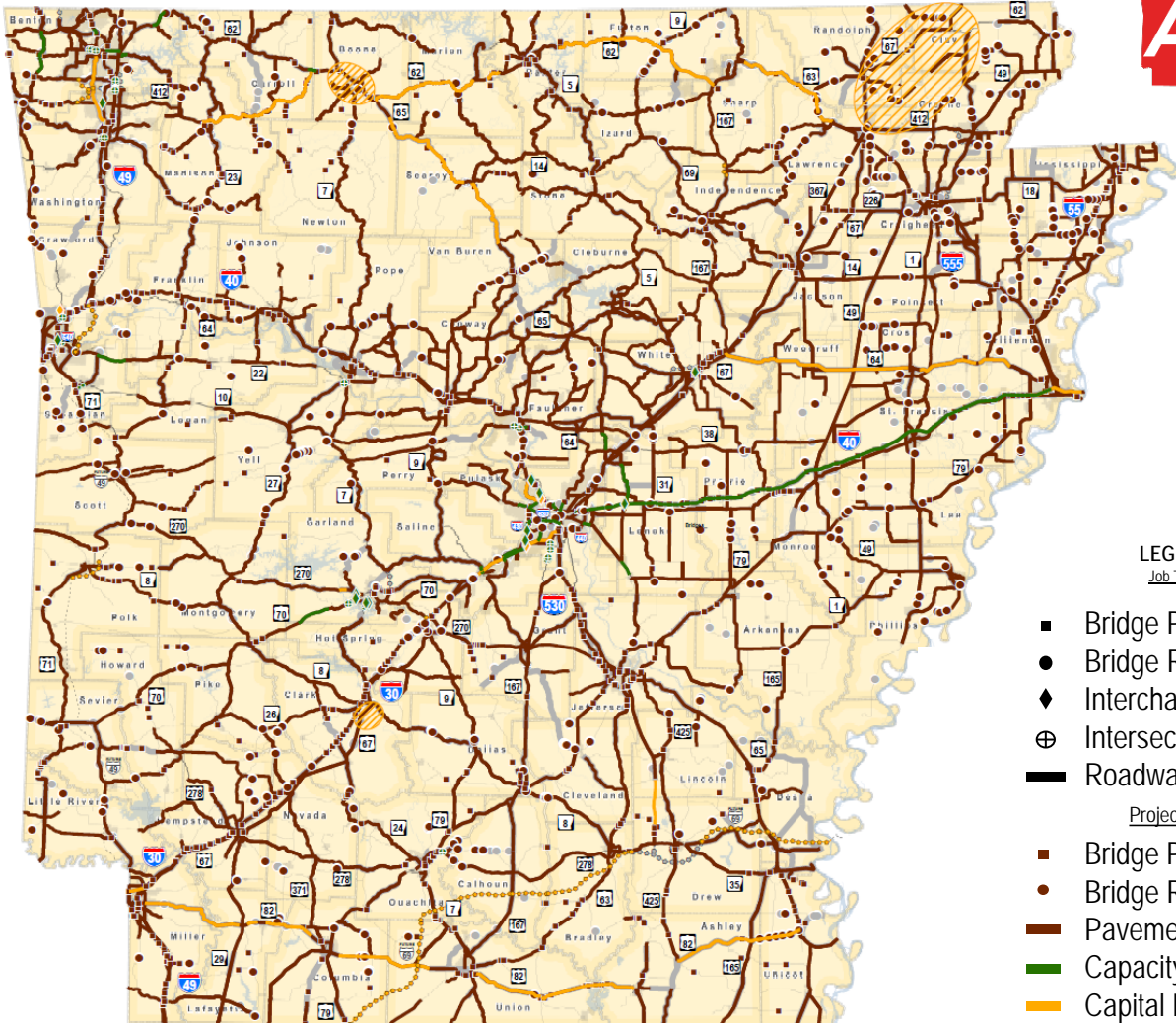
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- Roadway
- ★ ★ ★ New Location

Project Type

- Bridge Preservation
- Bridge Replacement
- Pavement Preservation







**LEGEND**

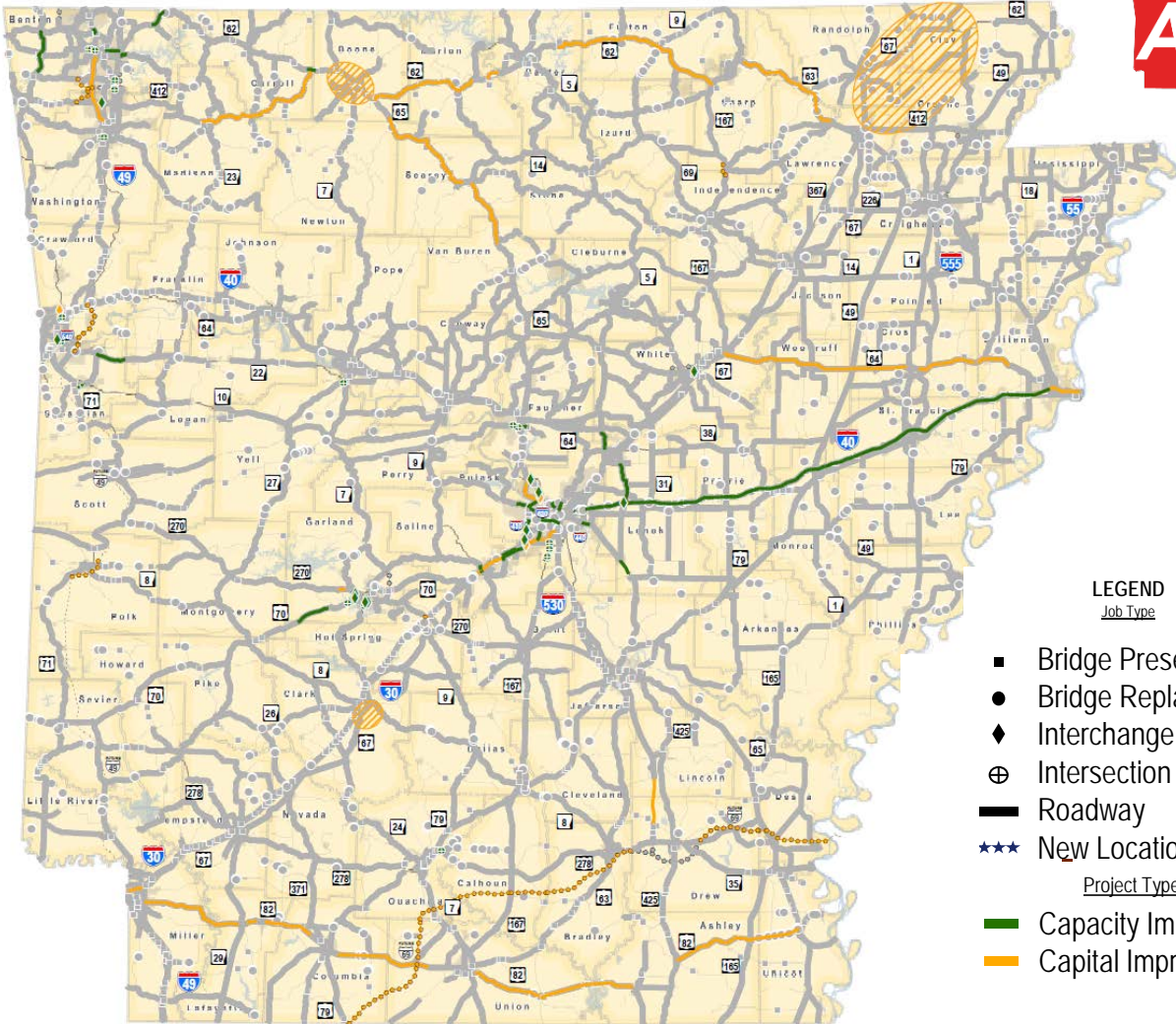
Job Type

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- Bridge Replacement
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- Roadway

Project Type

- Bridge Preservation
- Bridge Replacement
- Pavement Preservation
- Capacity Improvements
- Capital Improvements

Draft Possible Program of Projects (Version 1)  
 Bridges, Pavement, Capacity & Capital  
 2020-2029



**LEGEND**

Job Type

- Bridge Preservation
- Bridge Replacement
- ◆ Interchange
- ⊕ Intersection
- Roadway
- ★★★ New Location

Project Type

- Capacity Improvements
- Capital Improvements

**Draft Possible Program of Projects  
 Capacity and Capital  
 2020-2029**

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# Agenda Item 14

## Upcoming Events



# Upcoming Events

**February 6**

Sheridan Rotary | DE Deric Wyatt

12:00 p.m. | Sheridan, AR

**February 8**

HCRAS | Director Bennett

9:00 a.m. | MAC Room B

**February 12**

Springdale Leadership Class | Danny Straessle

2:00 p.m. | Little Rock, AR

**Feb 12 - Mar 14**

Legislative Fiscal Session

Little Rock, AR



# Upcoming Events

**February 20**

State Chamber & Associated Industries of Arkansas Legislative Reception

4:30 p.m. | State Chamber Offices, North Parking Lot

**February 22**

Craighead Forest Trail Ribbon Cutting | Commissioner Farmer & Director Bennett

11:00 a.m. | Jonesboro, AR

**February 23**

Future I-57 Signing Event | Commissioner Farmer & Director Bennett

11:30 a.m. | Searcy, AR

**February 26**

State CFC Leadership Class | Commission & Ben Browning

12:00 p.m. | West Memphis, AR

# Upcoming Events

**Feb 26 - Mar 2**

AASHTO Legislative Briefing | Director Bennett  
Washington D.C.

**March 7**

River Valley School Transportation Group | Danny Straessle  
11:00 a.m. | Alma, AR

**March 14**

Arkansas Highway Commission Meeting


**July 18**

Arkansas Highway Commission Meeting

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# Agenda Item 15

**Other Business and Discussion**

The seal of the Arkansas State Highway Commission is centered in the background. It is a circular emblem with a double border. The outer border contains the text "ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION" at the top and "SEAL" at the bottom, separated by a five-pointed star. The inner circle features the state seal of Arkansas, which includes a central shield with a plow, a sheaf of wheat, and a cotton plant, topped by a sunburst and the word "ARKANSAS".

# **Arkansas State Highway Commission Meeting**

**Tuesday, February 6, 2018**