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# *Recent Legislation*

## Governor Hutchinson's Highway Package

Two Bills

Four Revenue Sources

\$300 Million Per Year



## Motor Fuel Taxes

1.6% Tax On Wholesale Price of Gas  
*(equals 3 cents per gallon)*

2.9% Tax On Wholesale Price of Diesel  
*(equals 6 cents per gallon)*



## Motor Fuel Taxes

Results in **\$86 Million** in Additional Annual Revenue

**\$58 Million** to ARDOT

**\$14 Million** to Cities and Counties Each

*“And we feel like we would like to invest and spend money to make the roads better so that they are safer, so that they are easier on the equipment, so that the volume of traffic can move more freely. The benefit of those things outweighs any increased costs.”*

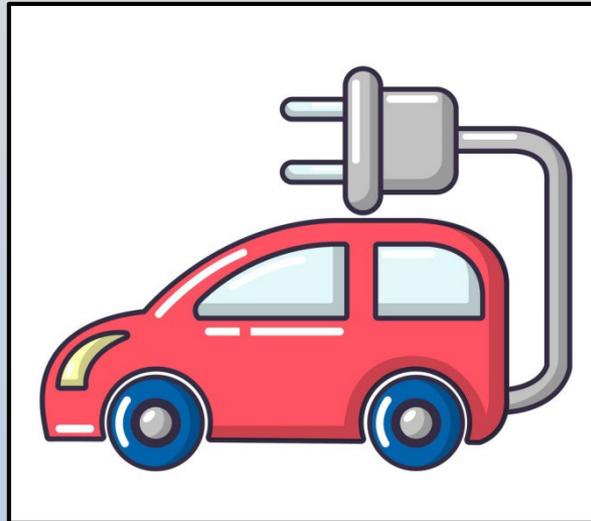
*– Shannon Newton, Arkansas Trucking Association President*

## Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Registration Fees

Electric Vehicles - \$200 Registration Fee

Hybrid Vehicles - \$100 Registration Fee

**\$2 Million to ARDOT**



## Casino Revenue

All New Casino Revenue

**\$35 Million Annually to ARDOT**



## Summary

Motor Fuel Tax

\$ 58 Million

Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Registration Fees

\$ 2 Million

Casino Revenue

\$ 35 Million

**Total to ARDOT**

**\$ 95 Million**



## Proposed Constitutional Amendment

- To Be Voted On In General Election – November 2020
- ½-Cent Sales Tax Permanent After 2023
- Continues To Provide **\$205 Million** To ARDOT Annually
- Continues To Provide **\$43 Million** To Cities Annually
- Continues To Provide **\$43 Million** To Counties Annually

## Summary

Act 416

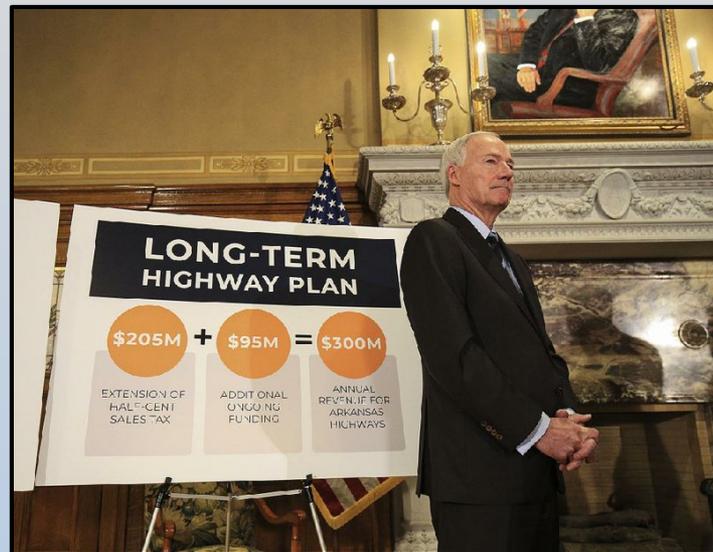
\$ 95 Million

House Joint Resolution 1018

\$205 Million

**Total To ARDOT**

**\$300 Million**





*Looking Forward*





ARDOT / Cities / Counties

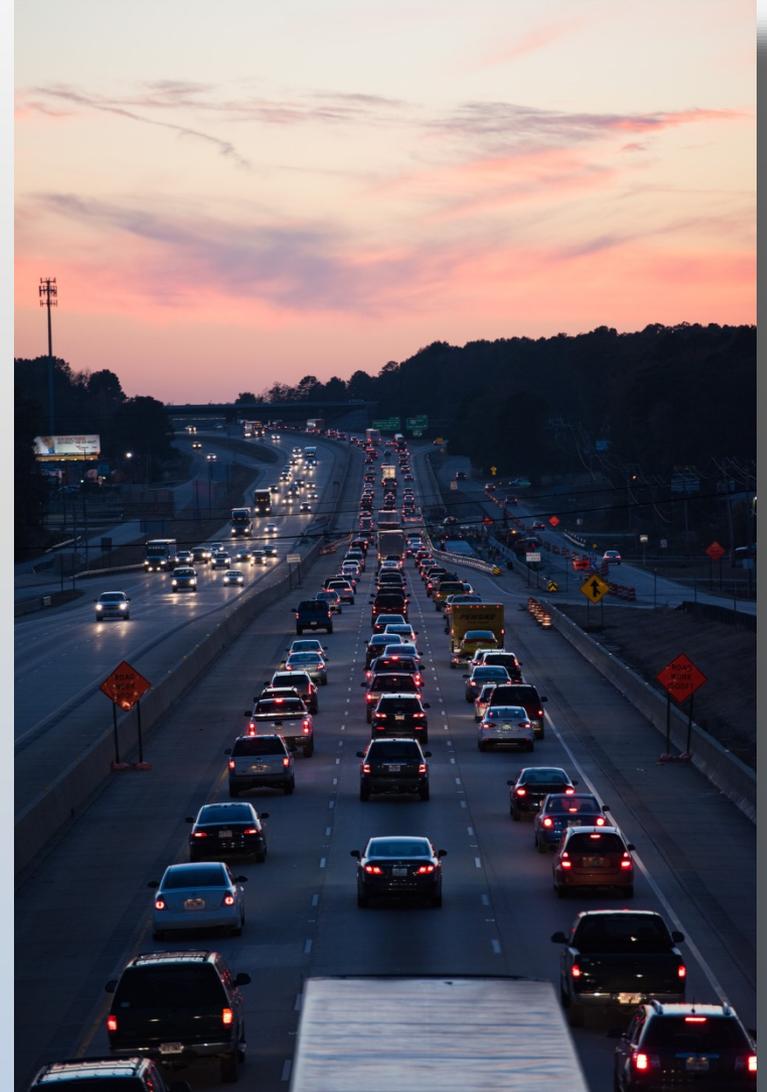
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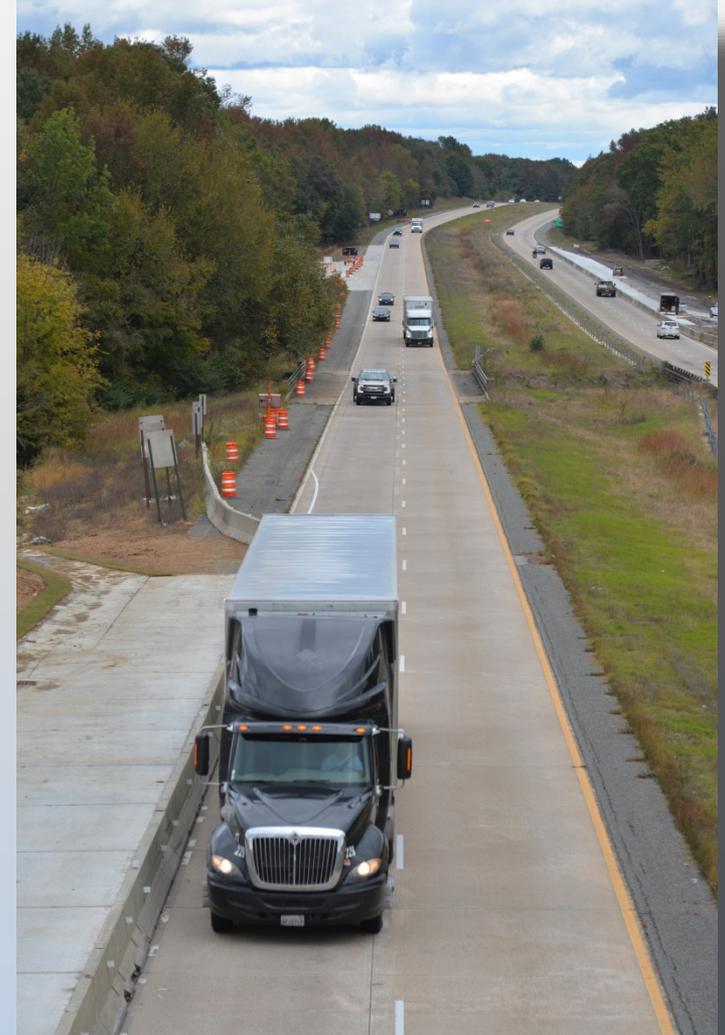
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- Increased Property Values
- Attraction to Businesses
  - ✓ Higher Wages
  - ✓ More Job Opportunities
- Less Expense on Vehicle Wear and Tear = Greater Expendable Income
- Safety Benefits
  - ✓ Reduced Fatalities
  - ✓ Reduced Property Damage



## Quality of Life is Directly Linked to:

- Reliable Access to:
  - ✓ Housing
  - ✓ Family, Friends, Spirituality
  - ✓ Employment
  - ✓ School
  - ✓ Health Care
  - ✓ Recreation/Entertainment
  - ✓ Consumer Goods
  - ✓ Consumer Services



## \$478 Annual Investment Results

- **Immediate Economic Benefits of Increasing Investment**
  - ✓ Supports **\$1.3 Billion** in Economic Activity
  - ✓ Supports **5,729 Jobs**
- **Neighbors Are Not Waiting**
  - ✓ Seven Have Raised State Gas Tax
  - ✓ Six Have Variable Gas Tax
  - ✓ Eight Have Electric Vehicle Registration Fees
- **Significant Transportation Challenges**
  - ✓ Safety Needs
  - ✓ Increasing Freight Demands
  - ✓ Impacts From Congestion



The Economic Impacts of an  
Annual \$478 Million Increase in  
Arkansas Highway, Street and  
Bridge Construction Investment



OCTOBER 2018

## Turnback to Cities

2023 - \$156 million

2024 - \$113 million

***Nearly a 30% Reduction***



## Turnback to Counties

2023 - \$156 million

2024 - \$113 million

***Nearly a 30% Reduction***



**Rebuilding Arkansas Interstates**



# 1999 Interstate Rehabilitation Program



**50 Projects**  
**356 Miles**  
**\$973 Million**

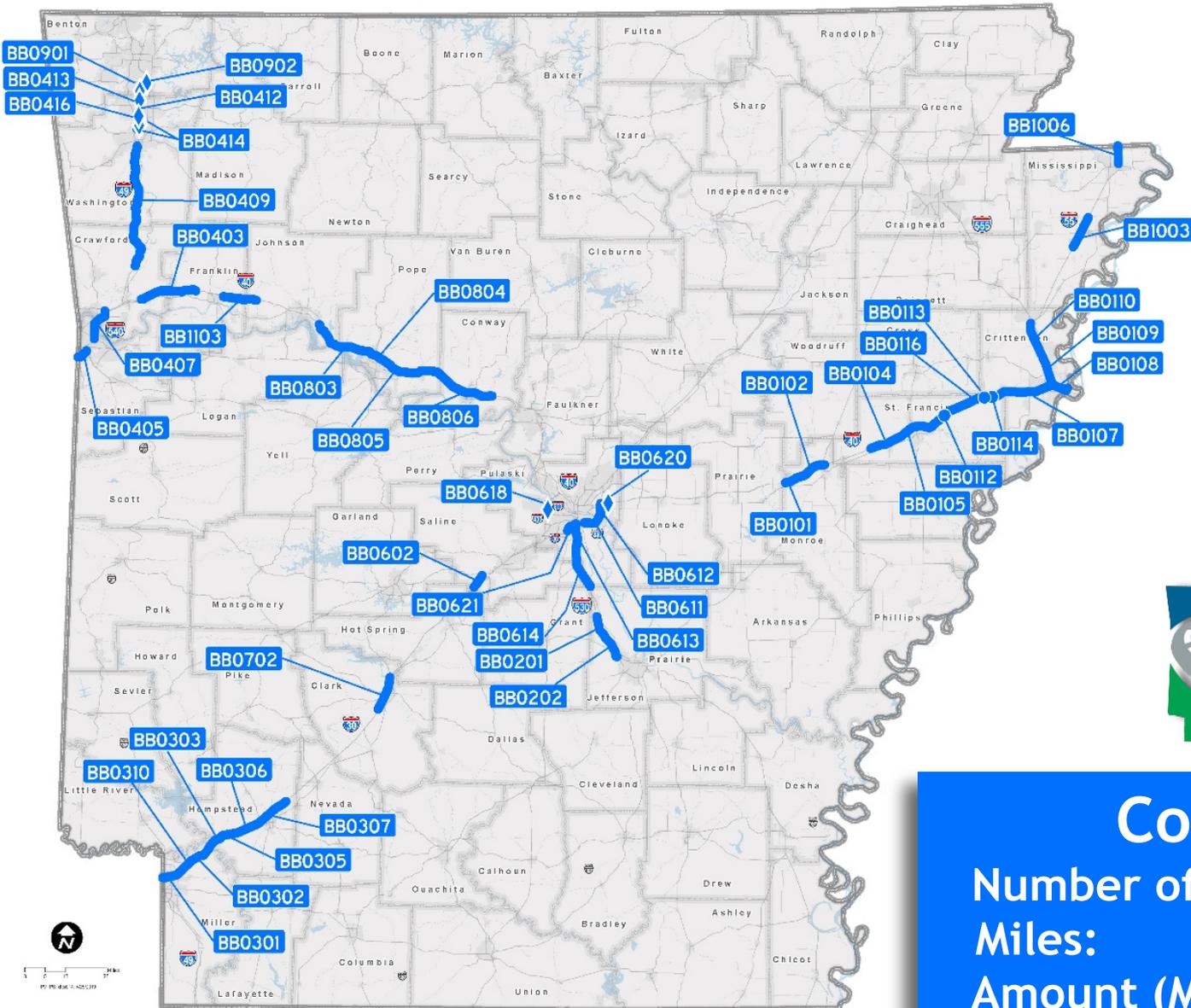
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**Prior to Program**  
**63% Poor or**  
**Mediocre**

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**After Program**  
**72% Good**

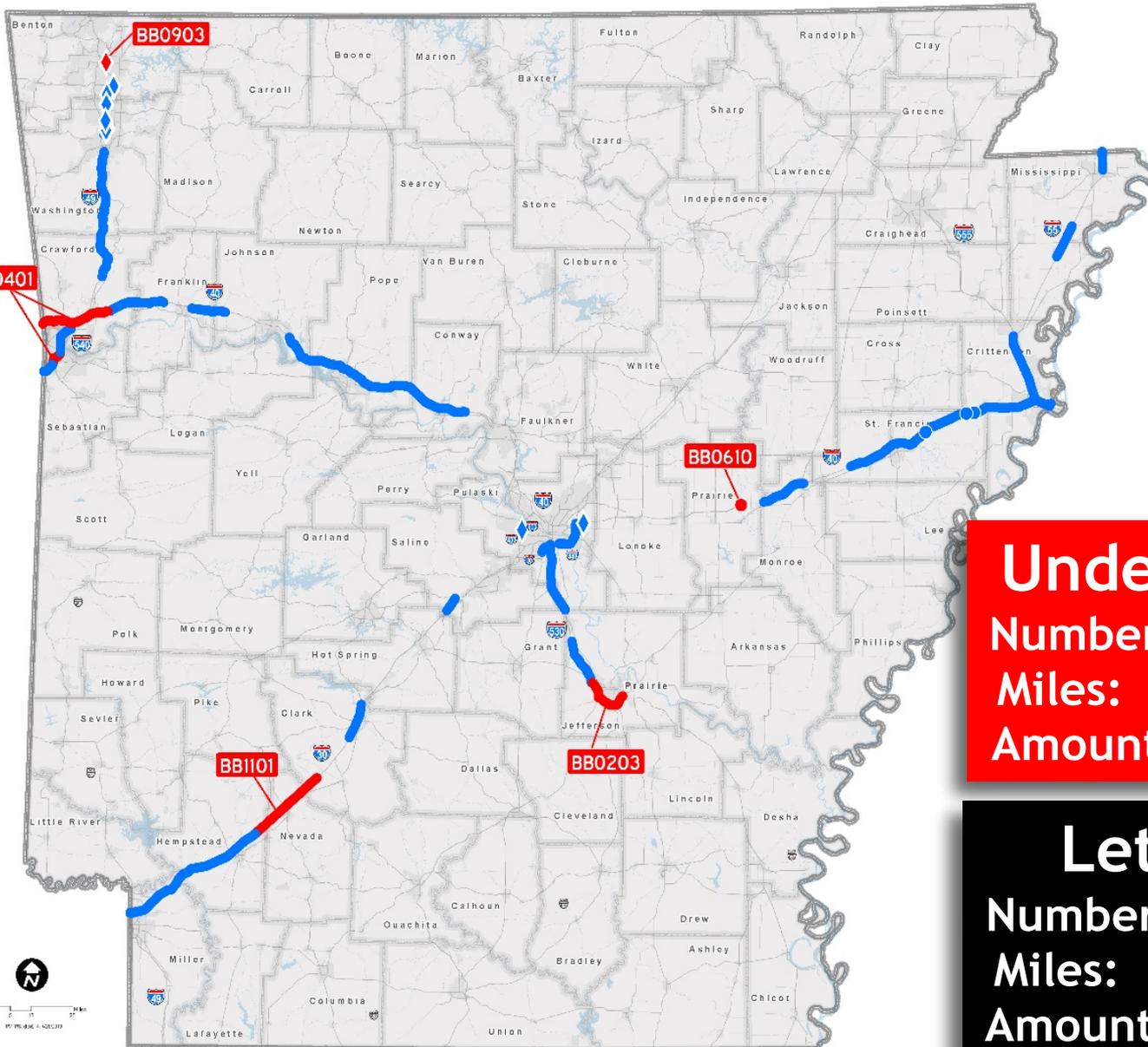
# Interstate Rehabilitation Program



**Completed**

Number of Projects:	47
Miles:	291
Amount (Millions):	\$1,027

# Interstate Rehabilitation Program



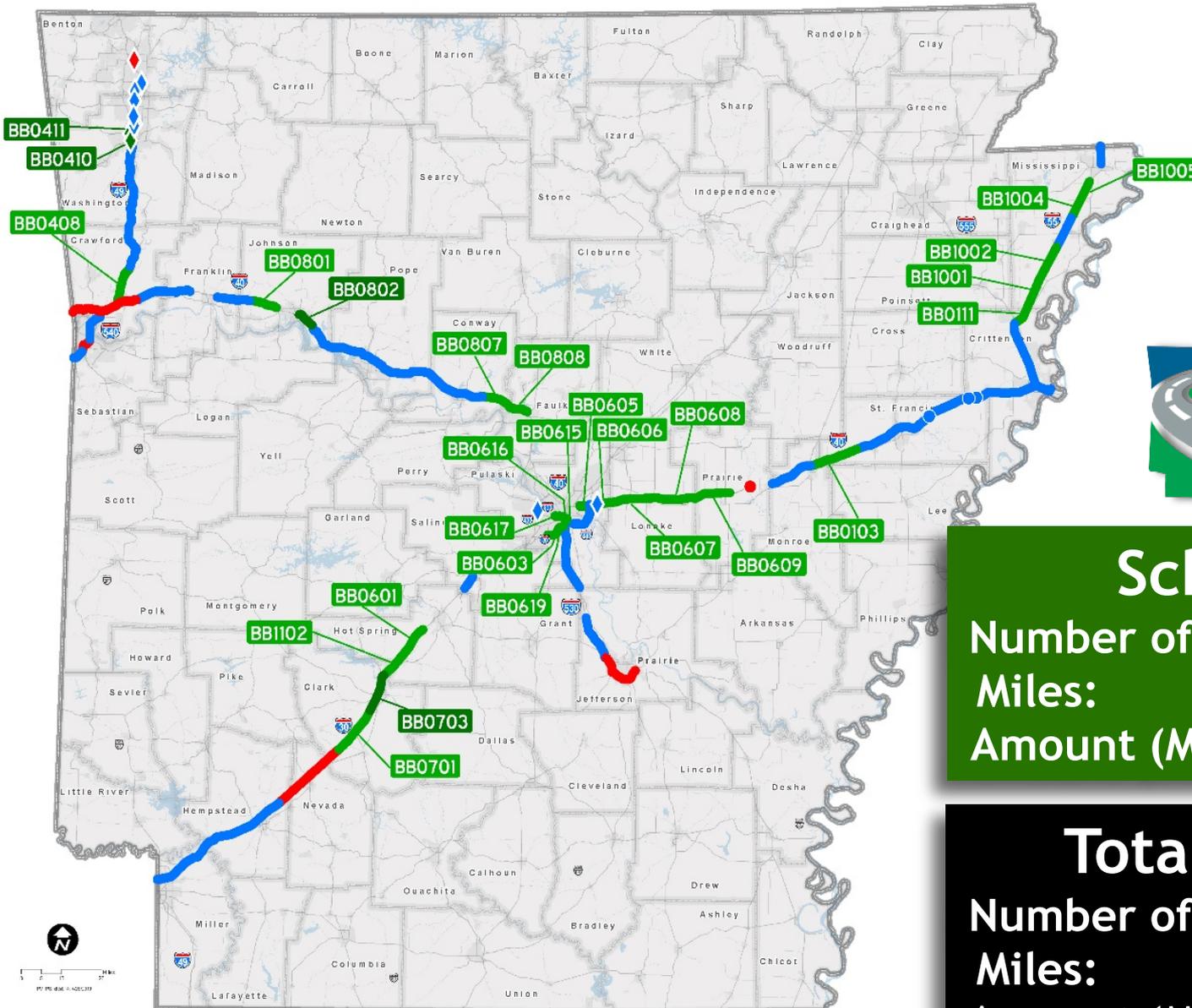
## Under Construction

Number of Projects:	5
Miles:	53
Amount (Millions):	\$287

## Let To Contract

Number of Projects:	52
Miles:	344
Amount (Millions):	\$1,314

# Interstate Rehabilitation Program



## Scheduled

Number of Projects:	27
Miles:	160
Amount (Millions):	\$219

## Total Program

Number of Projects:	79
Miles:	504
Amount (Millions):	\$1,533

# Connecting Arkansas Program

2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

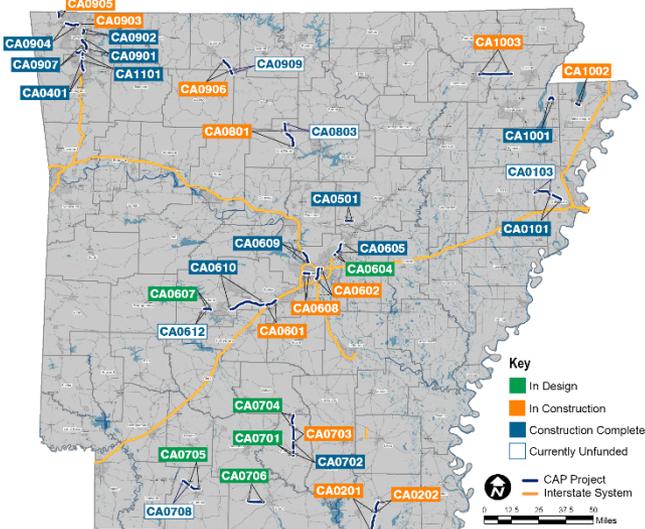
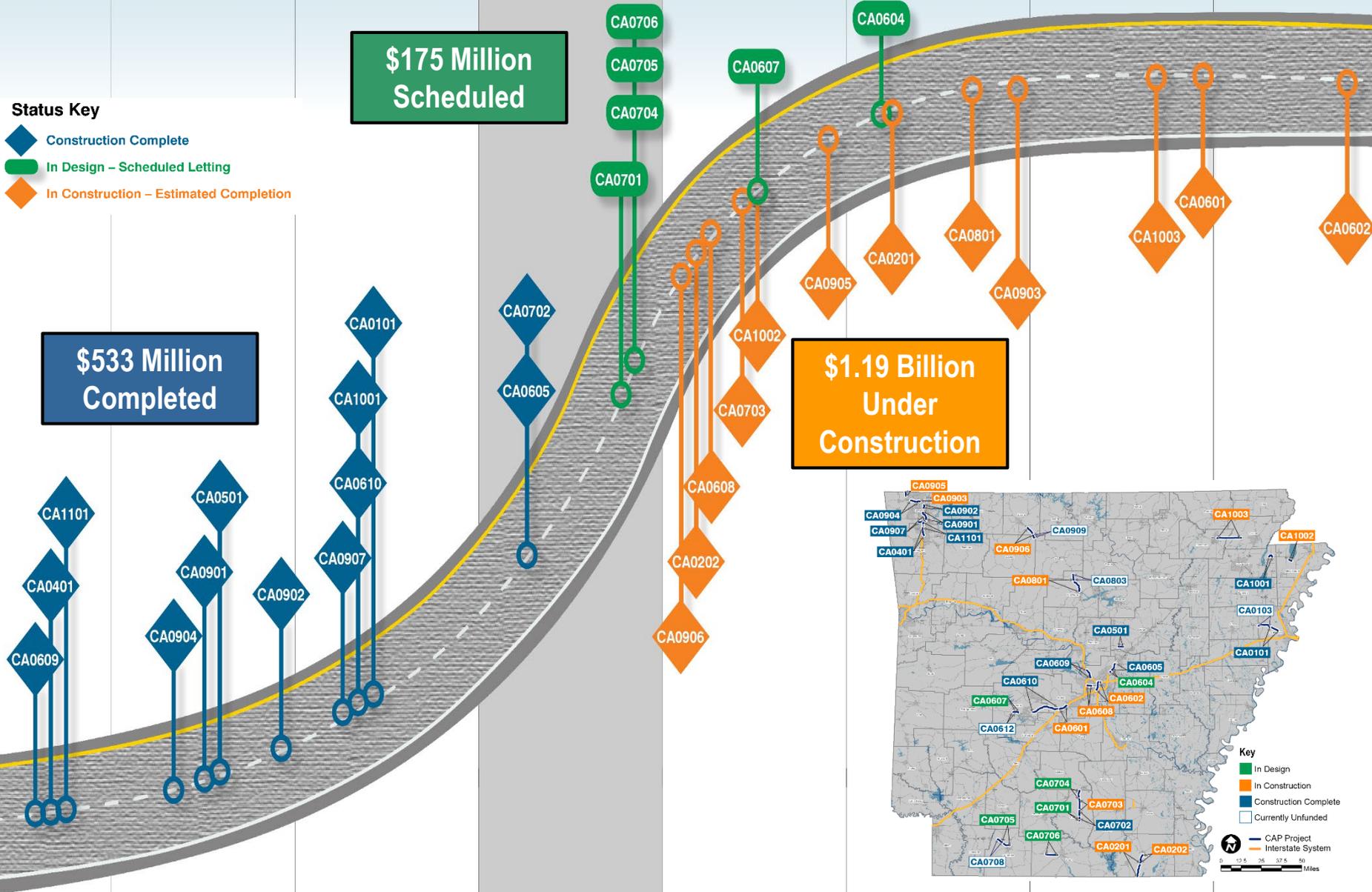
## Status Key

- ◆ Construction Complete
- In Design – Scheduled Letting
- ◇ In Construction – Estimated Completion

**\$175 Million Scheduled**

**\$533 Million Completed**

**\$1.19 Billion Under Construction**





## ROAD to a BETTER FUTURE

**ARDOT / Cities / Counties**

Educate Public

**Stakeholders**

Educate Public  
Campaign



*Your*  
**TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM**





*Questions?*

