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Issue 1

Proposed Constitutional Amendment
November 3, 2020 General Election

Texarkana Oaklawn Rotary Club
Tuesday, September 29, 2020



Funding Challenges







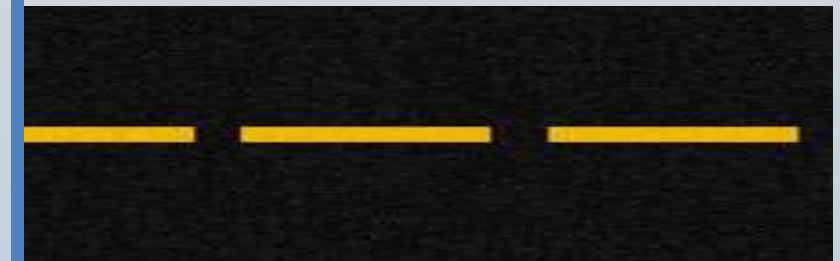
\$10,000,000 Overlay Program

THEN

In 1998, **200 lane miles** of highway could be overlaid with \$10 million.

NOW

In 2018, **90 lane miles** of highway could be overlaid with \$10 million.



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Voter Approved in 2012

Provides Temporary Half-Cent Sales Tax

Expires June 2023

ARDOT Revenue Dedicated to the
Connecting Arkansas Program of Projects



Current Connecting Arkansas Program



Completed	
Number of Projects:	17
Miles:	89
Amount (Millions):	\$699

Under Construction	
Number of Projects:	11
Miles:	66
Amount (Millions):	\$1,167

Scheduled	
Number of Projects:	3
Miles:	13
Amount (Millions):	\$200

Total Program	
Number of Projects:	31
Miles:	168
Amount (Millions):	\$2,066

Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Highway 70 Widening
Garland and Saline Counties



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Future US Hwy 412 - Springdale Bypass

Benton County



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Interstate 630 Widening

Pulaski County



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Highway 167 Widening
Calhoun County



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The Ballot Question: Issue 1

FOR



Funding from current sales tax continues after June 2023

AGAINST



Funding from current sales tax ends in June 2023

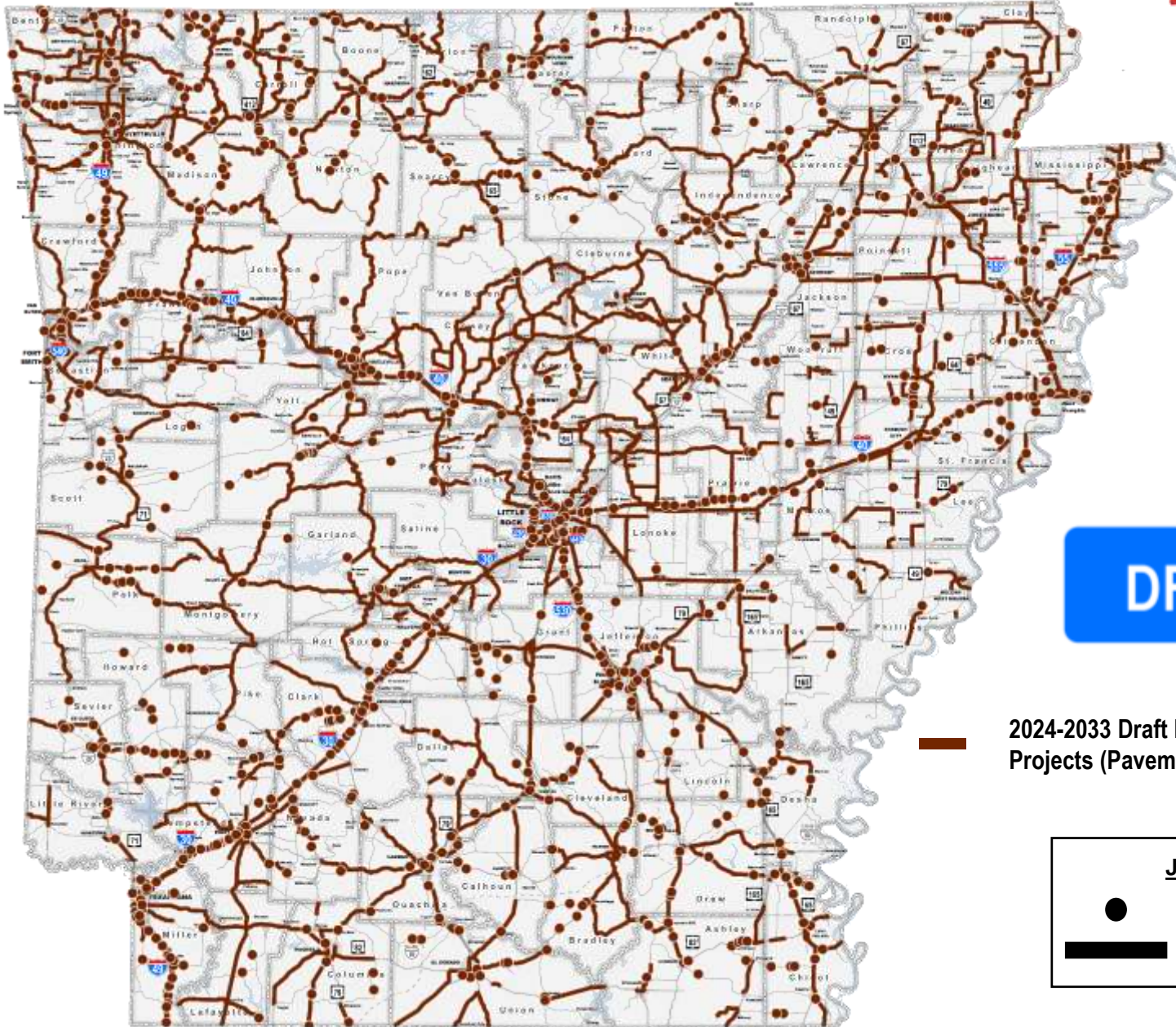
If Issue 1 Passes



10-Year *Renew Arkansas Highways* Program

Pavement Preservation	\$3.0 Billion
Bridge Improvements and Preservation	\$1.1 Billion
Interstate Maintenance	\$1.0 Billion
Safety Improvements	\$0.5 Billion
Capital and Congestion Relief (CAP-2)	\$1.8 Billion
Total	\$7.4 Billion



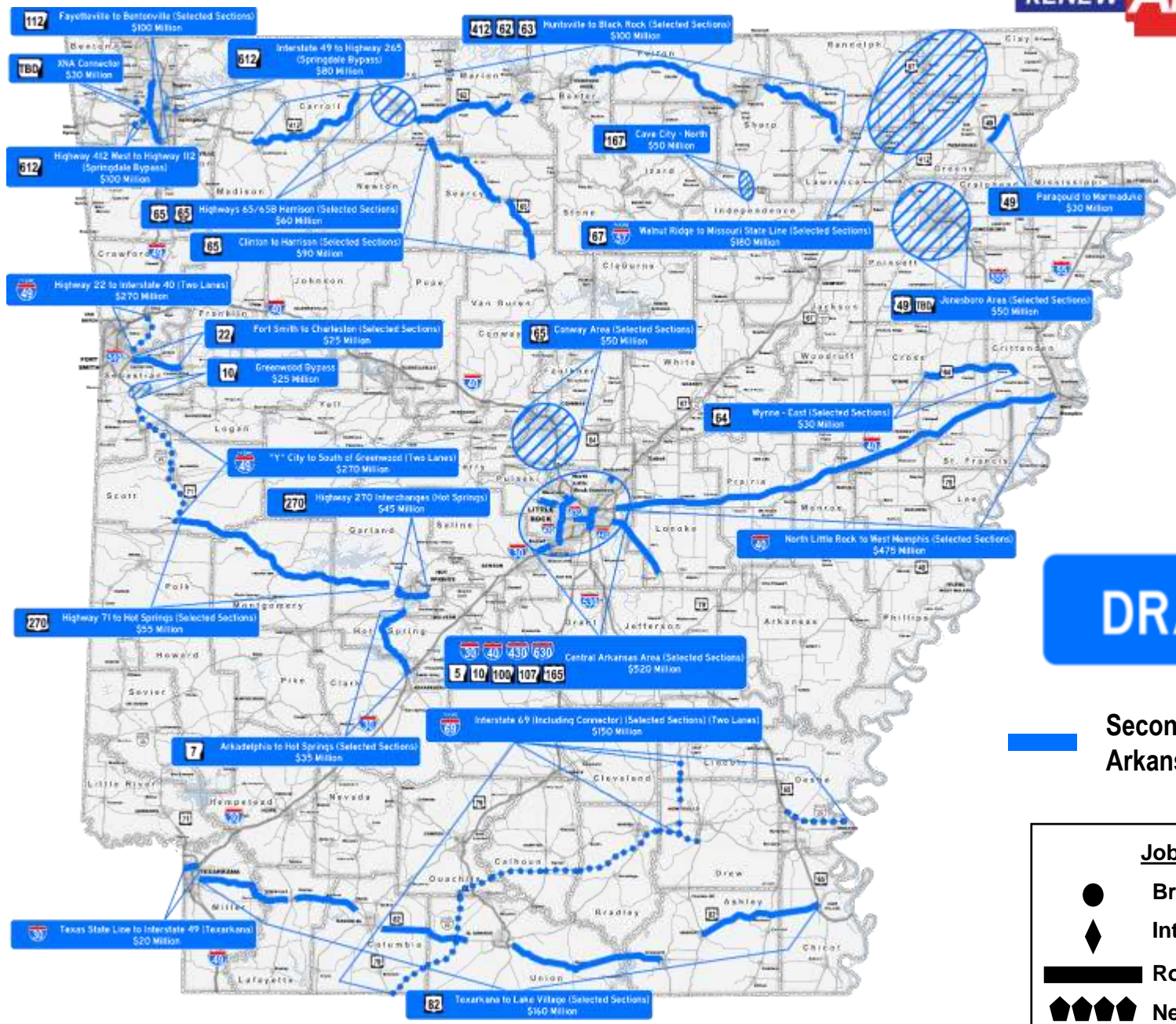


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— 2024-2033 Draft Program of Preservation Projects (Pavement & Bridges)

Job Type	
●	Bridge
—	Roadway

Second Connecting Arkansas Program



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Second Connecting Arkansas Program

Job Type

- Bridge
- ◆ Interchange
- ▬ Roadway
- ◆◆◆◆ New Location





Second Connecting Arkansas Program

RENEW AR HIGHWAYS

 Texas State Line to Interstate 49 (Texarkana)
\$20 Million

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 Second Connecting Arkansas Program

Job Type	
	Bridge
	Interchange
	Roadway
	New Location

 Texarkana to Lake Village (Selected Sections)
\$160 Million



If Issue 1 Fails

State Highways

2023 - \$740 Million

2024 - \$535 Million

City Streets

2023 - \$150 Million

2024 - \$106 Million



County Roads

2023 - \$150 Million

2024 - \$106 Million

30% Annual Reduction

If Issue 1 Fails

Miller County

2023 – \$2.0 Million

2024 – \$1.4 Million

Loss of Funding – \$600,000 Per Year

City of Texarkana

2023 – \$2.4 Million

2024 – \$1.7 Million

Loss of Funding – \$700,000 Per Year

Key Takeaways

**Average Family
\$8 / month**

**No Increase
No Decrease**

Not on Groceries

**Only for
Road Improvements**



Arkansans Need to Decide How to Fund



Your
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM



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