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# Issue 1

Proposed Constitutional Amendment  
November 3, 2020 General Election

Rogers Lions Club  
Wednesday, September 30,



# 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

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



[connectingarkansasprogram.com](http://connectingarkansasprogram.com)

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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*

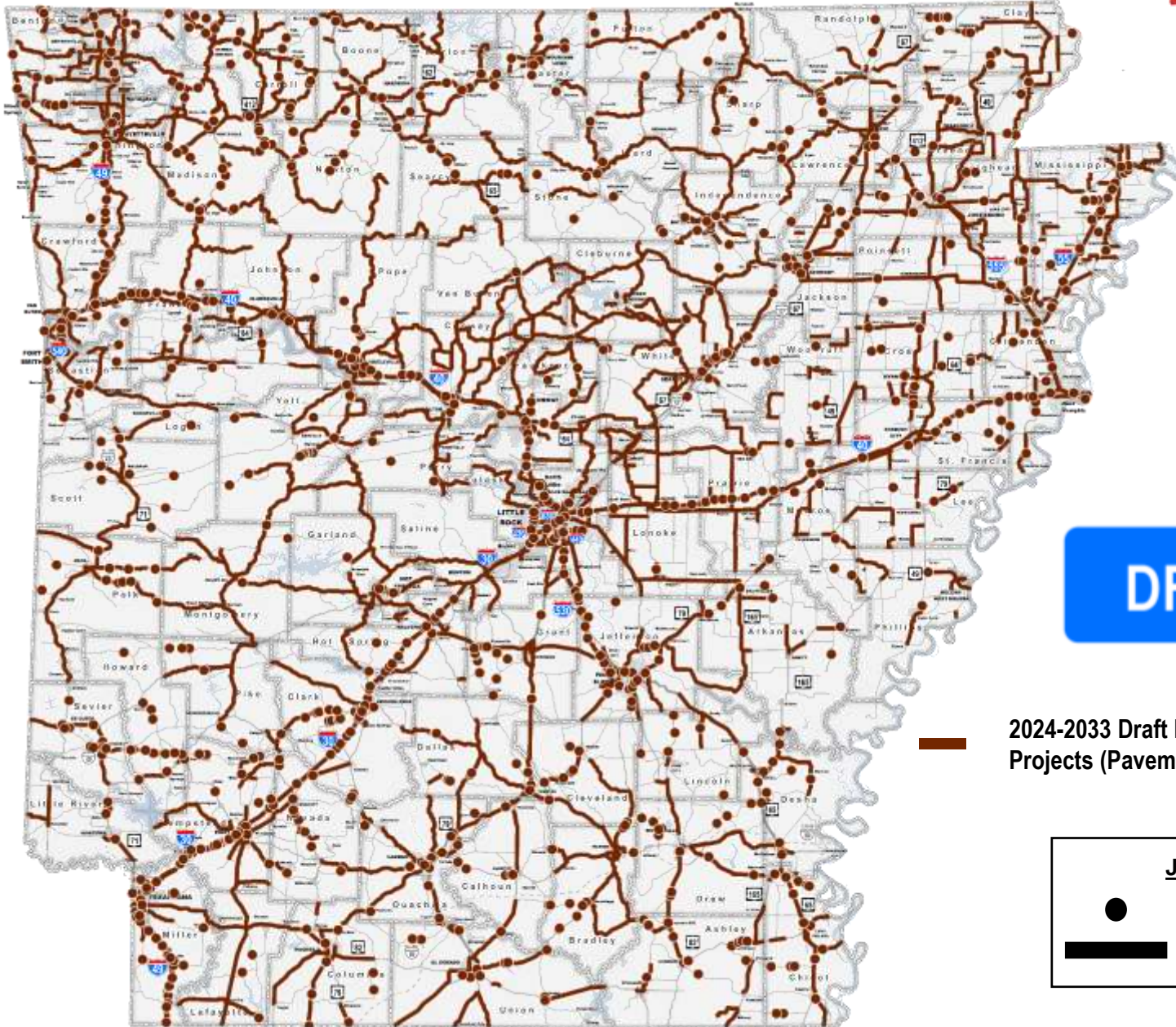
# If Issue 1 Passes



## 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
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7.4 Billion</b>



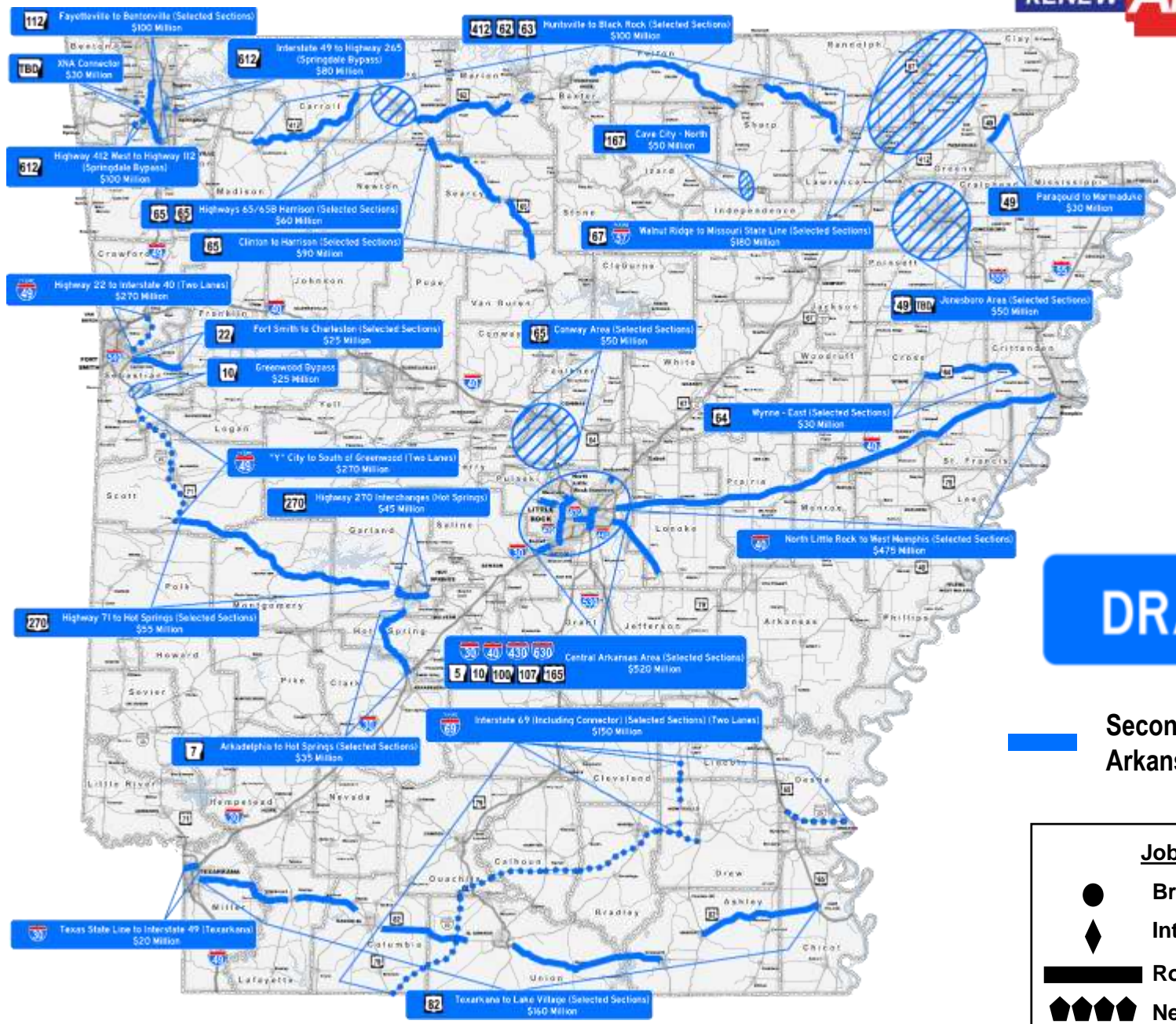


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— 2024-2033 Draft Program of Preservation Projects (Pavement & Bridges)

Job Type	
●	Bridge
—	Roadway

# Second Connecting Arkansas Program



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**Job Type**

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



# Second Connecting Arkansas Program



**112** Fayetteville to Bentonville (Selected Sections)  
\$100 Million

**TBD** XNA Connector  
\$30 Million

**612** Interstate 49 to Highway 265 (Springdale Bypass)  
\$80 Million

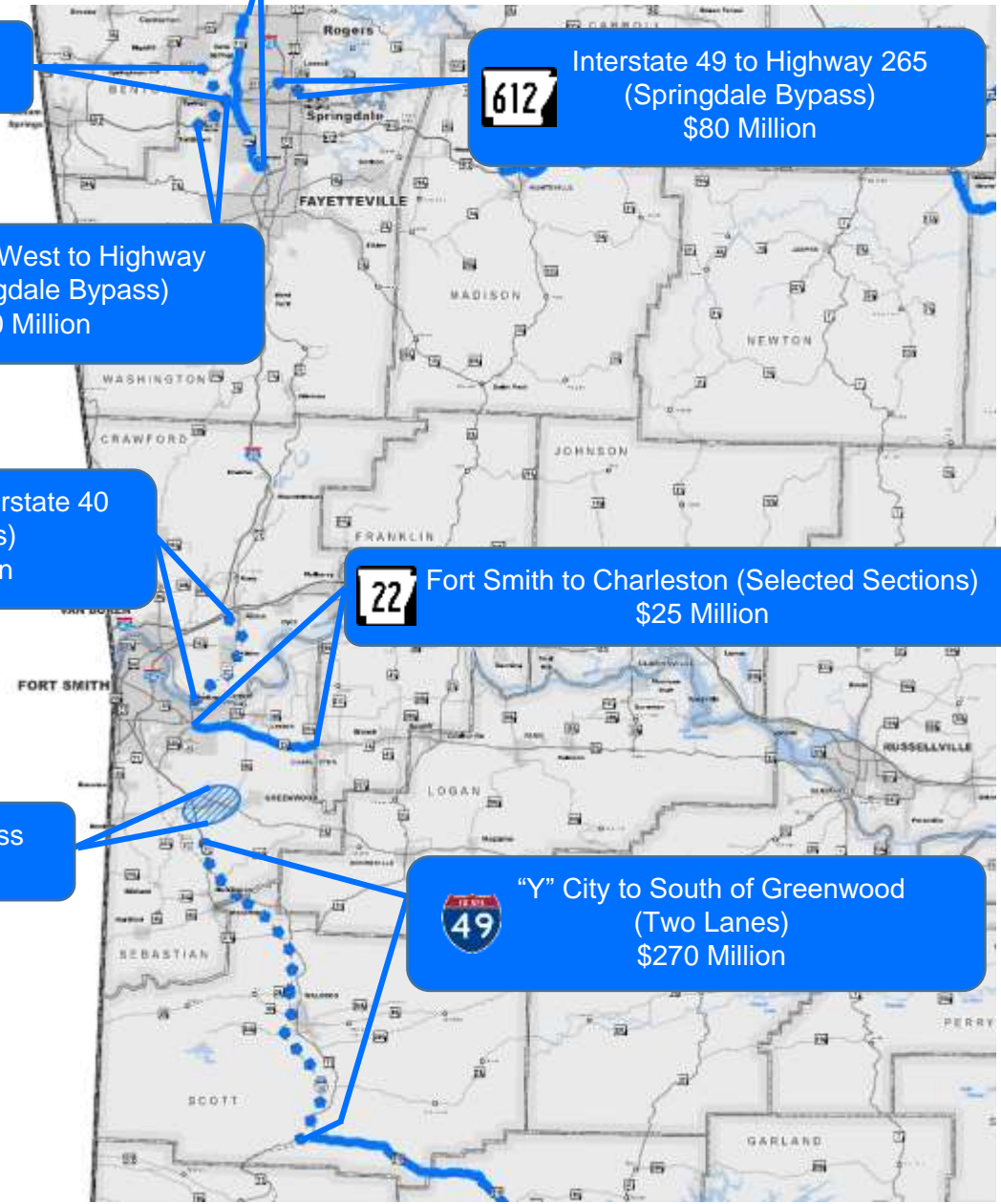
**612** Highway 412 West to Highway 112 (Springdale Bypass)  
\$100 Million

**49** Highway 22 to Interstate 40 (Two Lanes)  
\$270 Million

**22** Fort Smith to Charleston (Selected Sections)  
\$25 Million

**10** Greenwood Bypass  
\$25 Million

**49** "Y" City to South of Greenwood (Two Lanes)  
\$270 Million



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## Second Connecting Arkansas Program

Job Type	
●	Bridge
◆	Interchange
▬	Roadway
◆◆◆◆	New Location

# 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

## Benton County

2023 – \$6.1 Million

2024 – \$4.3 Million

**Loss of Funding – \$1,800,000 Per Year**

## City of Rogers

2023 – \$4.4 Million

2024 – \$3.1 Million

**Loss of Funding – \$1,300,000 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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