


**ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT**

**INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**March 13, 2017**

**TO:** Master Files

**FROM:** John Fleming, Division Head, Environmental Division 

**SUBJECT:** Job Number BB0203  
FAP Number NHPP-530-5(4)34  
Hwy. 65B – Hwy. 65 (F)  
Jefferson County  
Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion

After appropriate environmental review, it has been determined that the subject job is a Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion as described by the AHTD/FHWA Memorandum of Agreement on Categorical Exclusion Documentation and Processing. A public hearing will not be offered for this project.

The purpose of this project is to reconstruct an 11.75 mile section of Interstate 530 from Highway 65B to Highway 65 in Pine Bluff, Jefferson County. Sixteen pairs of bridges in the project will be rehabilitated with a Thrie Beam retrofit. All work will take place within the existing right of way.

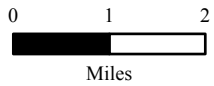
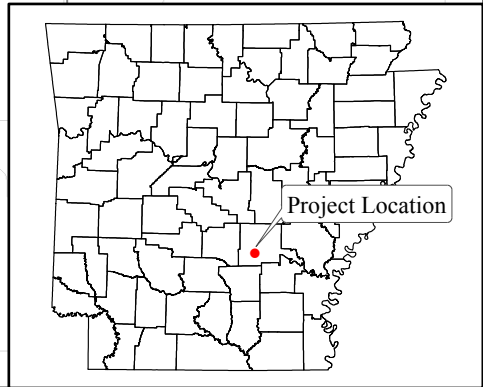
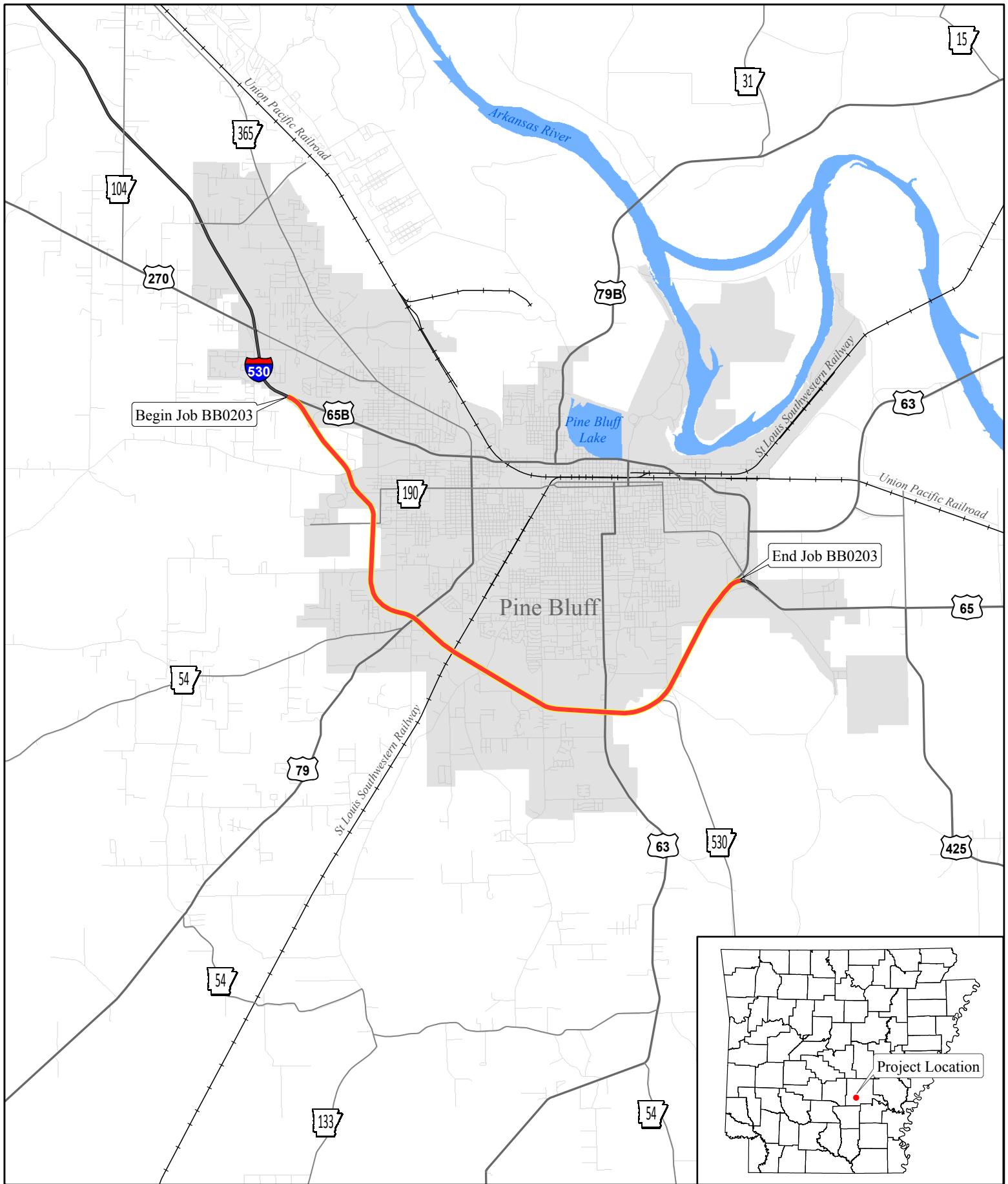
The project will not involve relocatees, endangered species, prime farmlands, wetlands, underground storage tanks, hazardous materials, any environmental justice issues, or cultural resources. The State Historic Preservation Officer's clearance is attached

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Attachments:

Location Map  
SHPO Clearance  
Environmental Study Checklist

c: Program Management  
Right of Way  
Roadway Design  
District 2  
FHWA  
Master File



AHTD-Environmental GIS-Hopkins  
October 24, 2016

Job BB0203  
Hwy. 65B - Hwy. 65  
(I-530)  
Jefferson County

 Project Location



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Delta Cultural Center

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Mosaic Templars  
Cultural Center

Old State House Museum

RE: Jefferson County – General  
Section 106 Review – FHWA  
Report Titled: *A Cultural Resources Survey of AHTD Job Number  
BB0203 HWY. 65B-HWY. 65(F) Jefferson County, Arkansas*  
AHTD Job Number: BB0203  
AHPP Tracking Number: 97408

Dear Mr. Fleming:

The staff of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) has reviewed the above-referenced Phase I cultural resources report.

Based on the information presented in this report, we concur that sites 3JE0244 and 3JE0334 are not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) and require no further work.

In addition, we concur that the portion of site 3JE0257 within the Area of Potential Effect (APE) does not contribute to the NRHP eligibility of the site and that the eligibility of the portion of the site located outside of the APE should remain undetermined.

Based on the above determinations and the previous archaeological work associated with the initial construction of Hwy. 65B-Hwy. 65 (I-530) we concur that no historic properties will be affected by this undertaking.

During the review it was noticed that site 3JE0244 was referred to as 3JE0224 on pages: i, 50, and 51.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this undertaking. Please refer to the AHPP Tracking Number listed above in all correspondence. If you have any questions, please call Tim Dodson of my staff at 501-324-9784.

Sincerely,

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Interim Director, AHPP

cc: Mr. Randall Looney, Federal Highway Administration  
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# AHTD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSESSMENT FORM

AHTD Job Number BB0203 FAP Number NHPP-530-5(4)34  
 Job Title Hwy. 65B – Hwy. 65 (F)

Environmental Impacts	None	Minor	Significant	Comments
Air Quality	X			
Construction Impacts		X		
Cultural Resources	X			
Economic	X			
Endangered Species	X			
Energy Resources	X			
Environmental Justice/Title VI	X			
Fish and Wildlife	X			
Floodplains	X			
Forest Service Property	X			
Hazardous Materials/Landfills	X			
Land Use Impacts	X			
Migratory Birds	X			
Navigation/Coast Guard	X			
Noise Levels	X			
Prime Farmland	X			
Protected Waters	X			
Public Recreation Lands	X			
Public Water Supply/WHPA	X			
Relocates	X			
Section 4(f)/6(f)	X			
Social	X			
Underground Storage Tanks	X			
Visual Impacts	X			
Stream Impacts	X			
Water Quality	X			
Wetlands	X			
Wildlife Refuges	X			

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Required?     N    

Short-term Activity Authorization Required?     N    

Section 404 Permit Required?     N     Type           

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Evaluator *Sherry LeBlanc* Date 3-10-2017