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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

February 12, 2018

TO: Master Files

FROM: John Fleming, Division Head, Environmental Division

SUBJECT: Job Number 090487

FAP Number STPR-0051(21)

Hwy.16 - Boone Co. Line (Sel. Secs.) (S)

Newton County

Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion

The purpose of this project is to provide safety improvements comprised of centerline and shoulder rumble and mumble stripes, ultra-thin bonded wearing course, and pavement overlay. The total length of the project is 23.1 miles. The attached figure shows the project location. No endangered species will be affected by the proposed project, and no Section 404 permit will be required. The cultural resources clearance is attached.

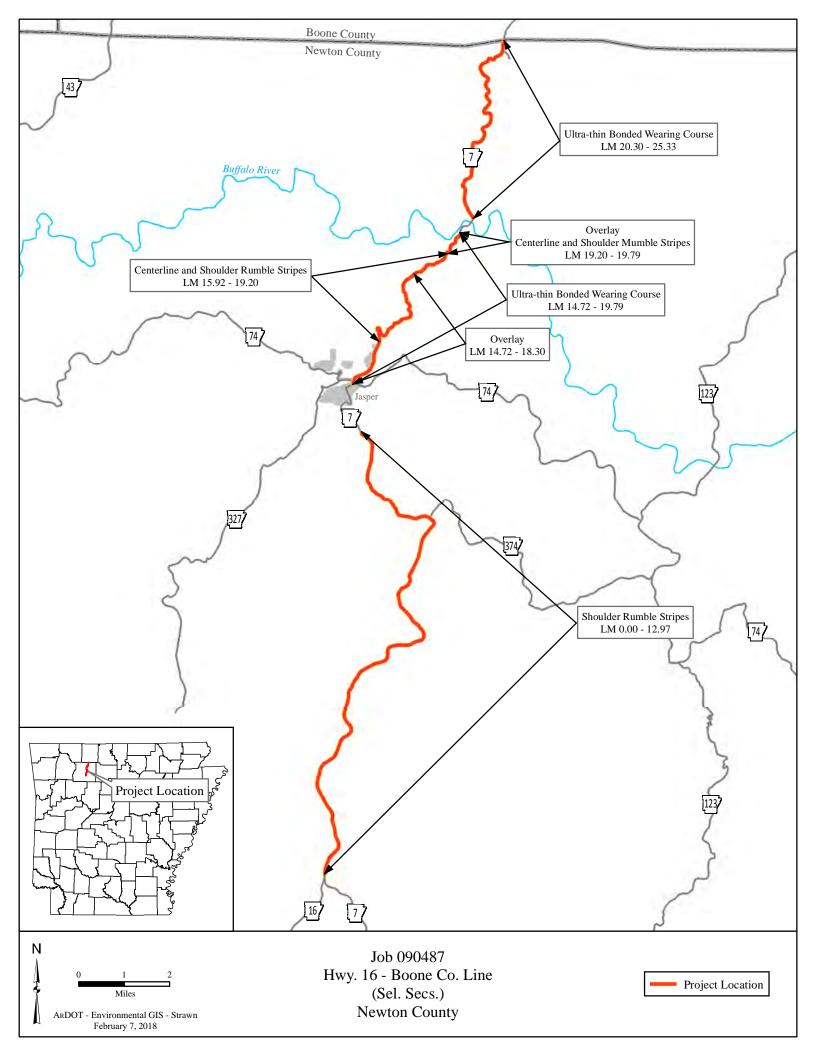
After appropriate environmental review, it has been determined that the subject job is a Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion as described by the ARDOT/FHWA Memorandum of Agreement on Categorical Exclusion Documentation and Processing. A public hearing will not be offered for this project.

JF:MP:fc

Attachments:

Location Map SHPO Clearance Environmental Study Checklist

c: Program Management Right of Way District 9 FHWA





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RECEIVED ARDOT FEB 0 9 2018 ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

RE: Newton County – General

Section 106 Review – FHWA Request for Technical Assistance ArDOT Job Number 090487 Jasper – Buffalo River

AHPP Tracking Number 100316

Dear Mr. Fleming:

This letter is written in response to the Project Identification Form (PIF) dated February 5, 2018. Although this project crosses Harp Creek Bridge (NW0028), listed in the National Register of Historic Places, the staff of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) concurs that this undertaking will have no adverse effect to historic properties.

Tribes that have expressed an interest in the area include the Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma (Mr. Leonard Longhorn), the Caddo Nation (Mr. Phil Cross), the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma (Ms. Elizabeth Toombs), the Osage Nation (Dr. Andrea Hunter), the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma (Mr. Everett Bandy), the Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma (Ms. Kim Jumper), the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, Inc. (Mr.Earl J. Barbry, Jr.), the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians (Mr. Eric Oosahwee-Voss), and the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes (Mr. Gary McAdams). We recommend that they be consulted in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.2 (c) (2).

Thank you for the opportunity to review this undertaking. If you have any questions, please call Theresa Russell of my staff at (501)-324-9357. Please refer to the AHPP Tracking Number listed above in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Scott Kaufman Director, AHPP

cc: Mr. Randal Looney, Federal Highway Administration

Dr. Andrea Hunter, Osage Nation

Dr. Ann Early, Arkansas Archeological Survey

ARDOT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSESSMENT FORM

Environmental Impacts	None	Minor	Significant	Comments
Environmental Impacts Air Quality	X	WIIIIOI	Significant	Comments
Construction Impacts		X		Tomporary
Cultural Resources	Х			Temporary
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			
Relocatees	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			