# ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT 

## INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

March 16, 2017

TO: Master Files

FROM: $\quad \hat{f} \mid$ John Fleming, Division Head, Environmental Division $f\}$ rice

SUBJECT: AHTD Job Number 061500
FAP Number NHPP-0062(43)
Creek at L.M. 4.65 Str. \& Apprs. (S)
Saline County
Tier 2 Categorical Exclusion

The Environmental Division has reviewed the referenced project and it falls within the definition of a Tier 2 Categorical Exclusion under 23 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 771.117, and the AHTD/FHWA Memorandum of Agreement on the processing of Categorical Exclusions. A public hearing will not be offered for this project.

The purpose of this project is to replace a structurally deficient box culvert over an unnamed stream on Highway 5 in Saline County, Arkansas. The total length of the project is approximately 0.26 mile. A project location map is attached.

The existing $14^{\prime} \mathrm{x} 4$ ' x 45 ' single box culvert will be replaced on existing location with a new 7’ x 4' x 106' double box culvert. No detour will be used, and Highway 5 will be closed for a short period during the replacement. The existing approaches consist of two 11 -foot wide travel lanes with 4 -foot wide paved shoulders. The new approaches will consist of two 12 -foot wide travel lanes with 8 -foot wide paved shoulders. The existing right of way width is 60 feet, and the new right of way width will be 123 feet. Approximately 0.42 acre of new right of way will be acquired.

Design data for this project is as follows:

| Design Year | Average Daily Traffic | Percent Trucks | Design Speed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2017 | 11,000 | 3 | 45 mph |
| 2037 | 15,000 | 3 | 45 mph |

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Construction of the new box culvert will impact less than 0.1 acre of waters of the United States. Construction should be covered under the terms of a Nationwide Permit 14 for Linear Transportation Crossings as defined in Federal Register 82(4):1860-2008.

No endangered species, environmental justice issues, hazardous waste deposits, prime farmland, relocatees, protected waters, or underground storage tanks are associated with this project. A floodplain permit will not be required. Cultural resource impacts are not anticipated; concurrence from the State Historic Preservation Officer is attached.

Based upon the AHTD's Policy on Highway Traffic Noise Abatement, a noise analysis is not required for this project. The project meets the criteria for a Type III project established in 23 CFR 772. Therefore, the project requires no analysis for highway traffic noise impacts. Type III projects do not involve added capacity, construction of new through lanes or auxiliary lanes, changes in the horizontal or vertical alignment of the roadway, or exposure of noise sensitive land uses to a new or existing highway noise source. AHTD acknowledges that a noise analysis is required if changes to the proposed project result in reclassification to a Type I project.

Attachments:
Project Location Map
SHPO Clearance
Environmental Study Checklist
Design Sheet
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c: Program Management
Right of Way
Roadway Design
District 6
FHWA
Master File

Approved:



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Re: AHTD Job Number 061500
Creek at L.M. 4.65 Str. \& Apprs. (S)
Saline County

Dear Ms. McSwain:
A Project Identification Form for the referenced project is enclosed. Please review for concurrence with the findings of my staff. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Scott Smallwood of my staff at 501-569-2038.

Sincerely,


John Fleming
Division Head
Environmental Division

## Enclosure <br> PF

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## AHTD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSESSMENT FORM

## AHTD Job Number

061500
FAP Number
NHPP-0062(43)
Job Title__Creek at L.M. 4.65 Str. \& Apprs. (S)

| Environmental Impacts | None | Minor | Significant |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Air Quality | X |  |  |  |
| Construction Impacts |  | X |  | Temporary |
| 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 |  |  |  |
| Relocatees | X |  |  |  |
| Section 4(f)/6(f) | X |  |  |  |
| Social | X |  |  |  |
| Underground Storage Tanks | X |  |  |  |
| Visual Impacts | X |  |  |  |
| Stream Impacts |  | X |  | NW 14 Sect. 404 Permit |
| Water Quality |  | X |  | Temporary during construction |
| Wetlands | X |  |  |  |
| Wildlife Refuges | X |  |  |  |

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Required? No
Short-term Activity Authorization Required? No
Section 404 Permit Required? Yes
Type NW14
Remarks:
Signature of Evaluator $\qquad$ Date $\qquad$
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## ROADWAY DESIGN REQUEST

Job Number 061500
FAP No. NHPP-0062(43)
County Saline
Job Name Creek at L.M. 4.65 Str. \& Apprs. (S)
Design Engineer Stephen Sichmeller Environmental Staff $\qquad$
Brief Project Description Replacement of a box culvert.
A. Existing Conditions:
Roadway Width: 22' Shoulder Type/Width: Paved / 4'

Number of Lanes and Width: $\quad 2$ @ 11’ Proposed Right-of-Way: $60^{\prime}$
Sidewalks? No
Location: $\qquad$ Width: $\qquad$
Bike Lanes? No

Location: $\qquad$ Width: $\qquad$
B. Proposed Conditions:

Roadway Width: $24^{\prime}$
Shoulder Type/Width: $\qquad$ Paved / 8’

Number of Lanes and Width: 2 @ 12’ Proposed Right-of-Way:

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                                    123'
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Sidewalks? No
Location: $\qquad$ Width: $\qquad$
Bike Lanes? No
Location: $\qquad$ Width: $\qquad$
C. Construction Information:

If detour: Where: N/A
Length: N/A
D. Design Traffic Data:

E. Approximate total length of project: 0.026 mile(s)
F. Justification for proposed improvements: Box culvert is structurally deficient.
G. Total Relocatees: 0

Residences: 0 Businesses: 0
H. Have you coordinated with any outside agencies (e.g., FHWA, City, County, etc.)? Yes

| Agency/Official | Person Contacted | Date |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| City of Bryant | Mark Grimmett | $2-9-17$ |
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> RE: AHTD Job Number 061500
> Creek at L.M. 4.65 Str. \& Apprs. (S)
> Saline County

## Dear Ms. Edwards:

Enclosed are the Categorical Exclusion and supporting materials for construction of the referenced project. The proposed AHTD project will replace an existing single $14^{\prime} \times 4^{\prime} \times 45^{\prime}$ box culvert on an unnamed tributary (intermittent) of Crooked Creek with a new double $7^{\prime} \mathrm{x} 4^{\prime} \mathrm{x}$ 106' box culvert on existing location. During construction approximately 100 feet of the stream will be realigned to accommodate for the new box culvert. Construction of this project will impact less than 0.1 acre of waters of the United States. No wetlands will be impacted.

The proposed project will not impact Federal or State lands, National or State wild or scenic rivers, or Extraordinary Resource/Ecologically Sensitive water bodies. The AHTD must design all projects to comply with FEMA-approved regulatory floodplain ordinances.

Please review this project for concurrence that construction can proceed under terms of a Nationwide Permit 14. If additional information is required, please contact Clint Hutcheson or Josh Seagraves of my staff at 569-2282.


Enclosures<br>Categorical Exclusion<br>Supporting Illustrations<br>Proposed Construction Plans










