

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

June 17, 2016

ADMINISTRATIVE CIRCULAR NO. 2016-07

TO: ALL DIVISION HEADS AND DISTRICT ENGINEERS

We are transmitting herewith for your information and records a copy of the Minutes of the Commission Meetings in Little Rock, AR on June 1, 2016.

After making a careful review of these proceedings, please take appropriate action through designated lines of authority to forward the carrying out of any orders applying to your respective divisions and districts.



Scott E. Bennett  
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c: Commission

MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE  
ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

June 1, 2016

Following is the record of proceedings of the Arkansas State Highway Commission in Little Rock, Arkansas, June 1, 2016. Members present were:

Dick Trammel, Chairman  
Thomas B. Schueck, Vice Chairman  
Robert S. Moore, Jr., Member  
Frank D. Scott, Jr., Member  
Alec Farmer, Member

2016-042                   IT IS ORDERED that a meeting of the Arkansas State Highway Commission be opened at 10:00 a.m., June 1, 2016.

2016-043                   WHEREAS, the Purchasing Committee has awarded purchases on April 13 and 19, 2016, and May 4, 2016, in the amount of \$2,759,036.17, \$151,396.00 and \$551,977.33, respectively, totaling \$3,462,409.50, and supply and service contracts, in accordance with authority previously conveyed, all of which have been documented by official minutes which are of record in the files of the Commission and Equipment and Procurement Division.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the action of the Purchasing Committee be ratified and confirmed in all particulars.

2016-044                   WHEREAS, the Great Arkansas Cleanup is an important anti-litter program which contributes to the appearance of the State's highways; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department spends approximately \$5 million annually to remove litter from State Highways; and

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WHEREAS, the Department's previous contributions to the Keep Arkansas Beautiful Foundation have been helpful in continuing the Great Arkansas Cleanup.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to make a contribution of \$25,000 this year to the Keep Arkansas Beautiful Foundation for use in conducting the Great Arkansas Cleanup Campaign.

2016-045

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration sponsors the National Summer Transportation Institute, a program to encourage secondary school students to pursue transportation careers; and

WHEREAS, increasing awareness about transportation related careers is important to the transportation industry; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration has encouraged state transportation departments to continue this 100% federally funded program; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's guidelines for selecting a host site, the Department issued a Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock has submitted a proposal that meets the scope of the program and is within the projected budget allowance provided by the Federal Highway Administration.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to enter into an agreement with the University of Arkansas at Little Rock to host the 2016 National Summer Transportation Institute.

2016-046

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Department to provide timely right of way acquisition services for selected projects in order to proceed with construction; and

WHEREAS, the Department currently has on-call contracts to perform indefinite delivery of right of way acquisition services; and

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WHEREAS, these on-call contracts have been found to be an effective method of producing timely right of way acquisition services and supplementing Department staff in project delivery and legal proceedings.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to request proposals, select an on-call consulting firm or firms, and enter into any necessary contracts and agreements as needs are identified.

2016-047

WHEREAS, the recruitment and retention of engineering professionals is essential to the Department; and

WHEREAS, Minute Order 2008-111 authorized the Department to provide appropriate transportation research assistantship positions to the Mack-Blackwell Transportation Center (MBTC) at the University of Arkansas for research and training; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Research Assistantship Program's criteria was last updated and authorized by Minute Order 2008-129; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to revise the Assistantship Program's criteria in order to provide consistency with the requirements of the advanced degree programs offered by the University of Arkansas and with the Department's educational requirements for engineering professionals.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to provide appropriate assistance to the MBTC through the Department's Transportation Research Assistantship program using the attached revised criteria.

2016-048

WHEREAS, Federal transportation planning regulations require the development of a multi-year, financially constrained statewide transportation improvement program for all areas of the State in accordance with the provisions of 23 CFR 450; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas' Statewide Transportation Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2016-2020 (STIP), has been prepared in accordance with the regulations and is ready for submittal to the appropriate agencies for approval.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to submit the STIP to the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration for approval and to publish the STIP for distribution after approval by the federal agencies.

2016-049

WHEREAS, the Department's current practice is to only allow standard welcome signs within the state highway right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, a standard welcome sign consists of white text on a green background, which simply states the name of the community and is compliant with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices; and

WHEREAS, a number of communities have expressed interest in installing decorative gateway signs and/or landscaping on state highway right-of-way that welcome visitors to their community and express their sense of identity; and

WHEREAS, although it is not desirable from a traffic safety standpoint to distract motorists from their primary task of driving, an aesthetically pleasing decorative community gateway sign and/or landscaping can enhance the roadside setting while providing minimum distraction.

NOW THEREFORE, it has been determined that expanding the current practice to allow decorative gateway signs and/or landscaping on state highway right-of-way would be a positive addition.

FURTHERMORE, the Director is authorized to implement the attached *City or County Welcome Sign Guidelines* that define how, when and where it is appropriate to install such signing and landscaping, while ensuring a safe highway environment that adheres to both State and Federal laws and regulations.

2016-050

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired in fee property known as Tract No. 8XR, from Justin Ethridge and Lori Ethridge for Job No. 100708, Hwy. 412 West-Hwy. 49 (Gr. & Strs.) (S), by Warranty Deed dated September 8, 2015, and filed of record in the Circuit Clerk's office as Document Number 201506456; and

WHEREAS, Tract No. 8XR was acquired by the Commission for ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,175.00); and

WHEREAS, Justin Ethridge and Lori Ethridge have requested to reacquire the property pursuant to Arkansas Code Ann § 27-67-322, and the District Engineer for District 10 has determined that Tract 8XR is not now needed, nor in the foreseeable future will be needed for highway purposes. Tract 8XR is more particularly described as:

Part of Lot 7 of Cedar Ridge Estates also being part of the East Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 9, Township 16 North, Range 5 East, Greene County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a ½ Inch Rebar with cap being used as the Northwest Corner of Lot 7, Cedar Ridge Estates; thence North 89°47'14" East along the North line of Lot 7 a distance of 193.98 feet to a point on the Northwesterly right of way line of U.S. Highway 412 Bypass as established by AHTD Job 100708; thence South 22°22'18" West along said right of way line a distance of 303.24 feet to a point on the South line of Lot 7; thence South 89°47'34" West along said South line a distance of 80.47 feet to a point on the West line of Lot 7; thence North 00°23'25" East along said West line a distance of 280.00 feet to the point of beginning and containing 38,420 square feet more or less as shown on plans prepared by the AHTD and referenced as Job 100708. JB 8/28/15

NOW THEREFORE, the above described property is declared to be surplus; upon the receipt of the consideration of ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,175.00) for Tract 8XR, the Chairman of the Commission is authorized and directed to execute a Quitclaim Deed conveying the right, title, interest or equity of the above-described property to Justin Ethridge and Lori Ethridge, husband and wife, and hereby releasing the same from the State Highway System; a copy of this Minute Order and the Quitclaim Deed shall be recorded in Greene County, Arkansas; and, if necessary, the right of way shall be remonumented to reflect the boundaries designed

herein. Any Federal-Aid Funds from this disposal shall be credited to Federal-Aid Funds or otherwise credited as permitted by Federal law.

2016-051

WHEREAS, the Arkansas State Highway Commission (Commission) acquired property in connection with Job No. 1405-37-7 as Tract No. 718, Guernsey Road – Highway 4, Hempstead County, Arkansas, from property owner, Denver Daugherty and Emma Sue Daugherty, husband and wife, by Warranty Deed filed for record on October 11, 1966, in the Circuit Clerk’s office of Hempstead County, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired Tract No. 718 (consisting of 7.42 acres) and its access for ELEVEN THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$11,000.00), and three (3) qualified appraisers have, in accordance with the requirements of Arkansas Code Annotated §27-67-322, opined that the current fair market value of that portion of Tract No. 718 being offered for sale is ONE HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$150.00); and

WHEREAS, the Amandex Holdings LLC, an Arkansas limited liability company, d/b/a Amandex Apartments, LLC, the holder of an assignment from all heirs of the original Grantors, has asked the Commission to reacquire a portion of said Tract No. 718 that the remainder portion, known as Tract No. 718, which the District Engineer for District 3 has determined is not now, nor in the foreseeable future will be, needed for highway purposes. However, it is necessary to retain the control of access. That portion of Tract No. 718 is more particularly described as follows:

Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 12 South, Range 24 West in Hempstead County, Arkansas. Being more particularly described as follows; Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Southeast Quarter Southwest Quarter; thence North 02°49’00”East 89.80 feet to a point on the Right of Way line of Interstate 30 as shown on Arkansas Highway and Transportation plans for Job No. 140537 Sec. 7 and being the Point of Beginning; thence continue North 02°49’00”East along said Right of Way 185.51 feet to a found concrete marker; thence South 49°48’51”West 55.00 feet to a set ½” rebar with aluminum cap stamped PS#1414; thence South 12°23’15”East 153.37

feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 0.086 acres (3730.927 sq. ft.) more or less.

NOW THEREFORE, the above-described properties are declared surplus and upon receipt and consideration of the sum of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$150.00) from the Amandex Holdings LLC, an Arkansas limited liability company, d/b/a Amandex Apartments, LLC; the Chairman of the Commission is authorized and directed to execute a Quitclaim Deed conveying the right, title, interest or equity of the above-described property portion of Tract No. 718 for Job No. 140537-7, Hempstead County, Arkansas, to the Amandex Holdings LLC, an Arkansas limited liability company, d/b/a Amandex Apartments, LLC; excluding the original access rights acquired by the Commission; and hereby releasing the same from the State Highway System, that the Right of Way Division is directed and authorized to record a copy of this Minute Order and the Quitclaim Deed in the records of Hempstead County, Arkansas; and, if necessary, the right of way shall be remonumented to reflect the boundaries designated herein. Any Federal-Aid funds from this disposal shall be credited to Federal-Aid Funds or otherwise credited as permitted by Federal Law.

2016-052

WHEREAS, the Commission granted by Minute Order 2015-056 in the Minutes of June 10, 2015, Tract No. 7XR, for Job No. 060395, a *Permanent Nonexclusive Easement For Ingress And Egress* as Instrument No. 2015042683, filed and recorded on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015, in the records of Pulaski County, Arkansas, for the benefit of Travis G. Moore and Martha A. Moore; and

WHEREAS, Crown Castle, who holds an interest in the dominate estate, has requested broader language be included in the *Permanent Nonexclusive Easement For Ingress And Egress* concerning sublessees and licensees.

NOW THEREFORE, the Chairman of the Commission is authorized and directed to execute the *Correction Permanent Nonexclusive Easement For Ingress And Egress*; and this Minute Order and the Correction Permanent Nonexclusive Easement For Ingress And Egress shall be recorded in the records of Pulaski County, Arkansas, for the benefit of Travis G. Moore and Martha A. Moore.

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired a highway easement for Job No. 5197 Mountain View City Connection Road AR Hwy. 66/14, by County Court Order, dated May 18, 1936, and filed of record in County Court's office of Stone County in Book H, at Page 492; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mountain View, Arkansas, has requested that a portion of said highway be transferred to it pursuant to Arkansas Code Ann. § 27-65-109, for the purpose of drainage and construction of auxiliary facilities, adjacent to the existing highway; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's interest in that portion of the May 18, 1936, County Court Order that is the subject of the City's request is more specifically described as follows:

AREA #1

From designated Construction Centerline Approximate Station 31+46 to Station 38+07 of the originally executed Court Order for Job 5197, dated May 18, 1936 and being recorded in County Court Records of Stone County, AR, Page 492, Book H, described as:

Commencing at a "RAILROAD SPIKE IN ASPHALT", being used as the Common Corner of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, Township 14 North, Range 11 West, Stone County, Arkansas; thence South 00°09'53" East a distance of 366.71 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way line (LT. of centerline) as established by AHTD Job 5197 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89°17'39" West along said right of way line a distance of 4.34 feet to a point; thence North 88°57'20" West along said right of way line a distance of 314.00 feet to a point; thence North 01°02'40" East along said right of way line a distance of 2.00 feet to a point; thence North 88°57'20" West along said right of way line a distance of 333.13 feet to a point; thence North 89°33'56" West along said right of way line a distance of 8.18 feet to a point; thence North 02°47'06" East a distance of 0.46 feet to a point; thence North 88°14'41" East a distance of 40.23 feet to a point; thence North 89°47'14" East a distance of 101.82 feet to a point; thence North 89°13'52" East a distance of 12.77 feet to a point; thence North 88°46'34" East a distance of 44.59 feet to a point; thence North 88°34'42" East a distance of 81.41 feet to a point; thence North 86°51'14" East a distance of 10.31 feet to a point; thence South 88°53'23" East a distance of 37.14 feet to a point; thence South 88°50'22" East a distance of 146.85 feet to a point; thence South 88°44'40" East a distance of 63.85 feet to a point; thence South 88°01'41" East a distance of 26.44 feet to a point; thence South 88°35'34" East a distance of 62.52 feet to a point;

thence South 88°37'57" East a distance of 29.12 feet to a point; thence South 29°46'42" East a distance of 5.84 feet to a point; thence South 02°38'26" West a distance of 6.29 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.14 acres (6,014 sq. ft.) more or less, as shown on plans prepared by the AHTD referenced as Job 5197 Exhibit "A" transfer area "1".

AND ALSO:

AREA #2

From designated Construction Centerline Approximate Station 31+97 to Station 34+05 of the originally executed Court Order for Job 5197, dated May 18, 1936 and being recorded in County Court Records of Stone County, AR, Page 492, Book H, described as:

Commencing at a "RAILROAD SPIKE IN ASPHALT", being used as the Common Corner of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, Township 14 North, Range 11 West, Stone County, Arkansas; thence South 42°57'20" West a distance of 375.93 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way line (RT. of centerline) as established by AHTD Job 5197 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 88°57'20" East along said right of way a distance of 208.17 feet to a point; thence South 01°05'00" West a distance of 4.44 feet to a point; thence North 88°57'57" West a distance of 76.57 feet to a point; thence South 02°17'11" East a distance of 7.11 feet to a point; thence South 58°22'31" West a distance of 5.82 feet to a point; thence South 73°31'38" West a distance of 8.28 feet to a point; thence North 88°23'01" West a distance of 21.29 feet to a point; thence North 81°10'52" West a distance of 8.90 feet to a point; thence North 64°45'37" West a distance of 10.78 feet to a point; thence North 00°58'26" West a distance of 6.89 feet to a point; thence North 89°02'17" West a distance of 74.43 feet to a point; thence North 87°22'15" West a distance of 4.61 feet to a point; thence North 01°03'04" East a distance of 4.44 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.04 acres (1,527 sq. ft.) more or less, as shown on plans prepared by the AHTD referenced as Job 5197 Exhibit "A" transfer area "2".

AND ALSO:

AREA #3

From designated Construction Centerline Approximate Station 34+64 to Station 37+32 of the originally executed Court Order for Job 5197, dated May 18, 1936 and being recorded in County Court Records of Stone County, AR, Page 492, Book H, described as:

Commencing at a "RAILROAD SPIKE IN ASPHALT", being used as the Common Corner of Sections 1, 2, 11, and 12, Township 14 North, Range 11 West, Stone County, Arkansas; thence South 62°26'39" West a distance of 657.53 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way line (RT. Of centerline) as established by AHTD Job 5197 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 88°57'20" East along said right of way line a distance of 266.53 feet to a point; thence South 07°40'59" East a distance of 5.88 feet to a point; thence South 44°54'57" West a distance of 2.60 feet to a point; thence North 39°50'30" West a distance of 5.83 feet to a point; thence North 89°32'38" West a distance of 104.68 feet to a point; thence South 87°36'20" West a distance of 18.61 feet to a point; thence North 88°54'47" West a distance of 138.54 feet to a point; thence North 01°01'09" East a distance of 5.36 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.03 acres (1,271 sq. ft.) more or less, as shown on plans prepared by the AHTD referenced as Job 5197 Exhibit "A" transfer area "3".

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NOW THEREFORE, upon receipt of a proper resolution from the City of Mountain View, the Director is authorized to enter into a transfer agreement for the above described property pursuant to Minute Order 2012-008, conditioned upon the City's continued maintenance of the property interest herein transferred for said highway purposes, and provided that in the event the City of Mountain View fails to use and maintain the property described herein, or abandons same, then the transfer agreement shall, upon 30 days notice, be terminated, and all interest transferred shall revert to the Commission.

2016-054

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired in fee property for present Job No. 080283, Hwy 65B South-Hwy 336, U.S. Hwy. 65, Route 65 Section 0, Van Buren County, Arkansas, known as Tract Nos. 28 and 29 for Job No. 8669, from Nara Rogers Estate, Imo Jene Smith, Danece Bowling and Joe Bowling by *Judgment* of the Circuit Court of Van Buren County, AR, Case No. 75-58 (Tract Nos. 28, 29, 29 PCE), filed for record

on August 12, 1977, in the Circuit Clerk's Office of Van Buren County, Arkansas, for TWENTY THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$20,000.00); and acquired Tract No. 32 and 33 for Job No. 8479, from Opie and Merris Rogers by *Order* of the Circuit Court of Van Buren County, AR, Case No. 2188, filed for record on March 2, 1962, in the Circuit Clerk's Office of Van Buren County, Arkansas; for SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$750.00); and

WHEREAS, the District Engineer for District Eight has determined that Tract Nos. 28 and 29 for Job No. 8669 and Tract Nos. 32 and 33 for Job No. 8479 be declared surplus are not now, nor in the foreseeable future will be, needed for highway purposes, being more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. 28

Surplus Release of Job 8669 Court Order

Part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 14 West, Van Buren County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14; thence South  $01^{\circ}09'11''$  West along the East line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14 a distance of 680.94 feet to a point; thence South  $26^{\circ}38'35''$  West a distance of 104.53 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8479; thence along said right of way North  $61^{\circ}21'40''$  West a distance of 40.51 feet to a point being STA 462+00.00±80.00' LT per AHTD Job 8669 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along said right of way North  $76^{\circ}53'29''$  West a distance of 74.71 feet to a point being STA 466+00.00± 100.00' LT per AHTD Job 8669; thence continue along said right of way North  $53^{\circ}26'10''$  West a distance of 169.27 feet to a point being STA 467+60.01± 80.19' LT, same being on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8479; thence along said right of way southeasterly along a curve to the left, having a radius of 796.20 feet a distance of 72.94 feet, having a chord bearing of South  $58^{\circ}44'12''$  East for a distance of 72.91 feet to a point being STA 28+61.96± 80.00' LT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way South  $61^{\circ}21'40''$

East a distance of 166.80 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.05 acres or 2,198 square feet more or less as shown on right of way acquisition plats (Sheet No. 18) for AHTD Job 080283 prepared by B&F Engineering, Inc. (James W. Montgomery, PS No. 1120) and recorded at the State Land Surveyor's Office (Document No. 201402280001).

And also,

Part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 14 West, Van Buren County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14; thence South  $01^{\circ}09'11''$  West along the East line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14 a distance of 680.94 feet to a point; thence South  $26^{\circ}38'35''$  West a distance of 64.51 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8178 being STA 31+61.64± 40.00' RT; thence along said right of way North  $61^{\circ}21'40''$  West a distance of 205.92 feet to a point being STA 29+55.72± 40.00' RT per AHTD Job 8178; thence continue along said right of way northwesterly along a curve to the right, having a radius of 756.20 feet a distance of 140.60 feet, having a chord bearing of North  $56^{\circ}02'05''$  West for a distance of 140.39 feet to the point being STA 28+22.56± 40.00' RT per AHTD Job 8178, same being STA 29+94.63± 40.77' LT per AHTD Job 8479 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along right of way per AHTD Job 8479 South  $39^{\circ}17'30''$  West a distance of 40.03 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8669 to a point being STA 468+27.10± 80.80' LT same being STA 29+94.24± 80.80' LT per AHTD Job 8479; thence along said right of way per AHTD Job 8669 North  $46^{\circ}27'28''$  West a distance of 81.56 feet to a point being STA 469+00.00± 80.00' LT per AHTD Job 8669; thence North  $32^{\circ}27'27''$  West a distance of 213.98 feet to a point being STA 470+93.19± 67.73' LT per AHTD Job 8669; thence departing said Southerly right of way North  $42^{\circ}13'17''$  East a distance of 22.13 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8178 being STA 25+47.42± 40.00' RT; thence along said right of way southeasterly along a curve to the left, having a radius of 756.20 feet a distance of 290.51 feet, having a chord

bearing of South 39°42'09" East for a distance of 288.73 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.19 acres or 8,287 square feet more or less as shown on right of way acquisition plats (Sheet No. 18) for AHTD Job 080283 prepared by B&F Engineering, Inc. (James W. Montgomery, PS No. 1120) and recorded at the State Land Surveyor's Office (Document No. 201402280001).

And Also

Tract No. 29

Surplus Release of Job 8669 Court Order

Part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 14 West, Van Buren County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14; thence South 01°09'11" West along the East line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14 a distance of 640.89 feet to the Northerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8479; thence along said right of way North 61°21'40" West a distance of 18.38 feet to a point being STA 462+00.00± 60.00' RT per AHTD Job 8669 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue along said right of way per AHTD Job 8479 North 61°21'40" West a distance of 166.80 feet to a point being STA 28+61.96± 60.00' RT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way northwesterly along a curve to the right, having a radius of 656.20 feet a distance of 122.00 feet, having a chord bearing of North 56°02'05" West for a distance of 121.83 feet to a point being STA 29+95.82± 59.22' RT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way South 39°17'30" West a distance of 20.00 feet to a point being STA 29+95.55± 39.23' RT per AHTD Job 8479, same being STA 28+22.56± 40.00' LT per AHTD Job 8178; thence along said right of way per AHTD Job 8178 northwesterly along a curve to the right, having a radius of 676.20 feet a distance of 287.66 feet, having a chord bearing of North 38°31'17" West for a distance of 285.49 feet to a point being STA 25+17.89± 40.00' LT per AHTD Job 8178; thence departing said right of way North 42°13'17" East a distance of 26.85 feet to a point established by AHTD Job 080283 being STA 414+00.00± 120.00' LT; thence South 43°49'56" East a distance of 42.13 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as

established by AHTD Job 8669 being STA 471+00.00± 70.00' RT; thence continue along said right of way South 37°03'36" East a distance of 178.17 feet to a point being STA 468+99.68± 75.11' RT per AHTD Job 8669; thence continue along said right of way South 50°15'41" East a distance of 132.74 feet to a point being STA 467+50.00± 75.00' RT per AHTD Job 8669; thence continue along said right of way South 67°51'17" East a distance of 159.11 feet to a point being STA 462+57.70± 95.00' RT per AHTD Job 8669; thence continue along said right of way South 30°07'14" East a distance of 67.49 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.40 acres or 17,567 square feet more or less as shown on right of way acquisition plats (Sheet No. 18) for AHTD Job 080283 prepared by B&F Engineering, Inc. (James W. Montgomery, PS No. 1120) and recorded at the State Land Surveyor's Office (Document No. 201402280001).

And Also

Tract No. 32

Surplus Release of Job 8479 Court Order

Part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 14 West, Van Buren County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14; thence South 01°09'11" West along the East line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14 a distance of 680.94 feet to a point; thence South 26°38'35" West a distance of 64.51 feet a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8178 being STA 31+61.64± 40.00' RT for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continue South 26°38'35" West a distance of 40.02 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8479 being STA 26+54.65± 80.00' LT ; thence along said right of way North 61°21'40" West a distance of 207.31 feet to a point being STA 28+61.96± 80.00' LT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way northwesterly along a curve to the right, having a radius of 796.20 feet a distance of 72.94 feet, having a chord bearing of North 58°44'12" West for a distance of 72.91 feet to a point on the right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8669 being STA 467+60.01± 80.19' LT; thence continue along right of way per AHTD Job 8479 North 53°26'10" West a distance of 75.07 feet to

a point being STA 29+94.24± 80.80' LT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way North 39°17'30" East a distance of 40.03 feet to a point on the Southerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8178 being STA 28+22.56± 40.00' RT, same being STA 29+94.63± 40.77' LT per AHTD Job 8479; thence along said right of way per AHTD Job 8178 southeasterly along a curve to the left, having a radius of 756.20 feet a distance of 140.60 feet, having a chord bearing of South 56°02'05" East for a distance of 140.39 feet to a point being STA 29+55.72± 40.00' RT per AHTD Job 8178; thence South 61°21'40" East a distance of 205.92 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.32 acres or 13,994 square feet more or less as shown on right of way acquisition plats (Sheet No. 18) for AHTD Job 080283 prepared by B&F Engineering, Inc. (James W. Montgomery, PS No. 1120) and recorded at the State Land Surveyor's Office (Document No. 201402280001).

And Also

Tract No. 33

Surplus Release of Job 8479 Court Order

Part of the South Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 11 North, Range 14 West, Van Buren County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Northeast Corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14; thence South 01°09'11" West along the East line of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 14 a distance of 640.89 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8479 for the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence along said right of way South 61°21'40" East a distance of 17.25 feet to a point being STA 26+59.53± 60.00' RT per AHTD Job 8479; thence departing said right of way South 26°38'35" West a distance of 20.01 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way of U.S. Highway 65 as established by AHTD Job 8178 being STA 31+58.85± 40.00' LT; thence along said right of way North 61°21'40" West a distance of 203.13 feet to a point being STA 29+55.72± 40.00' LT per AHTD Job 8178; thence continue along said right of way northwesterly along a curve to the right, having a radius of 676.20 feet a distance of 125.72 feet, having a chord bearing of North 56°02'05" West for a distance of 125.54 feet to a point being STA 28+22.56± 40.00' LT per AHTD Job 8178, same being

STA 29+95.55± 39.23' RT per AHTD Job 8479; thence along said right of way per AHTD Job 8479 North 39°17'30" East a distance of 20.00 feet to a point being STA 29+95.82± 59.22' RT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way southeasterly along a curve to the left, having a radius of 656.20 feet a distance of 122.00 feet, having a chord bearing of South 56°02'05" East for a distance of 121.83 feet to a point being STA 28+61.96± 60.00' RT per AHTD Job 8479; thence continue along said right of way South 61°21'40" East a distance of 185.18 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING and containing 0.15 acres or 6,533 square feet more or less as shown on right of way acquisition plats (Sheet No. 18) for AHTD Job 080283 prepared by B&F Engineering, Inc. (James W. Montgomery, PS No. 1120) and recorded at the State Land Surveyor's Office (Document No. 201402280001).

WHEREAS, Dan Eoff, as Trustee of the Shakerag Trust, has asked to purchase as Tract Nos. 28 and 29 for Job No. 8669 and Nara Rogers Estate, Imo Jene Smith, Danece Bowling and Joe Bowling has assigned their right under Arkansas Code Annotated §27-67-322 to reacquire Tract Nos. 28 and 29 for Job No. 8669 to Shakerag Trust; and Dan Eoff, as Trustee of the Shakerag Trust, has asked to purchase as Tract Nos. 32 and 33 for Job No. 8479 and Opie Rogers, survivor of an estate by the entirety with Merrie Rogers, deceased, has assigned his right under Arkansas Code Annotated §27-67-322 to reacquire Tract Nos. 28 and 29 for Job No. 3604 to Shakerag Trust; and

WHEREAS, three (3) qualified appraisers have, in accordance with the requirements of Arkansas Code Annotated §27-67-322, opined that the current fair market value of Tract Nos. 28 and 29 of Job No. 8669 and the current fair market value of Tract Nos. 32 and 33 of Job No. 8479 being offered for sale in the amount of NINE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$9,000.00).

NOW THEREFORE, that the above-described properties are declared surplus; that ONE THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) previously received on July 29, 2015, as down payment for the above-described properties and upon receipt of the remaining consideration of EIGHT THOUSAND AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$8,000.00) the Chairman of the Commission is authorized and directed to execute a Quitclaim Deed conveying the right, title, interest or equity of the above-

described properties of Tract Nos. 28 and 29 of Job No. 8669, and of Tract Nos. 32 and 33 of Job No. 8479 to Dan Eoff, Trustee of the Shakerag Trust, and hereby releasing the same from the State Highway System; a copy of this Minute Order and the Quitclaim Deed shall be recorded in Van Buren County, Arkansas; and, if necessary, the right of way shall be remonumented to reflect the boundaries designed herein. Any Federal-Aid Funds from this disposal shall be credited to Federal-Aid Funds or otherwise credited as permitted by Federal law.

2016-055

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired in fee property, known as Tract No. 111XR, from Harold C. Lemons and Annette B. Lemons, husband and wife, for Job No. R40082, Highway 62, Section 1, by Warranty Deed dated October 14, 2004, and filed of record on October 14, 2004, as Document No. 2004-00042668, in the Circuit Clerk's office for Washington County, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, Tract No. 111XR was acquired by the Commission for FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00); and

WHEREAS, Harold C. Lemons and Annette B. Lemons have requested to reacquire said property pursuant to Arkansas Code Ann § 27-67-322, and the District Engineer for District 4 has determined that Tract No. 111XR is not now needed, nor in the foreseeable future will be needed for highway purposes, and more particularly described as:

Part of Lots 11 and 12, Block 3 to the town of Farmington, Arkansas also being part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 31 West, Washington County, Arkansas, more particularly described as follows:

Starting at a 1 inch Angle Iron being used as the Northwest 1/16 corner of Section 26; thence North 02° 12' 22" East along the East line of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 26 a distance of 1,034.39 feet to a point on the Northerly right of way line of U.S. Highway 62 as established by AHTD Job 4705-2; thence North 87° 46' 47" West along said right of way line a distance of 66.19 feet to a point; thence North 02° 20' 46" East a distance of 13.35 feet to a point on the Northerly right of

way line of U.S. Hwy. 62 as established by AHTD Job R40082 for the point of beginning; thence North 86° 43' 51" West along said right of way a distance of 84.34 feet to a point; thence North 43° 31' 17" West along said right of way a distance of 21.84 feet to a point on the Easterly right of way line of Locust Street as established by the plat of the town of Farmington, Arkansas, dated May 1945; thence North 02° 20' 46" East along said right of way a distance of 36.86 feet to a point; thence South 87° 47' 10" East a distance of 100.00 feet to a point; thence South 02° 20' 46" West a distance of 53.66 feet to the point of beginning and containing 0.11 acres or 5,157 square feet more or less as shown on plans prepared by the AHTD referenced as Job R40082.

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NOW THEREFORE, the above-described property is declared surplus and upon receipt and consideration of the sum of FIVE HUNDRED AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$500.00) from Harold C. Lemons and Annette B. Lemons; the Chairman of the Commission is authorized and directed to execute a Quitclaim Deed conveying the right, title, interest or equity of the above-described property to Harold C. Lemons and Annette B. Lemons, husband and wife; and hereby releasing the same from the State Highway System, that the Right of Way Division is directed and authorized to record a copy of this Minute Order and the Quitclaim Deed in the records of Washington County, Arkansas; and, if necessary, the right of way shall be remonumented to reflect the boundaries designated herein. Any Federal-Aid funds from this disposal shall be credited to Federal-Aid Funds or otherwise credited as permitted by Federal Law.

WHEREAS, the Commission acquired right of way for Job No. 138, more commonly known as Bald Knob – Augusta Road, State Highway No. 16, Woodruff County, Arkansas, by Woodruff County Court Order dated October 18, 1930, being recorded in County Court Records of Woodruff County, AR, later reconstructed under Job 11707, acquired right of way for present U.S. Highway 64; and

WHEREAS, the District Engineer has determined that an area outside the proposed revised right of way line is not needed now, nor in the foreseeable future, for highway purposes, and recommends reduction of the right of way to reflect the new right of way limits, which are more particularly described below:

SUPPLEMENTAL REVISED  
PART OF JOB 138  
BALD KNOB - AUGUSTA  
(STATE HWY. 16)  
WOODRUFF COUNTY  
ROUTE 64 SECTION 12  
CENTERLINE DESCRIPTION

From designated Construction Centerline Station 66+30.90 to Station 67+00.00 of the originally executed Court Order for Job 138, dated October 18, 1930, and being recorded in County Court Records of Woodruff County, AR, of said records shall hereby be revised, as follows:

The width of the right of way conveyed to the left and right of the herein above-described centerline shall be as follows:

FROM STATION	TO STATION	LIN. FT.	WIDTH LEFT	WIDTH RIGHT	TOTAL WIDTH
66+30.90	67+00.00	69.10	40'	200'	240'

NOTE: In all other respects the original Court Order shall remain as is.

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NOW THEREFORE, that the right of way is reduced only to reflect the new boundaries as set forth above; that the Right of Way Division is directed and authorized to record a copy of this Minute Order with the Recorder of Woodruff County; and that the right of way shall be remonumented to reflect the new boundaries designated herein. Federal-Aid funds, if any, from this disposal shall be credited to Federal Funds.

2016-057

WHEREAS, IN CRAIGHEAD AND LAWRENCE COUNTIES, Job 100401, Hwy. 226-Hwy. 230 (Gr. & Strs.), Job 100402, Hwy. 226-Hwy. 230 (Bs. & Surf.), Job 100403, Hwy. 230-Hwy. 63 (Gr. & Strs.) are complete and Job 100404, Hwy. 230-Hwy. 63 (Bs. & Surf.) is nearing completion.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that upon official notification by the Deputy Director and Chief Engineer, the following changes are hereby made to the State Highway System as shown on the attached sketch.

- The portion of Highway 67, Section 15 in Jackson County beginning at the junction with Highway 226, Section 1 and continuing north to the Lawrence County line is hereby redesignated as part of Highway 367, Section 21.
- The portion of Highway 67, Section 16 in Lawrence County beginning at the Jackson County line and continuing north to the junction with Highway 63, Section 3 is hereby redesignated as part of Highway 367, Section 22.
- The portion of Highway 67, Section 16B in Lawrence County beginning at the junction with Highway 63, Section 3 and continuing north to the junction with Highway 412, Section 6 is hereby redesignated as part of Highway 367, Section 22.
- The portion of Highway 67, Section 15 in Craighead County beginning at the Jackson County line and continuing north to the junction with Highway 226, Section 2 is hereby redesignated as part of Highway 67, Section 16.
- The newly constructed portion of roadway in Craighead County beginning at the junction with Highway 226, Section 2 and continuing north to the Lawrence County line is hereby added to the State Highway System as a part of Highway 67, Section 16.
- The newly constructed portion of roadway in Lawrence County beginning at the Craighead County line and continuing north to the junction with existing Highway 67, Section 17 is hereby added to the State Highway System as a part of Highway 67, Section 17.

2016-058

WHEREAS, IN MONROE COUNTY, construction of the new White River Relief and White River Bridges will bypass portions of existing Highway 79, Sections 13 and 14 in the vicinity of Clarendon; and

WHEREAS, Job 110503, Roc Roe & White River Relief Strs. & Apprs. (Clarendon) is complete; and

WHEREAS, Job 110394, White River Str. & Apprs. (Clarendon) (Ph. II) and Job 110395, White River Str. & Apprs. (Clarendon) (Ph. III) are nearing completion.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that upon official notification by the Deputy Director and Chief Engineer, the following changes are hereby made to the State Highway System as shown on the attached sketch.

- The portion of Highway 79, Section 13 bypassed by Job 110503 has been obliterated and is hereby removed from the State Highway System.
- The portions of Highway 79, Sections 13 and 14 bypassed by Jobs 110394 and 110395 are scheduled for obliteration by Job 110540, White River Strs. Demo. & Removal (Clarendon) and are hereby removed from the State Highway System.
- The portion of Highway 79, Section 14 beginning at the junction with Highway 79, Section 14B and continuing east to the junction with existing Highway 79, Section 14 is hereby redesignated as Highway 79, Section 14B.
- The portion of roadway constructed by Jobs 110394, 110395 and 110503 is hereby added to the State Highway System as Highway 79, Section 13.

2016-059

WHEREAS, IN CARROLL COUNTY, a crash analysis of Highway 21, Section 5 from Highway 412 to Highway 62 in Berryville has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the predominant type of crashes in the study segment is roadway departure crashes; and

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WHEREAS, the analysis identified safety improvements such as signage, shoulder rumble stripes, resurfacing, curve realignment, shoulder widening, and pavement markings to address roadway departure crashes and provide substantial safety benefits; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Strategic Highway Safety Plan (2013) identified roadway departure crashes as a primary emphasis area; and

WHEREAS, these improvements are eligible for Federal-aid Safety funds.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to proceed with surveys, plans and construction of this safety improvement project as funds become available.

2016-060

WHEREAS, IN LONOKE, PULASKI, AND FAULKNER COUNTIES, local officials have requested a study to determine the need for and feasibility of a continuous Highway 89 corridor from Cabot through Mayflower to West Conway; and

WHEREAS, Metroplan has agreed to partner with the Department to conduct this study.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to enter into any agreements necessary with Metroplan to conduct a study to determine the need for and feasibility of a continuous Highway 89 corridor.

2016-061

WHEREAS, a review of 55 intersections throughout Arkansas that were identified by the Districts and the public for potential safety improvements has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Strategic Highway Safety Plan (2013) identified intersections as a primary emphasis area; and

WHEREAS, roundabouts are a proven safety countermeasure to reduce the severity of intersection crashes by addressing angle collisions; and

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WHEREAS, the analysis identified three intersections with a high number of fatal and serious injury angle crashes where a roundabout would be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, these improvements are eligible for Highway Safety Improvement Program funds.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to proceed with surveys, plans and construction of a safety improvement project(s) at the locations shown on the attached maps as funds become available.

2016-062

WHEREAS, traffic congestion within the Central Arkansas region continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, the Department recognizes the need to utilize various techniques to address congestion in a growing region; and

WHEREAS, Metroplan has proposed a partnering arrangement with the Department to fund 50 percent of an Area-wide High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lane Study for the Central Arkansas Region, to include all or a portion of Pulaski, Faulkner, Saline, and Lonoke Counties; and

WHEREAS, the Department and Metroplan agree that such a study should commence upon completion of the Interstate 30 Corridor Study currently underway.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to enter into any necessary agreements with Metroplan to conduct an Area-wide HOT Lane Study.

FURTHERMORE, the Director is authorized to take any necessary actions to engage the services of a consulting firm to conduct the Area-wide HOT Lane Study.

2016-063

WHEREAS, IN HEMPSTEAD COUNTY, the Quorum Court of Hempstead County, by Resolution No. 2016-05, has acknowledged Highway 332, Section 6, at Log Mile 3.5, in the vicinity of the Antioch Baptist Church as the “Elsie Van-Hook Highway”; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission has adopted guidelines for the installation of commemorative signs by Minute Order 2014-023, and the actions taken by the Hempstead County Quorum Court meet these guidelines.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to allow the installation of one sign in each direction in the vicinity of the Antioch Baptist Church on Highway 332 in accordance with Commission Policy.

2016-064

WHEREAS, Scott County, by Resolution 2016-1, has acknowledged the sacrifice of Sheriff Cody Carpenter and Wildlife Officer Joel Campora; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Highway Commission has adopted guidelines for the installation of commemorative signs by Minute Order 2014-023 and the County’s request meets these guidelines.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to permit the installation of signs in each direction on Highway 71, as requested by the County, in accordance with Commission Policy.

2016-065

WHEREAS, the City of Springdale, by Resolution 23-16, has acknowledged the sacrifice of Springdale Police Officer John Tillman Hussey; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas Highway Commission has adopted guidelines for the installation of commemorative signs by Minute Order 2014-023 and the City’s request meets these guidelines.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to permit the installation of signs in each direction on the Springdale Northern Bypass, as requested by the City, in accordance with Commission Policy.

2016-066

WHEREAS, the Highway Commission has been authorized by Arkansas Code Ann. § 27-67-206(a)(2)(A) to establish written procedures and regulations for the procurement of qualification-based design-build services, design-build finance services, and for the administration of both design-build project contracts and design-build finance contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Department has developed draft rules describing these procedures and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Department and Highway Commission desire public comment on the proposed Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department Rules for Design-Build Contracts and to proceed with the required promulgation procedures pursuant to the Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act.

NOW THEREFORE, the Director is authorized to submit the attached draft of Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department Rules for Design-Build Contracts for public comment and to proceed with the required Arkansas Administrative Procedures Act promulgation procedures.

2016-067

WHEREAS, the Arkansas State Highway Commission will receive bids on the following projects at the June 22, 2016 letting; and

JOB NO.	DISTRICT	COUNTY	JOB NAME	ROUTE	APHN
110540	01	MONROE	WHITE RIVER STRS. DEMO. & REMOVAL (CLARENDON) (S)	79	Y
020580	02	DESHA	DITCH NO. 43-WEST (S)	4	Y
020592	02	ASHLEY & DREW	DREW CO. LINE-NORTH & SOUTH (MILL & INLAY) (S)	165	Y
050263	05	WHITE	BEEBE-WEST (F)	64	Y
050264	05	WHITE	HWY. 367-WOODRUFF CO. LINE (REHAB.) (S)	64	Y
061390	06	PULASKI	CROOKED CREEK CHANNEL IMPVTS. (I-30) (S)	30	Y
070283	07	CALHOUN	BANGS SLOUGH-HWY. 172 (S)	167	Y
FS8048	08	FAULKNER	VILONIA WEST CITY LIMITS-EAST (S)	64B	Y
080445	08	VAN BUREN	CADRON CREEK STR. & APPRS. (S)	124	N
080496	08	FAULKNER	SIEBENMORGEN RD.-MILL ST. NOISE BARRIER WALL (I-40) (CONWAY) (S)	40	Y

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JOB NO.	DISTRICT	COUNTY	JOB NAME	ROUTE	APHN
CA0901	09	BENTON	HWY. 264-NEW HOPE RD. (WIDENING) (S)	49	Y
CA0902	09	BENTON	HWY. 62/102-HWY. 72 WIDENING & INTCHNG. IMPVTS. (S)	49	Y
C20002	07	DALLAS	CARTHAGE OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)		
C23005	08	FAULKNER	TWIN GROVES SOLOMON GROVE RD. OVERLAY (SEL. SEC.) (S)	---	-
C41003	03	LITTLE RIVER	FOREMAN, OGDEN & WILTON OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
C60005	06	PULASKI	WRIGHTSVILLE OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
C62004	06	SALINE	HASKELL OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
C72005	04	WASHINGTON	PRAIRIE GROVE & TONTITOWN OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
C76034	04	CRAWFORD & WASHINGTON	MOUNTAINBURG & WINSLOW OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA0137	02	ARKANSAS	ARKANSAS CO. BASE & SURFACING (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
FA0315	09	BAXTER	HWY. 341 SOUTHEAST (SURFACING) (S)	---	
SA0357	09	BAXTER	BAXTER COUNTY RESEAL NO. 12 (S)	---	-
SA0441	09	BENTON	ELM SPRINGS CITY LIMITS-HWY. 264 (BASE & SURFACING) (S)	---	-
SA0647	07	BRADLEY	CO. RD. 7 LEVEL & RESEAL (SEL. SEC.) (S)	---	-
SA0852	09	CARROLL	HWY. 187-STARKEY USE AREA (LEVELING & RESEAL) (S)	---	-
SA1251	05	CLEBURNE	HWY. 110-HWY. 110 (HIRAM RD.) (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA1770	04	CRAWFORD	HWY. 162-HWY. 64 (SUNNYSIDE RD.) (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA2370	08	FAULKNER	HWY. 64-CONWAY C.L. (LOWER RIDGE RD.) (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA2543	05	FULTON	CO. RD. 80-WEST (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA2668	06	GARLAND	GARLAND CO. OVERLAY NO. 13 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA3271	05	INDEPENDENCE	CO. RD. 79-NORTH (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA3456	05	JACKSON	HWY. 14-HWY. 384 (RESEAL) (S)	---	-

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JOB NO.	DISTRICT	COUNTY	JOB NAME	ROUTE	APHN
SA3457	05	JACKSON	JACKSON CO. OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA3543	02	JEFFERSON	REDFIELD CITY LIMITS-TAR CAMP PARK (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA3648	08	JOHNSON	HWY. 103-FRANKLIN CO. LINE (SURFACING & RESEAL) (S)	---	-
SA3732	03	LAFAYETTE	CO. RD. 5 LEVELING & RESEAL (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA4042	02	LINCOLN	LINCOLN COUNTY SURFACING NO. 6 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA4136	03	LITTLE RIVER	LITTLE RIVER CO. SURFACING AND RESEAL (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA4342	06	LONOKE	HWY. 165-HWY. 31 OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA4646	03	MILLER	MILLER CO. LEVEL & RESEAL NO. 2 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA4744	10	MISSISSIPPI	HWY. 61-SOUTH (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA4834	01	MONROE	HWY. 79-NORTHWEST SURFACING (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA5025	03	NEVADA	HWY. 332-PRESCOTT CITY LIMITS (SURFACING) (S)	---	-
SA5252	07	OUACHITA	CO. RD. 55-NORTH (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA5253	07	OUACHITA	OUACHITA CO. RESEAL NO. 11 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA5445	01	PHILLIPS	HWY. 1-EAST (BASE & SURFACING) (S)	---	-
SA5736	04	POLK	POLK CO. LEVEL & RESEAL NO. 4 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA5947	06	PRAIRIE	PRAIRIE COUNTY RESEAL NO. 5 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA6253	06	SALINE	HWY. 367-SOUTHWEST (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-
SA6342	04	SCOTT	HWY. 28-CO. RD. 18 (RECONSTRUCTION) (S)	---	-
SA7295	04	WASHINGTON	WASHINGTON COUNTY OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA7391	05	WHITE	HWY. 157-CO. RD. 527 (BASE & SURFACING) (S)	---	-
SA7443	01	WOODRUFF	WOODRUFF CO. RESEAL NO. 10 (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA7444	01	WOODRUFF	WOODRUFF CO. OVERLAY (SEL. SECS.) (S)	---	-
SA7534	08	YELL	HWY. 27-NORTH (OVERLAY) (S)	---	-

WHEREAS, a thorough bid review and analysis is undertaken by the Department to ensure that only those projects are awarded which are judged to be in the best interests of the State; and

WHEREAS, the right is retained to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities, or to advertise for new proposals, also as judged to be in the best public interests of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to expedite work on these important projects; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Arkansas Constitution, Amendment 42, Section 6, as well as other laws of this State, the Commission has the authority to delegate certain powers to the Director of Highways and Transportation.

NOW THEREFORE, upon the Contractors furnishing the necessary performance and payment bonds and submitting all additional information required for the above mentioned projects, the Director is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and supplemental agreements for any projects deemed to be in the best interests of the State.

FURTHERMORE, the Director is authorized to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities, and/or to advertise for new proposals whenever deemed to be in the best interests of the State.

Chairman Trammel opened the meeting recognizing Robert Moery with the Governor's Office. Mr. Moery thanked the Commission, Director Bennett and the Department, on behalf of the Governor, for the support and leadership these last few weeks with the passage of both Arkansas Works and the Arkansas Highway Improvement Plan.

MOTION

Commission Chairman Dick Trammel brought up the previous Commission Minutes of April 20, 2016. Commissioner Alec Farmer moved, Commissioner Frank D. Scott, Jr. seconded and the motion passed to approve these previous Minutes.

MOTION Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr. moved, Commissioner Alec Farmer seconded and the motion passed to approve the 2016-2017 AHTD Operating Budget, including funds for cost of living adjustments and performance (merit) bonuses, as presented by Department Staff.

MOTION In February of 2012, the Commission passed a motion to authorize the Director to amend the Supplemental Specifications regarding bidding restrictions for Contractors in liquidated damages. The Director recommended going back to the previous specifications before this motion which would prevent a contractor in liquidated damages from submitting a bid, but it wouldn't extend to related parties. Commissioner Frank D. Scott, Jr. moved, Commissioner Robert S. Moore, Jr. seconded, Vice Chairman Tom Schueck opposed, and Chairman Trammel abstained. The motion passed 3 to 1.

MOTION Commissioner Alec Farmer moved, Vice Chairman Tom Schueck seconded and the motion passed to enter into Executive Session at 12:35 p.m. to discuss the Director's performance evaluation.

MOTION Commissioner Alec Farmer moved, Commissioner Frank D. Scott, Jr. seconded and the motion passed to reconvene at 1:00 p.m. Chairman Trammel stated that Director Bennett's review was satisfactory and everything was good.

#### OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Chairman Trammel introduced Robert Phelps, Executive Director of the Keep Arkansas Beautiful Commission. Mr. Phelps made a presentation on the "2016 Great Arkansas Cleanup" and on the litter control activities of Keep Arkansas Beautiful. He requested that the Highway Commission consider a contribution to the "2016 Great Arkansas Cleanup" as has been provided in past years. A Minute Order was submitted and approved authorizing a contribution of \$25,000.

Mike Boyd, Chief Fiscal Officer, provided the April 2016 update on state highway revenue. Mr. Boyd noted that state highway revenues to the Department from traditional sources are up a total of \$11.9 million in the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2016 compared to the same period for SFY 2015. With the revenue from the Natural Gas Severance Tax coming in significantly lower for this year compared to last year, total revenues available are \$9.9 million lower for this year. Actual state revenue received is \$3.5 million lower compared to projected (budgeted) revenue for this year.

In closing, Mr. Boyd stated that April revenue from the 0.5% General Sales Tax for the Connecting Arkansas Program was 1.96% lower, (\$283,292) than projected by the Department of Finance and Administration (DF&A). Current Fiscal Year to date revenues are above the forecast by 1.3% (\$1.8 million). This revenue source is cumulatively 0.01%, or \$45,174, over DF&A's projections to date.

Director Bennett provided the latest information on the Federal highway and transit funding issues. Director Bennett noted that the passage of the FAST Act has ensured federal funding for the next five years. Now the issue becomes sufficient state revenue to provide the matching funds required for Federal-aid funds. The Governor called for a special session of the legislature that began on May 19 in order to pass a funding package designed to meet the Department's most immediate needs. Director Bennett gave an update on the results of this special session.

Director Bennett gave an update on the status of the 2011 Interstate Rehabilitation Program (IRP) and Connecting Arkansas Program (CAP). The 2011 Interstate Rehabilitation Program was approved by Arkansas voters in November 2011. Under this program, the Commission has the authority to issue up to \$575 million in GARVEE bonds for Interstate rehabilitation. Three series of bonds have been issued. The first was sold in September 2012 at a par value of \$197 million (true interest cost of 1.6%) with a premium of \$33 million (total of \$230 million available for construction). The second was sold in October 2013 at a par value of \$172 million (true interest cost of 2.2%) with a premium of \$29 million (total of \$201 million available for construction). The third was sold in November 2014 at a par value of \$206 million (true interest cost of 2.1%) with a premium of \$37 million (total of \$243 million available for construction).

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The Connecting Arkansas Program was approved by Arkansas voters in November 2012. Under this program, the Commission has the authority to issue up to \$1.3 billion in revenue bonds for four-lane highway construction. The first series of bonds was sold in September 2013 at a par value of \$469 million (true interest cost of 3.1%) with a premium of \$25 million (total of \$494 million available for construction). No other bond sales under this program are expected.

Director Bennett presented a summary of the apparent low bids and bidders from the May 11, 2016, Bid Letting.

Director Bennett provided a list of upcoming meetings and events, including the I-69 Coalition Meeting on June 9, 2016, in Tillar, AR, and the ROADeO Finals to be held on June 16, 2016, here in Little Rock.

Director Bennett recognized Highway Police and their “Cops on Bulls” event for fulfilling the dream of eighteen-year-old Make-A-Wish kid, Kaden, to visit Rome, London and Paris.

Director Bennett ended the meeting by recognizing Jimmie Sneed for her service with the Department. Jimmie will be retiring at the end of June and has done a great job and will be missed. Christie Heidelberg will begin working for Lorie and Scott after her retirement.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true record of the proceedings taken by the Arkansas Highway Commission at its meeting on June 1, 2016.

  
Lindy H. Williams  
Commission Secretary