



# ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

## DISTRICT FOUR

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# INFORMATION RELEASE

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## I-540 Ramp Construction for the Fayetteville Area

**FORT SMITH (26-Mar)** The Contractor has informed the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department District Four Headquarters at Fort Smith that work will begin March 29 at the I-540/Highway 16 (Exit 64) interchange in Fayetteville. The work will include radii improvements at the southbound and northbound on and off ramps and to Shiloh Drive and Futrall Drive. This work will require narrowing of existing lanes during construction.

This work is part of a project to implement short-term improvements to several interchanges along I-540 in Washington and Benton Counties. Interchanges on I-540 at Highways 16/112S (Exit 64), Highway 112 (Exit 66), Highway 264 (Exit 78), and Highway 72 (Exit 88) are scheduled for improvements. The work is scheduled to be completed by October 1, 2010.

In August 2009, the Arkansas Highway Commission awarded a \$2.3 million contract for this project to APAC-Arkansas, Inc., McClinton-Anchor Division of Fayetteville.

Funding for this project is provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The Act provided Arkansas with \$351 million in federal stimulus funds for roadway and bridge improvements throughout the state. Information about the ARRA can be found at [www.recovery.gov](http://www.recovery.gov). Additional information about the impact of the ARRA on Arkansas can be obtained at [www.recovery.arkansas.gov](http://www.recovery.arkansas.gov). Specific information about this and other road and bridge construction projects that are part of the ARRA in Arkansas is available at [www.ArkansasHighways.com](http://www.ArkansasHighways.com).

Motorists are urged to use care and think ahead when traveling through the work zone. They should remember to **Obey the Posted Speed Limits and Other Regulatory Signage**; to **Leave Room** between them and other vehicles; to **Be Aware of Road Conditions** in front of them; and to **Anticipate the Unexpected Need to Stop or Reduce Speed Substantially**.

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