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High Water Recedes on State Highway 41 in Little River County

Highway reopens following cleaning, inspection

LITTLE ROCK (6-6) – High water on State Highway 41 north of the Red River in Little River County that prompted the closure of a section of the route north of the Texas state line has receded, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The highway was reopened at 10:00 a.m. today following a thorough inspection by AHTD engineers and cleaning by maintenance crews. The closure included 5.1 miles of State Highway 41 between the Texas state line (south end) and Mud Line Road (north end).

Also in Little River County, a section of U.S. Highway 71 north of the Red River is still under approximately four feet of water and will remain closed well into next week.

The attached detour map illustrates alternate routes on State Highways motorists may take to travel around the closed section of U.S. Highway 71. State Highway 41 is now available as an alternate route.

This section of U.S. Highway 71 will remain closed until water recedes from the highway and a damage assessment can be made by AHTD engineers.

Additional State Highway closures can be found at <u>www.idrivearkansas.com/alternate-</u><u>routes</u> or <u>www.arkansashighways.com</u>. Follow us on Twitter @AHTD for alerts about travel conditions throughout Arkansas.



