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## **NEWS EVENT NOTIFICATION**

**WHAT:** The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD)

will officially dedicate two new highway projects in Walnut Ridge and

Jonesboro.

The first will be for the opening of the section of Highway 67 from Highway 226 north to the Walnut Ridge/Hoxie Highway 63 Bypass.

The second event will officially dedicate completion of the Highway 226

Connector between Highway 67 and Highway 49 near Jonesboro.

WHO: U.S. Congressman Rick Crawford, Arkansas Highway Commissioners and

AHTD staff will attend both dedication events, along with local elected

officials and business leaders.

WHEN: Thursday, August 11 10:00 am Highway 67

1:00 pm Highway 226

**WHERE:** The Highway 67 dedication will be on the new location just south of

Walnut Ridge. To access the site enter on the new Highway 67

southbound lanes at the Walnut Ridge/Hoxie Highway 63 Bypass. The

new highway will open after the dedication.

The Highway 226 dedication will be over the new railroad overpass on the

eastern end of the project near Highway 49 at Gibson Switch. The

highway will be closed between "old" Highway 226 and Highway 49 for

the dedication. Access to the site will be available at either end.

**WHY:** To celebrate the completion of these two new highway sections.

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