

# Arkadelphia Bypass Hwy. 67 – Hwy. 51 Connection Improvement Study

Job 070442



## What is the Arkadelphia Bypass Project?

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) is continuing to build on past planning studies and evaluating alternatives to improve traffic flow through Arkadelphia, particularly through the Central Business District (CBD). A primary concern is the truck traffic carrying raw lumber materials that must negotiate several difficult turns and pass through the CBD.

## What are the Alternatives Being Considered?

### ***Bypass Alignments***

Seven alignments provide a proposed bypass south of Arkadelphia.

- Alignments A-C connect Hwy. 51 (near I-30) to Hwy. 67 near the airport.
- Alignments D-G connect Hwy. 67 to Hwy. 51 near the Ouachita River. Routes use either the recently completed river bridge or construct one farther south.

### ***Interchange Alternatives***

Four interchange alternatives connect the bypass at Hwy. 51 near I-30.

## Why are we Meeting today?

The format for the meeting is an Open House, which means there is no formal presentation. You are encouraged to view the preliminary alternatives, ask questions, and provide comments to our staff. Your comments are very important and could help shape the location and nature of future improvements. Comments may be submitted through Wednesday, February 20, 2019.

## What Comes Next?

Comments received today and over the next two weeks will be considered. Based on the comments, along with environmental and design considerations, revisions will be made and a preferred alternative selected. Another meeting will be held to request feedback on the preferred alternative. There is not a funding source for construction at this time.

**Meeting information is available at:** [http://ardot.gov/public\\_meetings/2019\\_PM/070442/070442.aspx](http://ardot.gov/public_meetings/2019_PM/070442/070442.aspx)