## Highway 64 & Highway 65 Connection Improvements Study



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## Background

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (Department) is conducting a study to determine the need for and feasibility of an improved connection between Highway 64 and Highway 65 in northeast Conway.

Highway 65, in Faulkner County, is classified as a principal arterial and is a part of the National Highway System. Regionally, it provides the most direct connection between the central Arkansas metropolitan area to much of northern Arkansas and southern Missouri. Locally, it serves as the primary commute route between Conway and communities to the north. Highway 64 serves traffic from I-40 directly to the east. Due to a lack of connectivity between the two routes, most motorists traveling along Highway 65 from the north must travel through the I-40 interchange to ultimately travel south to the metropolitan area, likely resulting in indirection, longer travel times, and delay.

## **Study Timeline**

This improvements study is estimated to be complete in early 2020. There is no funding identified for construction.

## **Public Meeting Purpose**

The project team developed three alternatives to connect Highway 64 to Highway 65. We would like your input on which alternative would provide the best connectivity for the area.

We appreciate your involvement in this study and any comments or questions you provide on the materials and information presented at that this public meeting. Comments may be submitted through Friday, November 22, 2019.

Multimodal Capabilities		Difficult	Moderate		Moderate		Moderate	
Environmental and Community Impacts		None	High		Minimal		Minimal	
Connectivity	Resiliency and Safety	No Change	Provides options when delays occur on other routes		Provides options when delays occur on other routes		Provides options when delays occur on other routes	
	Travel Benefits	No Benefits	Some benefit for local travel to/from eastern Conway		Most benefit for local travel to/from eastern Conway		Most benefit for local travel to/from eastern Conway	
Construction Cost		0	<del>v</del>	\$\$	\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$
	Final Alternatives		2-Lane	4-Lane	2-Lane	4-Lane	2-Lane	4-Lane
Altei		No-Action	Alternative 1 German Lane West Connector		Alternative 2 German Lane East Connector		Alternative 3 Skunk Hollow Road Connector	