January 15, 2020

RE: Historic Bridge M2728
Job Number 050344
Hwy. 64 Strs. & Apprs.
Fulton County
Historic Bridge Marketing Request

To whom it may concern,

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT) is replacing Bridge Number M2728 (English Creek Bridge) on Highway 289 in Fulton County. This bridge was listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) in 2009. A location map and further information about the bridge is enclosed.

The Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, 23 USC § 144 (g)(5) states: “Any State which proposes to demolish a historic bridge for a replacement project … shall first make the bridge available for donation to a State, locality, or responsible private entity…” As part of the mitigation process, the ArDOT is offering to donate Bridge Number M2728 to any government or entity that demonstrates a willingness to accept title for, maintain the structure in its current location or relocate it for use at another site, preserve the historic features of, and assume the financial responsibility for the continued maintenance on the structure.

Normally the ArDOT, through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), can reimburse costs associated with preservation up to the demolition estimate expense. However, the reimbursement funds allocated to this bridge will be exhausted during the careful dismantling and relocation process.

The construction of the replacement bridge was underway when the original sponsor opted out of accepting the bridge. As a result, the bridge may be available for reuse later this year.
If you are interested in acquiring this bridge, please respond with a letter of interest within 45 days from the date above. For further information, contact Nikki Senn at (501) 569-2979.

Sincerely,

John Fleming
Division Head
Environmental Division

Enclosures

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c: Assistant Chief Engineer - Planning
   Bridge Division
   District 5 Engineer
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   SHPO
ARDOT Bridge Number M2728, on Highway 289, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 2009. The bridge was constructed over English Creek (a.k.a. Warn Creek) by the Virginia Bridge and Iron Company in 1929. The truss span is 122 feet in length and 20 feet wide.

This is one of eight bridges displaying the Pratt through truss design still in use on the highway system in Arkansas.
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