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RE: Historic Bridge Number 13091
Job Number BR7615
Mulberry River Str. & Apprs. (S)
Crawford and Franklin Counties
Historic Bridge Marketing Request

To Whom It May Concern:

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) is planning to replace Bridge Number 13091 (Wire Ford Bridge or Silver Bridge) on Wire Road/County Road 67 at the border of Crawford and Franklin Counties. This bridge was listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) in 2007. 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 13091 to any government or entity that demonstrates a willingness to accept title for, 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 dismantling and relocation process.

If you are interested in acquiring this bridge, please respond with a letter of interest within 45 days from the date of this letter. For further information, contact Nikki Senn at (501) 569-2979.

Sincerely,

John Fleming
Division Head
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Enclosures

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