May 10, 2018

RE: Historic Bridge M3187  
Job Number 100869  
Lawerence Co. Line- Bono Strs. & Apprs. (Hwy. 230)  
Route 230, Section 7  
Craighead County  
Historic Bridge Marketing Request

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT) is planning to replace Bridge Number M3187 (East Cache River Bridge - Bono) on Highway 230 in Craighead County. This bridge was determined eligible to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) in the response letter from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program dated October 16, 2017 regarding ArDOT Job Number 100869. 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 offered the bridge for relocation earlier this year. The job design has since been altered to a new alignment and the ArDOT is also offering to donate Bridge Number M3187 to any government or entity that demonstrates a willingness to accept title for the bridge to be preserved in place, preserve the bridge’s historic features, and assume the financial responsibility for the continued maintenance on the structure.

The ArDOT, through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), can reimburse costs associated with preservation up to the demolition estimate expense for bridges preserved in place. The demolition estimated reimbursement will be determined by the FHWA, not exceed 100 % of the costs of demolition of the bridge, which will be based on the estimate of the ArDOT. The 2018 demolition estimate for this bridge is $61,200. The costs associated with
preservation could include rehabilitation of the bridge or minor modifications for recreational use.

If you are interested in acquiring this bridge, please respond with a letter of interest within 14 days from the date of this letter. For further information, contact Nikki Senn at (501) 569-2979.

Sincerely,

John Fleming
Division Head
Environmental Division

Enclosures

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