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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

June 21, 2019

TO:

Master Files

FROM:

John Fleming, Division Head, Environmental Division

SUBJECT:

2019 Pavement Preservation Program Projects

Multiple Job and FAP Numbers

Various Counties

Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion

After appropriate environmental review, it has been determined that the subject jobs are a Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion as described by the ARDOT/FHWA Memorandum of Agreement on Categorical Exclusion Documentation and Processing. Public hearings will not be offered for these projects.

The purpose of these projects is to preserve and rehabilitate the highways. A table listing the projects, their locations, and type of work involved is attached, along with cultural resources clearances and SHPO clearances. No endangered species will be affected by the proposed projects. No Section 404 permits will be required.

The projects will not involve relocations, prime farmlands, wetlands, underground storage tanks, hazardous materials, any environmental justice issues. This projects have been determined to generate minimal air quality impacts for Clean Air Act criteria pollutants and have not been linked with any special mobile source air toxic concerns.

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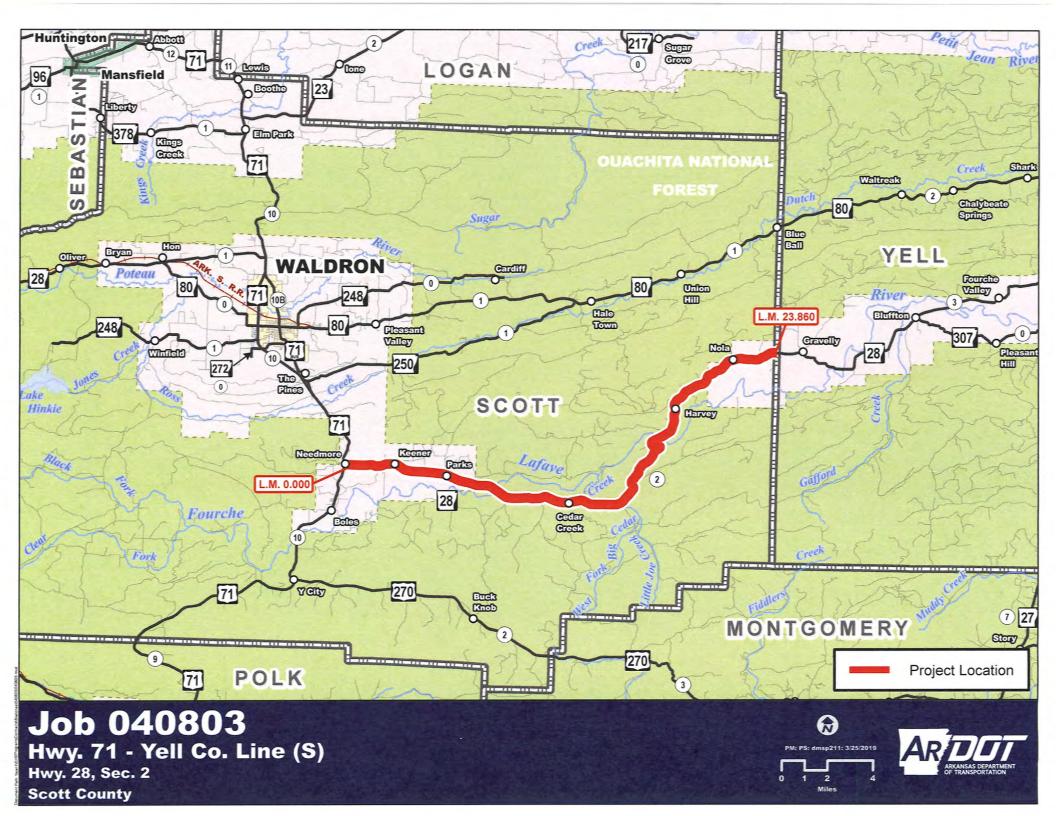
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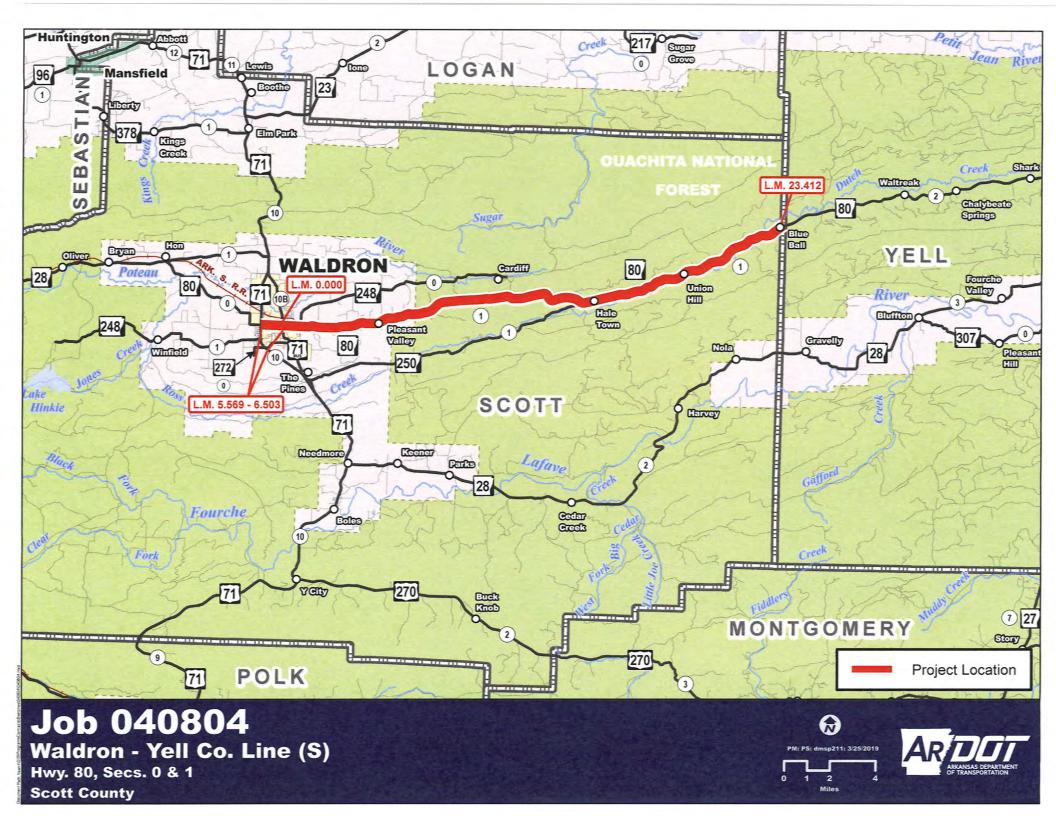
List of Projects
Project Location Maps
Cultural Resources & SHPO Clearances
Environmental Study Checklist

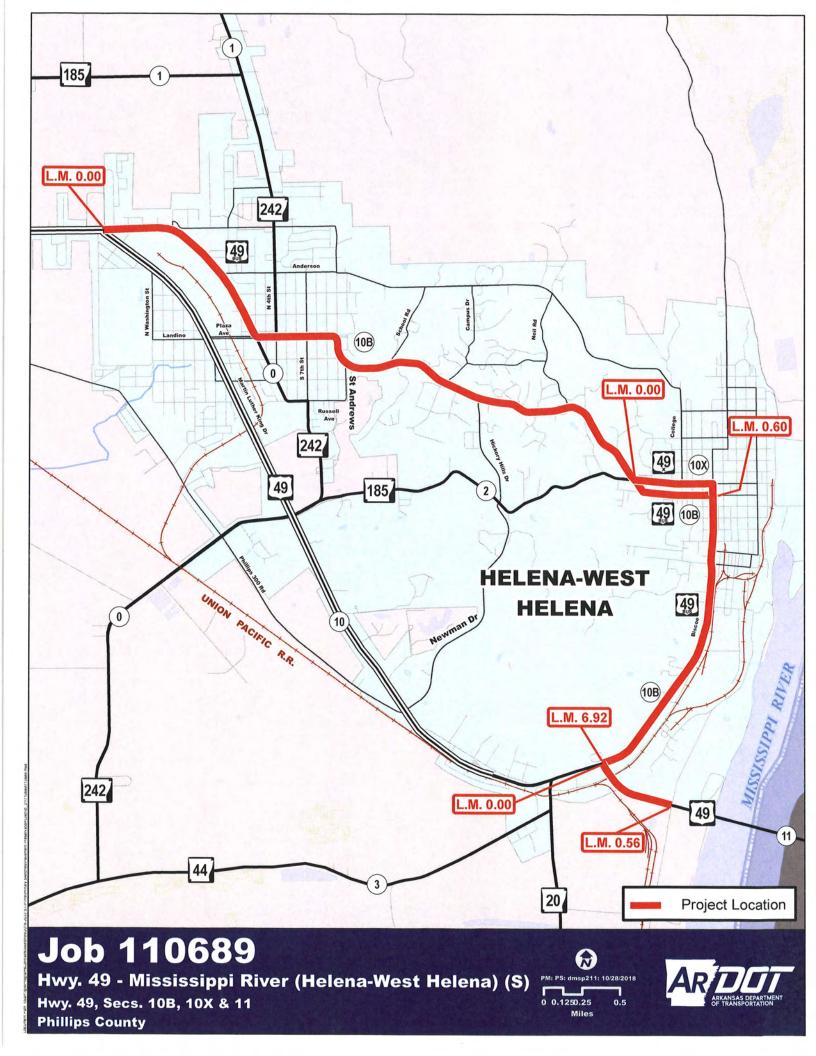
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2019 Pavement Preservation Projects

Job No.	Route	Section	FAP No.	Job Name	County	Type of Work
040803	Hwy. 28	2	9992	Hwy. 71 – Yell Co. Line (S)	Scott	Treatment Patching, Level (1"), and Overlay
040804	Hwy. 80	0 & 1	9992	Waldron – Yell Co. Line (S)	Scott	Treatment Patching, Level (1"), and Overlay
110689	Hwy.49 & 49B	10B, 10X & 11	NHPP-9200(8)	Hwy. 49 – Mississippi River (S)	Phillips	Mill and Inlay (Secs. 10B & 10X), Overlay (Sec. 11), Joint Tape, and Polymer Overlay









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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

June 3, 2019

TO:

Job File

FROM:

M. Hughes, Cultural Resources Section /

SUBJECT: Cultural Resources Clearance

Job Number 040803

Hwy. 71 – Yell Co. Line (S)

Route 28, Section 2

Scott County

The project proposes to patch and overlay 23.86 miles of Highway 28 in Scott County.

A cursory records review was conducted on April 2, 2019 for this project and included a search of the Arkansas Archeological Survey (AAS) site files for previously recorded archeological sites and a review of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) database for sites, structures or features listed on or deemed eligible for inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The relevant General Land Office (GLO) plats, 1936 Scott County highway map, and eight separate 7.5' topographic maps were reviewed for cemeteries, potentially historic structures and landforms conducive to hold archeological sites.

About 20 previously recorded sites - including historic cemeteries - were noted along the proposed project alignment in the AAS site files. None fall within or adjacent to the current right-of-way (ROW). No NRHP properties are noted within the project area according to the AHPP database.

Several notations of agricultural fields and roads were noted on the relevant GLO plats in and around the project limits; numerous structures and a couple of cemeteries were noted on the 1936 Scott County highway map.

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Since long portions of the project are located within Ouachita National Forest lands, there is the possibility for the presence of rock and mortar culverts and/or bridges built by the C.C.C. drainages.

The project will require no new ROW. Since all work will consist of resurfacing existing paved surfaces, there is no potential for any of these sites and potential properties to be impacted in any way. This project is subject to the 1999 MOA and falls under the exempted Work Category "Resurfacing". This project is not considered an undertaking and requires no further work. Additionally, current ARDOT *Staff Minutes* dated 4/8/2019 and 4/22/2019 indicate that the project will be paid for "with 100% State funds from Act 416". As such, the project requires no Section 106 review.



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TO:

Job File

FROM:

M. Hughes, Cultural Resources Section N

SUBJECT: Cultural Resources Clearance

Job Number 040804

Waldron – Yell Co. Line (S) Route 80, Sections 0 & 1

Scott County

The project proposes to patch and overlay 24.34 miles of Highway 80 in Scott County.

A cursory records review was conducted on April 2, 2019 for this project and included a search of the Arkansas Archeological Survey (AAS) site files for previously recorded archeological sites and a review of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) database for sites, structures or features listed on or deemed eligible for inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The relevant General Land Office (GLO) plats, 1936 Scott County highway map, and eight separate 7.5' topographic maps were reviewed for cemeteries, potentially historic structures and landforms conducive to hold archeological sites.

About 20 previously recorded sites - including historic cemeteries - were noted along the proposed project alignment in the AAS site files. None fall within or adjacent to the current right-of-way (ROW). One property was identified adjacently north of Highway 80 in Waldron - SC0009 on the AHPP database. The only information given is "Spidersaurus" as the "Historic Name" entry. webpage notes that "Spidersaurus" is actually a sculpture located some 1.58 kilometers distant.

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Several notations of agricultural fields and roads were noted on the relevant GLO plats in and around the project limits; numerous structures and a couple of cemeteries were noted on the 1936 Scott County highway map.

Since long portions of the project are located within Ouachita National Forest lands, there is the possibility for the presence of rock and mortar culverts and/or bridges built by the C.C.C. drainages.

The project will require no new ROW. Since all work will consist of resurfacing existing paved surfaces, there is no potential for any of these sites and potential properties to be impacted in any way. This project is subject to the 1999 MOA and falls under the exempted Work Category "Resurfacing". This project is not considered an undertaking and requires no further work. Additionally, current ARDOT *Staff Minutes* dated 4/8/2019 and 4/22/2019 indicate that the project will be paid for "with 100% State funds from Act 416". As such, the project requires no Section 106 review.



Asa Hutchinson Governor

> Stacy Hurst Director

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Arkansas Historic Preservation Program

Arkansas Natural Heritage Commission

Arkansas State Archives

Delta Cultural Center

Historic Arkansas Museum

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Environmental Division
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Little Rock, AR 72203-2261

RE: Phillips County — General

Section 106 Review - FHW A

Response Letter: Hwy. 49 - Mississippi River (Helena-West

Helena ((S) Routes 49 and 49B ARDOT Job Number: 110689 AHPP Tracking Number: 104069

Dear Mr. Fleming:

The staff of the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) reviewed the Project Identification Form for the above-referenced job. The undertaking entails diamond grinding and shoulder sealing within the existing right-of-way for 8.08 miles of Highways 49 and 49B in Phillips County.

Based on the information in the Project Identification Form, the AHPP concurs with the finding of **no historic properties affected pursuant to 36 CFR § 800.4(d)(1)** for the proposed undertaking. Please note that the Automated Management of Archeological Site Data in Arkansas database shows Sites 3PH0011 and 3PH0346 as unevaluated for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Tribes that have expressed an interest in the area include the Cherokee Nation (Ms. Elizabeth Toombs), the Chickasaw Nation (Ms. Karen Brunso), the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma (Mr. Daniel Ragle), the Jena Band of Choctaw Indians (Ms. Alina J. Shively), the Muscogee (Creek) Nation (Ms. Corain Lowe-Zepeda), the Osage Nation (Dr. Andrea Hunter), the Quapaw Nation (Mr. Everett Bandy), the Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma (Ms. Tonya Tipton), and the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, Inc. (Mr. Earl J. Barbry, Jr.). We recommend consultation in accordance with 36 CFR § 800.2(c)(2).

Thank you for the opportunity to review this undertaking. Please refer to the AHPP Tracking Number listed above in all correspondence. If you have any questions, please call Eric Mills of my staff at 501-324-9784 or email eric mills@arkansas.gov.

Sincerely,

Scott Kaufman Director, AHPP

cc: Mr. Randall Looney, Federal Highway Administration Dr. Ann Early, Arkansas Archeological Survey

ARDOT ENVIRONMENTAL VERIFICATION CHECKLIST FOR CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS

ARDOT Job Number See	<u>Table</u>	F	AP Nur	nberSee Table
Job Title <u>See Table</u>				
Environmental Resource	None	Minimal	Major	Comments-required for each item
Air Quality	Х			No Impacts anticipated
Cultural Resources	Х			No Impacts anticipated
Economic	Х			No Impacts
Endangered Species	X			No effects
Environmental Justice/Title VI	Х			No protected populations in project area
Fish and Wildlife	Х			Project area is existing road surface
Floodplains	Х			No impacts anticipated
Forest Service Property	Х			Adjacent to project area
Hazardous Materials/Landfills	Х			No sites in project area
Land Use	Х			No impacts
Migratory Birds	Х			Overlay does not include bridges
Navigation/Coast Guard	Х			No navigable waterways
Noise Levels	Х			No increase due to project
Prime Farmland	Х			No impacts
Protected Waters	Х			None in project area
Public Recreation Lands	Х			No impacts
Public Water Supply/WHPA	Х			No impacts
Relocatees	Х			No relocations
Section 4(f)/6(f)	Х			4f/6f resources not present
Social	Х			No impacts to social environment
Underground Storage Tanks	Х			No UST's in project area
Visual	Х			No change in visual environment
Streams	Х			Overlay does not include bridges
Water Quality	Х			Overlay does not include bridges
Wetlands	Х			None in project area
Wildlife Refuges	Χ			None in project area
Section 401 Water Quality Certif Short-term Activity Authorization Section 404 Permit Required?		•	·	No No Type
Remarks:				
Signature of Evaluator Oph	ín Bab	er		Date 6/20/19