TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM – ATTRIBUTABLE (TAP-A) PROCEDURES

1. Project funds awarded by Metropolitan Planning Organization
2. Sponsor formally requests that ARDOT begin project development and prepare an Agreement of Understanding (AOU)
3. ARDOT prepares AOU and a draft Resolution and submits them to the Sponsor
4. Sponsor’s City Council/Quorum Court/Board of Directors passes resolution and the AOU is signed
5. A copy of the Resolution and an original signed AOU are submitted to ARDOT for execution
6. ARDOT Director signs and executes AOU
7. Project’s job name and number assigned by ARDOT
8. ARDOT returns a copy of the executed AOU to the sponsor
9. Sponsor’s Registered Engineer prepares plans, specification, and estimate (PS&E)
10. Sponsor contacts Arkansas Historic Preservation Program for project approval
11. 30% and 60% plans submitted to ARDOT Right of Way Division for preliminary review
12. Routine environmental clearance by ARDOT initiated
13. 90% plans and specifications reviewed for project/program eligibility by ARDOT
14. If applicable, Sponsor acquires right-of-way in accordance with “the Uniform Act”
15. If applicable, Sponsor signs agreements with utility companies that need to be relocated for the project (ARDOT’s Utilities Section will help in this process)
16. Sponsor submits letter requesting right-of-way certification once project is compliant
17. ARDOT certifies right-of-way based on Sponsor’s documentation
18. Bid proposal developed by Sponsor
19. **Sponsor submits letter certifying that the PS&E was prepared by a registered professional engineer and encloses the final PS&E and bid proposal**
20. Once environmental clearance is final, ARDOT has certified right-of-way, and PS&E is approved, ARDOT authorizes construction funding through FHWA
21. **Sponsor given approval by ARDOT to advertise project for construction bids**
22. Sponsor advertises for construction bids
23. During advertising period, Sponsor forwards copies of all project addenda to ARDOT
24. Sealed bids received by Sponsor and opened at public meeting
25. **Sponsor submits letter to ARDOT certifying the advertisement and bid opening process with the following enclosures: Bid tabulations, 1% ARDOT administration fee, justification of award if required, and request for concurrence in bid award by ARDOT Chief Engineer**
26. **Sponsor executes contract upon notification of concurrence by ARDOT**
27. Sponsor issues Work Order to the Contractor
28. Preconstruction conference held by Sponsor to discuss work with Contractor; **ARDOT Resident Engineer must be invited**
29. Construction begins
30. Sponsor inspects, using **ARDOT Work Performed Sheets**, and makes progress payments to the Contractor
31. **Prior to performing work, Sponsor submits executed copy(ies) of all Change Orders to ARDOT for approval**
32. Sponsor submits requests for reimbursement for work completed and certifies work was performed in accordance with plans and specifications to ARDOT Resident Engineer. Reimbursement requests are required every six months at a minimum.

33. ARDOT Resident Engineer visually verifies work has been performed and ARDOT reimburses Sponsor for 80% of expenditures up to approved Federal-aid amount.

34. Final inspection conducted by Sponsor and/or their representative; **ARDOT Resident Engineer must be invited**

35. Final Estimate prepared by Sponsor.

36. ARDOT prepares Final Voucher and submits to FHWA and prepares Final Allotment to close project.

37. ARDOT notifies Sponsor that project has been closed.

38. Sponsor maintains all project records for at least three years after project close out.