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

c: Program Management
Right of Way
Roadway Design
Districts 1 & 4
FHWA
### 2019 Pavement Preservation Projects

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Phillips County
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.
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.
June 3, 2019

TO: Job File

FROM: M. Hughes, Cultural Resources Section

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 adjacent north of Highway 80 in Waldron – SC0009 on the AHPP database. The only information given is "Spidersaurus" as the "Historic Name" entry. The AHPP webpage notes that "Spidersaurus" is actually a sculpture located some 1.58 kilometers distant.
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June 19, 2019

Mr. John Fleming
Division Head
Environmental Division
Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department
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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 Table  
**FAP Number** See Table  
**Job Title** See Table

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**Section 401 Water Quality Certification Required?** Yes  
**Short-term Activity Authorization Required?** Yes  
**Section 404 Permit Required?** Yes  
**Remarks:**

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**Signature of Evaluator** [John Baber]  
**Date** 6/20/19

7/27/2018