

# Arkansas State Highway Commission Meeting

December 6, 2023

# O1 Meeting Minutes October 25, 2023

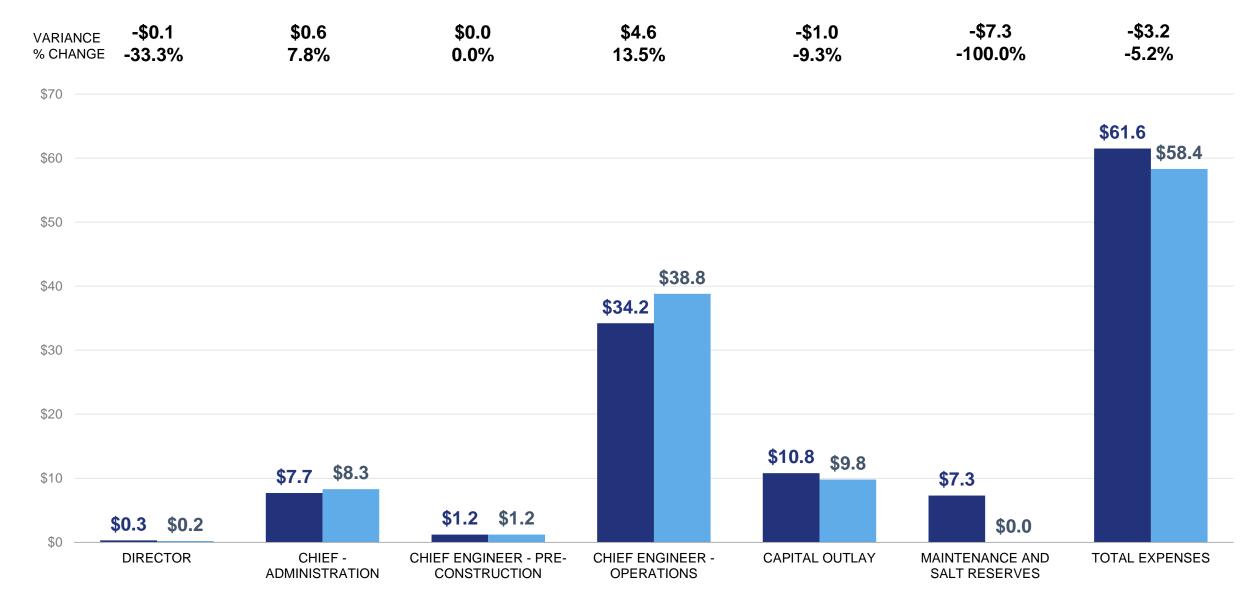
# Consideration of Minute Orders

### 03 Updates

# State Highway Financial Report Patrick Patton, CPA Chief Fiscal Officer

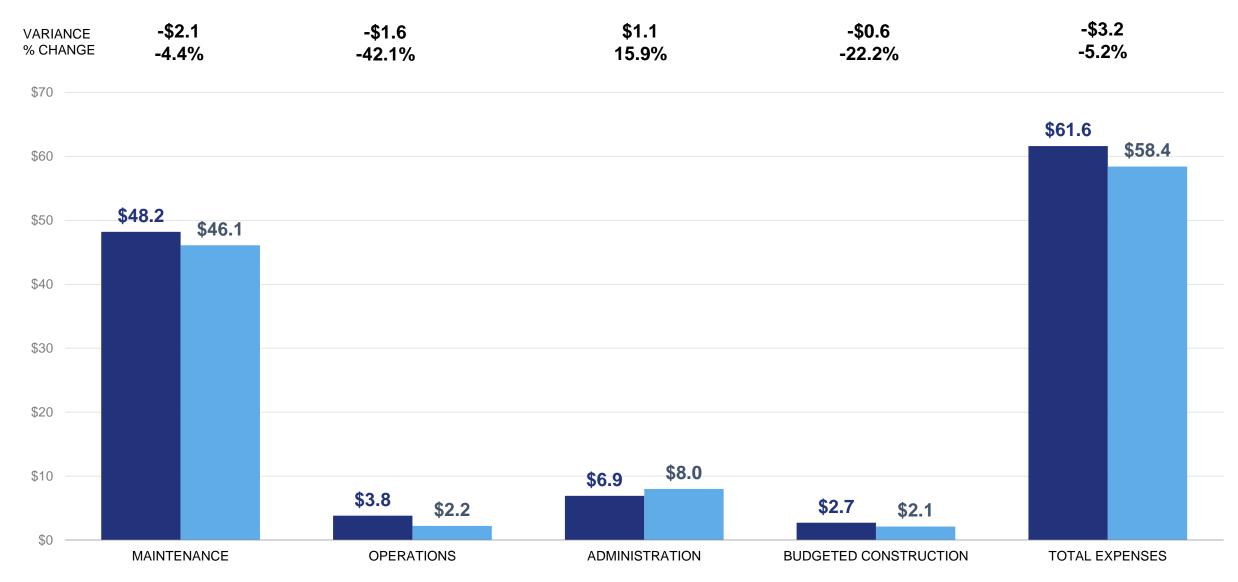


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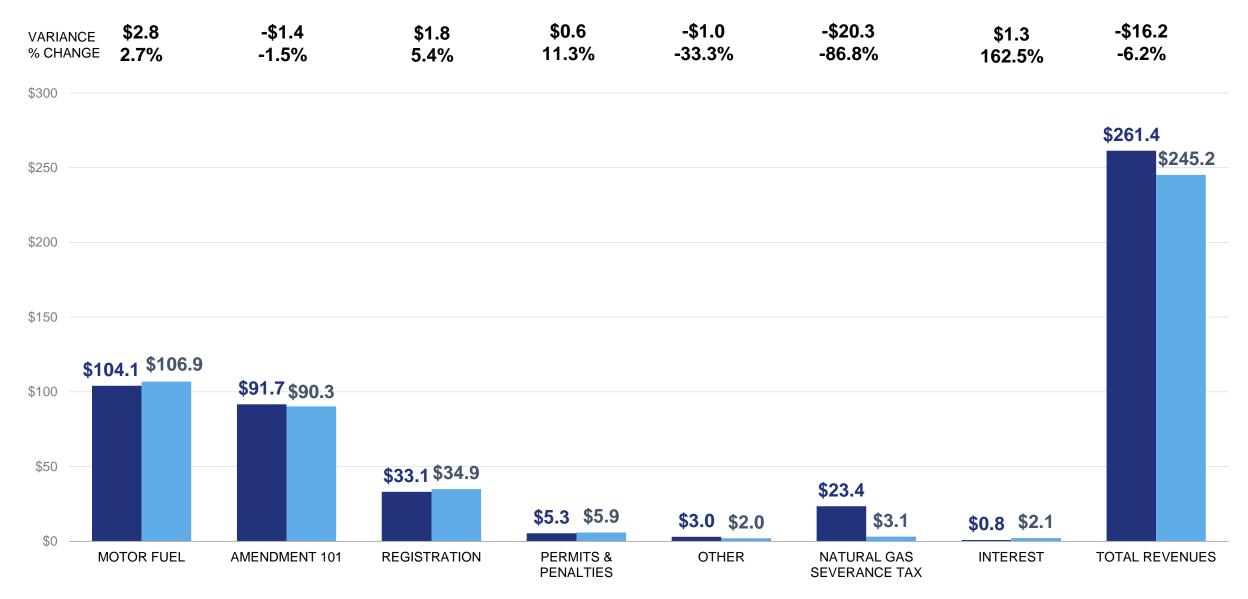
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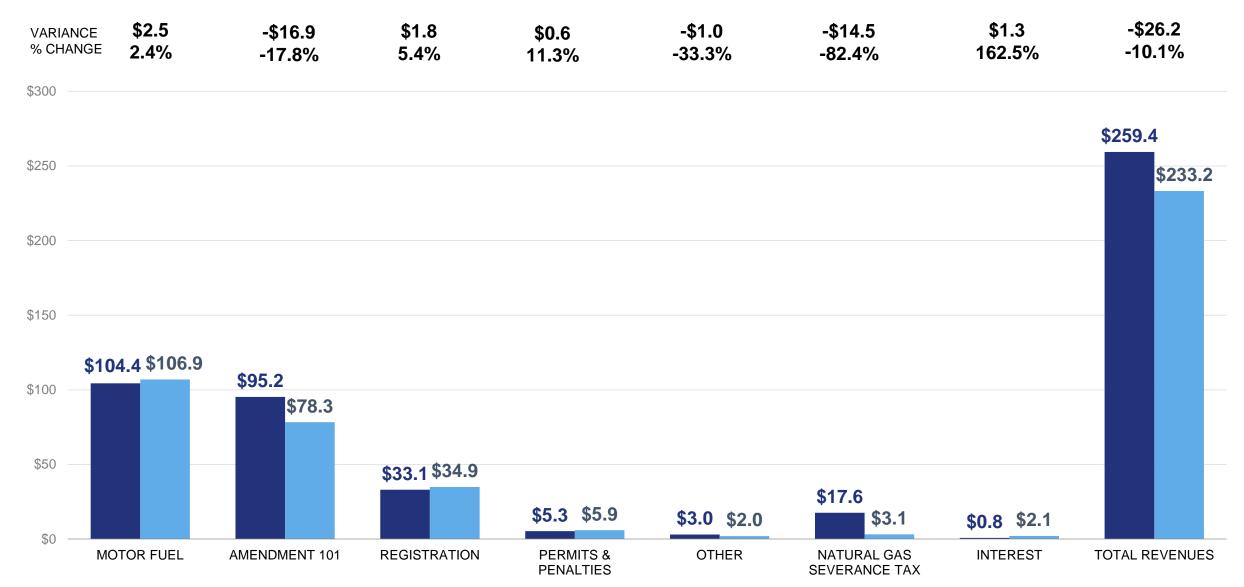
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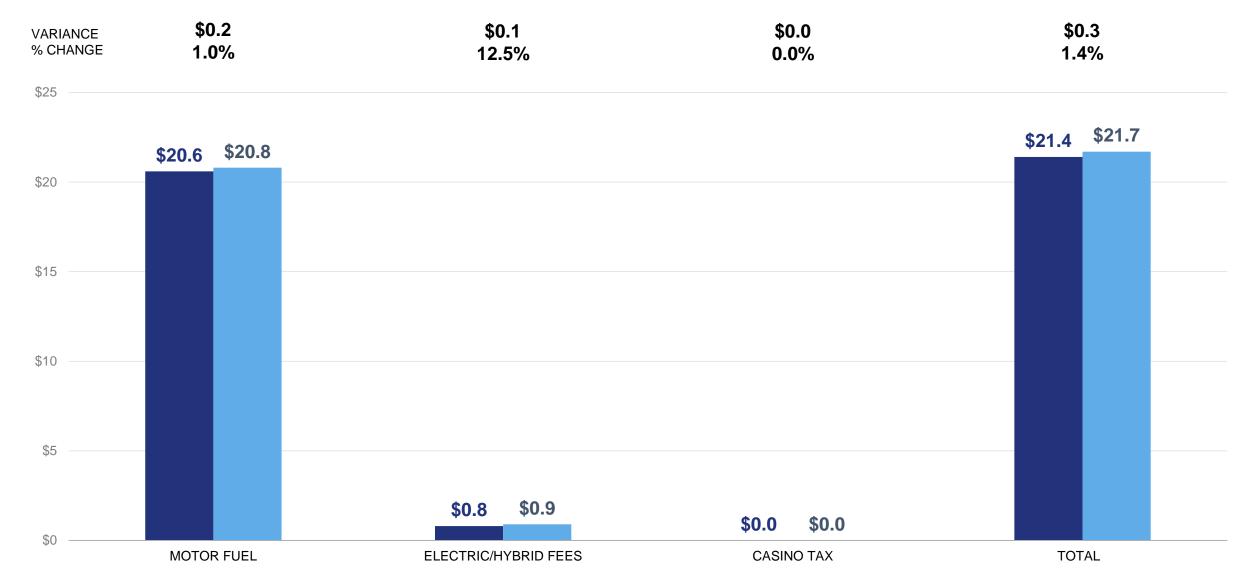
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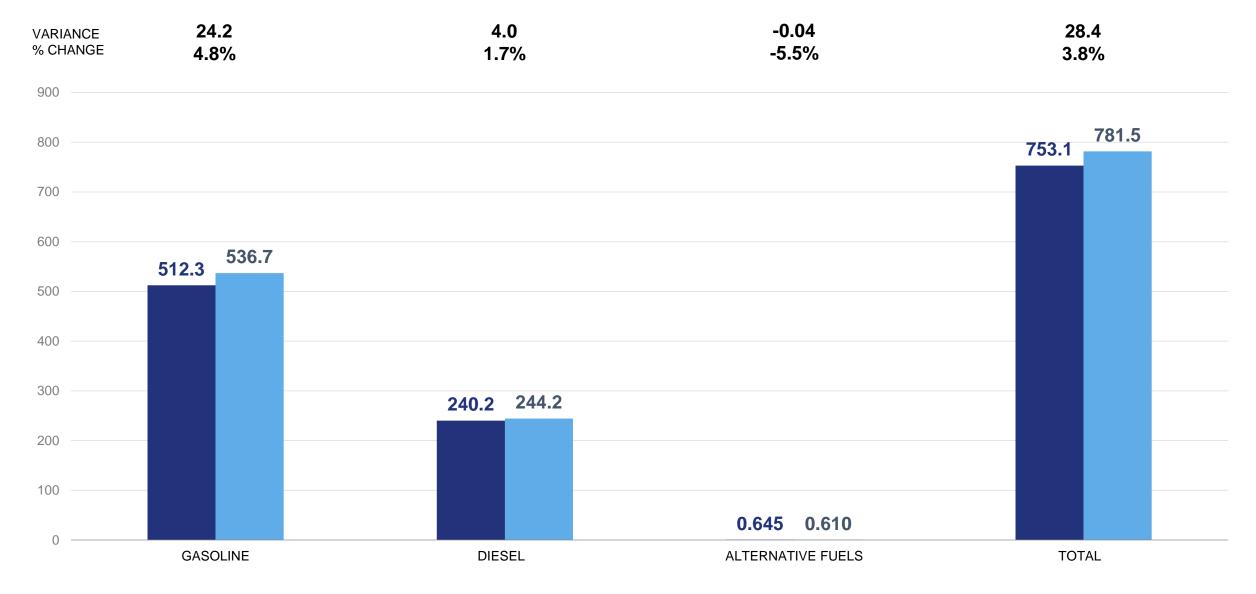
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■FY 2023 ■FY 2024

(MILLION GALLONS)



### **Arkansas Fuel Consumption**

**ROLLING 12-MONTH COMPARISON** 

	Previous 12 Months (Gallons)	Current 12 Months (Gallons)	Variance
Gasoline	1,501,856,092	1,539,818,562	2.53%
Diesel	719,989,115	735,996,376	2.22%
Alternative	1,877,360	1,631,359	-13.10%
Total	2,223,722,567	2,277,446,297	2.42%



## Federal and State Legislative Update

Kevin Thornton, P.E.

Chief – Administration

### 2024 Federal Appropriations

Federal Funding provided through Continuing Resolutions

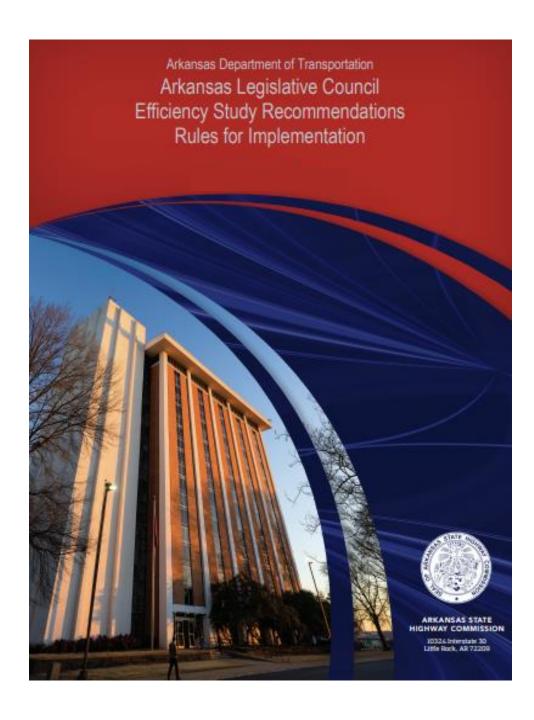
Previous Continuing Resolution expired on November 17

Second Continuing Resolution provides funding until January 19



## Efficiency Review Implementation Crystal Woods

Assistant Chief – Administration



### Arkansas Legislative Council EFFICIENCY STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS



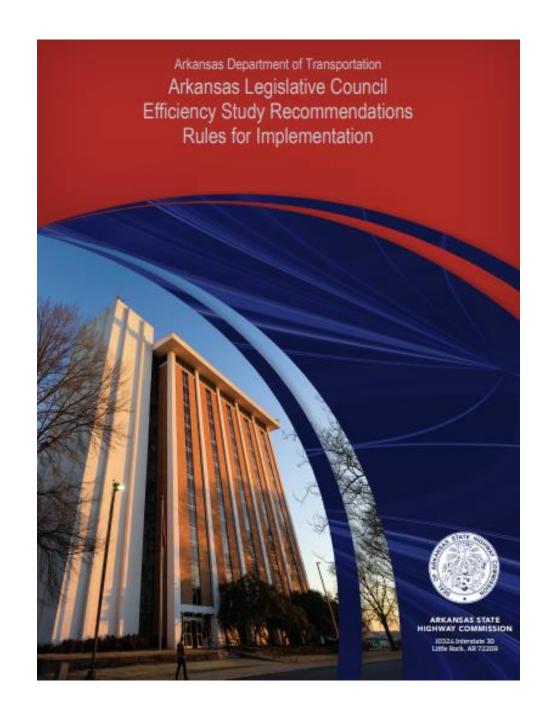
### Arkansas Legislative Council EFFICIENCY STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS

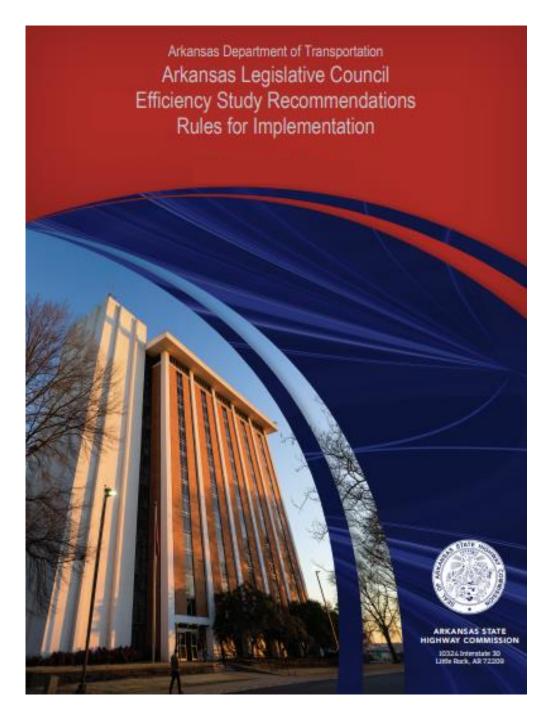
#### **RECOMMENDATION #2**

Strengthen knowledge management in anticipation of increased retirement.

#### **RECOMMENDATION #4**

Implement a platform that tracks all stakeholder inquiries to resolution.





### **Annual Review and Efficiency Study**

- Arkansas Department of Inspector General, Office of Internal Audit (OIA) annual report was reviewed by HCRAS on November 13th.
- OIA's annual report concluded:
  - ARDOT has made substantial progress in implementing the recommendations.
  - ARDOT has well designed internal controls in place for the Divisions reviewed.
- OIA asked HCRAS to consider eliminating the consulting component of their future engagement with ARDOT.

### Bid Letting Update Keli Wylie, P.E.

Assistant Chief Engineer – Program Delivery

#### **BID LETTING UPDATE**

#### November 1, 2023 Letting Results

Type Projects	Number of Projects	Award Amount
State	36	\$ 515.4 Million
County	3	\$ 10.7 Million
City		
Total	39	\$ 526.1 Million

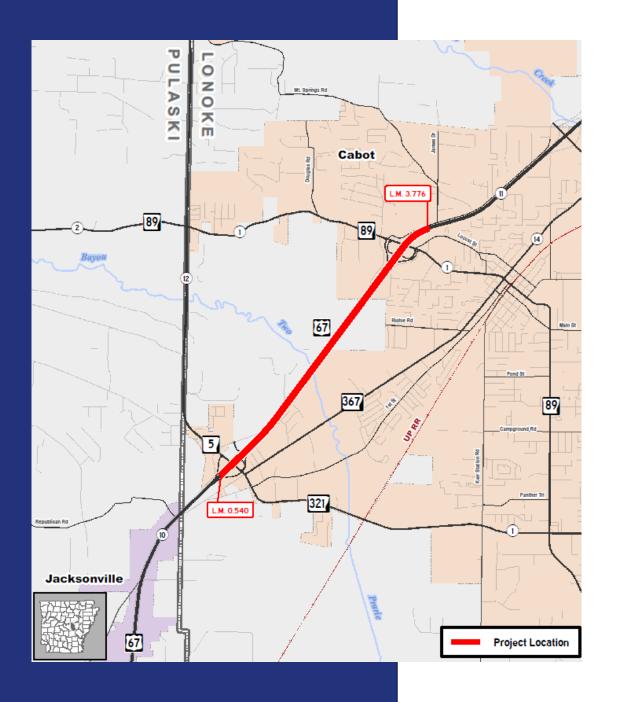
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#### HWY. 412 – HWY. 112

#### Springdale Bypass

- New Location
- 7 Miles
- \$181 Million
- Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc.
- Groundbreaking in Early 2024
- Estimated Completion: Early 2026



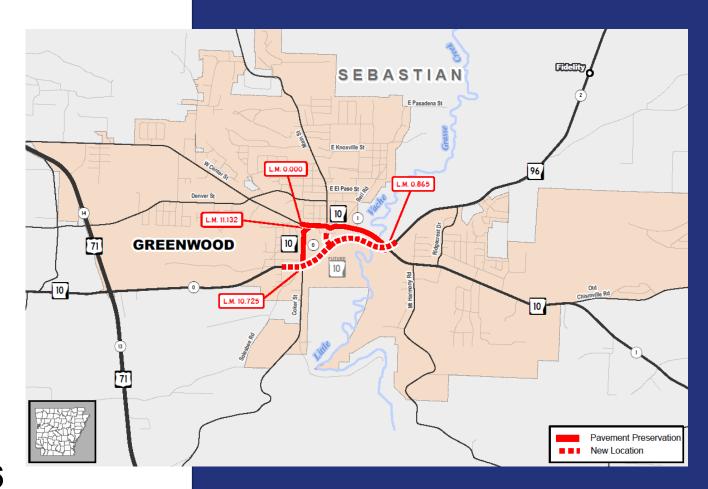


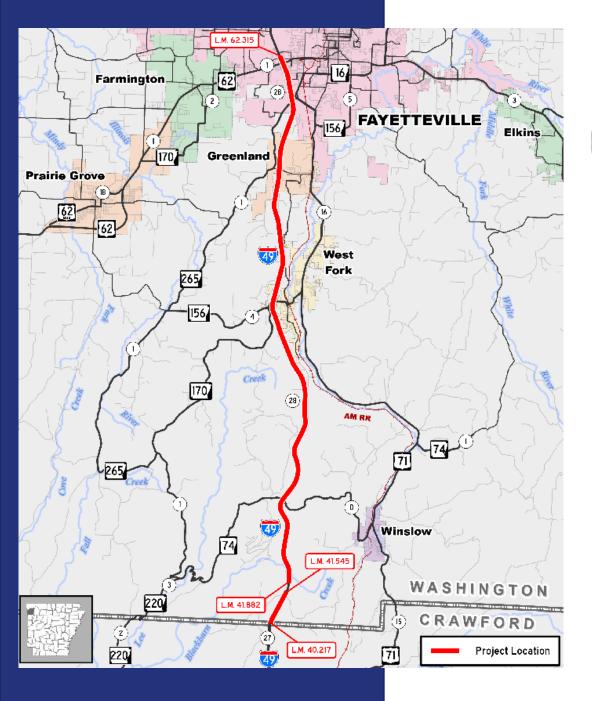


- Major Widening
- 4 Miles
- \$117 Million
- Weaver-Bailey Contractors, Inc.
- Estimated Completion: Early 2027

### HWY. 10 – HWY. 96 Greenwood Bypass

- New Location & Pavement Preservation
- 1 Mile
- \$58 Million
- Forsgren, Mobley Construction,
   & Manhattan Road & Bridge,
   Joint Venture
- Estimated Completion: Mid-2026





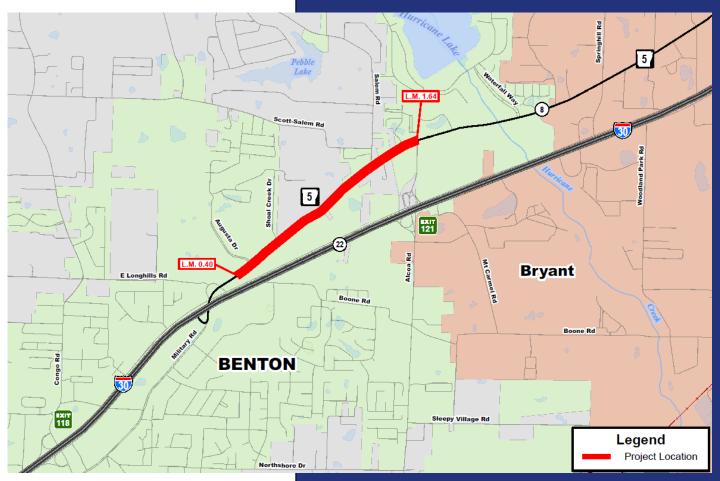
### CRAWFORD CO. LINE – HWY. 62

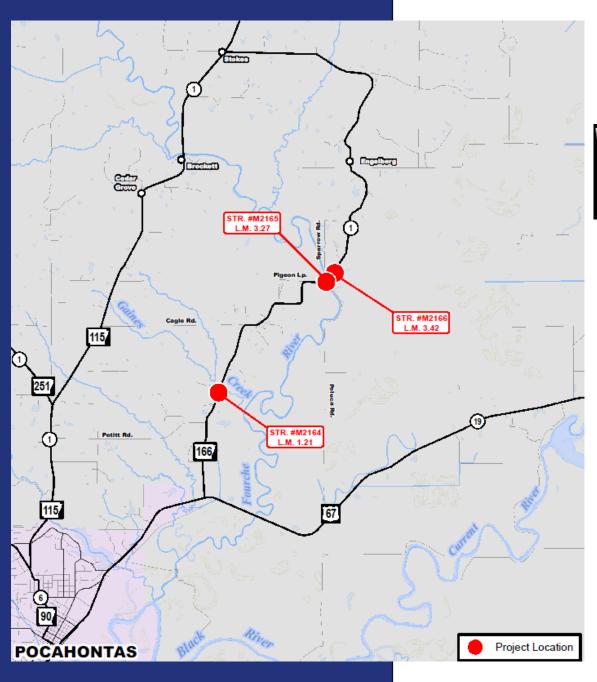
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- Pavement Preservation
- 20 Miles
- \$37 Million
- Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc.
- Estimated Completion: Early 2025



- Major Widening
- 1 Mile
- \$21 Million
- Kiewit Infrastructure South Co.
- Estimated Completion: Late 2024





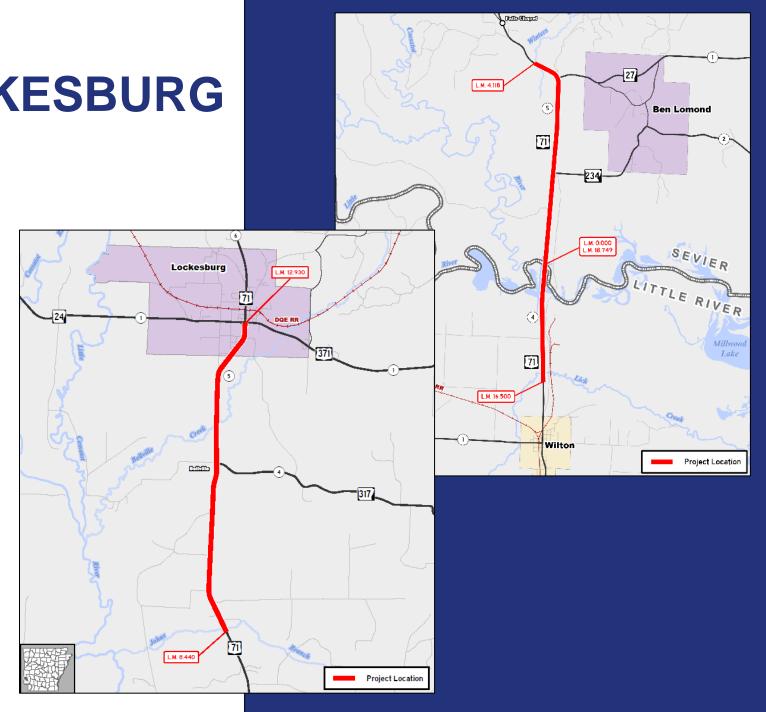


- Bridge Replacement
- 3 Bridges
- \$9 Million
- Robertson Contractors, Inc.
- Estimated Completion: Late 2027



### 71 WILTON – LOCKESBURG

- Pavement Preservation (2 Projects)
- 11 Miles
- \$8 Million Combined
- Blackstone Construction, LLC
   & R.K. Hall, LLC
- Estimated Completion: Late 2024



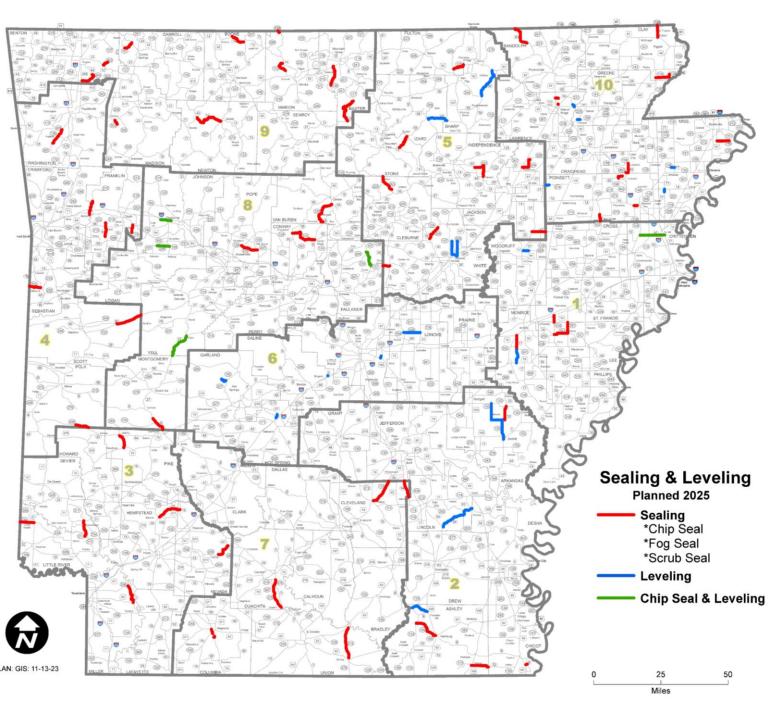
## Maintenance Activity Update Rex Vines, P.E.

Chief Engineer – Operations

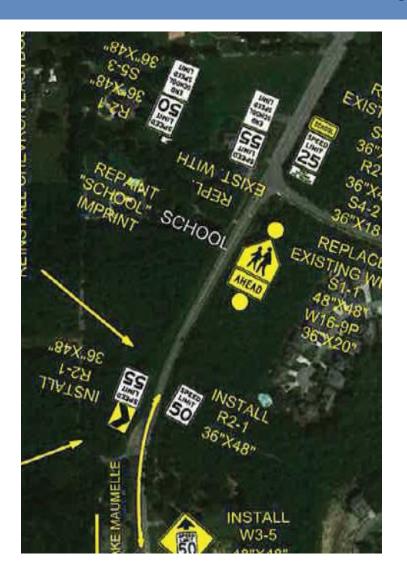


### Maintenance Activities SEALING & LEVELING Planned for FY 2025

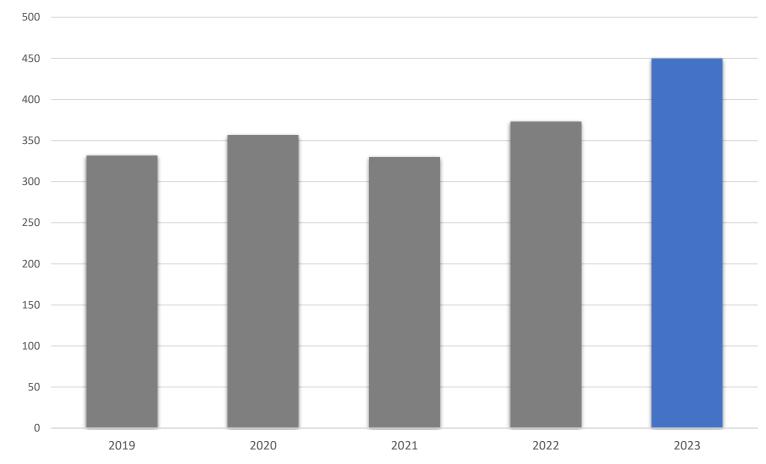
 466 Miles of State Highways to be Preserved in Fiscal Year 2025

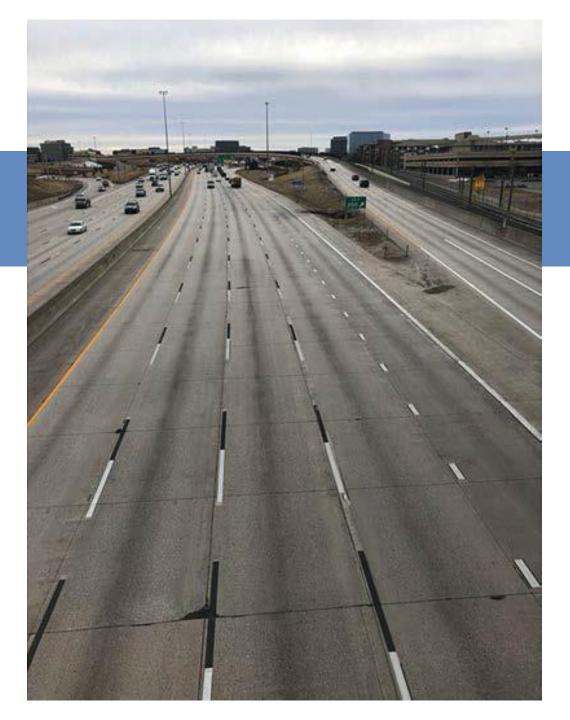


### Maintenance Activities TRAFFIC INVESTIGATORS



#### **Traffic Investigations**





### Maintenance Activities CONTRAST PAVEMENT MARKINGS

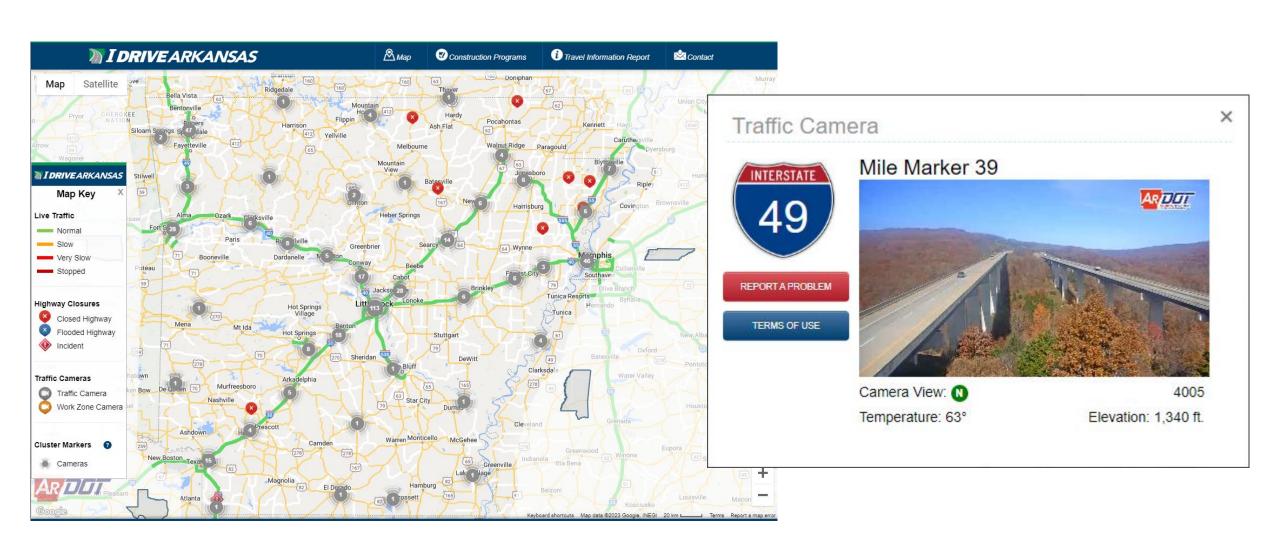
- 380 Miles of Multi-Lane Concrete Pavements
- 12% 29% Total Crash Reduction
- 7% 19% Fatal Crash Reduction

### Maintenance Activities STATEWIDE PAVEMENT PROFILING CREWS

- 2 Milling Machines in Fleet
- Crew of 7 Employees
- 634,000 Square Yards of Milling in 2023



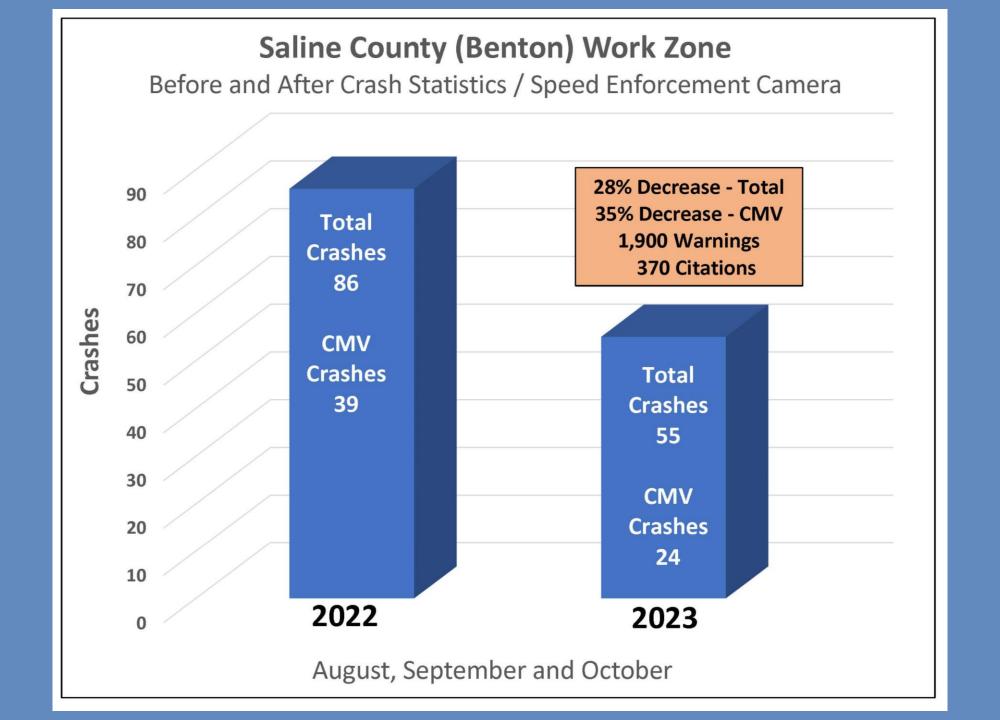
### Maintenance Activities IDRIVE CAMERAS





### Operations Activities SPEED ENFORCEMENT CAMERAS





## Maintenance Activities WINTER WEATHER TRAINING







## 2024 Total Solar Eclipse Steve Frisbee, P.E.

Assistant Chief Engineer – Maintenance

## The Great North American Eclipse April 8, 2024





#### **2024 SOLAR ECLIPSE**

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

OCTOBER 11, 2023 VERSION



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## Preparing for the Eclipse

- Coordinating with Various State & Local Agencies
- Receiving Feedback on the Traffic Management Plan (TMP)
- Coordinating with Arkansas
   Department of Parks, Heritage,
   and Tourism Website

## Commercial Vehicle Safety

- In-Cab Safety Alerts
- In-Cab Congestion Alerts
- Critical Travel Information







## Recent Department Activities

## American Public Works Association FALL CONFERENCE



### Southeastern Asphalt User/ Producer Group ANNUAL MEETING









## Arkansas Good Roads Foundation ANNUAL MEETING





## Spring River Bridge RIBBON CUTTING



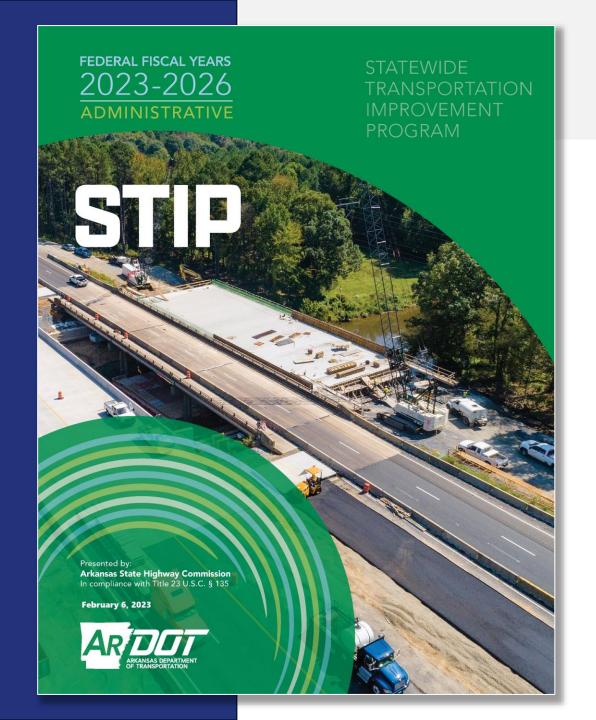




# **04**Around the Department – STIP Development

Jared Wiley, P.E.

Chief Engineer – Preconstruction

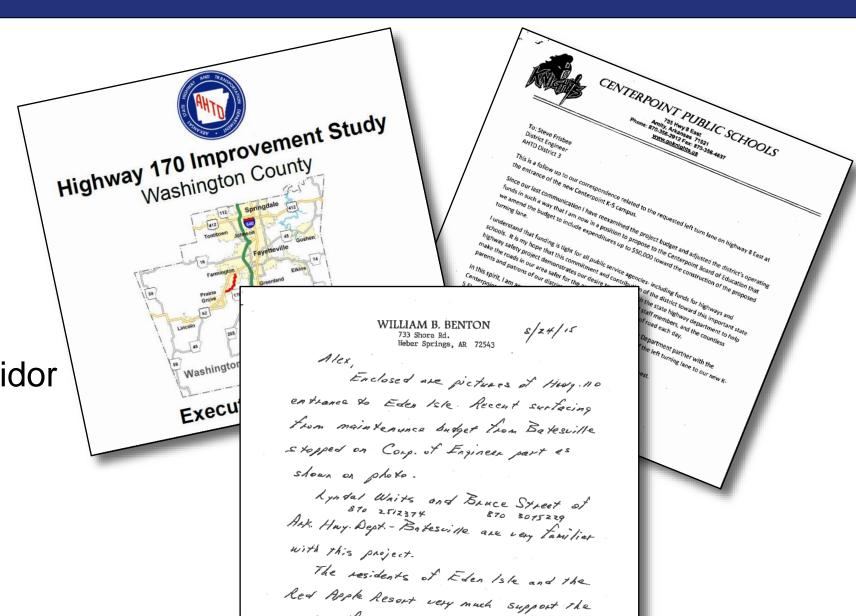


#### What is the STIP?

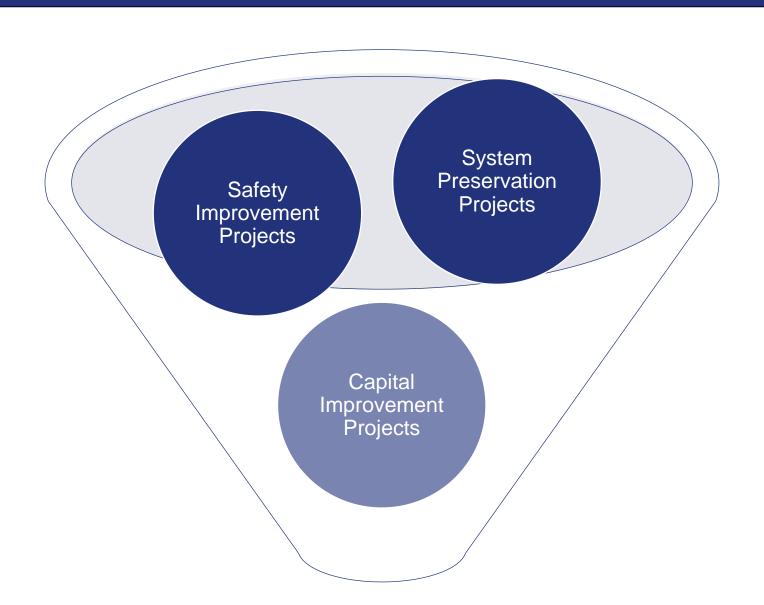
- Federal Required Document for Federally Funded and Regionally Significant Transportation and Transit Projects
- Minimum 4 Federal Fiscal Years
- Financially Constrained List of Projects and Activities

### Universe of Projects

- Letters
- E-mails
- Studies
  - Safety
  - Planning or Corridor
- Pavement Needs
- Bridge Needs

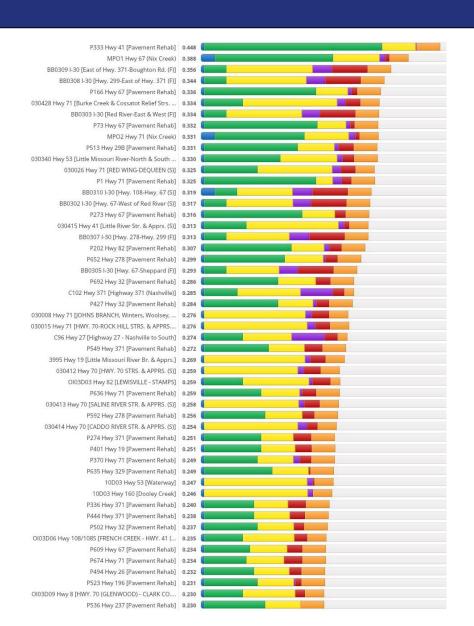


## **Universe of Projects**



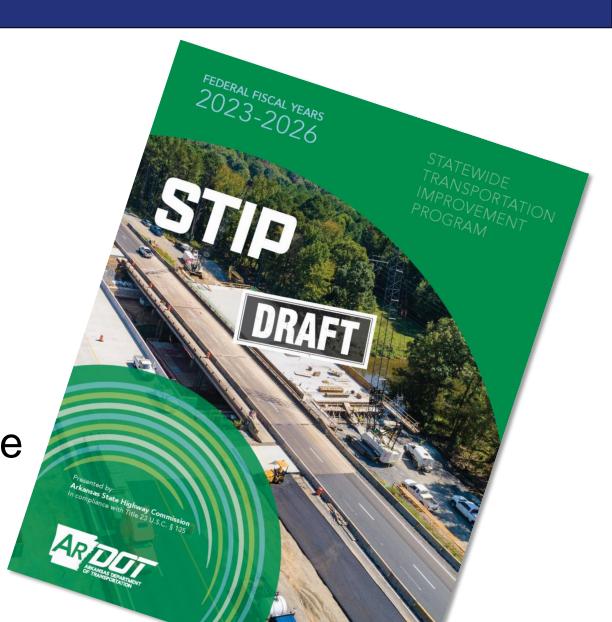
### **Project Evaluation**

- Decision Lens software package
  - Data-Driven Decision Process
  - Increased Confidence
  - Transparent Evaluation
  - Ranks Projects Based on Criteria



### Recommended Projects

- Financial Constraint
- MPO Coordination
- Draft STIP for Commission Review and Approval
- Draft STIP Prepared for Release for Public Comments



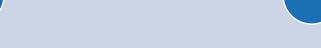
### **STIP Timeline**

January/February 2024

Meet with Commissioners

October 2024

Final STIP to Commission for Approval & FHWA and FTA



**June 2024** 

Draft STIP to
Commission for
Approval & Release
for Public Comment

## 05 Consultant Selection

Statewide Travel Demand Model Update

## CONSULTANT SELECTION STATEWIDE TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL UPDATE

Two Letters of Interest Received & Two Interviews Held

Recommendation to Begin Negotiations with Alliance Transportation Group of Austin, TX

## 06

### **Consultant Selection**

On-Call Landslide Repair Services (2024 – 2027)

#### CONSULTANT SELECTION

ON-CALL LANDSLIDE REPAIR SERVICES (2024-2027)

## Eight Responses to Request for Letters of Interest Received

### Three Detailed Proposals Received

- 1. GeoStabilization International, LLC of Commerce City, CO;
- 2. Hinkle Environmental Services, LLC of Richmond, KY; and
- 3. Keller North America, Inc. of Little Elm, TX.

Recommendation to Begin Negotiations with all Three Short-Listed Firms

## 07

Software

## Vendor Selection Bridge Scour Event Monitoring

## VENDOR SELECTION BRIDGE SCOUR EVENT MONITORING SOFTWARE

Two Proposals Received & Two Interviews Held

Recommendation to Begin Negotiations with Bridge Intelligence, LLC of North Brunswick, NJ

# Upcoming Events

#### **UPCOMING**

#### **Events**

#### **DECEMBER 7**

#### **District 2 Service Awards**

Director Tudor
11 AM | White Hall Community
Center

#### **DECEMBER 8**

#### **District 3 Service Awards**

Director Tudor 11 AM | District 3 Headquarters, Hope

#### **DECEMBER 11**

#### **District 1 Service Awards**

Director Tudor 11:30 AM | East Arkansas Community College, Wynne

#### **DECEMBER 12**

#### **District 5 Service Awards**

Director Tudor 10 AM | Batesville Community Center

#### **DECEMBER 13**

#### **District 4 Service Awards**

Director Tudor 11 AM | District Headquarters, Barling

#### **DECEMBER 14**

#### **District 6 Service Awards**

Director Tudor 12 PM | Bishop Park Center, Bryant **DECEMBER 14** 

**ASHERS Board Dinner** 

**Director Tudor** 

**DECEMBER 25-26** 

**Christmas Holiday** 

**UPCOMING** 

**Events** 

**DECEMBER 15** 

**District 10 Service Awards** 

Director Tudor 10:30 AM | Paragould Community Center **JANUARY 1** 

**New Year's Day Holiday** 

**DECEMBER 19** 

**District 7 Service Awards** 

Director Tudor 10:30 AM | Calvary Baptist Church, Camden **JANUARY 4** 

**Quality Asphalt Paving Conference** 

Director Tudor 1:20 PM | Embassy Suites, Little Rock

#### **JANUARY 9**

P.E. Board Meeting

Director Tudor 10:00 AM | Little Rock

#### **UPCOMING**

**Events** 

#### **JANUARY 15**

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

#### **FEBRUARY 9**

**ARDOT/AAPA Partnering Meeting** 

Director Tudor
11 AM | ARDOT Central Office

#### **FEBRUARY 13**

**Arkansas Highway Commission Meeting** 

Commissioners & Director Tudor 10 AM | ARDOT Central Office

## © DISTRICT SERVICE AWARDS

#### **NOVEMBER 30**

District 8
11 AM | Dardanelle Community
Center

#### **DECEMBER 1**

District 9
11 AM | District 9 Headquarters,
Harrison

#### **DECEMBER 4**

Maintenance Division
11 AM | Maintenance Sign Shop,
Little Rock

#### **DECEMBER 5**

Central Office 10 AM | ARDOT Central Office Auditorium, Little Rock

#### **DECEMBER 7**

District 2
11 AM | White Hall Community
Center

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## Other Business and Discussion

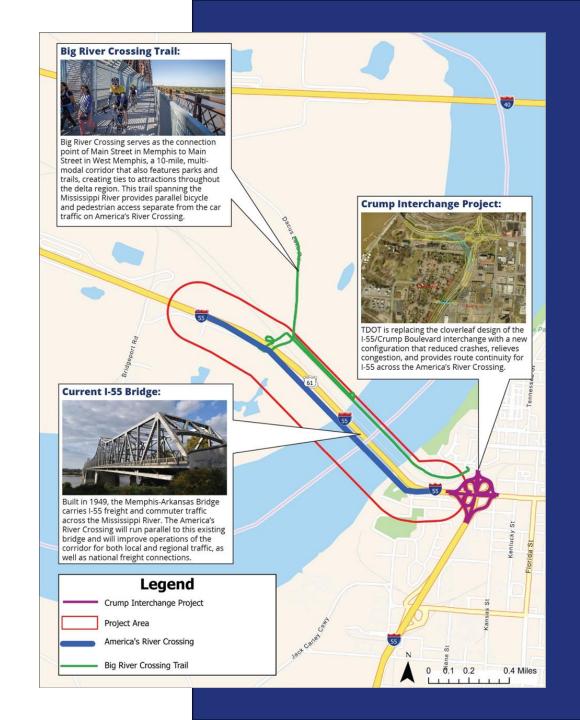


## Mississippi River Bridge MEMPHIS

- Total Project Cost: \$800 Million
- Grant Funding Request: \$400 Million
- ARDOT/TDOT to Provide 25% Each

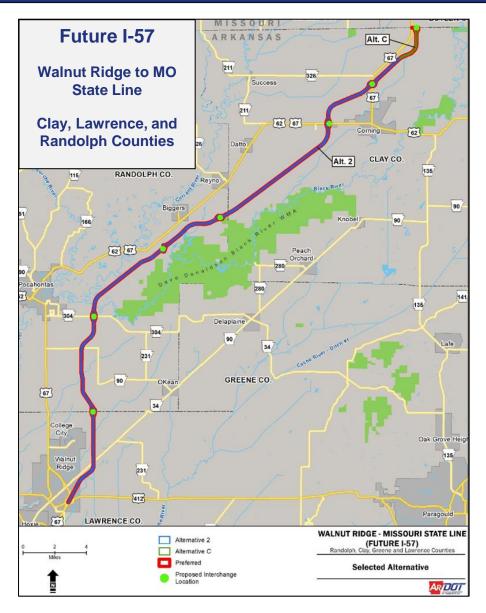






### **RAISE Grant Applications**







### 2023 Fall Equipment Auction PROCEED REPORT

Items Sold		
Equipment Units	308	
Equipment Implements	73	
Miscellaneous Minor Equipment	30	
Miscellaneous Items	63	
Total Items Sold	474	

Auction Proceeds		
Gross Proceeds	\$2,171,272.00	
Auctioneer's Commission	(\$130,169.82)	
Net Proceeds to the Department	\$2,041,102.18	



## MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OF OUR ARDOT FAMILY





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