

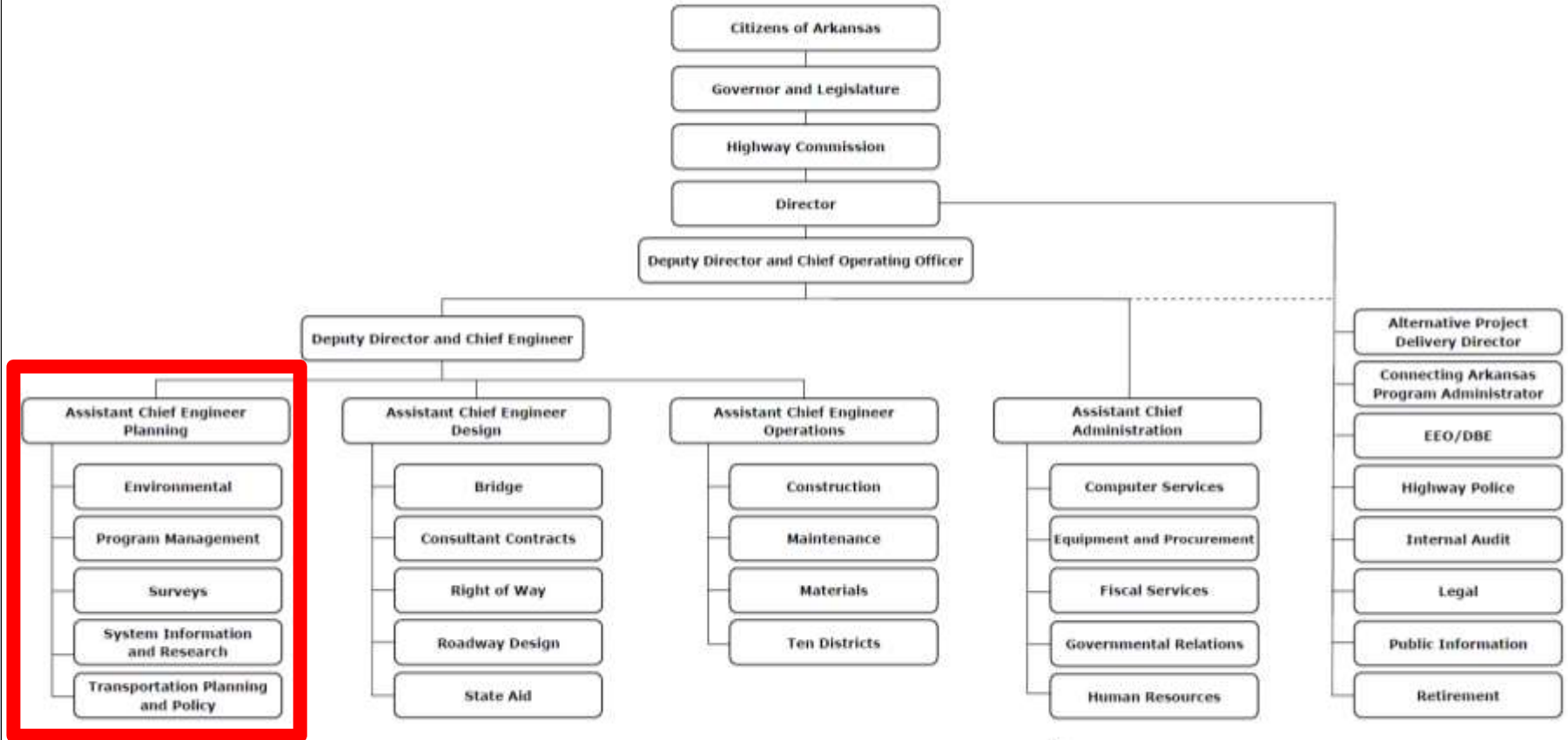
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Rick Ellis, Division Head – Bridge
Trinity Smith, Engineer of Roadway
Tony Sullivan, Assistant Chief Engineer – Operations



American Society of Civil Engineers
Friday, October 5, 2018

Organization Chart

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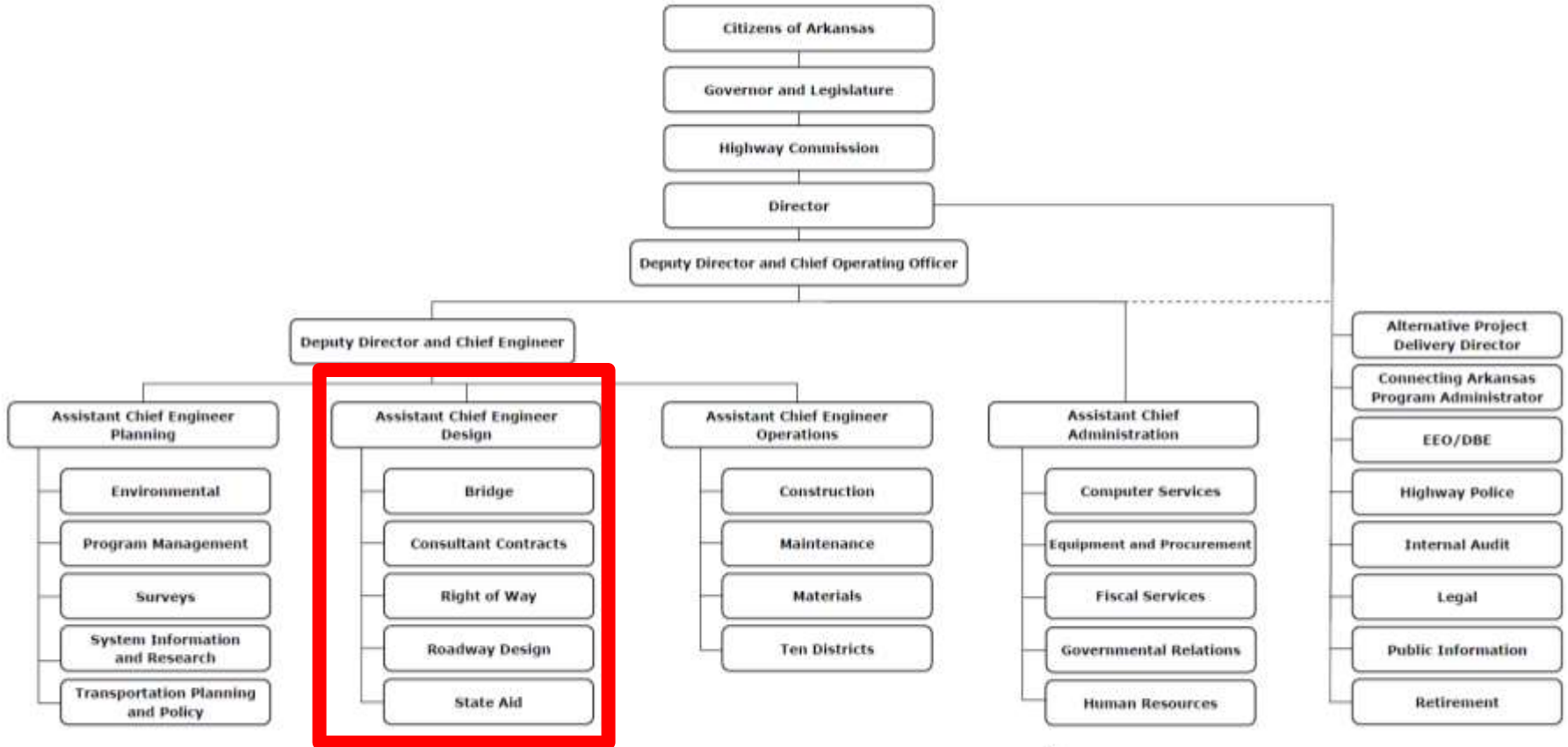
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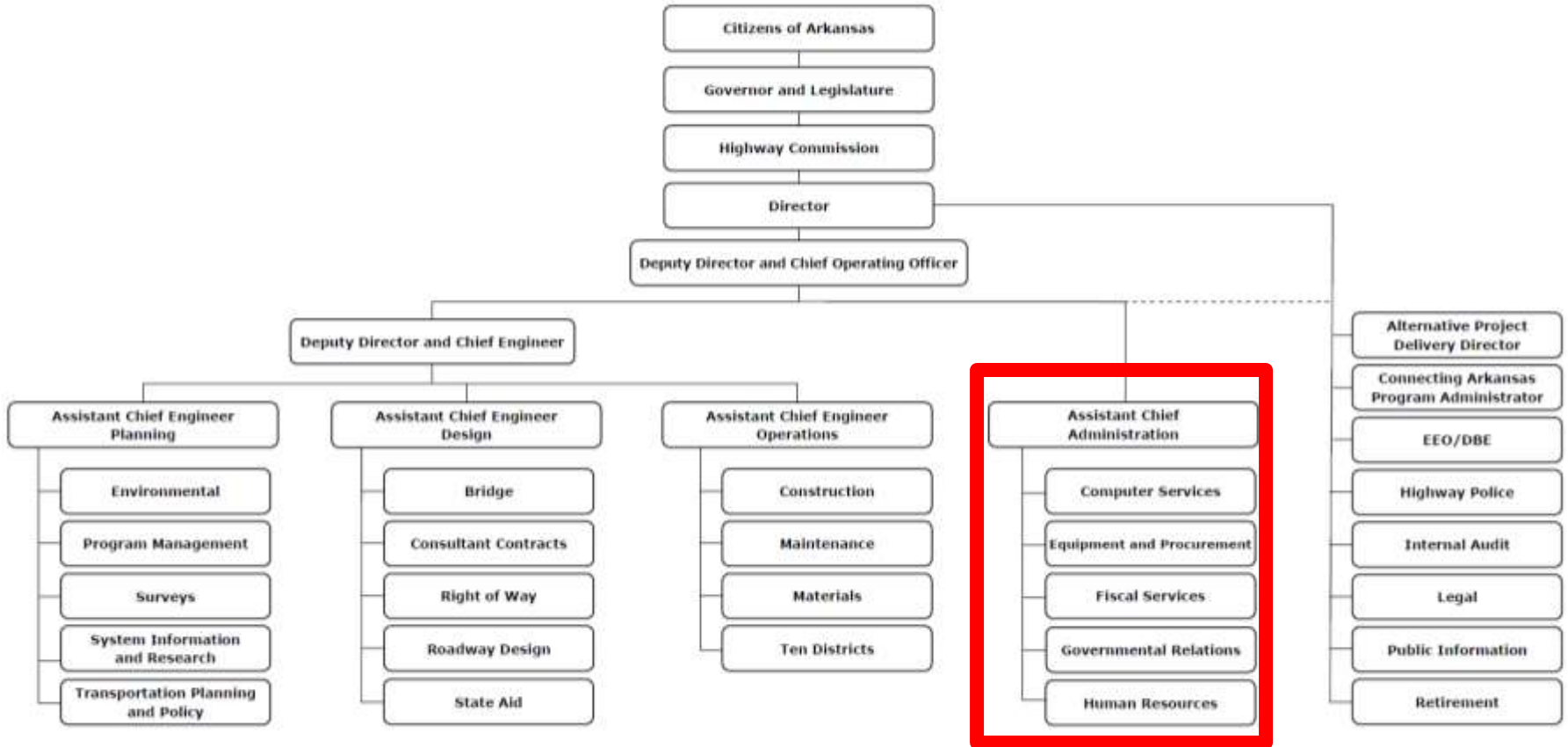
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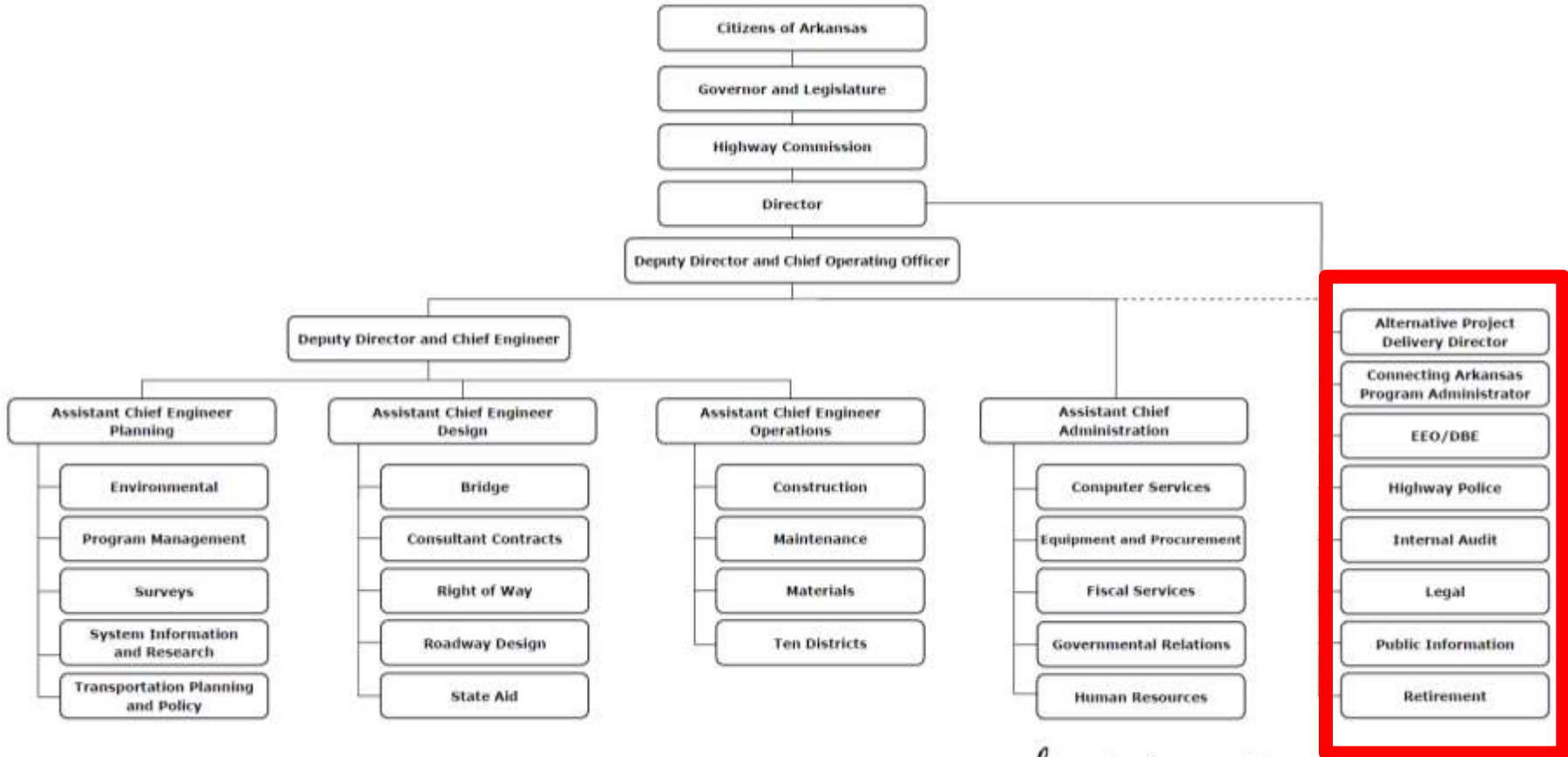
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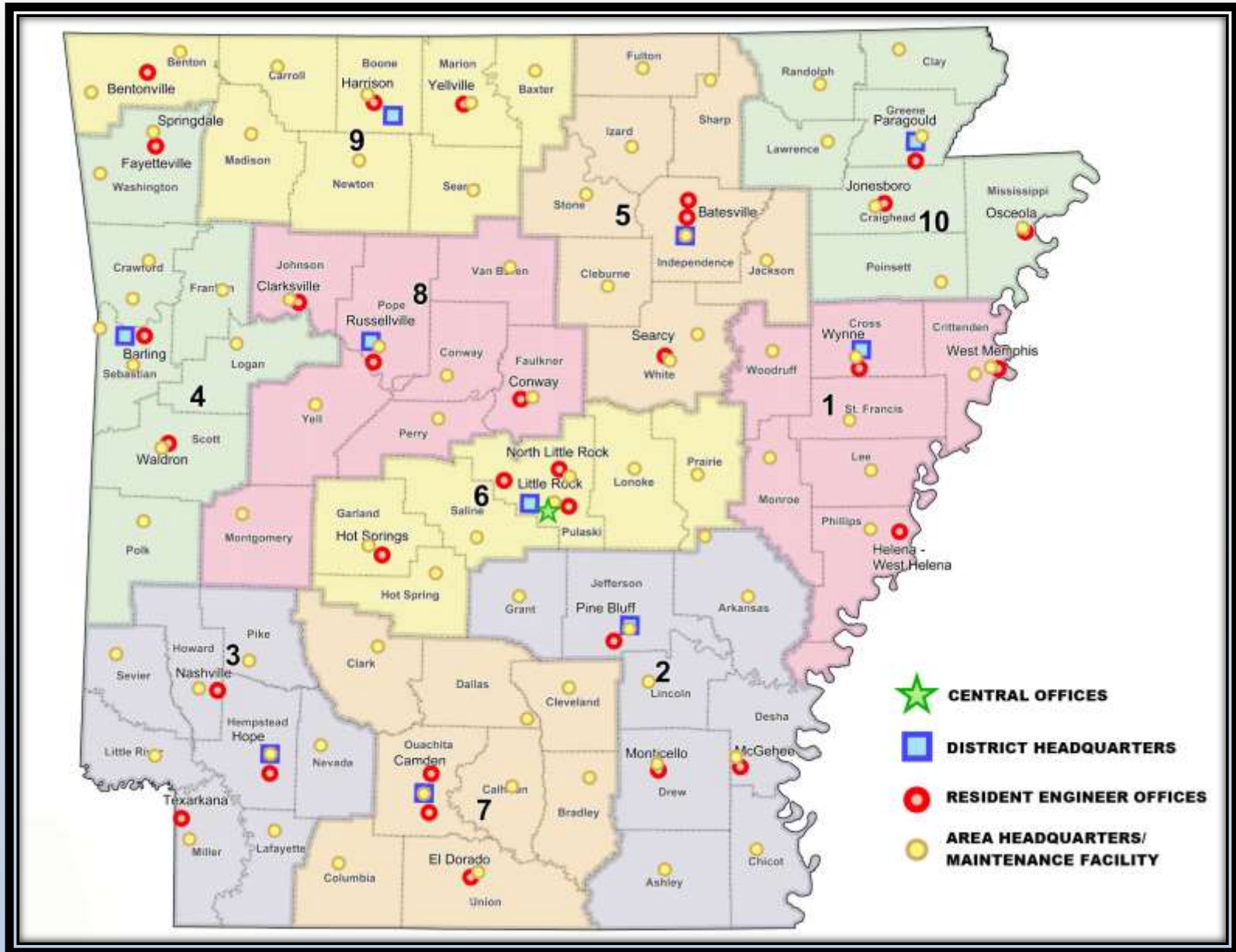
3rd Largest State Agency
(3,698 Employees)

Maintains
16,418 miles of Highway
7,335 Bridges

Central Offices in Little Rock

10 Districts Statewide

District Organization



-  **CENTRAL OFFICES**
-  **DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS**
-  **RESIDENT ENGINEER OFFICES**
-  **AREA HEADQUARTERS/ MAINTENANCE FACILITY**

Core Values

Safety

- Safety first in all we do

Public Service

- Focus on the greater good

Teamwork

- One vision through collaboration and communication

Quality

- Deliver reliable transportation solutions

Integrity

- Commitment to ethics and transparency

Efficiency

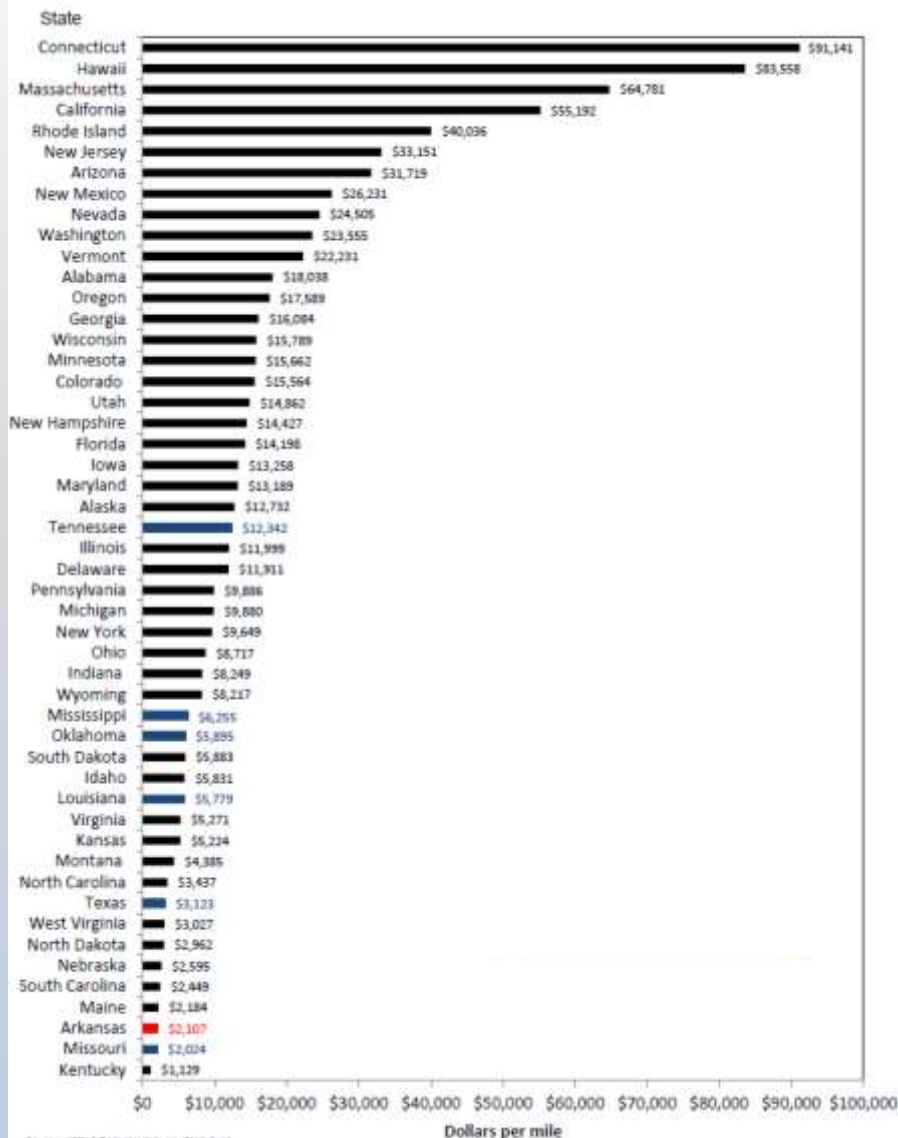
- Achieve maximum benefit through fiscal responsibility

***Provide safe and efficient
transportation solutions to support
Arkansas' economy and enhance the
quality of life for generations to come.***

Adopted June 7, 2017

Administrative Cost Per Mile

Arkansas Ranks 48th in the Nation



Source: "2013 Federal Highway Statistics"
Note: Excludes Toll Facilities

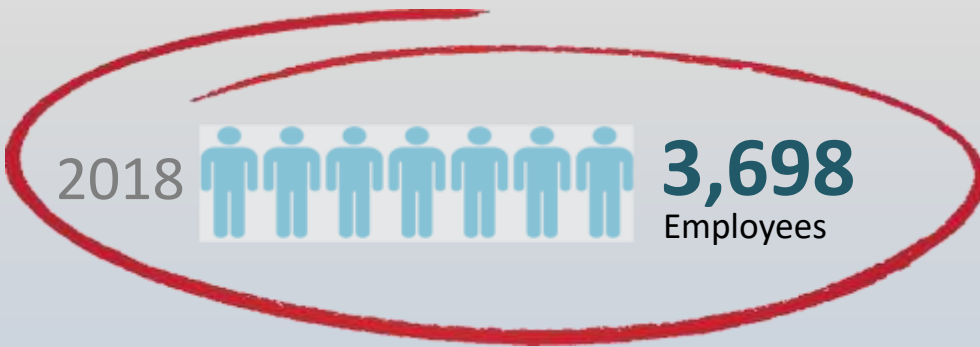
Arkansas = \$2,107

Surrounding States Average = \$4,334

National Average = \$9,224

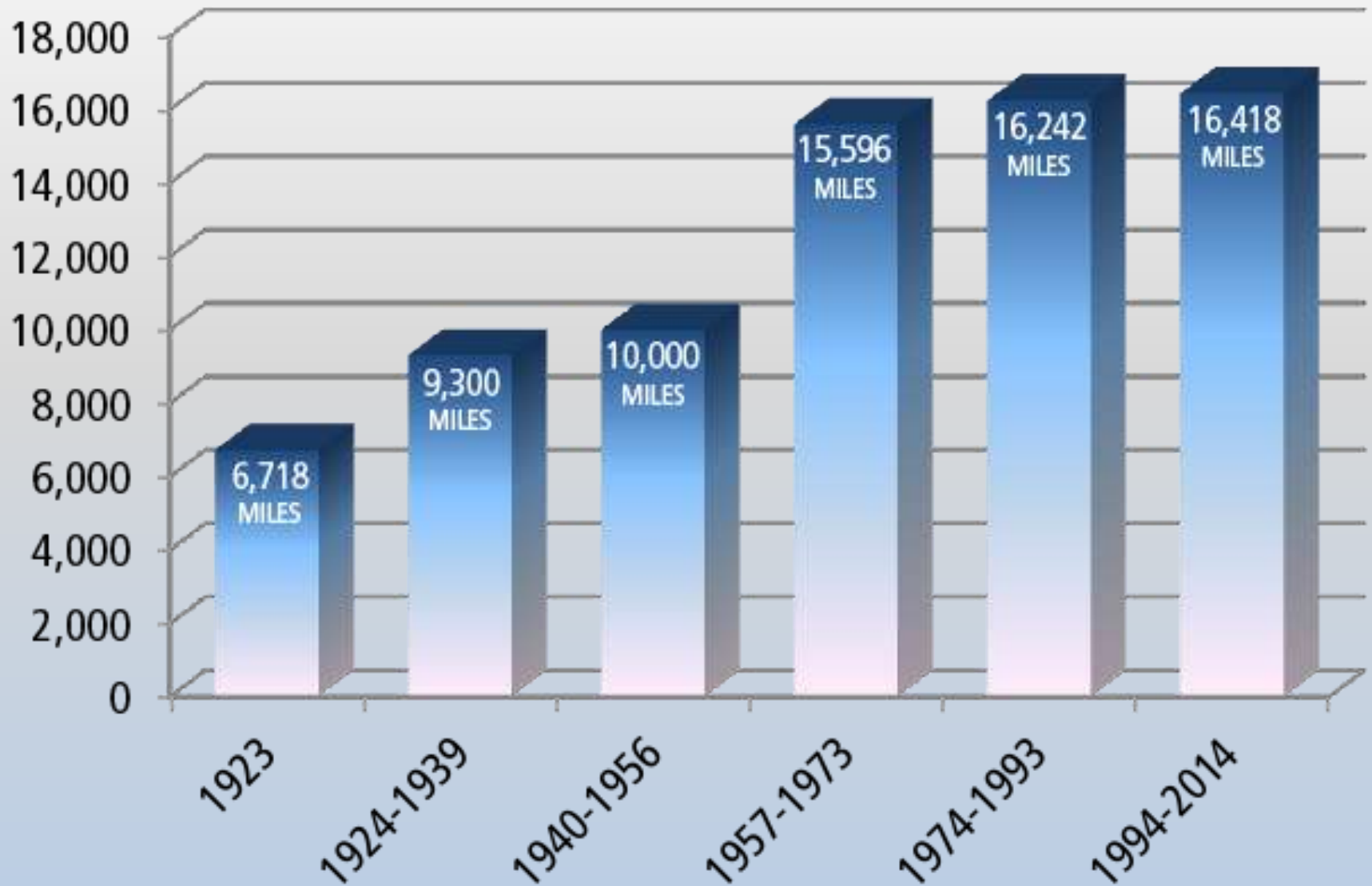
Arkansas has the
3rd Lowest
Administrative Cost Per
Mile
in the Nation

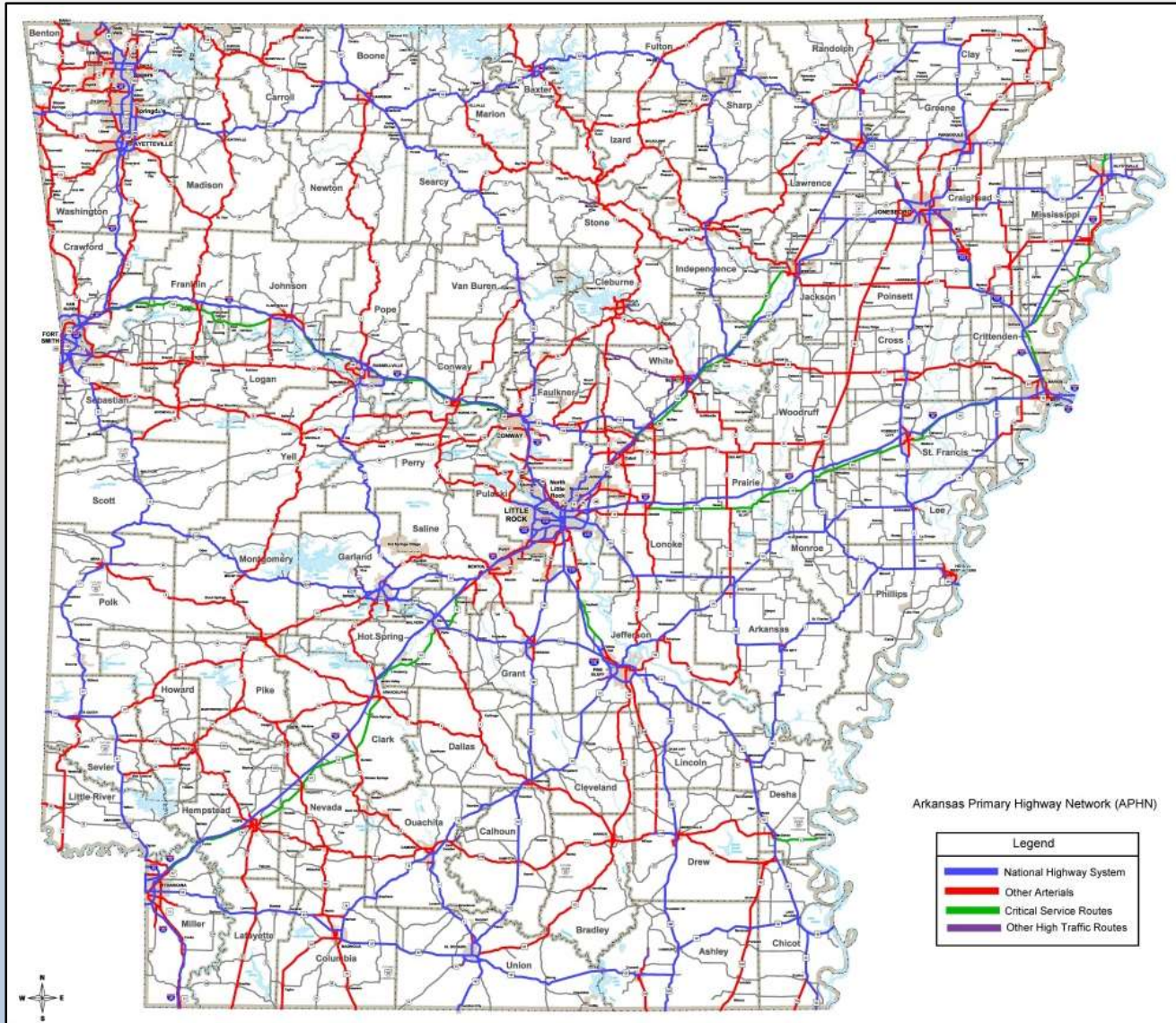
Employment Levels Efficiency



GROWTH OF THE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

MILES



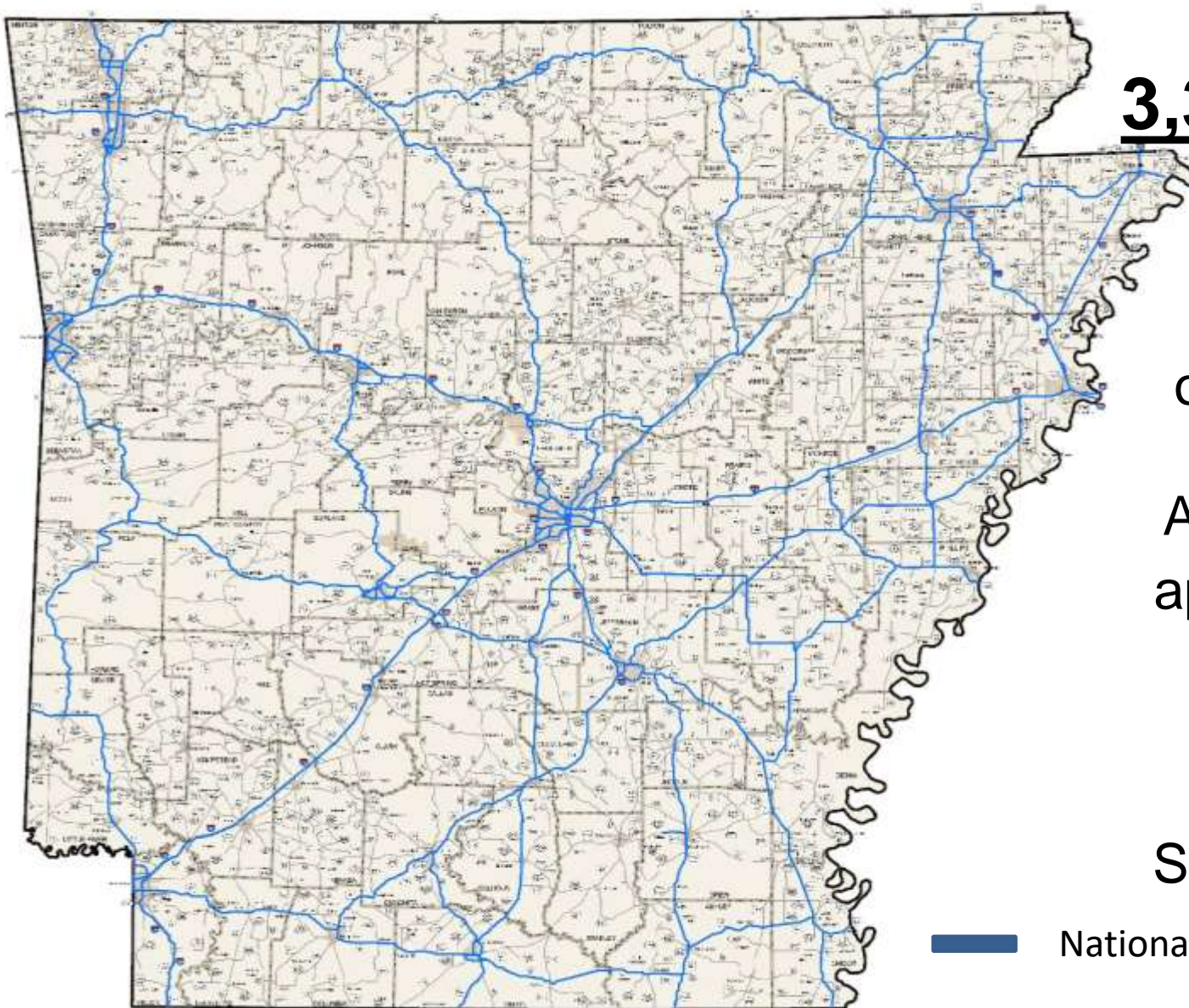


7,927 miles

Carries
90%
of All Traffic

Accounts for
approximately
48%
of State Highway
System Miles

National Highway System



3,331 miles

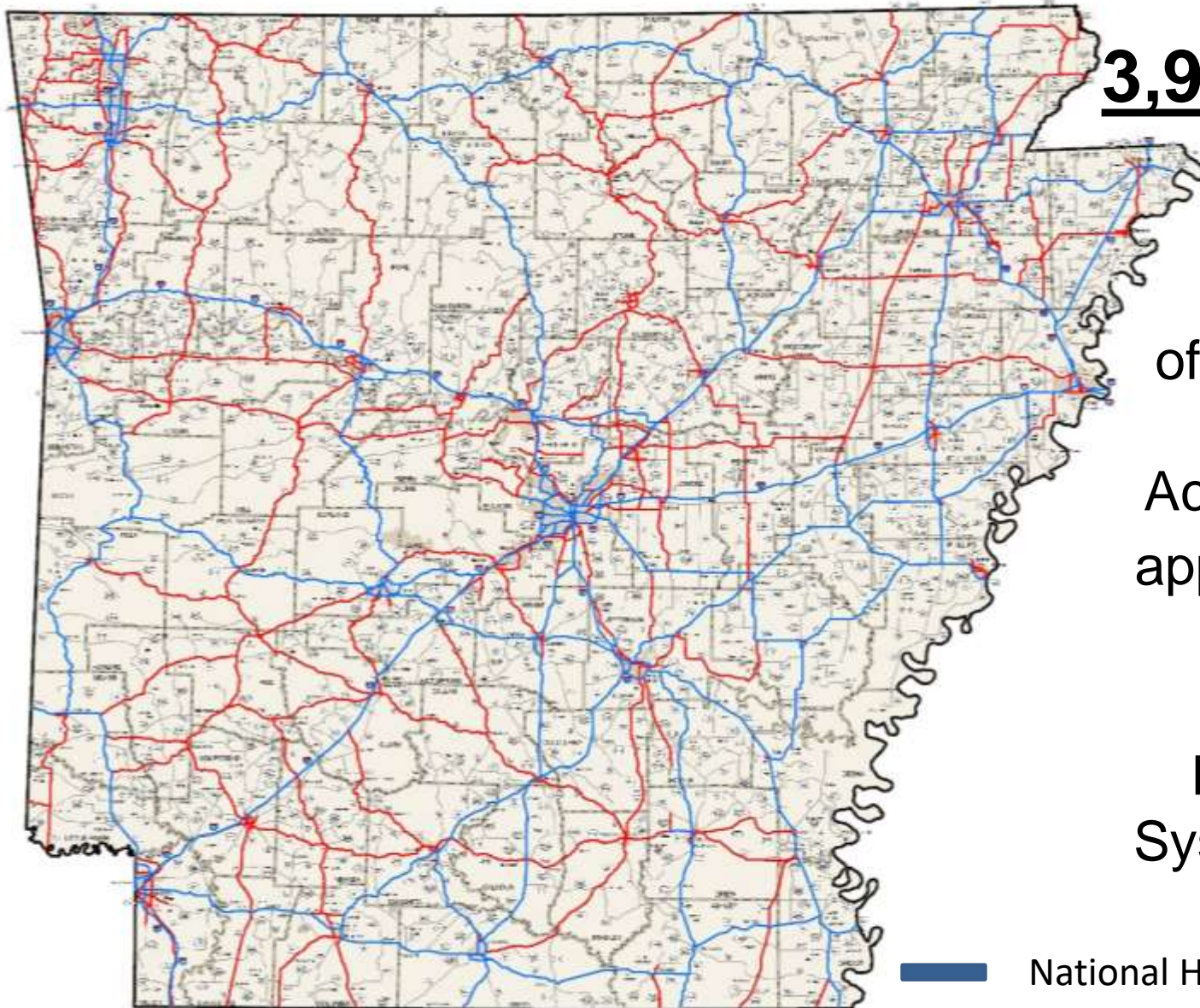
Carries
66%
of All Traffic

Accounts for
approximately
20%
of State
Highway
System Miles



National Highway System

Other Arterials



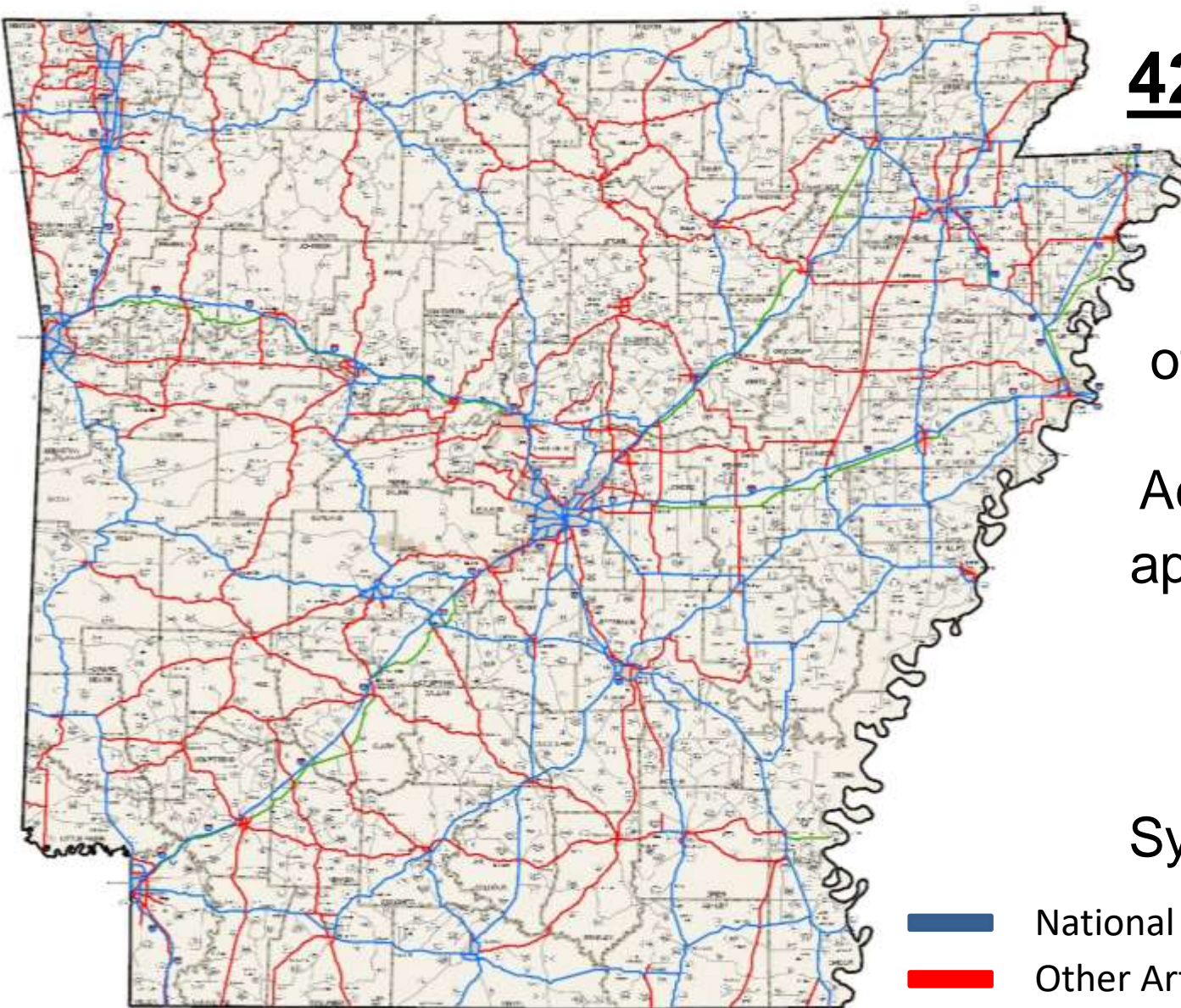
3,977 miles

Carries
21%
of All Traffic

Accounts for
approximately
24%
of State
Highway
System Miles

-  National Highway System
-  Other Arterials




Critical Service Routes



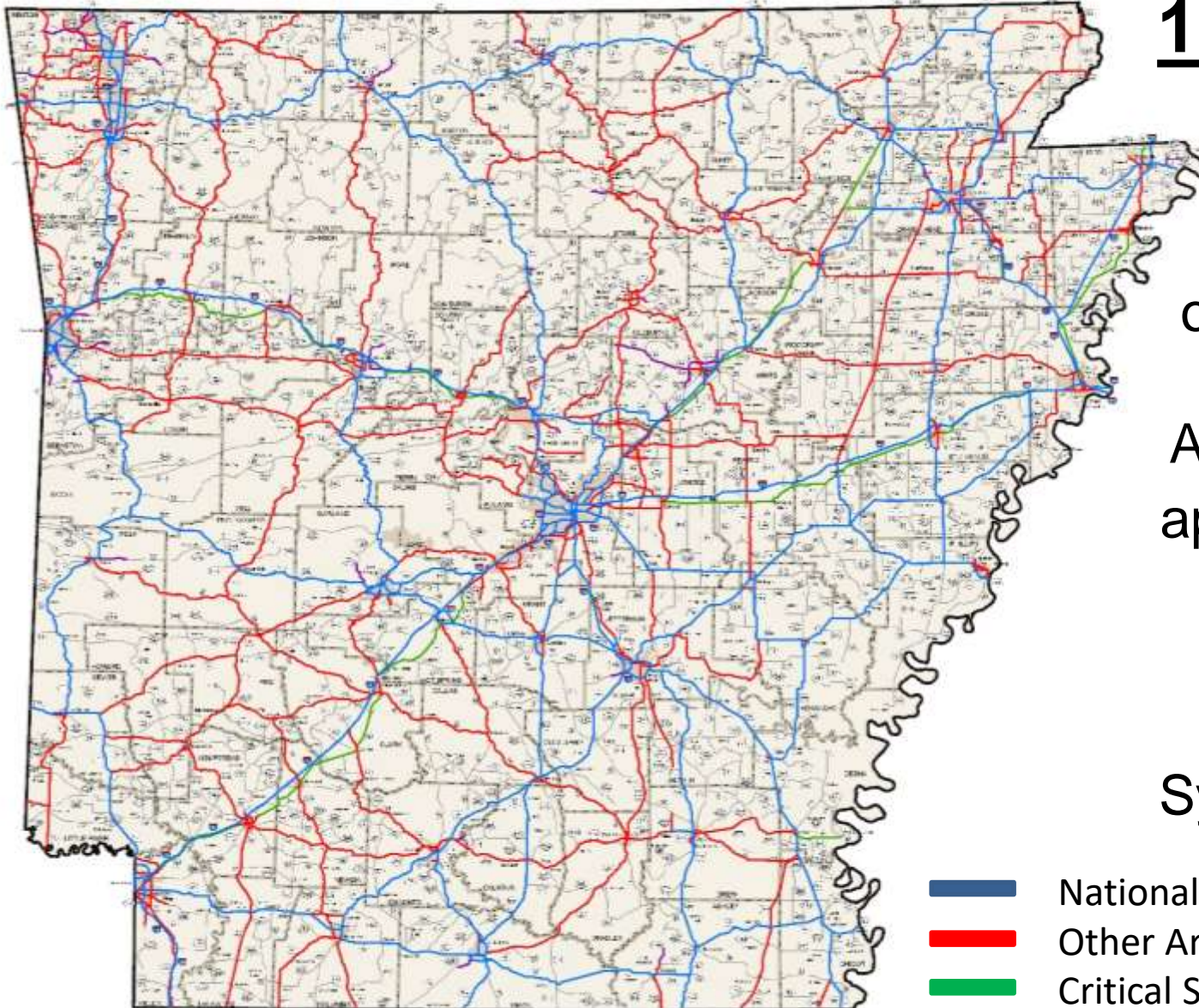
423 miles

Carries
2%
of All Traffic

Accounts for
approximately
3%
of State
Highway
System Miles

-  National Highway System
-  Other Arterials
-  Critical Service Routes





Other High Traffic Routes



196 miles

Carries
1%
of All Traffic

Accounts for
approximately
1%
of State
Highway
System Miles

-  National Highway System
-  Other Arterials
-  Critical Service Routes
-  Other High Traffic Routes

Arkansas Primary Highway Network

Level	Miles	Traffic
National Highway System	20%	66%
Other Arterials	24%	21%
Critical Service Routes	3%	2%
Other High Traffic Routes	1%	1%
Totals	48%	90%

Other Programs & Activities

State Aid Programs for Cities and Counties

Game & Fish Roads

State Park Roads

Institutional Roads

Airport Access Roads

Arkansas Recreational Trails

Public Transportation Programs

Transportation Alternatives Program



Other Programs & Activities

Arkansas Commercial Truck Safety and Education Program

Adopt-A-Highway Program

Litter Hotline

Research Grants to State Universities

Wildflower Program

Historic Bridge Program

Welcome Centers & Rest Areas

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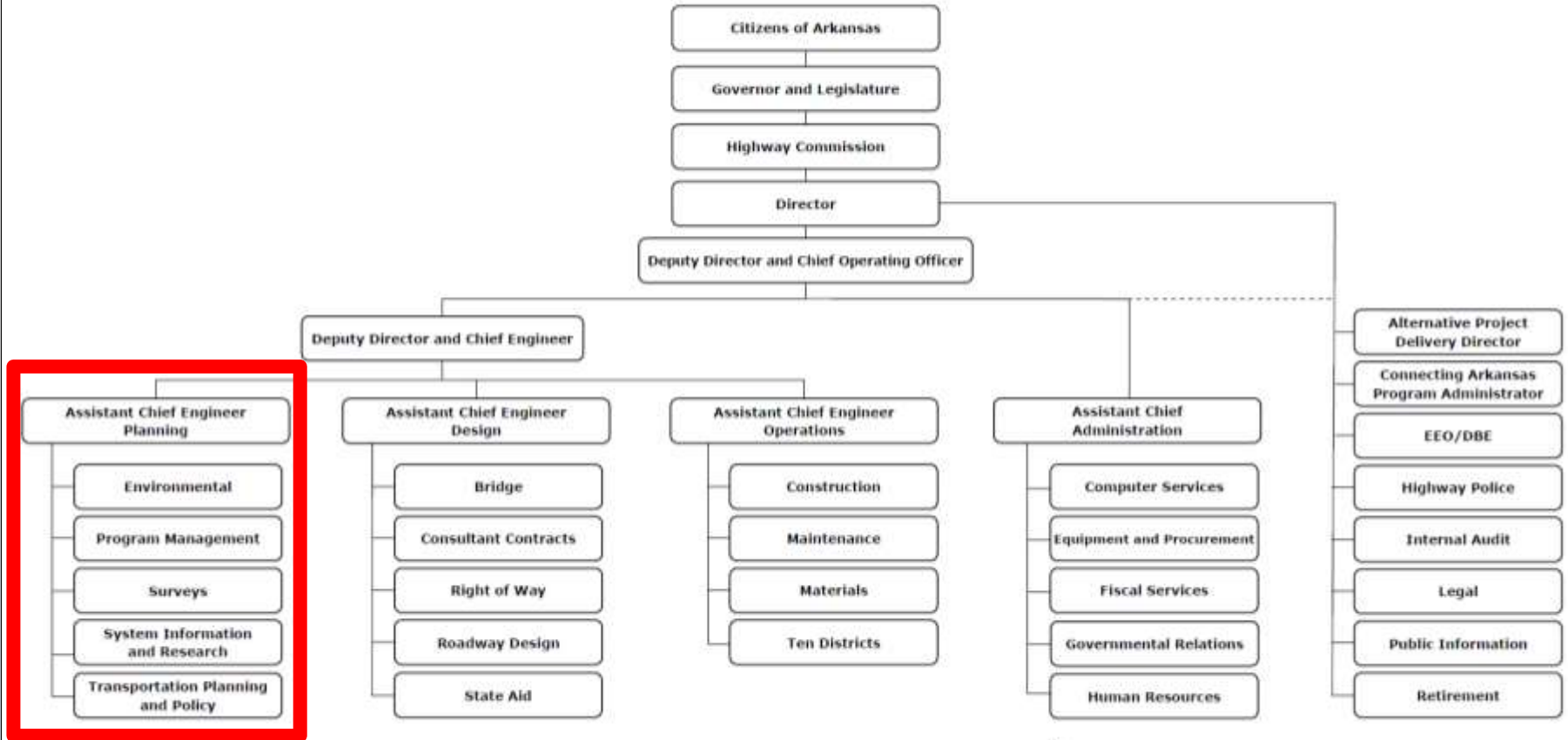


Planning

Kevin Thornton
Assistant Chief Engineer – Planning

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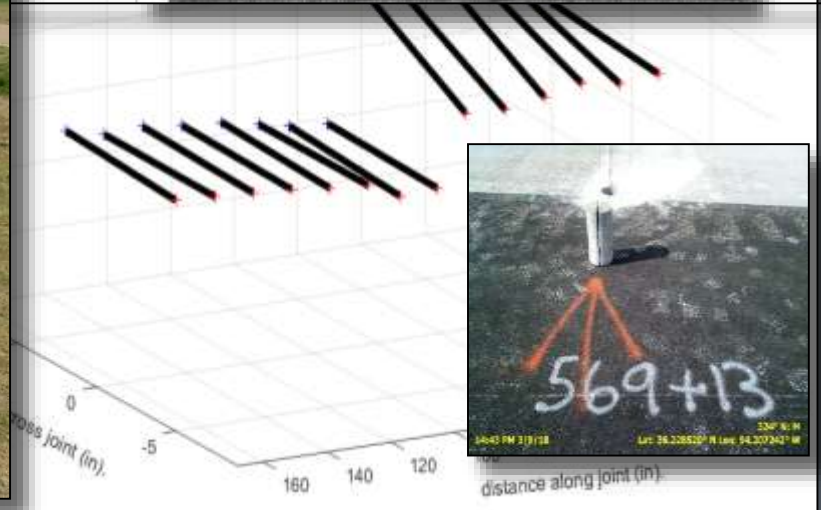
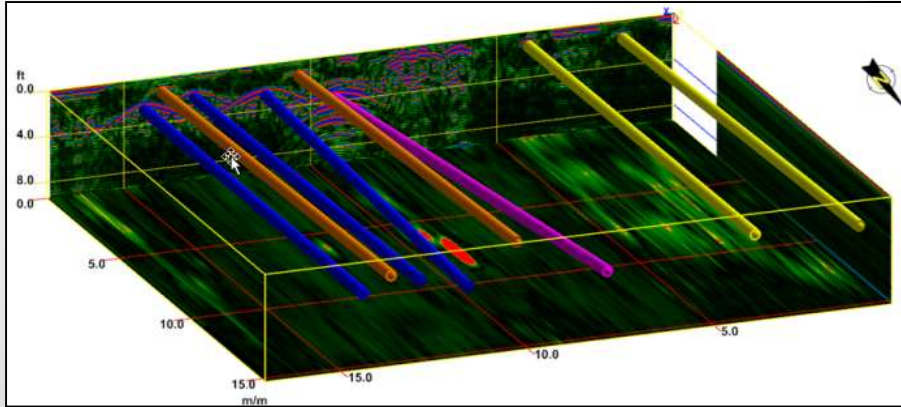
Global Navigation Satellite System



Legend

- ▲ Other AR Entity CORS
- ▲ Existing ARDOT CORS

Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR)

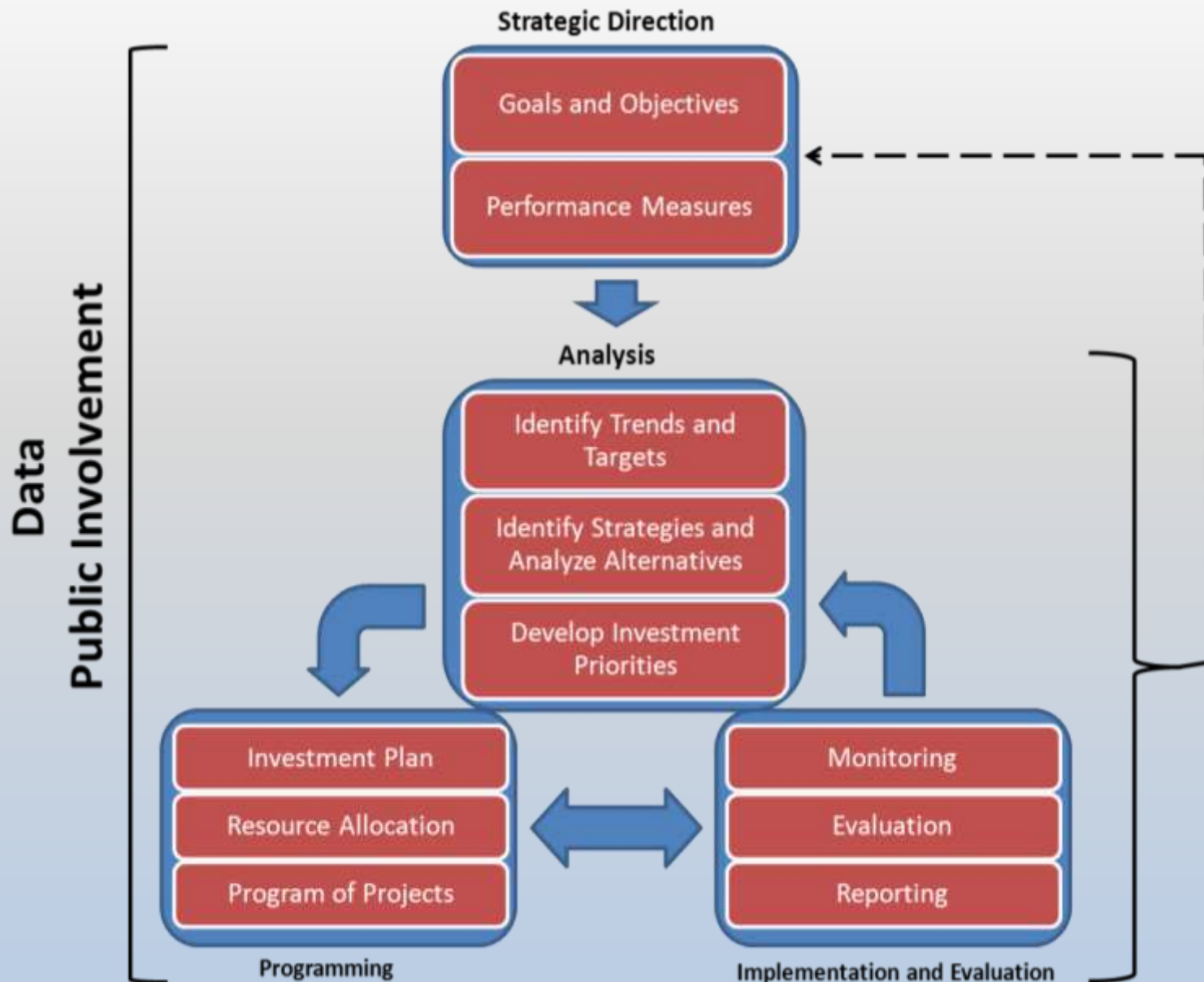


Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD)



Improvements in Pavement Smoothness







National Performance Areas

Infrastructure Condition

Congestion Reduction

System Reliability

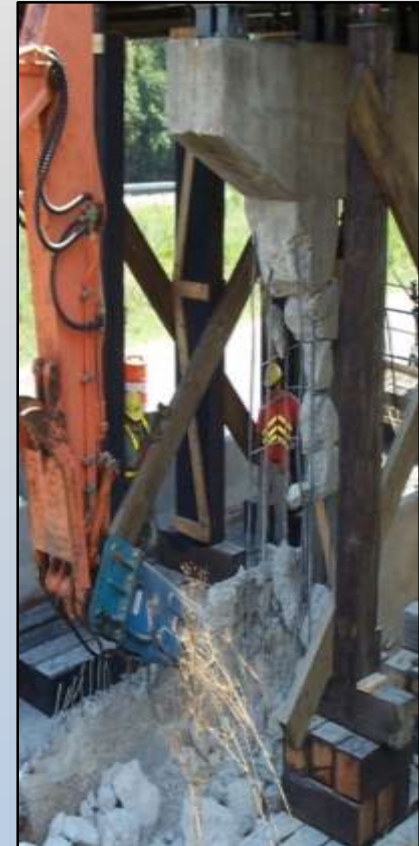
Freight Movement and Economic Vitality

Environmental Sustainability

Reduced Project Delivery Delays

Safety

- Percent of National Highway System Bridges classified in **Good** and **Poor** Condition
- Percent of Pavements of the Interstate System in **Good** and **Poor** Condition
- Percent of Pavements of the Non-Interstate National Highway System in **Good** and **Poor** Condition



Congestion Reduction, System Reliability, Freight Movement and Economic Vitality, and Environmental Sustainability

- Percent of the Interstate System providing Reliable Travel
- Percent of the non-Interstate NHS providing Reliable Travel
- Percent of Interstate System providing for Reliable Truck Travel Time
- Percent of Interstate Mileage Uncongested

Statewide
Area

West Memphis
Area

- Percent of the Interstate System where peak hour travel times meet expectations
- Annual Hours of Excessive Delay per Capita
- Total Tons of emissions reduced from CMAQ projects

- Number and Rate of Fatalities
- Number and Rate of Serious Injuries
- Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries



**TOWARD
ZERO
DEATHS**



One is too many.





ARKANSAS **2017**
STRATEGIC HIGHWAY
SAFETY PLAN

AR DOT **TOWARD ZERO DEATHS**

The cover of the Arkansas 2017 Strategic Highway Safety Plan report. It features a night-time photograph of a highway with light trails from cars. A yellow diamond-shaped warning sign is partially visible on the left side of the cover.





Statewide Programs

Promises Made

Promises Kept

Promises



Rebuilding Arkansas
Interstates



IRP



CAP



1999 Interstate Rehabilitation Program



50 Projects
356 Miles
\$973 Million

Prior to Program
63% Poor or
Mediocre

After Program
72% Good

Completed

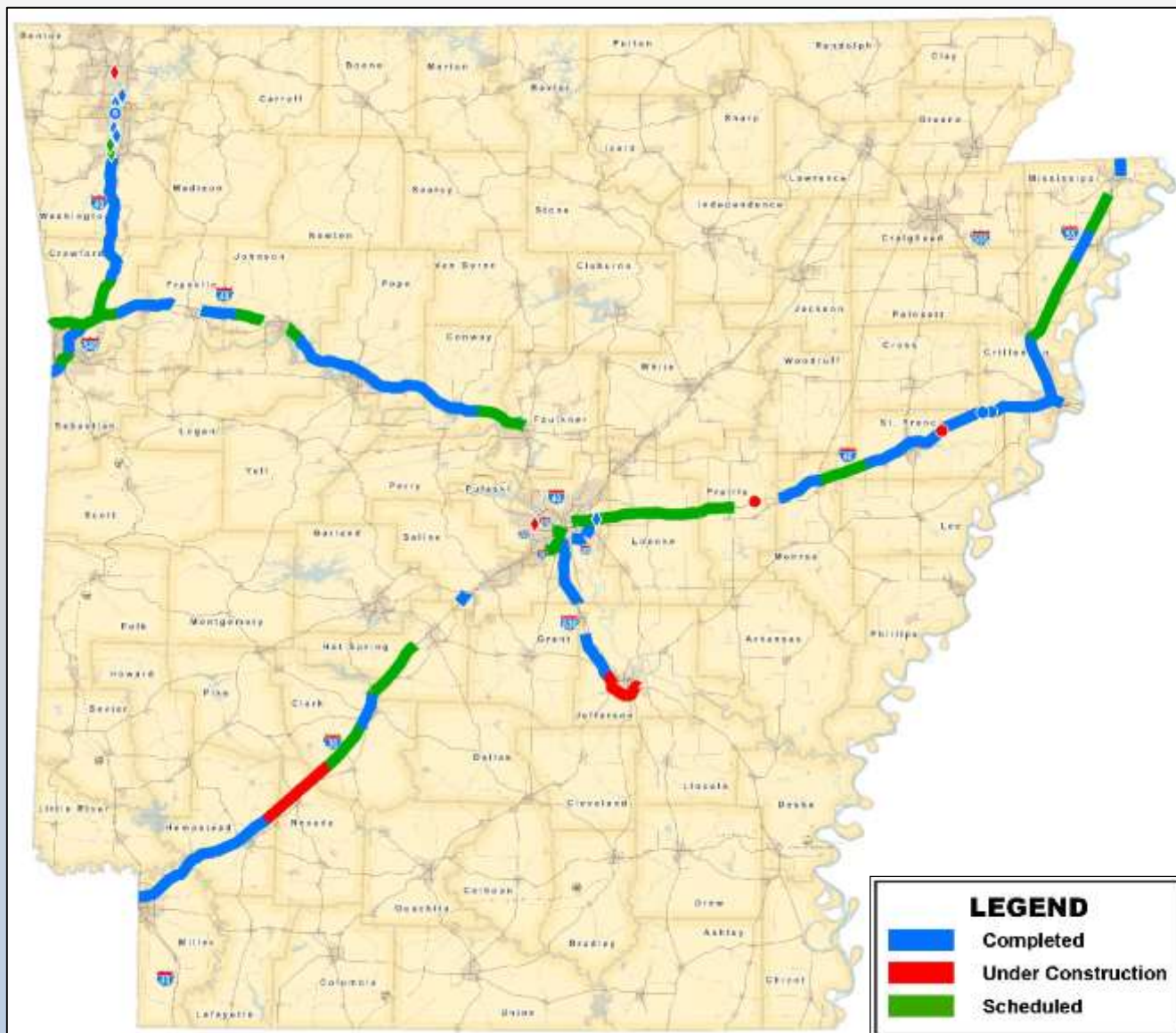
45 Projects
290 Miles
\$997 Million

Under Construction

6 Projects
33 Miles
\$264 Million

Scheduled

28 Projects
171 Miles
\$261 Million



Completed

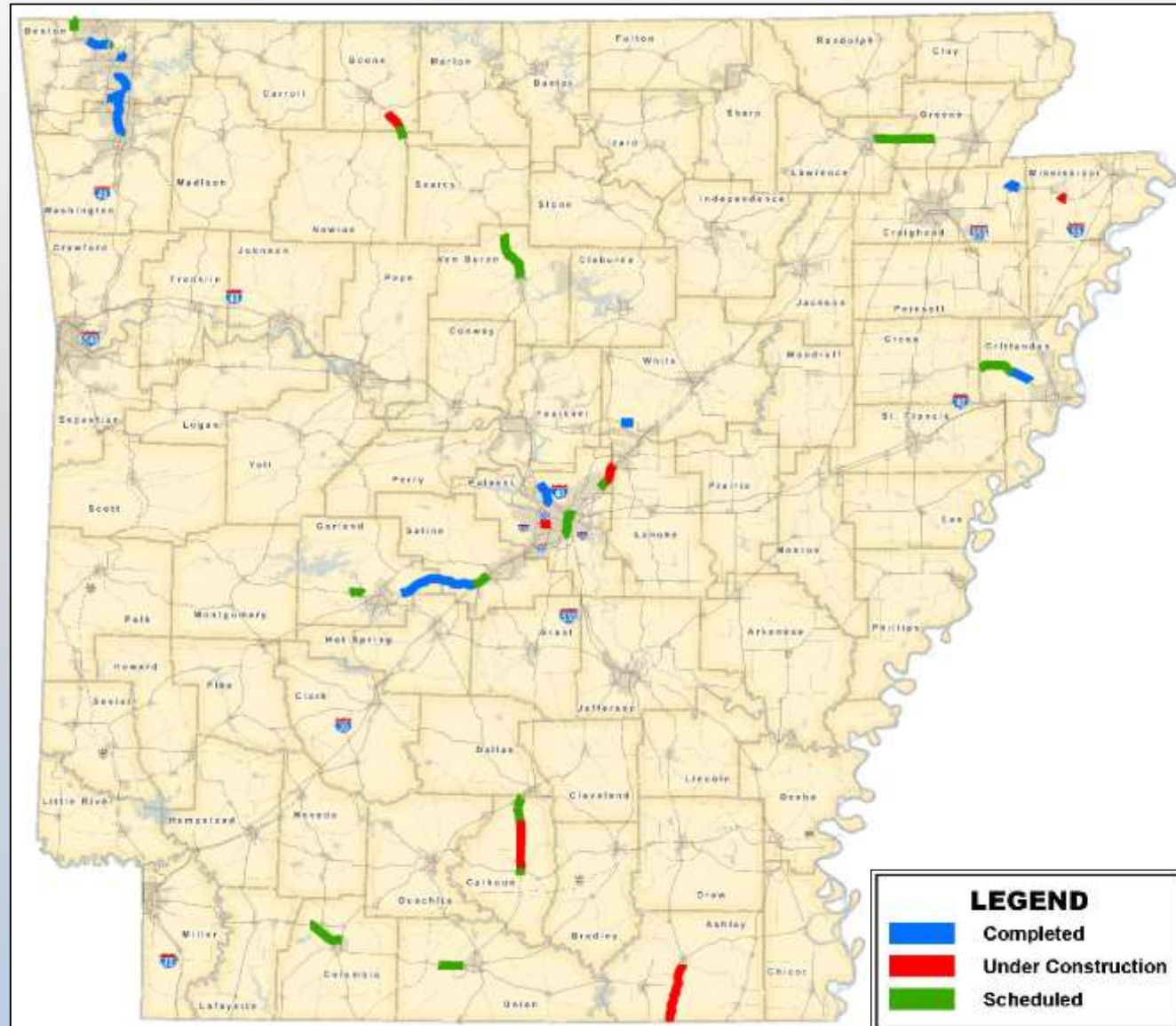
11 Projects
61 Miles
\$432 Million

Under Construction

8 Projects
40 Miles
\$347 Million

Scheduled

17 Projects
85 Miles
\$1.2 Billion

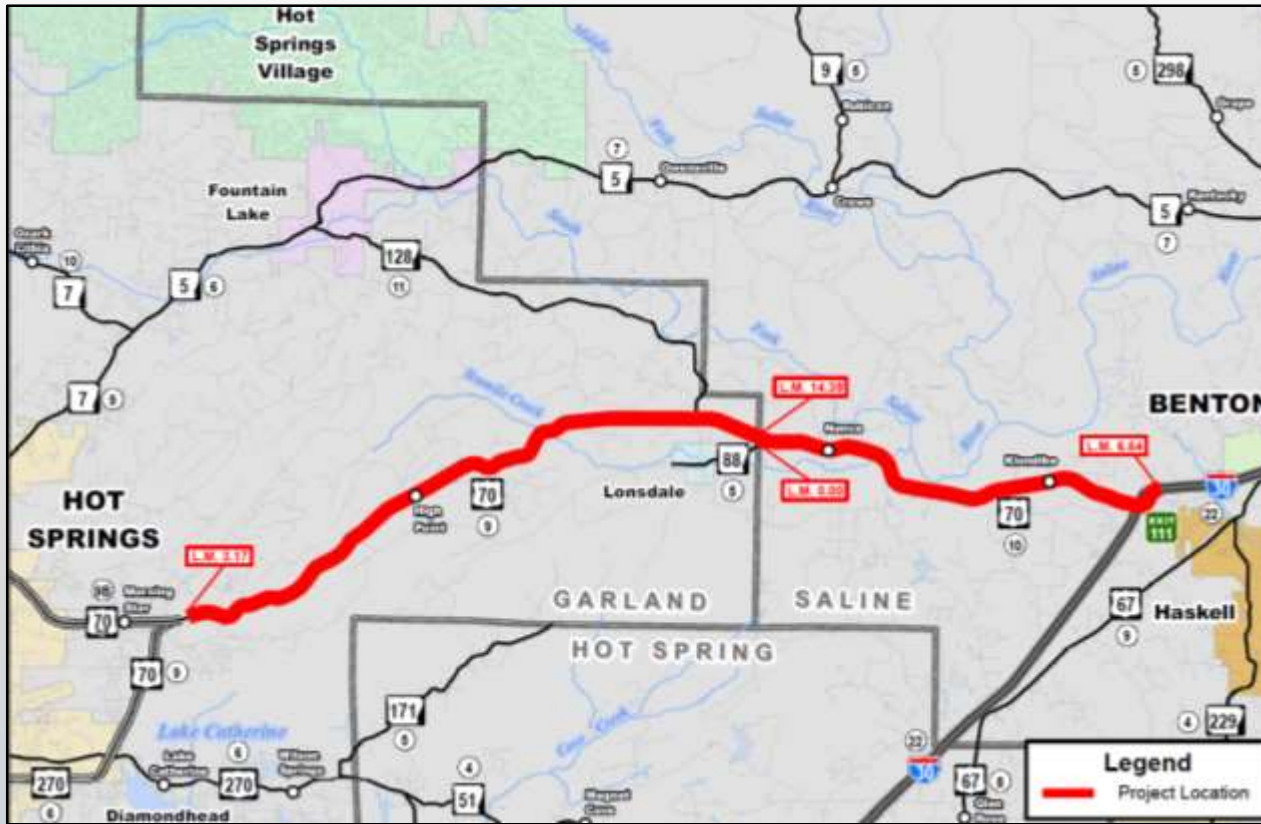




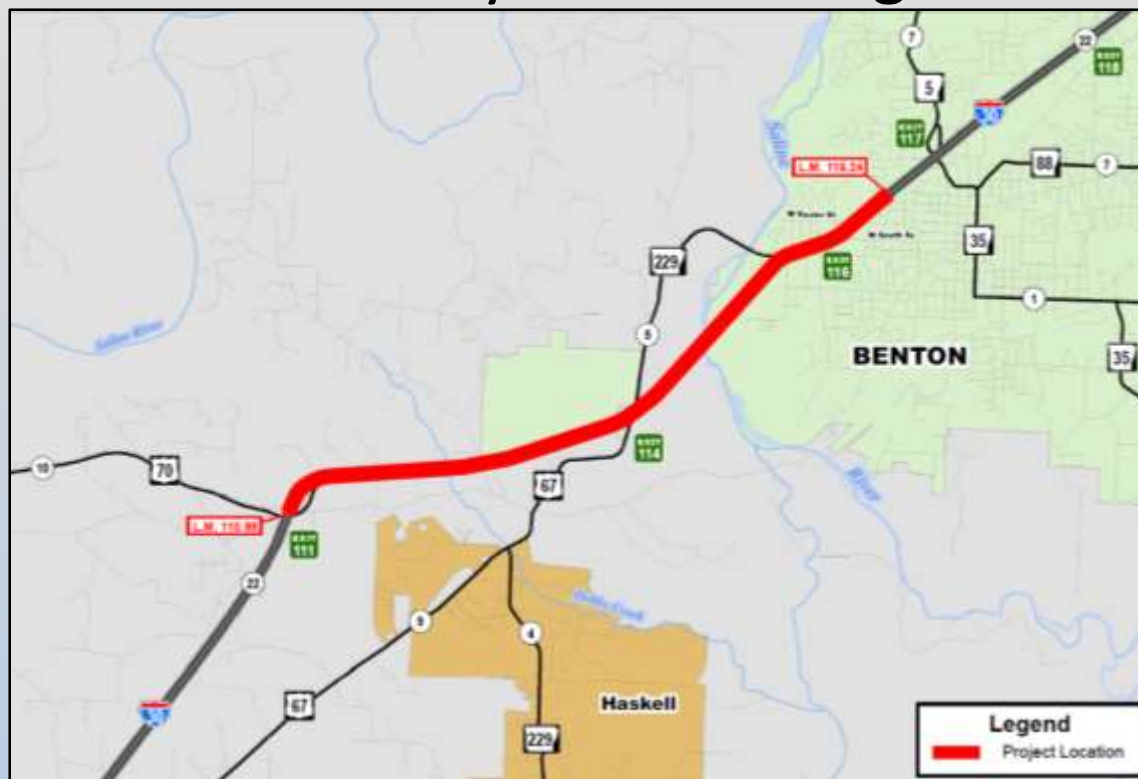
Projects



2012 Connecting Arkansas Program



- **Highway 70 to Sevier Street (Widening)**
 - ✓ Length: 6 Miles
 - ✓ Estimate: \$150 - \$175 Million
 - ✓ Currently Advertised for January 2019 Letting



- ***Definition***
- ***Methods***
 - ✓ Design-Build
 - ✓ Public Private Partnerships (PPP)
 - ✓ Construction Manager/General Contractor



First Design-Build Project





Roadway Design

Trinity Smith
Engineer of Roadway Division

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Job 061331: Sam Peck Rd. – Pleasant Valley Dr. (L.R.) (P.E.)



SPUI: Single Point Urban Interchange





Sections

Hydraulics

Preliminary Engineering

Primary Design

Urban Design

Traffic Engineering

General / Estimating

Total Employees – 32

Total Engineers – 27 (15 PE)

DESIGN

- Geometric and Pavement Design
- Hydraulic Analysis for Bridges, Culverts, Storm Drains, and Open Channel Flow
- Design, Plan Preparation, and Traffic Signal Plans
- Proposed Right of Way
- Maintenance of Traffic, Permanent Striping, and Temporary Erosion Control Plans
- Cost Estimates and Construction Time

Roundabouts:

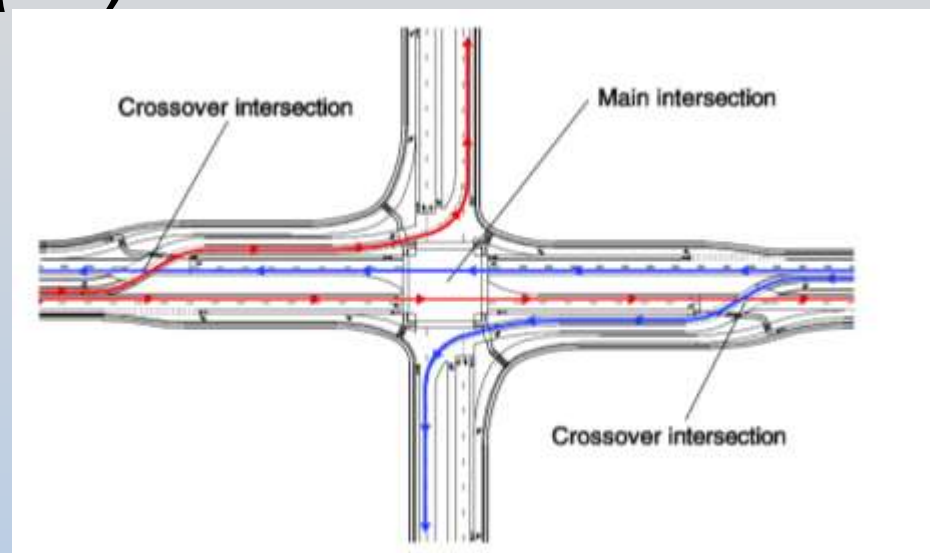
- ✓ 8 Existing
- ✓ >10 within design process
- ✓ >8 Proposed/Study




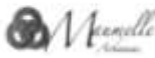

Highway 286, Conway (Google Earth, 3/1/2017)

Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI):

- ✓ 0 Existing



Adaptive Signal Control:

 <p>CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, AR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION</p> <p>FIBER OPTIC COMMUNICATIONS & ADAPTIVE SIGNAL CONTROL TECHNOLOGY (ASCT) CONSTRUCTION PLANS</p> <p>UNIVERSITY AVE FROM I-30 EB RAMP TO CANTRELL RD (STATE HWY 10)</p> <p><small>APPROVED: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION</small></p> <p><small>DATE: _____ BY: _____ FOR: _____</small></p> <p>LIST OF PLAN SHEETS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 TITLE SHEET 2 & 3A NOTES SHEET & SUMMARY OF QUANTITIES 3 KEY LAYOUT SHEET 4-6B COMMUNICATIONS PLAN SHEETS 7-9B INTERSECTION DETAIL SHEETS 10-11 INSTALLATION DETAILS 12-13 MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC 	  <p>PULASKI COUNTY</p> <p>TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT 100% ADAPTIVE SIGNAL CONTROL TECHNOLOGY INSTALLATION PLANS</p> <p>NORTHSHORE DR. TO I-40 WB RAMP</p> <p><small>APPROVED: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DIVISION</small></p> <p><small>DATE: _____ BY: _____ FOR: _____</small></p> <p>LIST OF 100% PLAN SHEETS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 TITLE SHEET 2 SUMMARY OF QUANTITIES SHEET 3 NOTES 4 KEY SHEET 5-9B INTERSECTION DETAIL SHEETS 10 VIDEO DETECTION DETAILS 11 STEEL HOLE WITH MAST ARM DETAILS 12 FLASHING AND YELLOW ARROW 13-16 MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC DETAILS 17 SIGNAL HEAD PLACEMENT
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CENTRAL ARKANSAS REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM
CONSTRUCTION PLANS

**DAVE WARD DRIVE
ASCT DETECTOR INSTALLATION
(CONWAY) (S)**

FAULKNER COUNTY
ROUTE 68 SECTION 8
ROUTE 68B SECTION 2
JOB #88519
OFF TO SCALE





DESIGN: _____
CHECKED: _____
DATE: _____
SCALE: _____

CONWAY, ARKANSAS




Alternative Interchange Designs

SPUI:

- ✓ 0 Existing
- ✓ 1 Under Construction
- ✓ Multiple in the design process



Job BB0903, I-49/Highway 71B Interchange Bentonville/Rodgers

Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI):

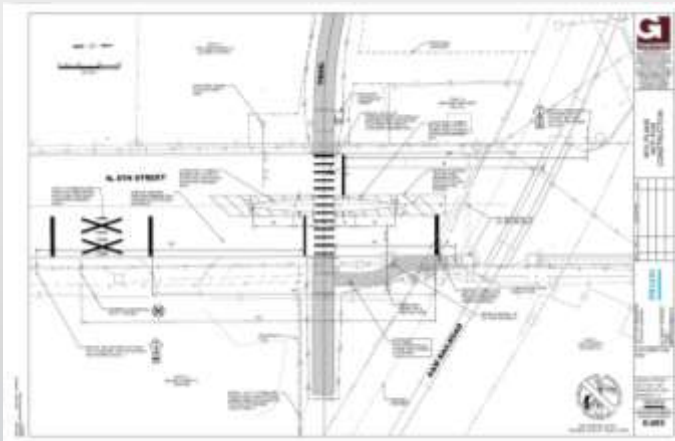
- ✓ 0 Existing



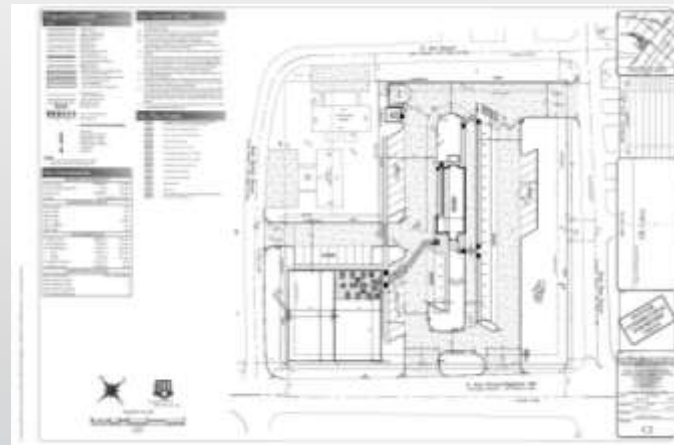
US Highway 60/Highway 13, Springfield, MO (Google Earth, 2/16/2017)

Permit Reviews:

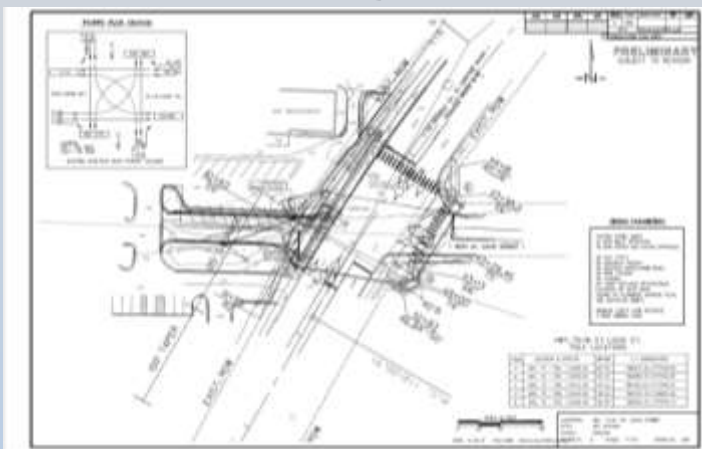
✓ Trail Crossings



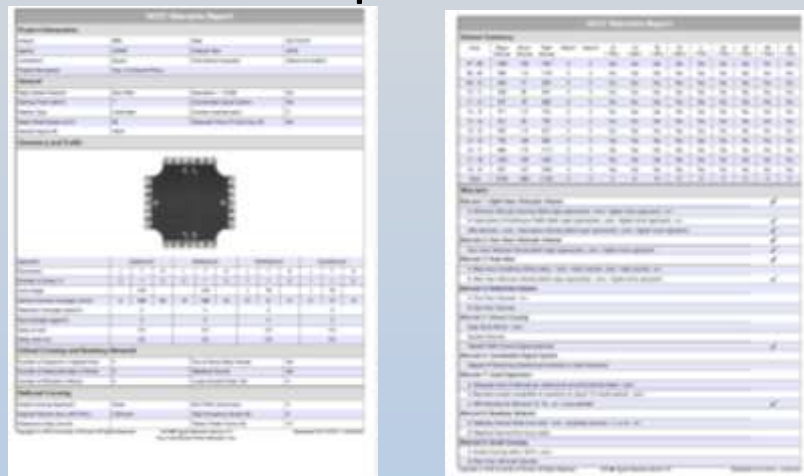
✓ Driveways & Drainage



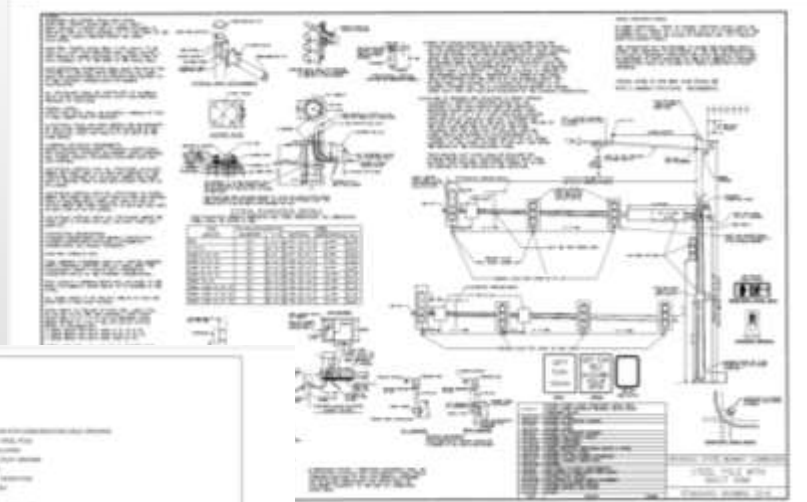
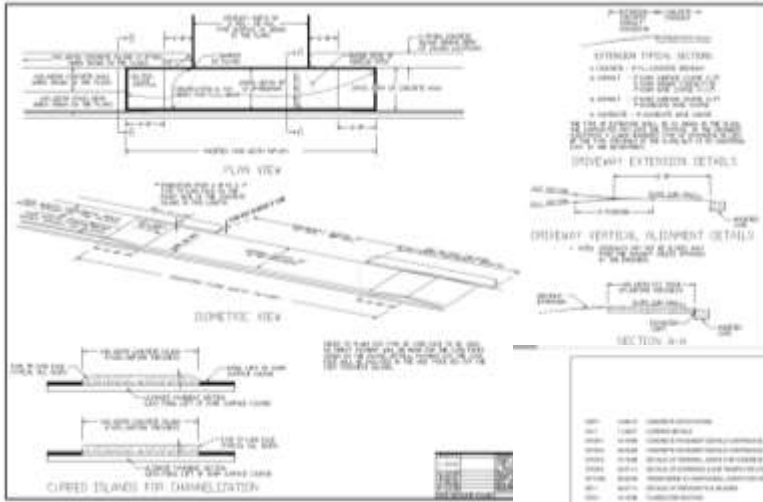
✓ Signal



✓ Traffic Operations Studies

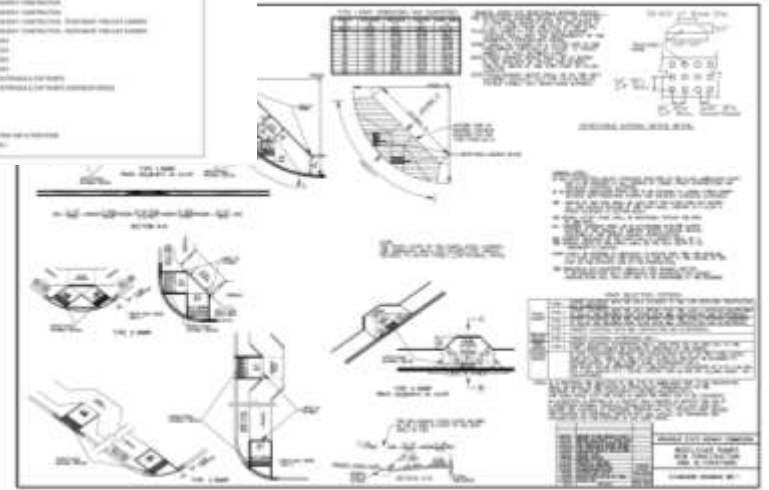


Roadway Standard Drawings



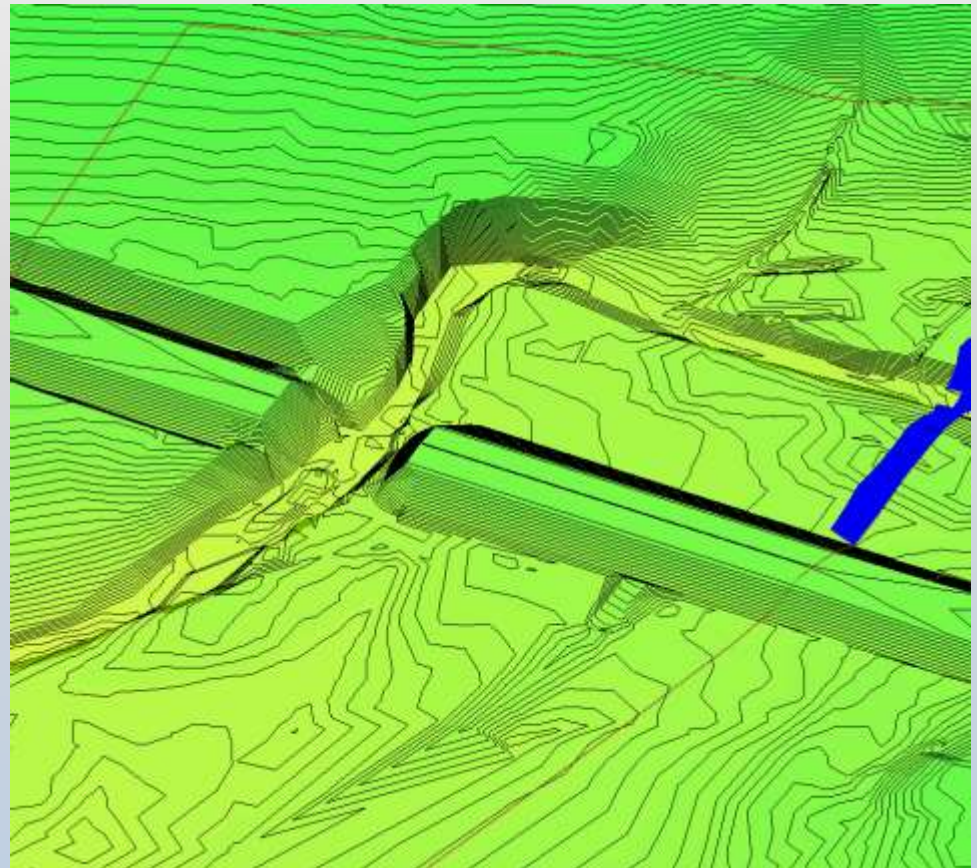
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 STANDARD DRAWING INDEX
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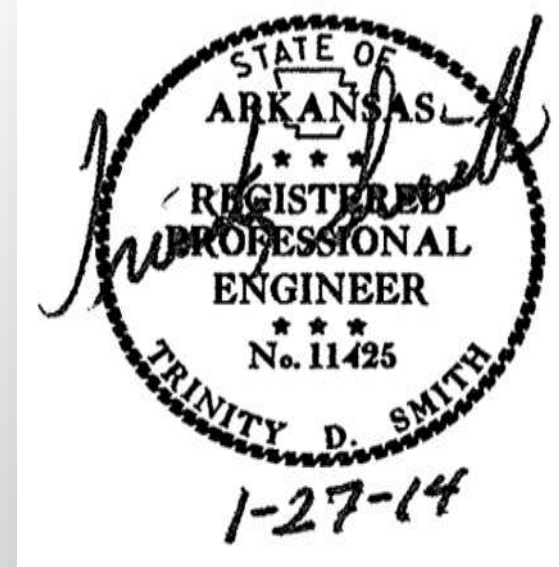
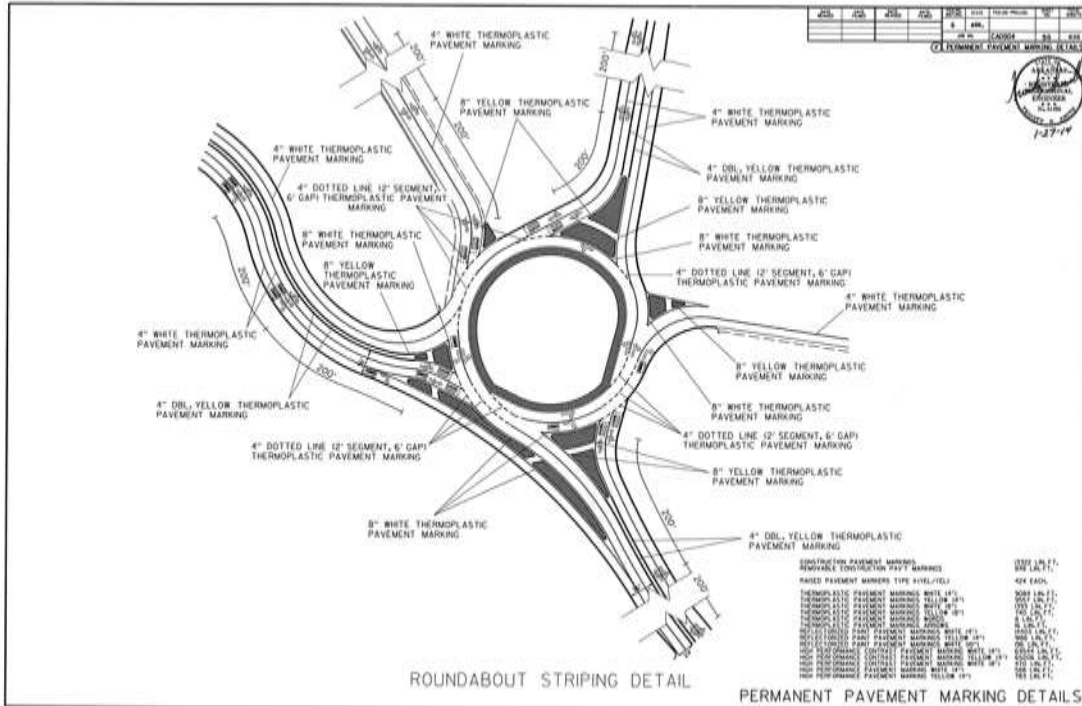
2-D Hydraulic Modeling with SMS

- 5 - projects completed through the design phase of plan development.
- 1 consultant project pending completion of the design.
- Currently developing the new coordination procedures with Roadway and Bridge designers.
- Reduced assumptions = fewer errors = better representation of what is happening on the ground.



Electronic Signatures For Plans

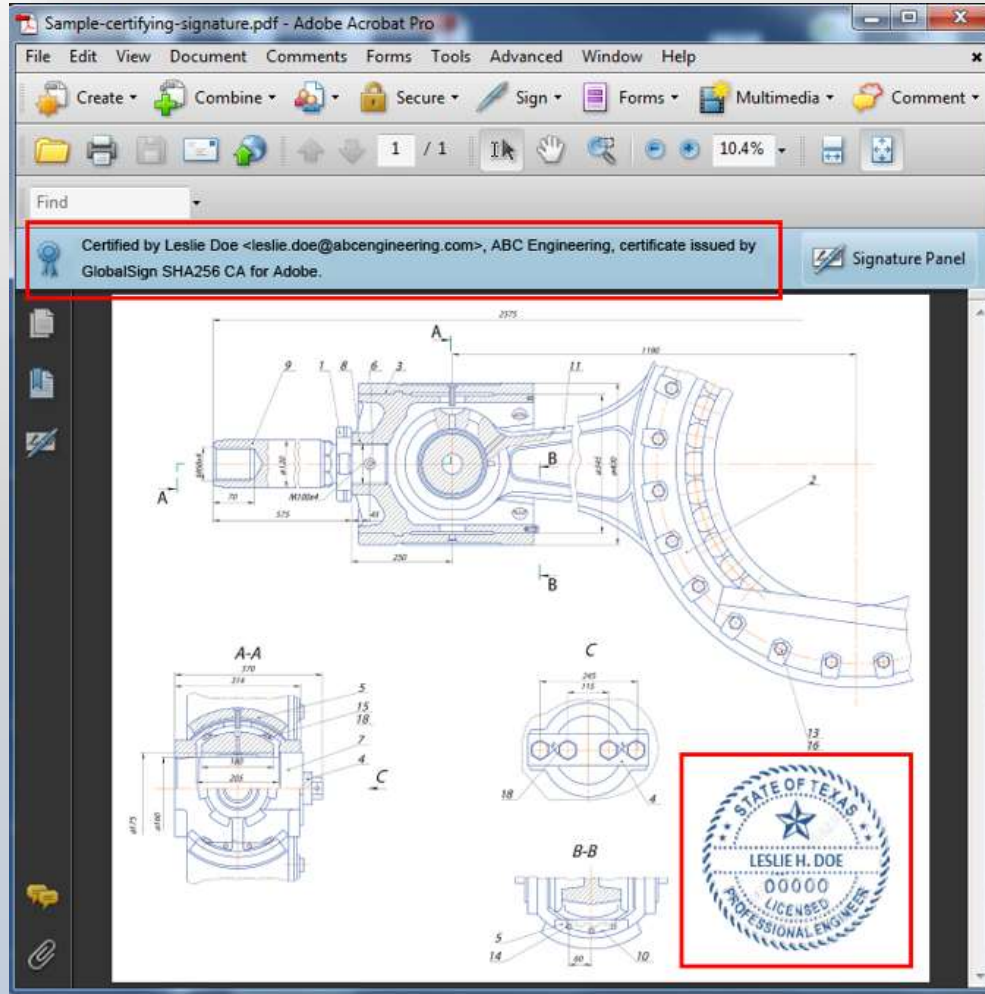
A blue-tinted photograph of a winding road with cars and a sign. The road curves to the right, and there are three cars visible: a small car in the distance, a dark SUV in the middle ground, and a silver sedan in the foreground. A diamond-shaped sign with a right-turn arrow is on the right side of the road. The background shows a rocky hillside and distant mountains under a cloudy sky.



All engineering plans and details must be sealed by a Registered Professional Engineer



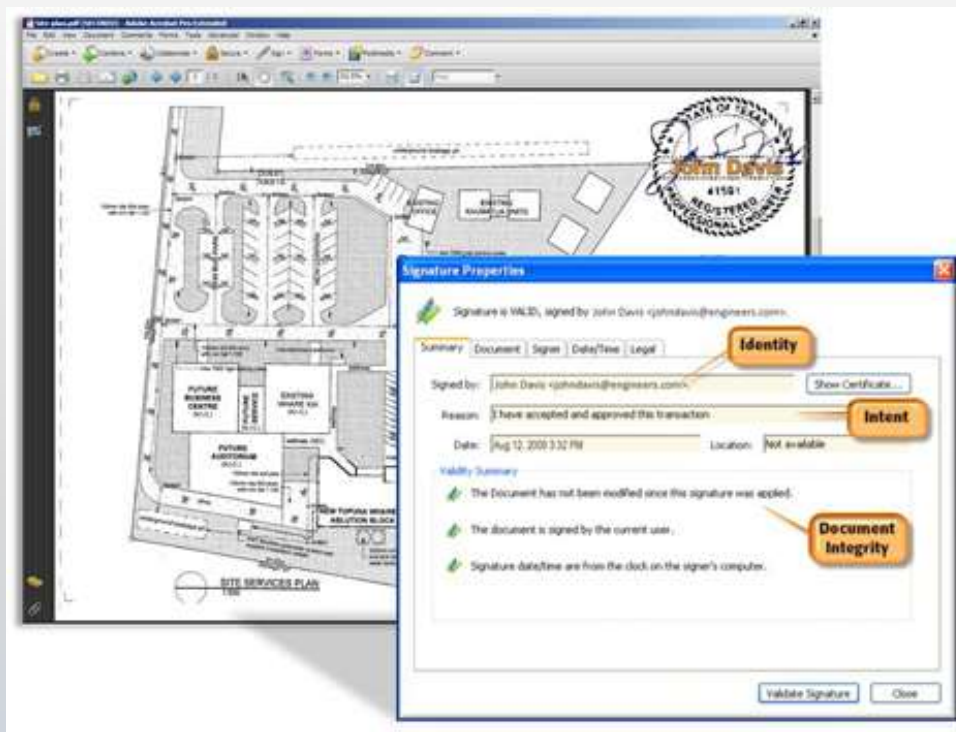
Arkansas State Board of Licensure for Professional Engineers and Professional Surveyors amended the rules of the board to allow Electronic/Digital Signatures for sealing engineering documents.



The Registered Professional Engineer electronically signs the PDF file.
No paper documents are necessary.



Engineering Seals can be applied to documents electronically via mobile devices and transmitted to clients over the internet.



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3D Modeling

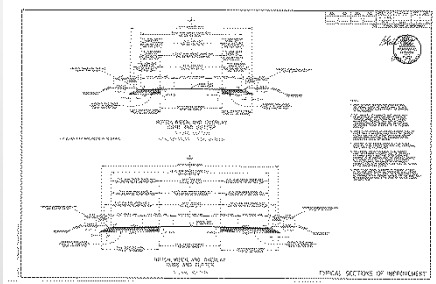


3D model technology was invented decades ago.

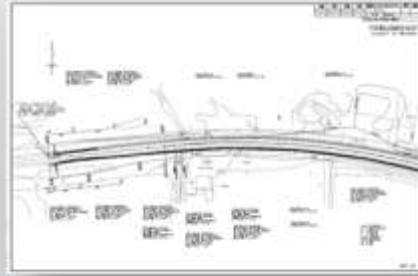


Ivan Sutherland using “Sketchpad” on the MIT TX-2 computer system in 1963.

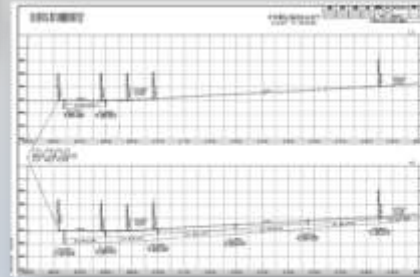
2D Plan Production Workflow



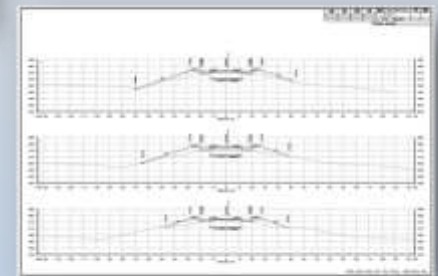
Typical Sections



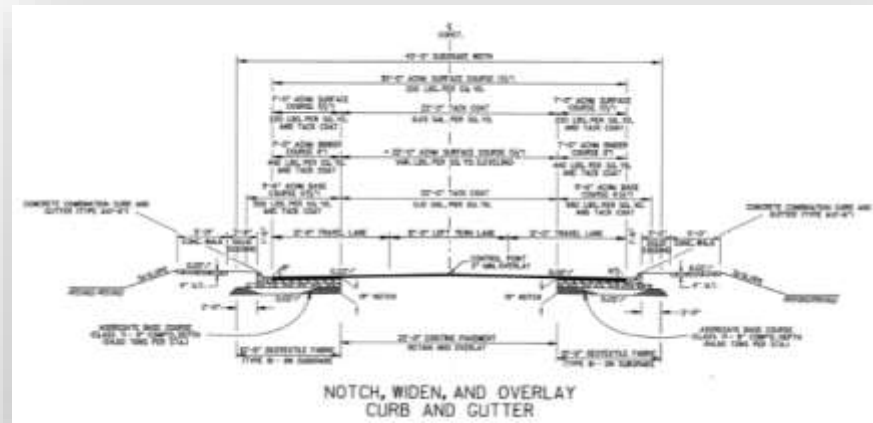
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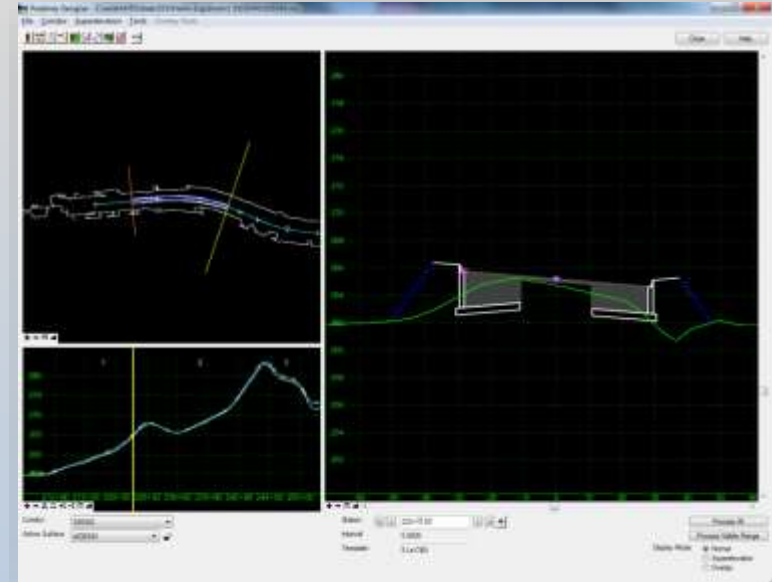
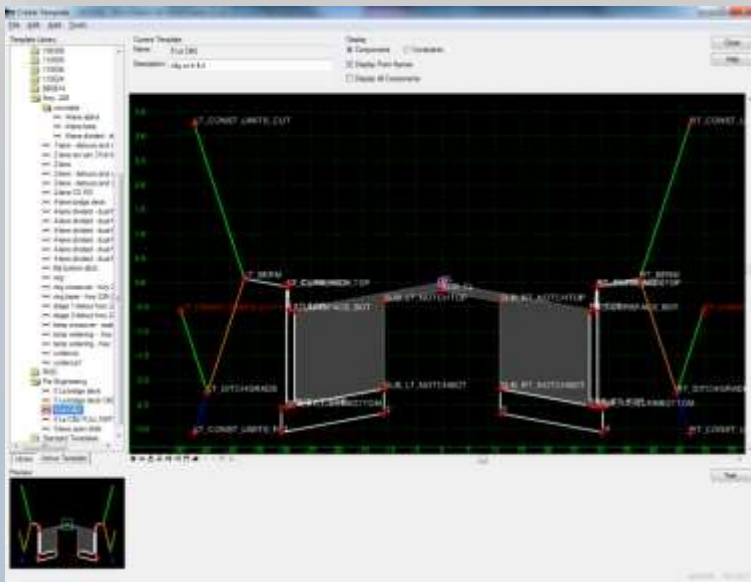
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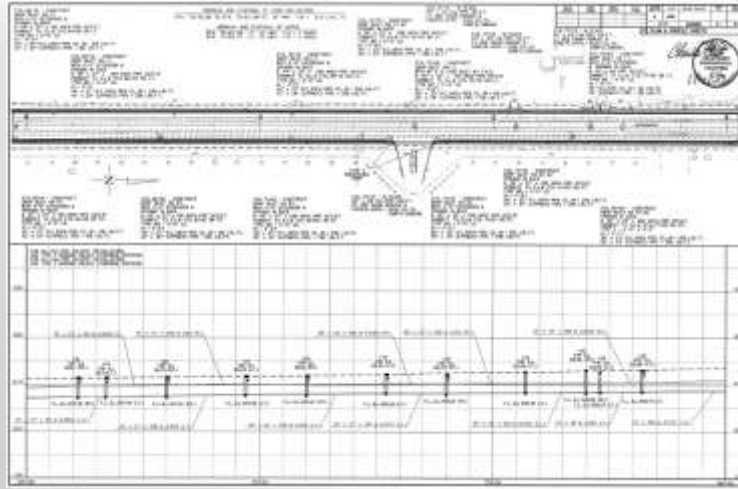
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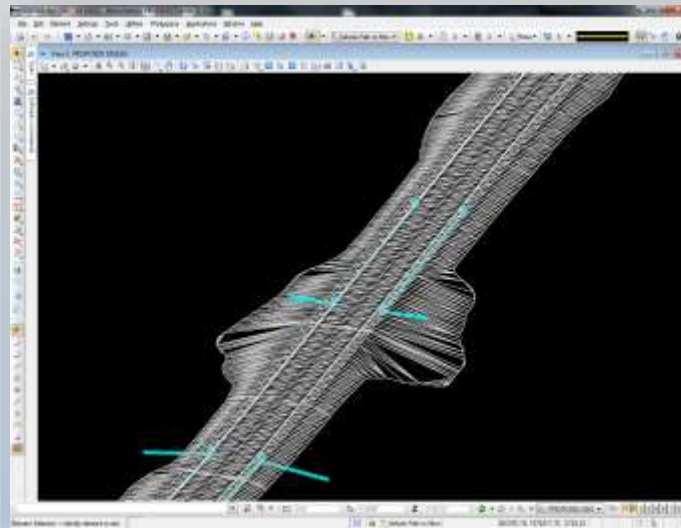
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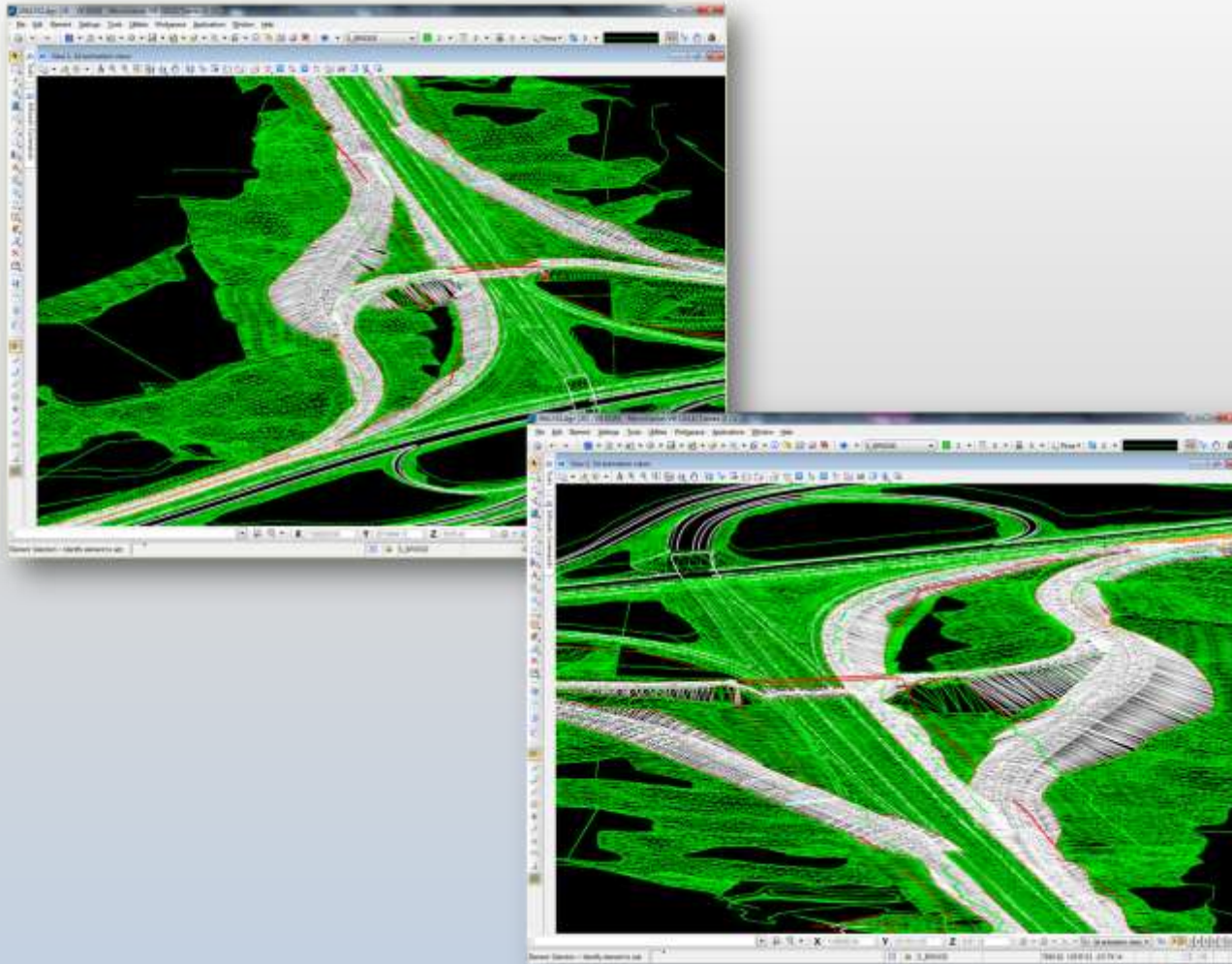
Digital creation of Typical Sections



becomes



Digital creation of corridor



Finished product of 3D models for Interchange improvements.

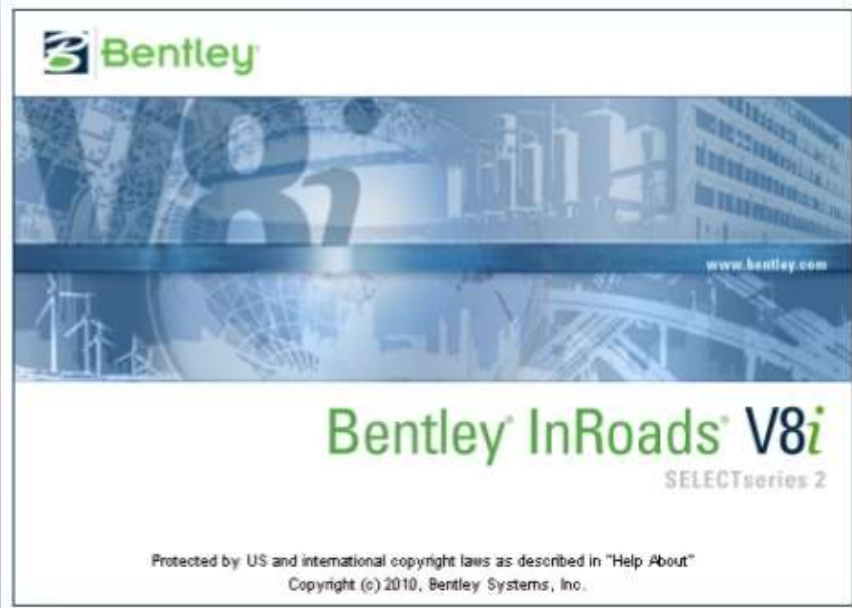


Advances in Automated Machine Guidance (AMG) created the demand for 3D engineered models with much greater amounts of detail than what had previously been needed.



3D models can be used to create realistic renderings of designs.

The Next Step...



ARDOT is currently moving from Bentley's Inroads V8i SS2 to Bentley's OpenRoads



Bridge Design

Rick Ellis
Division Head – Bridge

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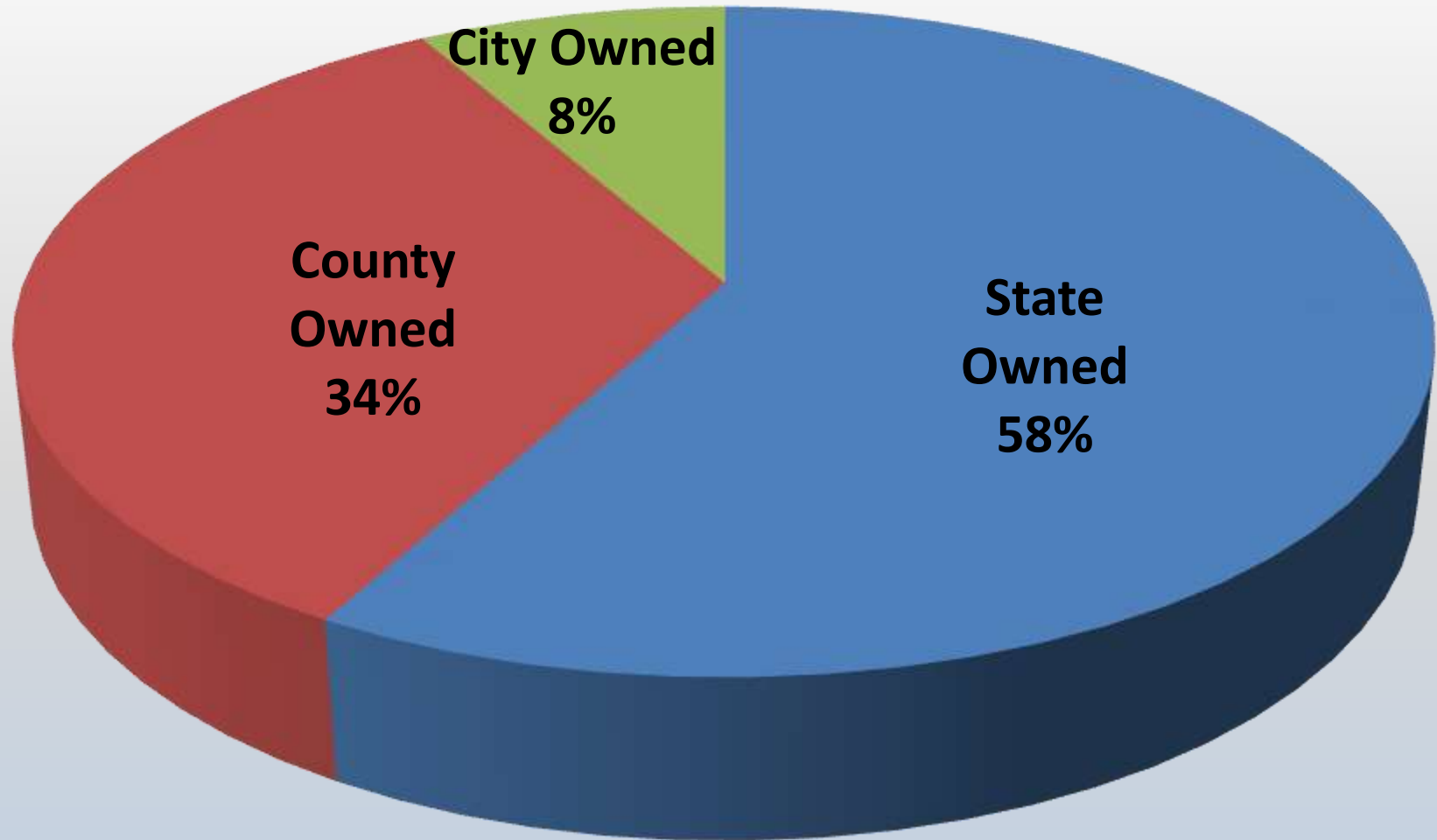
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Almost 13,000 Publicly Owned Bridges, 5% Poor Condition

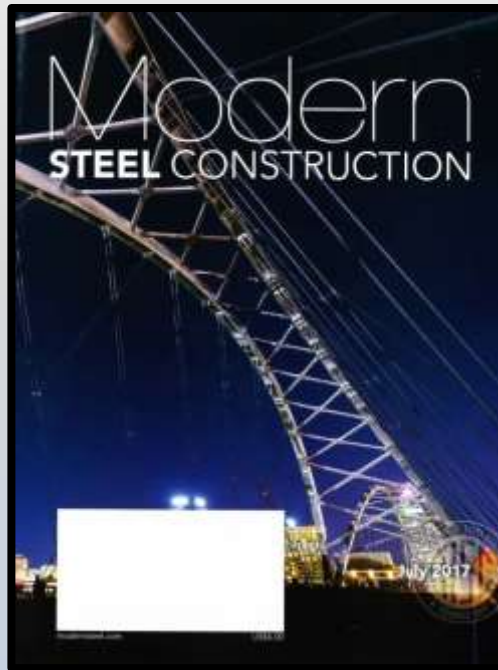


2017 Grand Conceptor Award
American Council of Engineering
Companies (ACEC) - Arkansas

2017 Eugene C. Figg Award International Bridge Conference



July 2017 cover



2018 Grand Conceptor Award ACEC - Arkansas

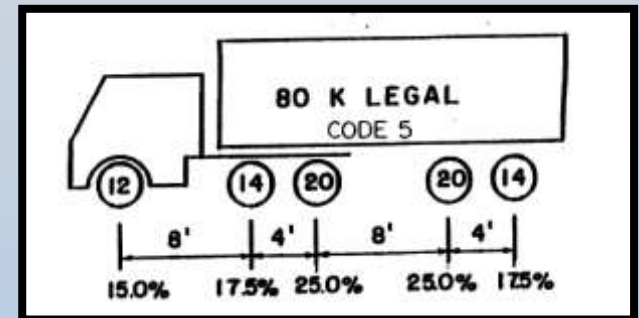


Historic or Unique Bridges



- 32 Employees, 26 Engineers (15 PE)
 - Concrete & Steel Fabrication (2018)
 - Rating & Inventory
 - Design
- 5 On-Call Consultants
- We have openings!

- Load Rating Analysis of all publicly owned bridges
- Review and Approval of overload permits
- Manage Scour Critical bridges



- About 40 bridges per year
- Almost \$124 million annually (not including Preservation or Rehab)
- 1/3 Consultant Design



Accelerated Bridge Construction

7/2011 MassDOT FAST 14 Showcase in
Boston

2/2013 PBES for ABC Peer Exchange in
Norfolk, VA

8/2013 I-84 Echo Rd. Showcase in Echo,
UT

2013-2014 EDC-2 ARDOT/FHWA ABC Committee in LR

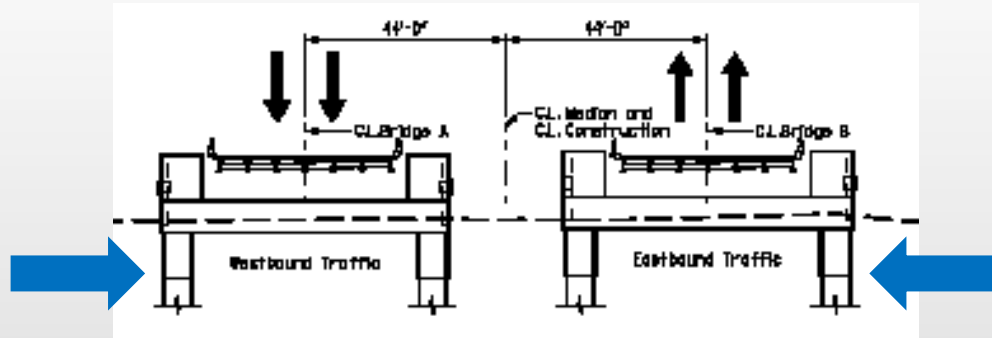
10/2014 EDC-3 Showcase in St. Louis

12/2015 National ABC Conference in Miami, FL

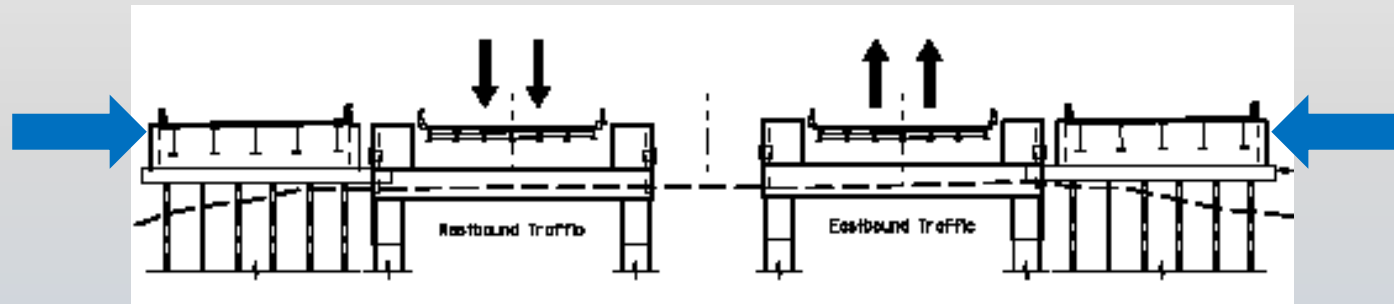
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6/2018 UHPC Workshop in LR

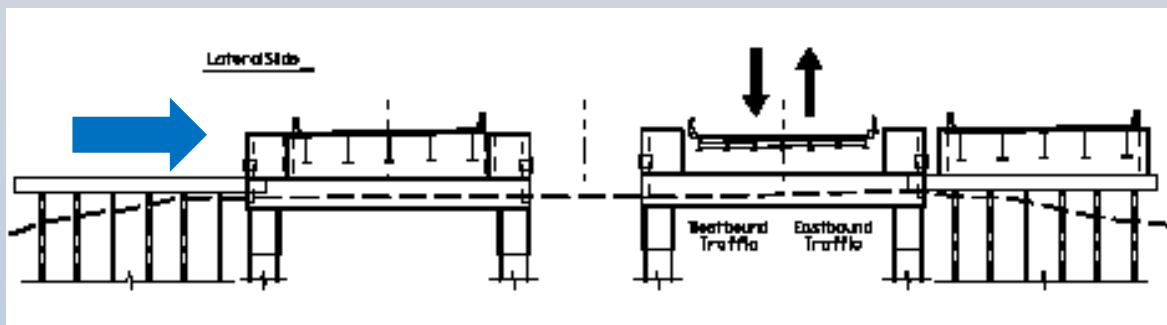
ABC – Lateral Slide



Step 1 – Construct Substructure under existing bridges

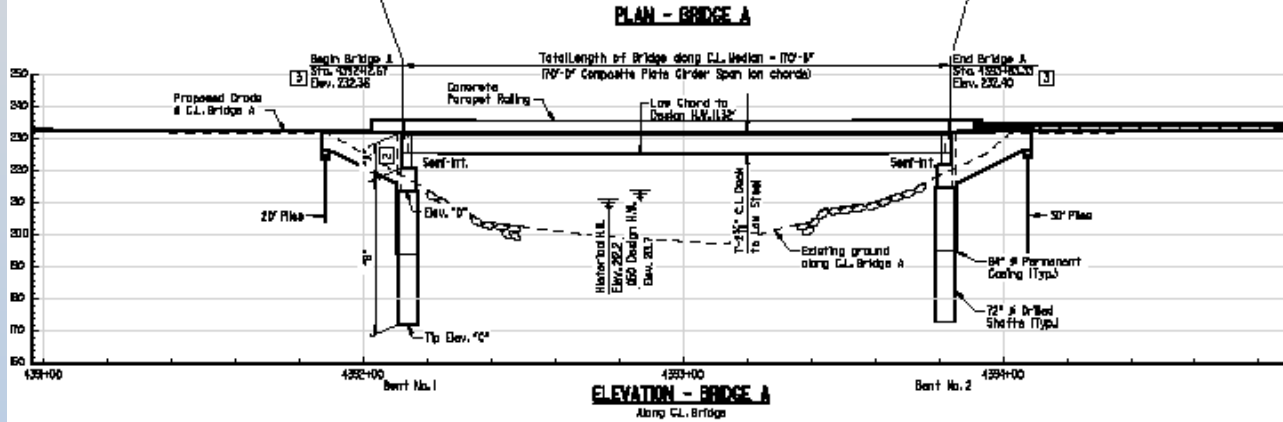
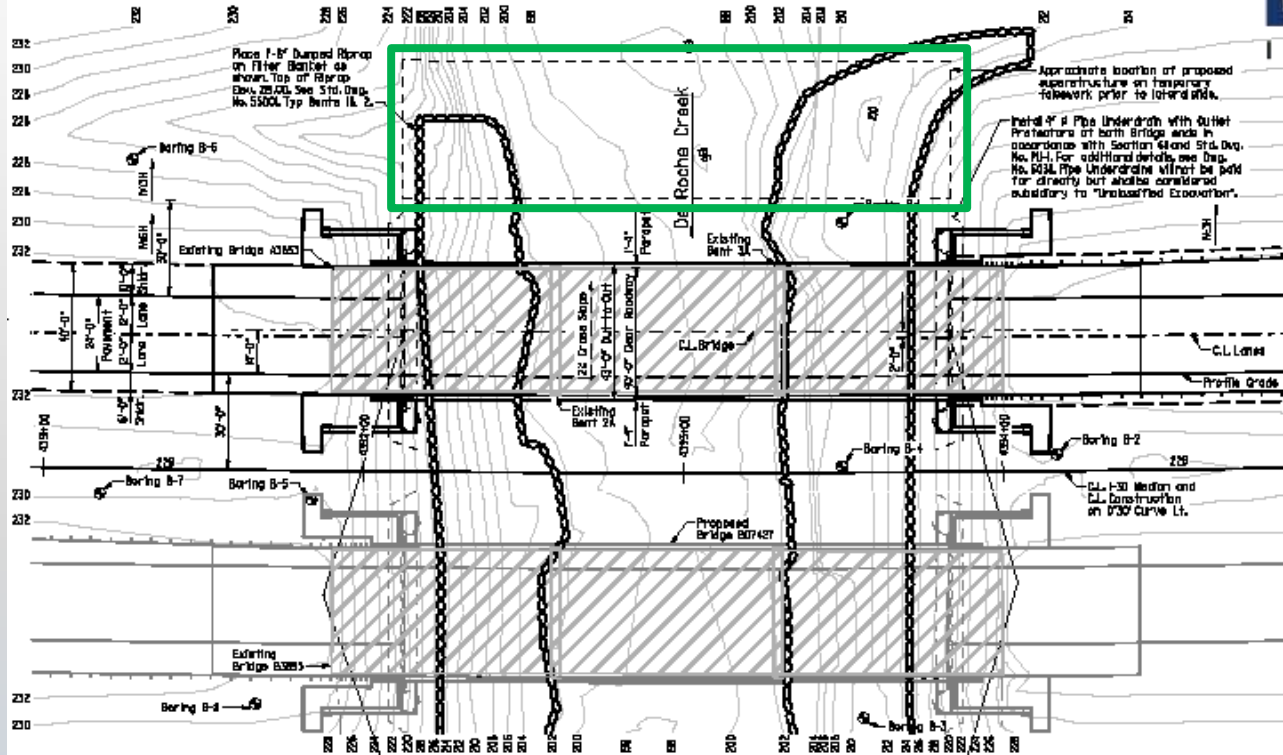


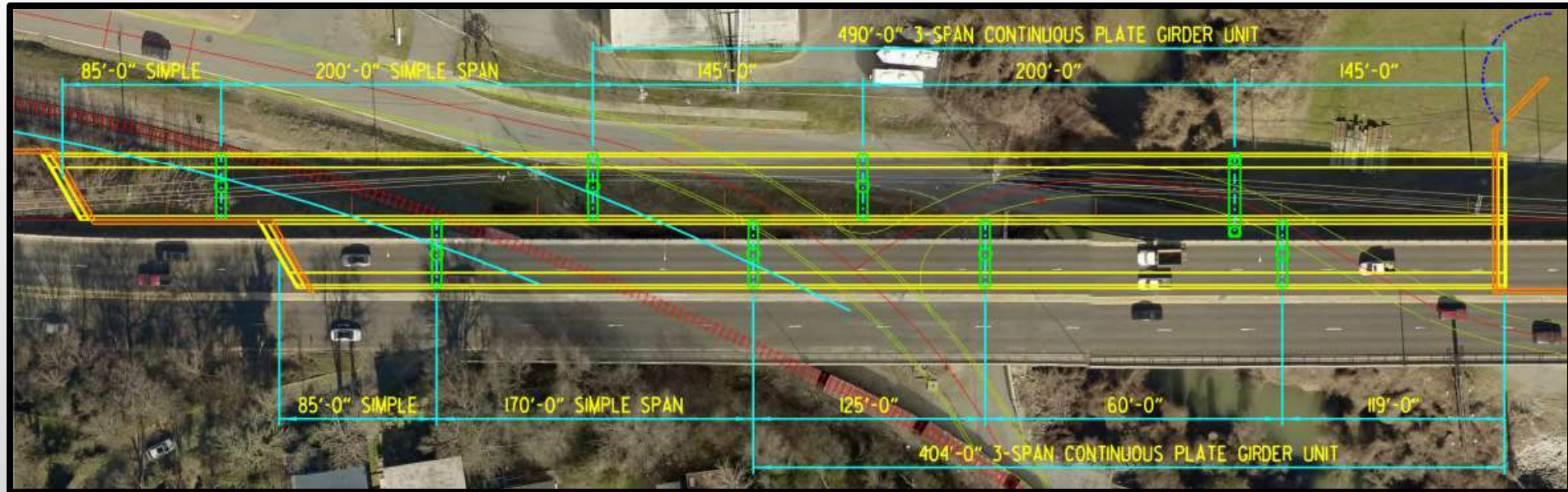
Step 2 – Construct Superstructure on temporary foundations



Step 3 – Demolish existing bridges, slide new bridges and complete approaches.

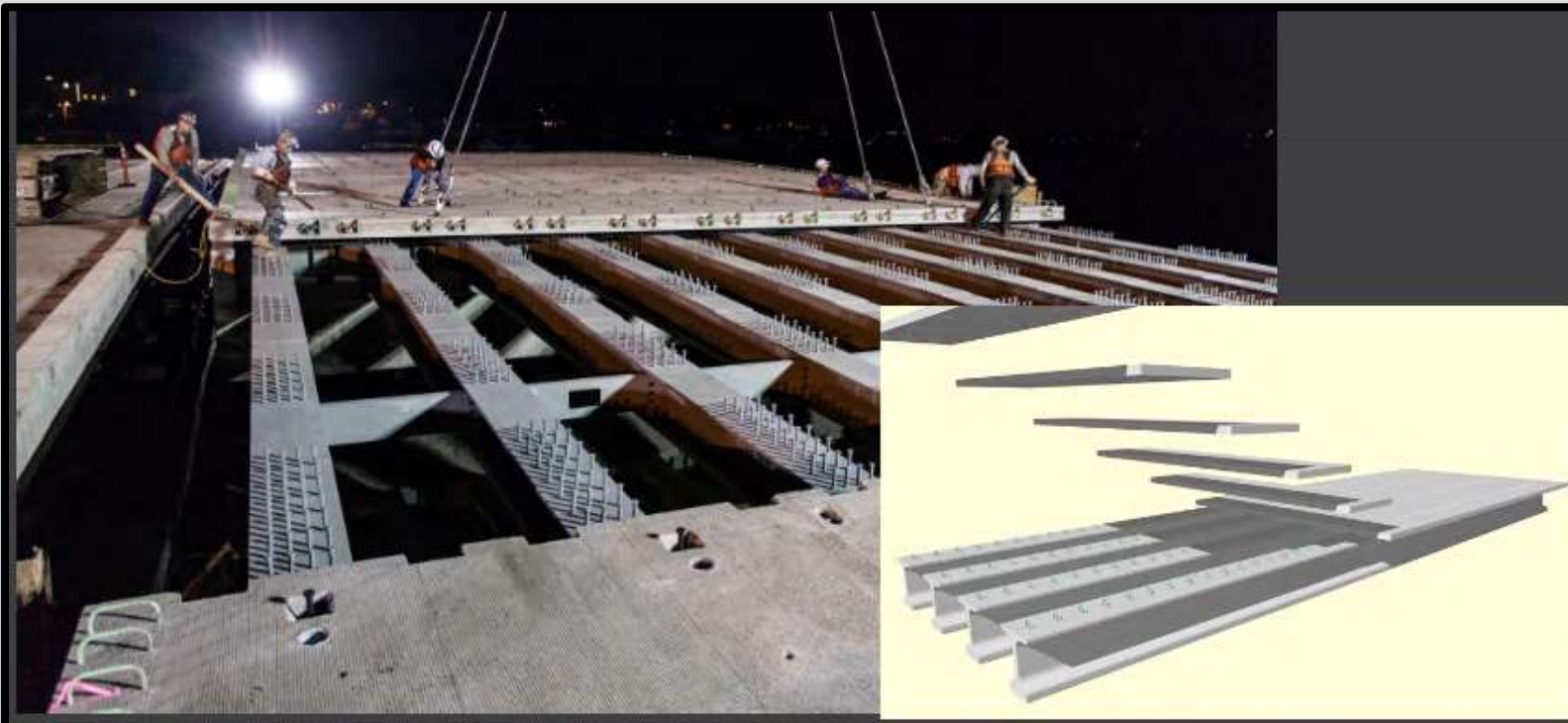
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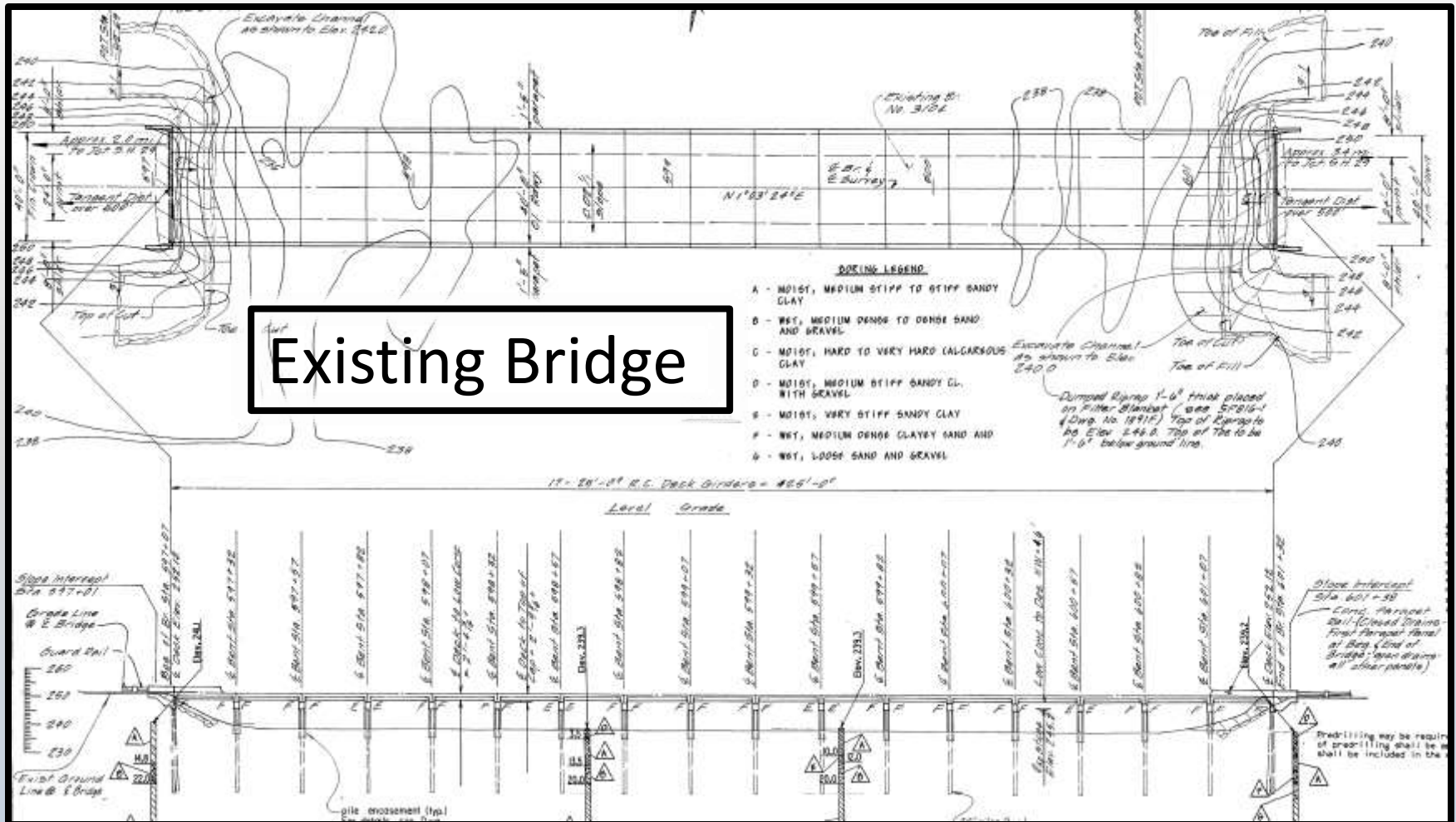




- Railroad & Site Constraints Resulted in Longer Spans
- Modular Superstructure Units Eliminated

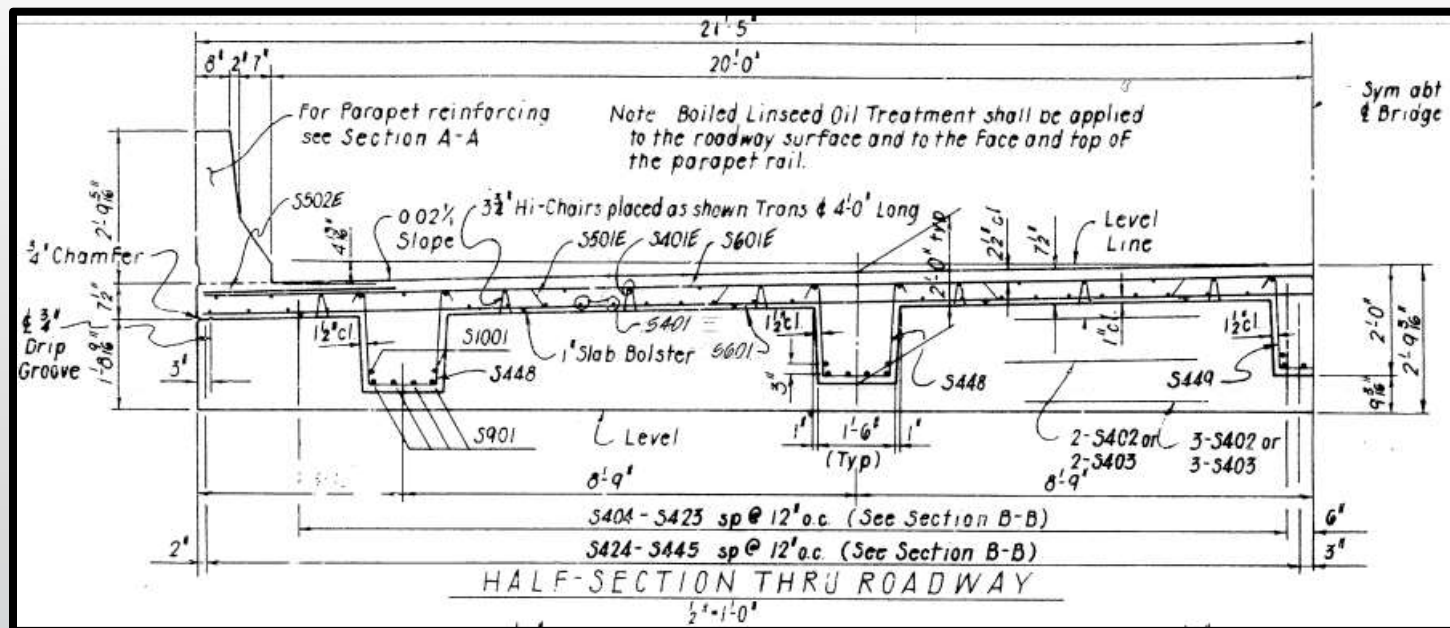
- Still Opportunities for ABC
 - Precast Substructure Components
 - Full-Depth Concrete Deck Panels w/ UHPC Closures





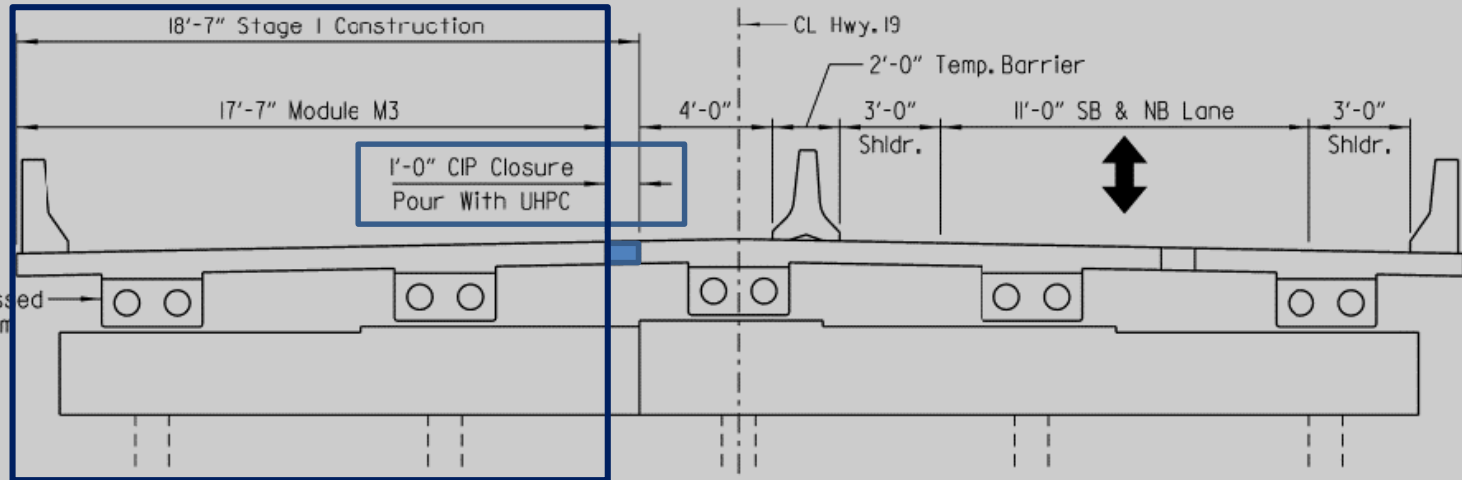
- 17 – 25'-0" RC Deck Girder Spans = 425' Bridge
- 40' Clear Roadway (1 Travel Lane Ea. Direction)

Traffic Data
 2017 ADT = 860
 Truck % = 30%



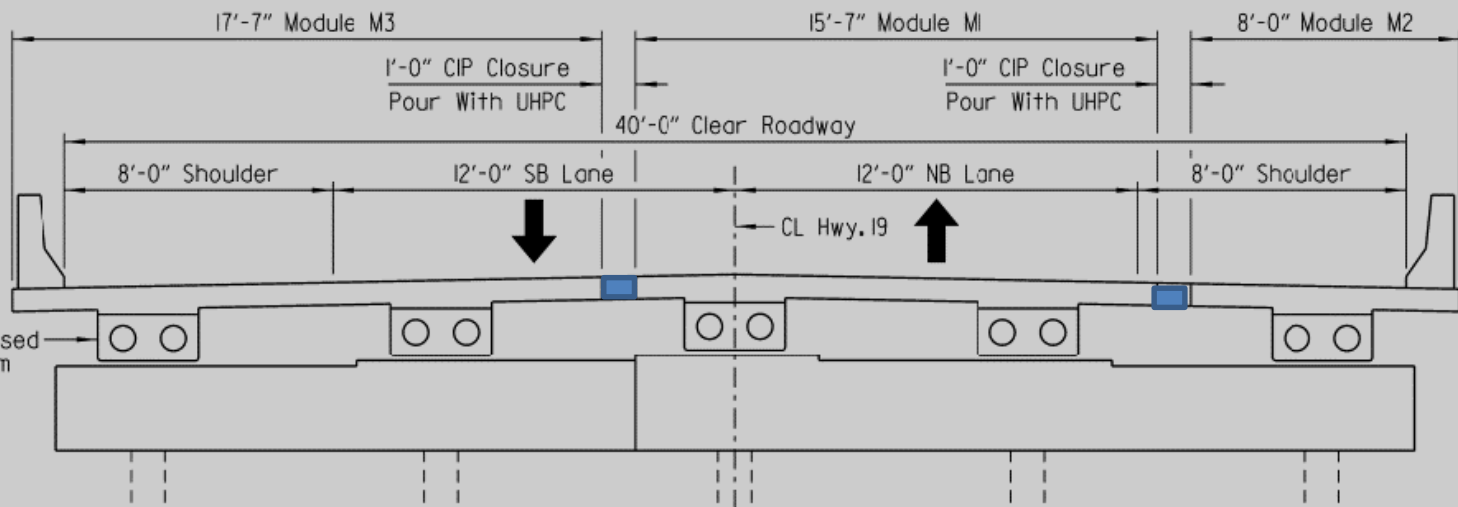
Existing Bridge

- Likely Repairs
 - Replacement of 4-5 Spans
 - Bent Cap Repair or Replacement (Where Needed)
- Detour Too Long
- Temporary Bridge Costly
- Consider ABC
- Maintenance of Traffic
 - One Lane of Traffic To Remain Open
 - Traffic Lights at Each End of Bridge



2-GIRDER MODULAR SUPERSTRUCTURE UNIT

TYPICAL SECTION - STAGE 2 CONSTRUCTION
(Looking North)



TYPICAL SECTION - FINAL CONDITION
(Looking North)

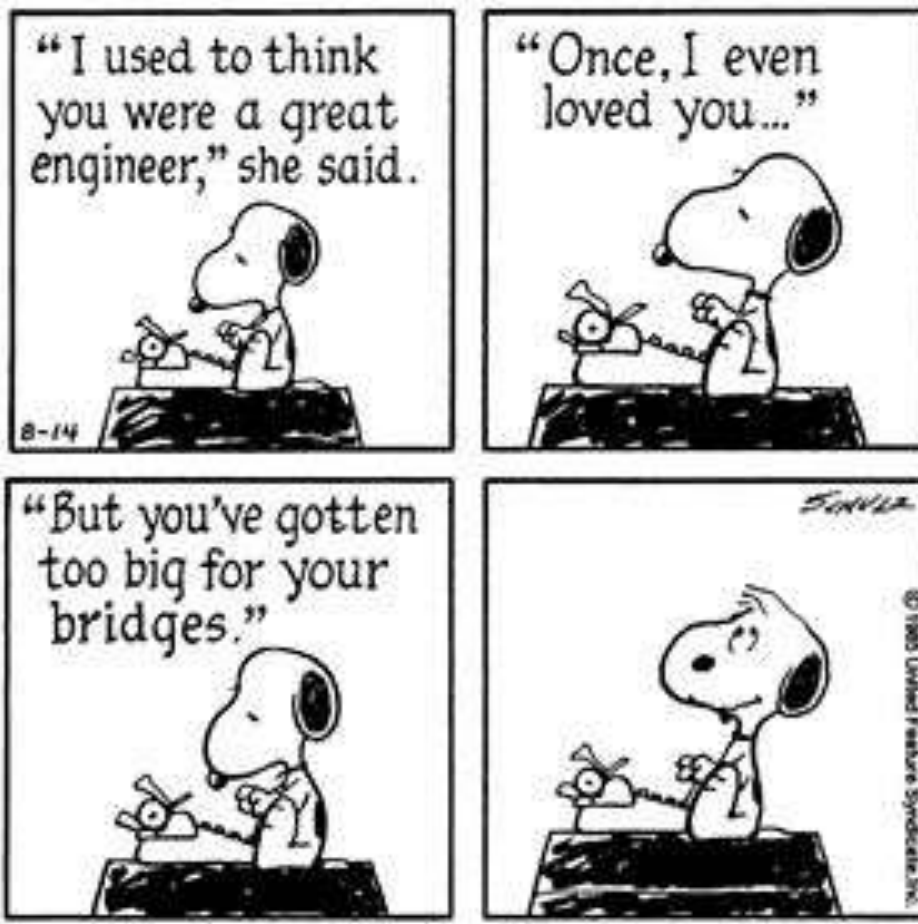
Recent Milestones

- Written Policy Guidelines (similar to a Design Manual)
- Design Program and Microstation file for R.C. Box Culverts

Upcoming Goals

- MASH bridge rail by Dec. 31, 2019
- LRFD Sign Structure Standard Drawings
- Continue implementation ABC
- Training for inexperienced staff

Bridge Humor





Operations

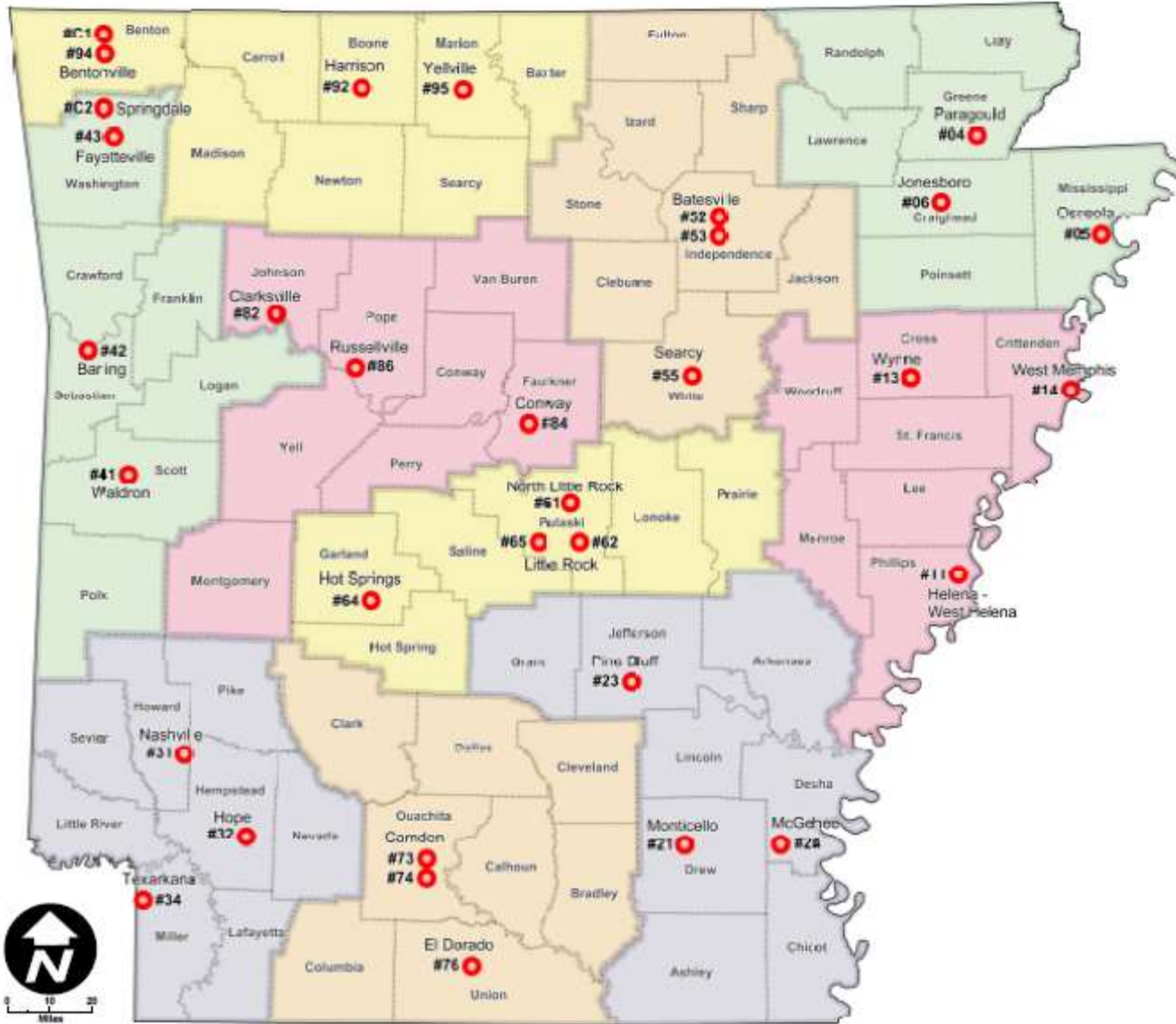
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Assistant Chief Engineer - Operations



Construction Division



Resident Engineer Offices



- Contracts under construction: 173
- Value of Active Contracts: \$1,197,493,151

- Amount paid to contractors this year: \$578,430,098
- Total paid in 2017: \$1,047,161,640

- Miles of Roadway Under Construction: 759

- Tons of Asphalt Placed this Year: 2,295,711 (\$182,000,937)
- Total Asphalt Placed in 2017: 3,506,660 (\$265,263,497)

- Contracts containing A+C bidding method require contractor submittal of Critical Path Method (CPM) schedules.
 - Contractor submits Bid Schedule for review and approval before Contract awarded
 - Acceptance of Baseline Schedule before Contractor commences work
 - RE and contractor review schedule and perform schedule update every 28 days

- Intent of scheduling is to build the project in a time-efficient manner while providing the ability to review time delays.

- Tablets distributed to every RE office
 - Built in LTE Wireless Connection
 - Promotes efficiency, especially in remote areas of the state

- USB air cards with LTE wireless connection
 - No need to drive back to office or field shack for Daily Work Reports, check email, access plans and specifications, etc.



- Every District now has GPS equipment.
 - (2) Trimble R10 base/rovers per District
 - Increases speed of surveying
 - Requires less manpower

- Construction Project Uses:
 - Measure earthwork quantities
 - Verify contractor's construction control

- Construction contracts now have a Special Provision requiring use of paperless documenting software
- Allows transparency inside and outside of ARDOT
 - Provides audit trail of signatures, comments, date reviewed, etc.
 - Electronic archive means data can be stored indefinitely.
- Replaces filing cabinets at ARDOT main building, District offices, and Resident Engineer offices.
 - Single-source location for documentation.

- Construction AASHTOWARE Project Construction and Materials
 - Replaces SiteManager for project documentation
 - Web-based and accessible with any internet-connected device

- Open to contractors for direct input of:
 - Material tests and certifications
 - Subcontract information
 - Payrolls



Materials Division

- The mission of the Arkansas Department of Transportation Materials Division is to:
 - **Provide support service to the Department to assure the use of quality materials for design, construction, and maintenance of a safe and efficient transportation system.**

- Central Laboratory (AASHTO Accredited)
 - Sample Preparation Lab
 - Geotechnical/Soils Lab
 - Bituminous Lab
 - Structural Materials Lab
 - Chemistry Lab

- Geotechnical Section

- Sample Preparation Lab
 - Performs basic operations and tests on samples going to other labs for further testing.
 - Sample Reduction
 - Drying
 - Gradation Analysis



- Geotechnical/Soils Lab
 - Tests soils and aggregates, evaluates rock and soil samples obtained by Geotechnical field crews and makes recommendations to Bridge Design, Roadway Design, and Construction and Maintenance Divisions.
 - Hydrometer Analysis
 - Atterberg Limits tests
 - R-value determinations
 - Triaxial tests

- Geotechnical/Soils Lab (continued)
 - Resilient Modulus tests
 - pH tests
 - Sodium sulfate soundness test (freeze/thaw)
 - Proctor tests
 - Permeability tests
 - Subgrade and base material stabilization analysis



- Bituminous Lab
 - Verifies asphalt concrete hot mix (ACHM) designs submitted by contractors and performs Loaded Wheel Testing for evaluation of rutting potential of designs.
 - Absorption and specific gravity of aggregates and ACHM
 - Volumetric analysis of contractor submitted ACHM mix designs
 - Loaded Wheel testing
 - ACHM density
 - Asphalt binder extractions



- Structural Materials Lab
 - Tests portland cement, portland cement concrete, structural steel components and connectors and plastic drainage pipe.
 - Tensile strength of bolts
 - Reinforcing steel and cable
 - Compression strength of portland cement and portland cement concrete
 - Elongation and compression strength of plastic pipe
 - Rockwell/Brinell hardness of structural steel components



➤ Chemistry Lab

- Performs chemical analysis on items as diverse as structural paint and pavement marking paint to treated fence posts and diesel fuel. Also tests asphalt cement, emulsified asphalts. Examples are:
 - Aluminum sign materials and sign posts
 - Fly ash and portland cement
 - Galvanized steel
 - Pavement markings and glass beads
 - Epoxies
 - Asphalt binder
 - Concrete curing compounds

- Geotechnical Section
 - Performs subsurface investigations to obtain:
 - General information on subsurface soil, rock, and water conditions for proposed highway locations.
 - Specific information on the subsurface conditions of soil and/or rock properties that are important to the project design.
 - Specific information on the subsurface conditions of soil, rock, and water in areas where problems are encountered, i.e. landslides, pavement failures.









Maintenance

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- \$237M budget per year
- 16,400 miles of state highways
- 2,009 field maintenance employees
- 10 Districts
- 85 Area Maintenance Headquarters



One of the few states in the nation that has In-House skilled workers that can quickly be mobilized to address emergencies.





HBM crew doing a heat straightening repair on a county road overpass over I-40



Striping

Old school A.H.D.



Striping

Thermoplastic



Striping



Striping



In the fiscal year of 2018, we striped
~5,000 centerline miles.
9 Independent Crews
Plan to restripe the State every two years



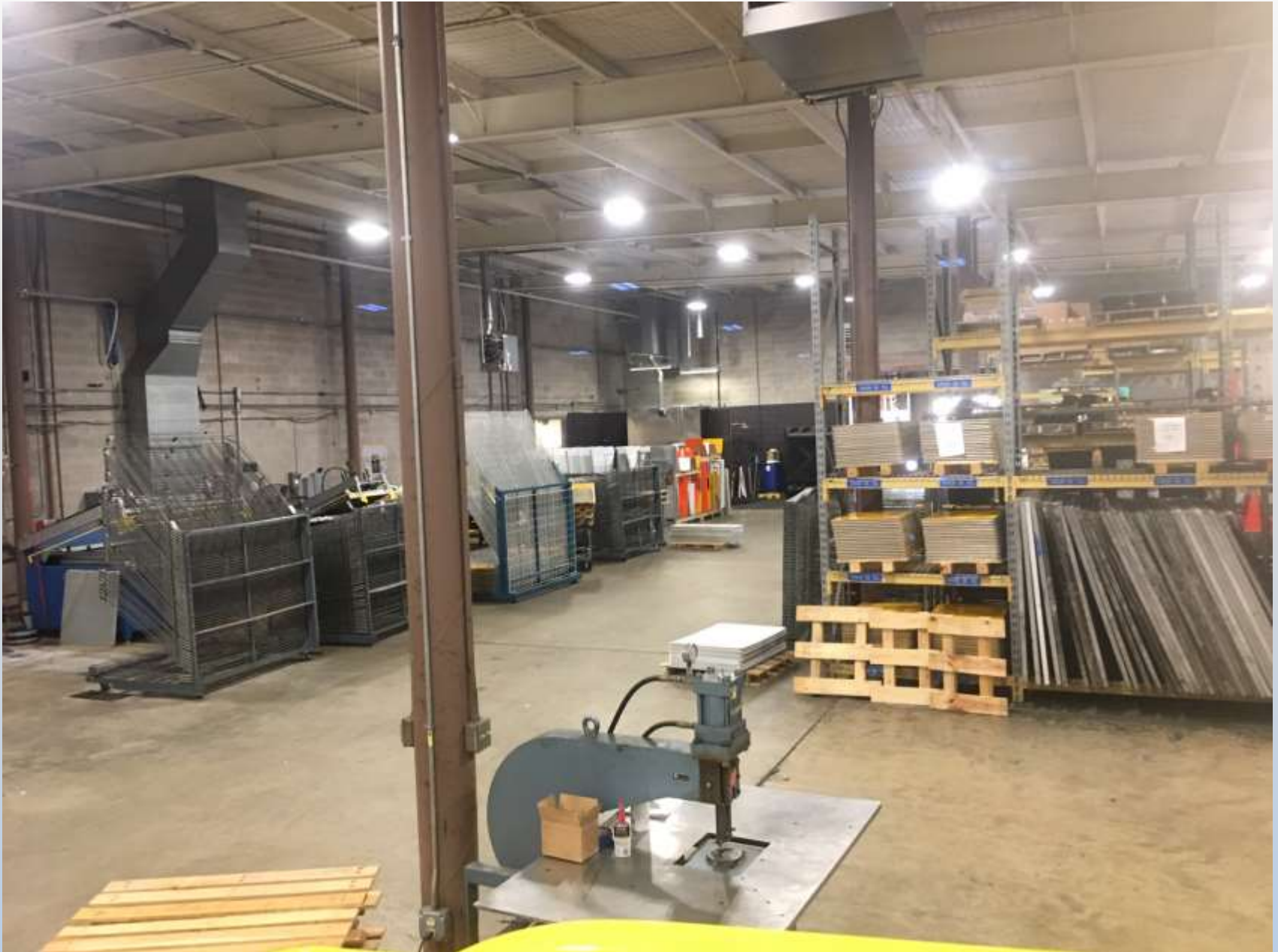
Baseline Road 2017

Changed striping
width from 4" to 6"



- Our sign shop services the entire state with only 8 employees.
- >75,000 signs produced last year





Signing



Traffic Investigation



Traffic Investigation

- Primary Mission: Review traffic operation and recommend low cost safety improvements for signing and striping.
- 3 Traffic Investigators, 10 Districts, 100's of request, 1 mission.
- Practices & Standards:
 - 2009 MUTCD (FHWA Publication)
 - 2017 ARDOT Signing Policies and Guidelines

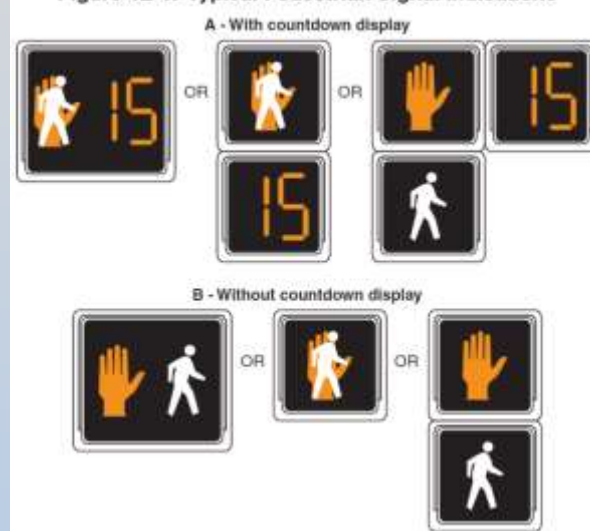


Traffic Signals Operations/Studies

- ITS Management Section – Traffic Engineering
- 10 Districts, 75 Counties, more than 1500 Traffic Signals on State Highways
- Primary Mission:
 - Provide safe and efficient Intelligent Transportation System and Operation to support the traveling public using the proper technology statewide.
- Purpose of Traffic Control Devices:
 - Traffic control devices are used to provide, inform, guide, warn, regulate, control and improve the flow of traffic for motor vehicle drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists in a safe and efficient manner.



Figure 4E-1. Typical Pedestrian Signal Indications



Traffic Signals Operations/Studies

- Traffic Equipment:
 - Detection: Video, loops, Radar, ..etc.
 - Traffic Controllers and Smart Monitors.
 - Ethernet and/or Serial Radios
 - Traffic Camera Trailers
 - Traffic Count Trailer
 - Cellular Routers



TMC Operations Include:

- Traffic Incident Management
- Freeway Management
- Radio Dispatching
- Operating ITS Assets
- Winter Weather Operations
- Special Events
- Incident Notifications
- Emergency Operations



7 Workstations, 42 monitors, 20 HDTV's

Communication Modes:

- Land Mobile Radio
- Telephony
- Cellular
- Email
- SMS
- Twitter
- iDriveArkansas
- HAM Radio for ADEM fallback communications (planned)
- Live Video Feeds
- WEBEX (under study)



Traffic Incident Management

Quickly Locating Incidents and Reporting to First Responders

High-Centered
Vehicle in
Highway 67
construction
zone thru
Jacksonville



Corridor Management

Incident response, public notification, alternate route advisories

The Great
Pizza Event
Little Rock
8/9/17

No serious
Injuries

4 hour 21
minute road
closure

\$400,000
estimated road
user cost

Many slices of
pizza



Dynamic Message Signs (DMS)

- Provide **Real-Time** and **Actionable** traveler information to improve safety and efficiency for our traveling public
- 51 boards statewide
- AMBER and SILVER Alerts



*Example



*Example



*Example

Dynamic Message Signs (DMS)

Public Safety Announcements (PSA)
to encourage safe driving behavior



*Example



Traffic Cameras

Monitor traffic and weather conditions
check them out at: www.iDriveArkansas.com

- 129 cameras statewide
- 63 ARDOT
- 66 Partnering Cities, surrounding State DOT's, and News Outlets



Highway Advisory Radios (HAR)

Used to communicate lengthy messages beyond what a Dynamic Message Sign could support

11 Statewide locations



Innovations and other items that are in mind for the future

Helical Screw Foundations

- Faster build times
- No concrete
- Smaller install crews

Tilting Towers (20-60ft)

- Easier Maintenance
- One person operation
- No bucket truck needed
- Balanced, not under tension when down hauling



Innovations and other items that are in mind for the future

Travel Time Signs –

Using both hybrid static/dynamic and full dynamic.

Submitted proposal for ATCMTD Grant Opportunity

(Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies)



Innovations and other items that are in mind for the future Connected Vehicles

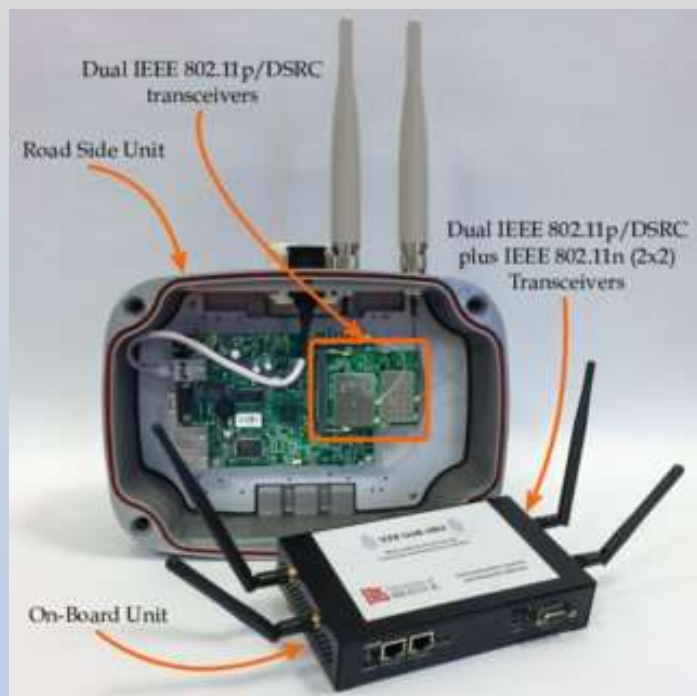
“Connected vehicles have the potential to transform the way Americans travel through the creation of a safe, interoperable wireless communications network--a system that includes cars, buses, trucks, trains, traffic signals, smart phones, and other devices.”
USDOT.



Innovations and other items that are in mind for the future

Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC)

- Installed in Infrastructure and Connected & Autonomous Vehicles (CAV)
- Dedicated Spectrum (5.9GHz)
- Bi-directional communications: V2V or V2I
- Transmits **Signal Phasing and Timing (SPaT)** Data
- Infrastructure transmits MAP data (intersection geometry)



Innovations and other items that are in mind for the future Connected Vehicles

Benefits include:



- Safety
 - Red Light Violation Warning
 - Pedestrians in Signalized Crosswalk Warning
 - Curve Speed Warning
 - Traffic Management



- Mobility
 - Improved Signal control applications (V2I)
 - Intelligent Traffic Signal Systems
 - Freight Signal Priority
 - Transit signal priority
 - Emergency Vehicle signal preemption
 - Cooperative adaptive cruise control and speed harmonization (V2V)



- Environmental
 - Fuel Savings
 - Lower emissions

Both thru optimized transportation systems and vehicles

Snow and Ice



2009 Northwest Arkansas

Snow and Ice

Arkansas Missouri Border



Snow and Ice Winter Storm



I-55 and I-40 Snowmageddon 2014



Snow and Ice

Equipment

- Plow Trucks 731
- Belly Plows 74
- Pre-wetting Systems 325
- MARWIS 11
- Strike Force Trucks 12

Equipment

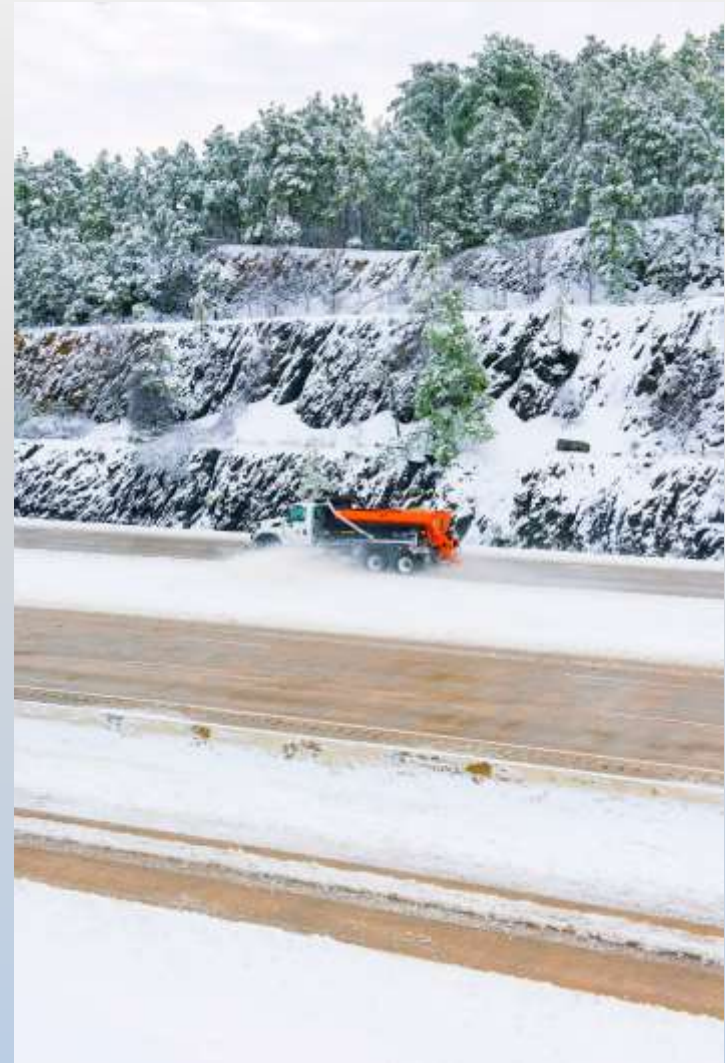


Increased: 3 to 74



Snow and Ice Removal

Equipment



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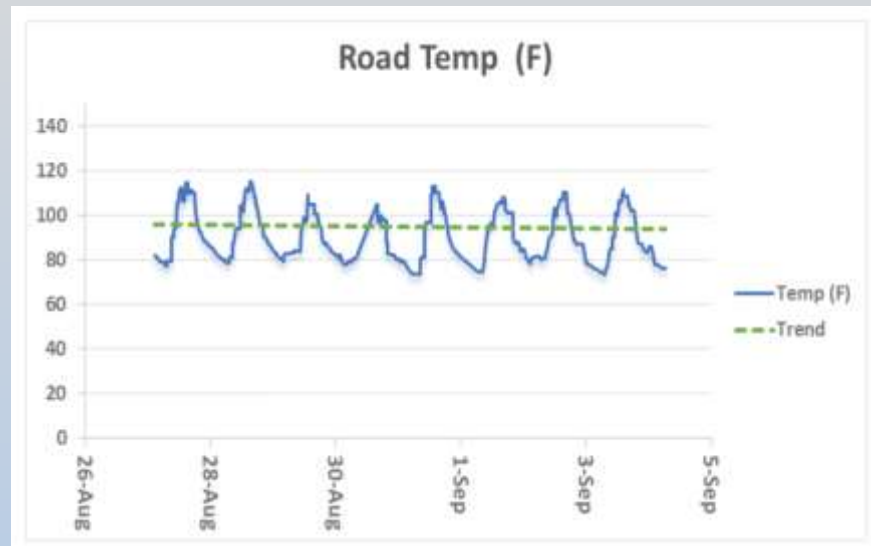


- New Additional Equipment
- Three $\frac{3}{4}$ 4WD trucks outfitted with a brine tank, small salt spreader, and a front plow.

Roadside Weather Information Systems (RWIS)

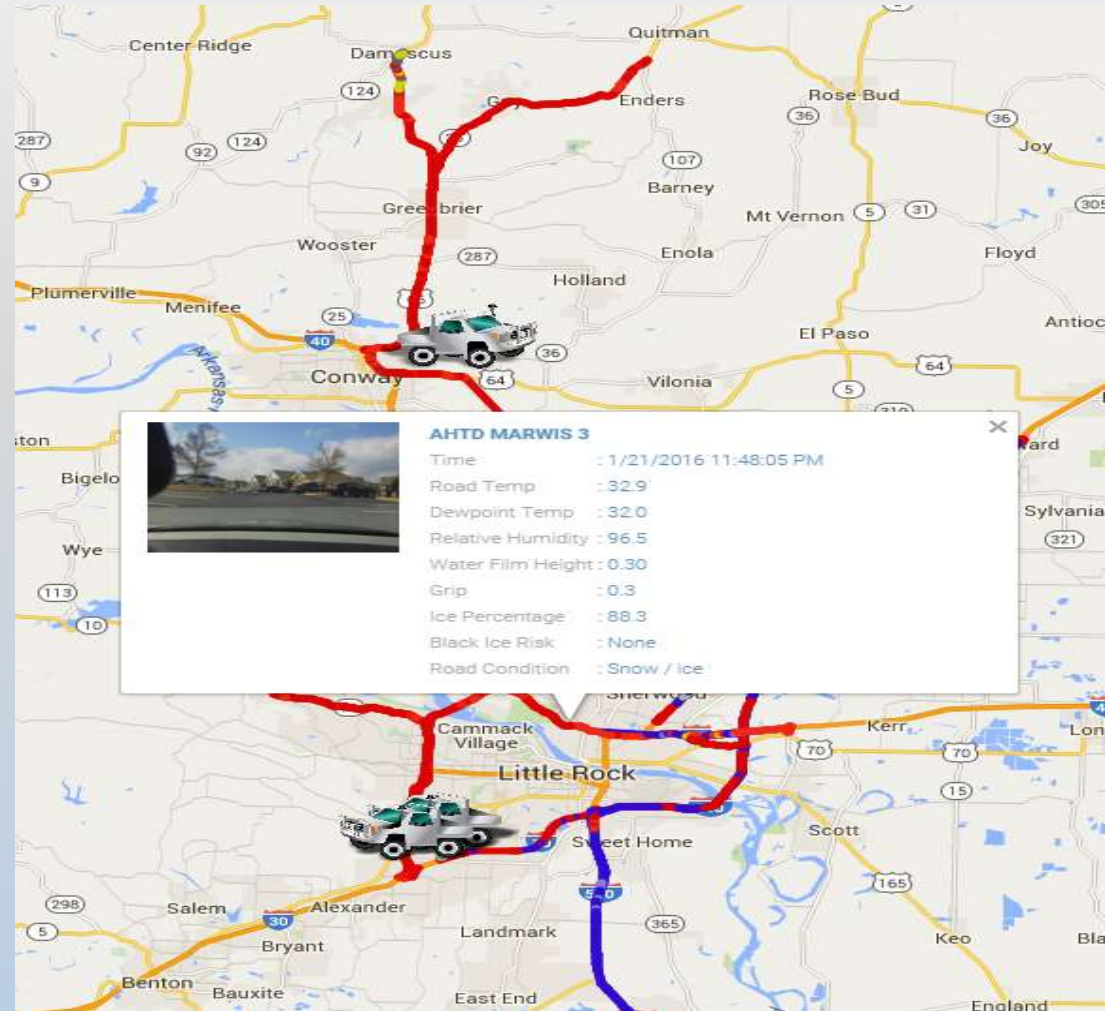


- 4 test sites
- Supports Department staff in preparing for winter weather conditions
- Detects:
 - road temperature
 - presence and state of water: liquid, snow, ice, slush



Mobile advanced Roadside Weather Information Systems (MaRWIS)

- 11 units deployed
- Reports the same information as stationary RWIS
- Included Driver view of road conditions
- ARDOT investigating how to integrate with www.iDriveArkansas.com



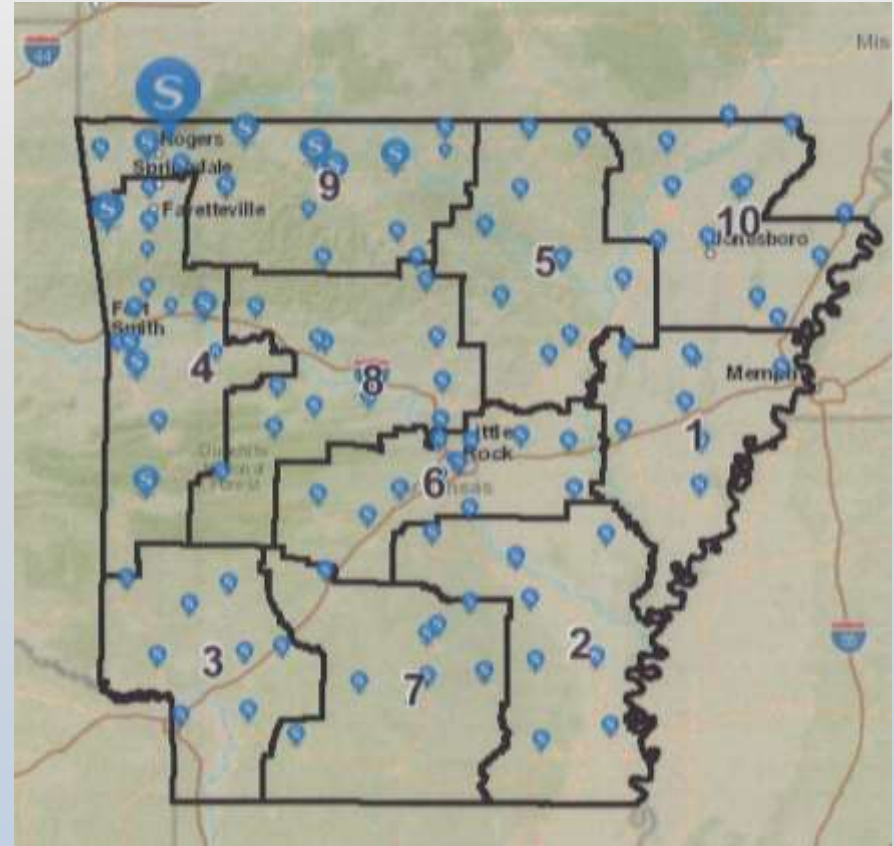
WINTER WEATHER OPERATIONS

As of 2017

- Treated Rock Salt 35,611 tons
- Rock Salt 15,775 tons
- Treated Rock salt 6,309 bags
- Rock salt 2,776 bags
- Calcium Chloride 9,772 bags
- Brine 475,781 gallons
- Super Brine 40,875 gallons
- Liquid Calcium 10,126 gallons
- Beet Juice 124,134 gallons
- Liquid Mag 21,630 gallons

Snow and Ice

Statewide Salt House



- Job opportunities available for engineers and non-engineers.
- If interested, please contact carla.edwards@ardot.gov.



Funding Challenges

Federal Highway Funding Issues

We Are Now in Federal Fiscal Year 2019

Congress Did Not Agree On A Spending Bill

**Congress Did Agree on A Continuing Resolution
Until December 7th**

Provides Funding Until After Mid-Term Elections



Federal vs. State Funding

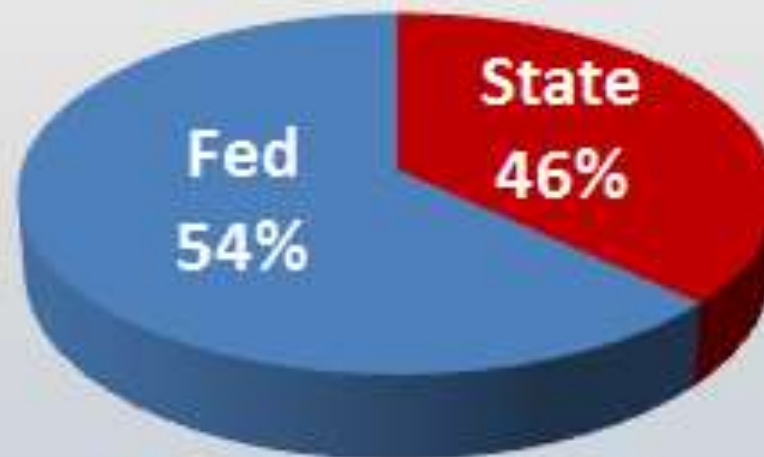
1993

Hwy. Funding Breakdown



2016

Hwy. Funding Breakdown





Current Highway Funding Sources

State

Per-Gallon Motor Fuel Taxes

Vehicle Registration Fees

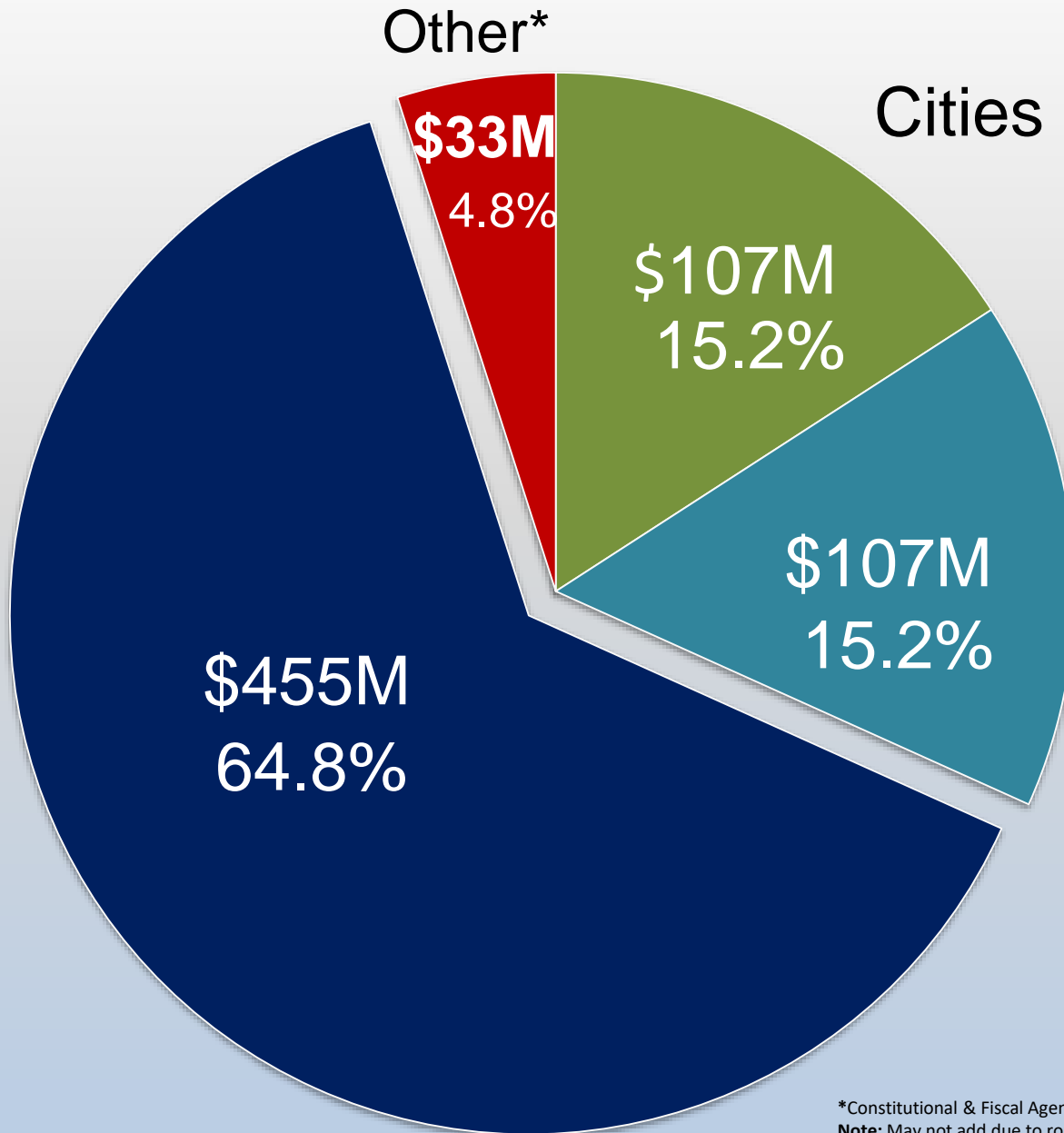
License/Permit/Inspection Fees

Severance Taxes

Temporary Sales Tax Increase



Average Annual Highway User Revenue Distribution



Counties



*Constitutional & Fiscal Agencies and Non-Highway Uses.
Note: May not add due to rounding

Challenges

➤ **12th** largest system in the country

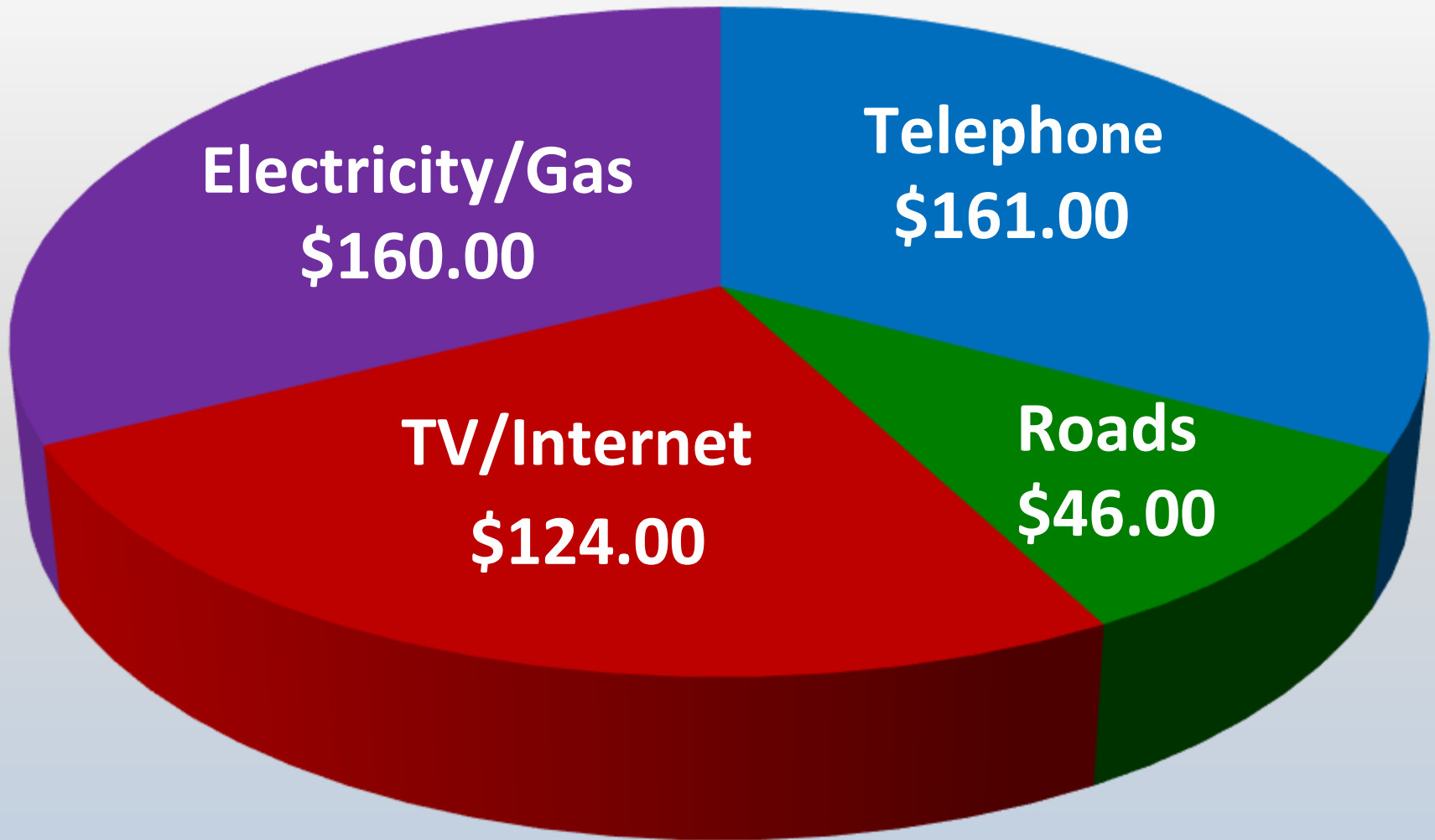
➤ **42nd** in highway revenue per mile.

➤ **\$9.2 billion** in needs

➤ **\$4.4 billion** in available revenue



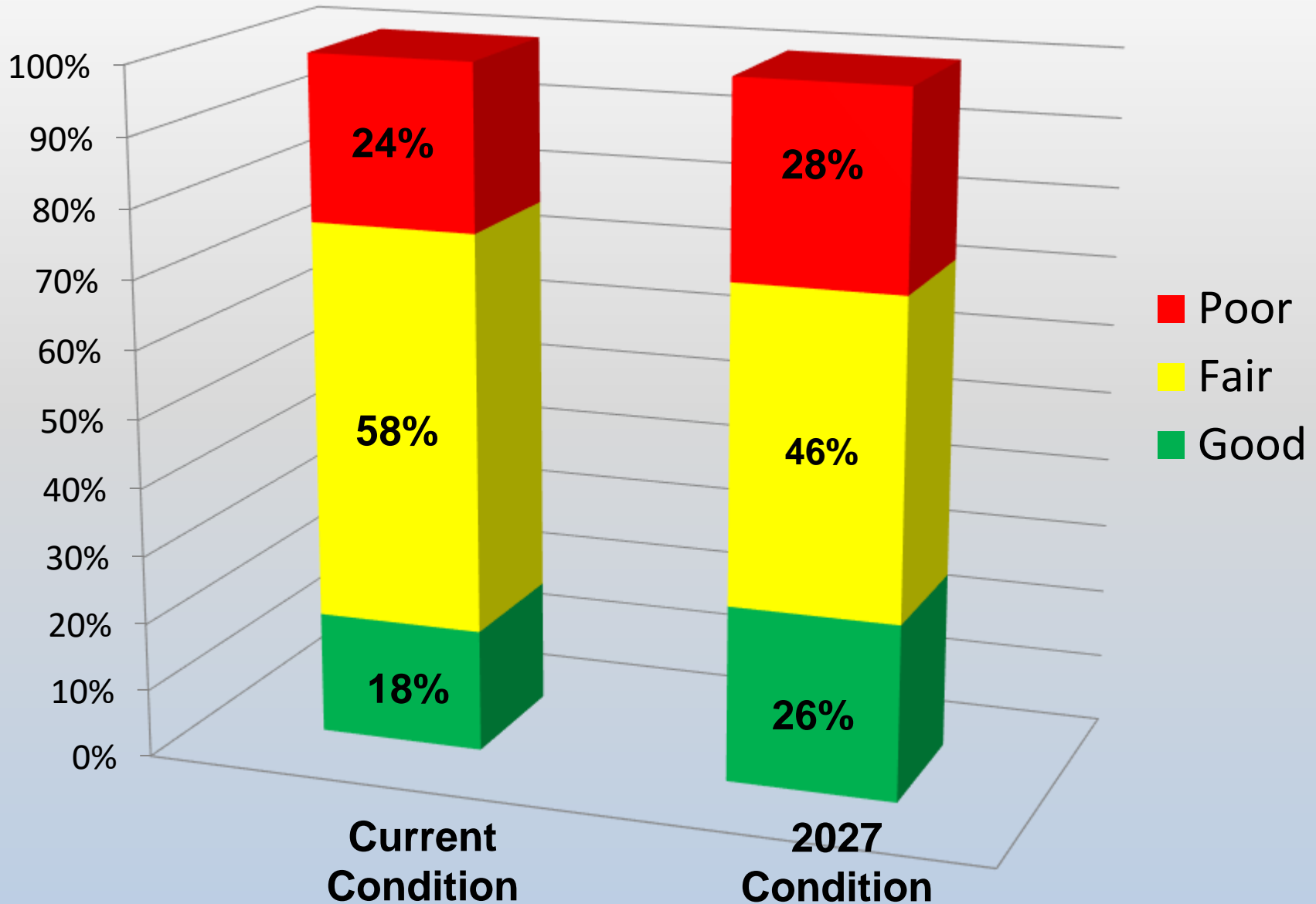
Average Monthly Household Expenditures



The Shrinking Highway Dollar

Category	1997-2016 Percent Increase
Construction Cost Index	146 %
Overlays – Cost Per Lane Mile	145 %
Bridges Replacement – Cost Per Square Foot of Deck Area	131 %
Widening from 2 to 5 Lanes – Cost Per Mile	139 %

All State Highways – Including Interstates



Pay a **Little** Now



Overlay
\$100,000
per lane mile

Pay a **Whole Lot** Later



Reconstruction
\$1,500,000
per lane mile

Report Released
August 31, 2017

Special Report Arkansas Legislative Audit

Review of Sources and Uses of Funds

Arkansas Department of Transportation
For the Period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2016 and
Projected for Fiscal Years 2017 through 2020



INTRODUCTION

This report is presented in response to a request for Arkansas Legislative Audit (ALA) to review information, estimates, and calculations provided by the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT), formerly known as the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, related to highway funding. ARDOT has indicated that additional state funding is needed to fully maximize available federal funds and to expand non-federal construction and maintenance projects.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this report were to:

1. Provide information regarding state funding sources and uses for highways, with associated construction and maintenance costs, for prior years.
2. Determine the amount of matching funds needed annually in order for ARDOT to receive the maximum federal aid available.
3. Determine the amount of additional state revenues needed to fund ARDOT's proposed construction and maintenance program for roads and facilities.
4. Provide a history of bond issuances, including balances and associated costs.

SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

This report was prepared by reviewing activities for state fiscal years ended June 30, 2010 through 2016, and projections and estimates for federal fiscal years ending September 30, 2017 through 2020. ALA staff reviewed audit reports from prior years, particularly revenues and expenditures related to construction, and determined future federal funding from reports obtained from the Federal Highway Administration. All information for additional construction and maintenance projects was provided by ARDOT and tested for accuracy and reasonableness by ALA staff.

The methodology used in preparing this report was developed uniquely to address the stated objectives; therefore, this report is more limited in scope than an audit or attestation engagement performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

BACKGROUND

ARDOT recognizes revenues from both federal and state sources. State revenues include motor fuel taxes, registration fees, natural gas severance fees, and overload permits and penalties. Many highway construction projects are funded with both federal and state monies. The percentage of state participation in these projects varies depending on the federal program involved, but most programs require a 20% match.

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Bridges	117,000,000	90,000,000	27,000,000
Total System Preservation	504,000,000	227,000,000	277,000,000
Capacity Relief	305,000,000	157,000,000	148,000,000
Safety Improvements	86,000,000	44,000,000	42,000,000
Maintenance			
Equipment upgrades	19,000,000	19,000,000	
Facilities upgrades	8,000,000		8,000,000
Intelligent Transportation System (ITS)	3,000,000		3,000,000
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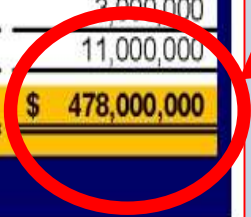
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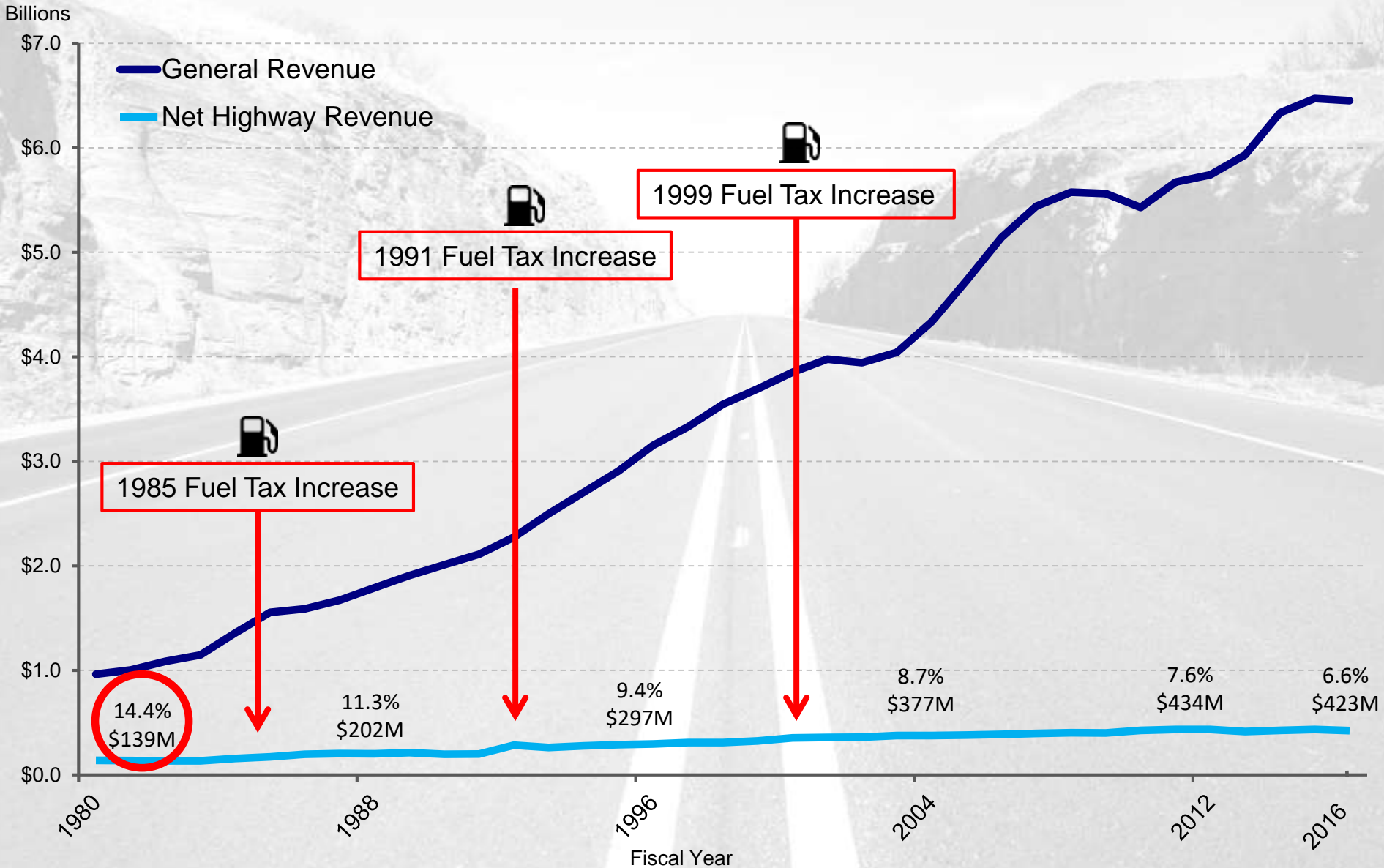
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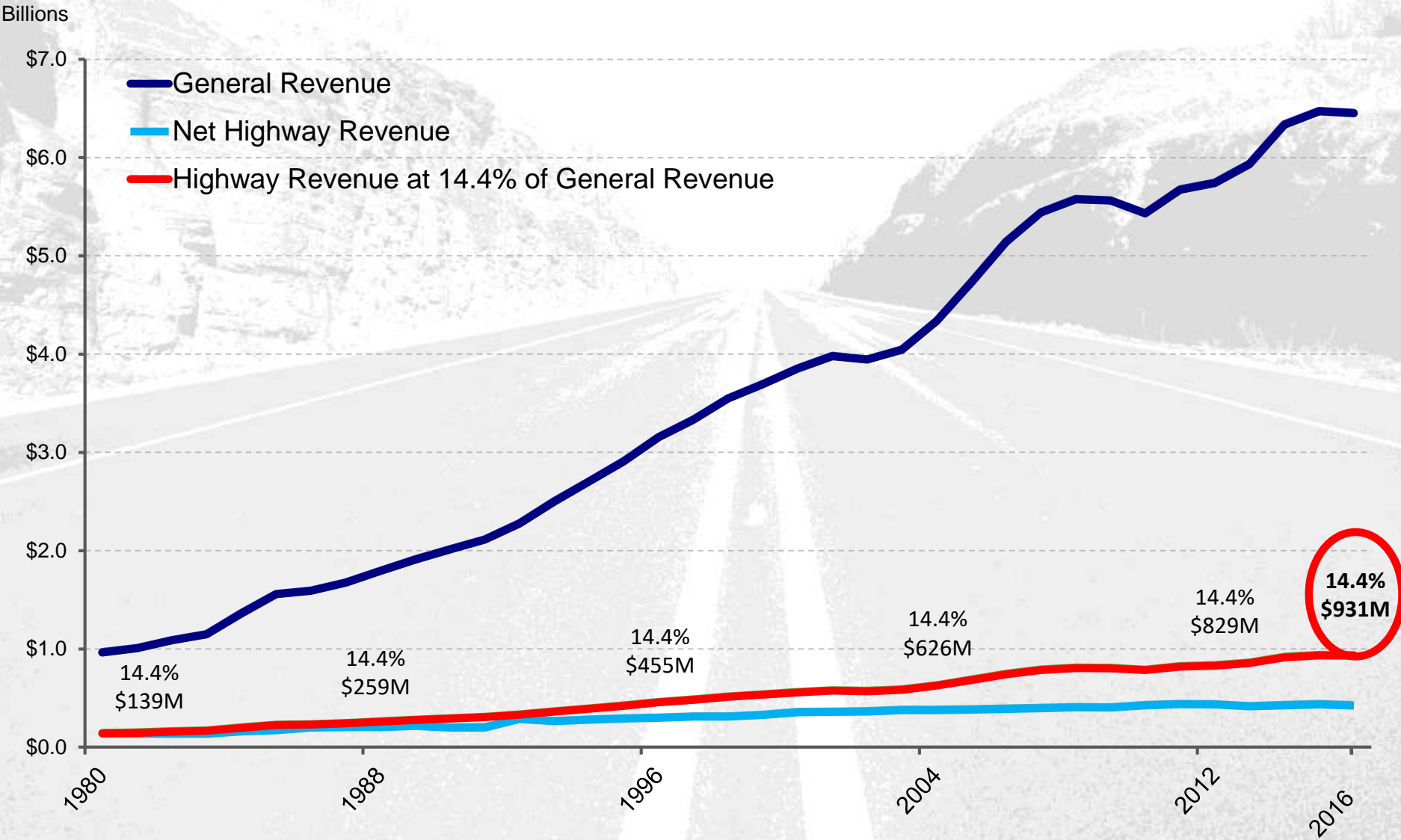


Note: Amounts shown are rounded.

Percent of Highway vs. General Revenue



Highway Revenue at 14.4% of General Revenue

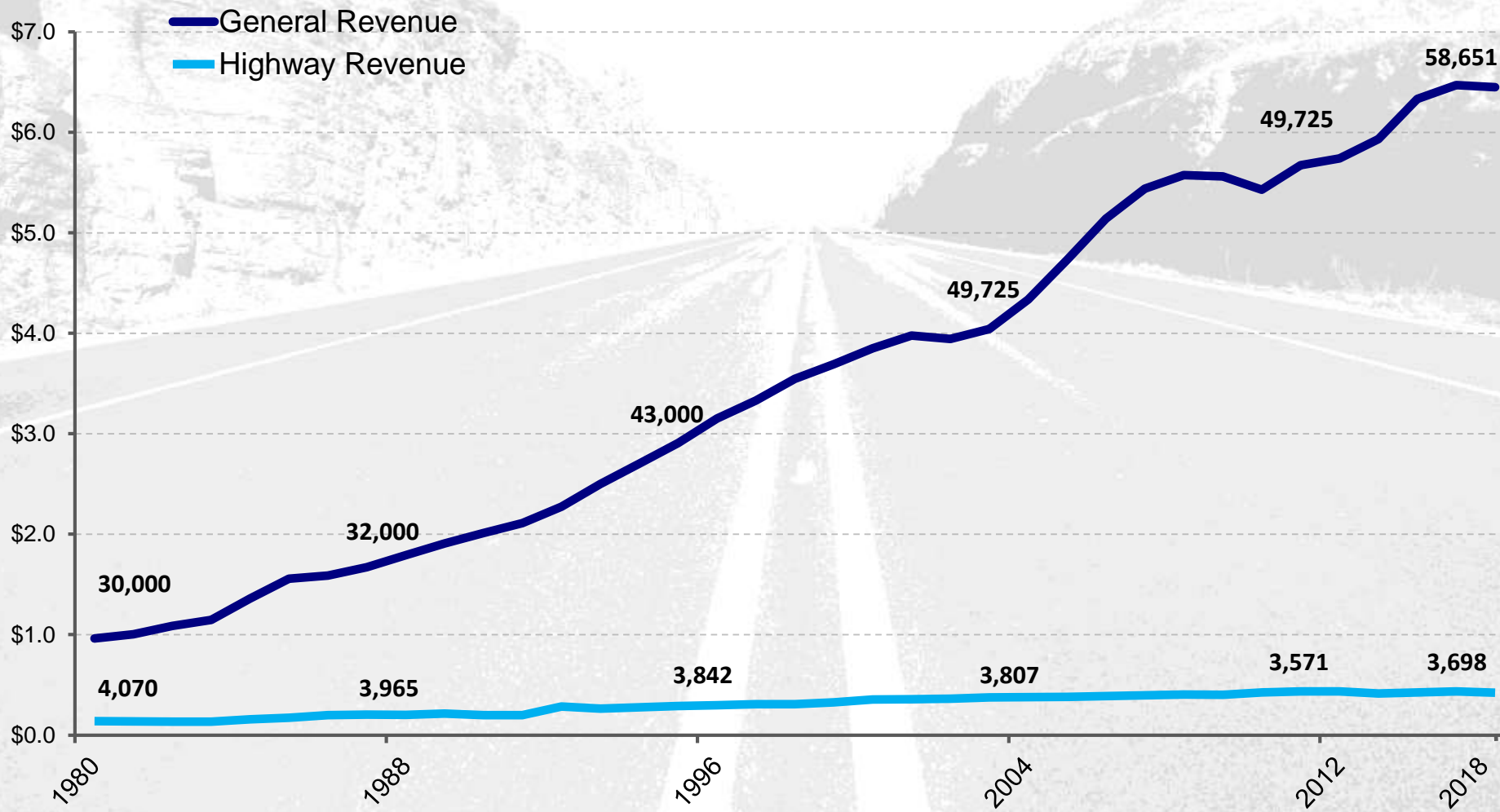


Excludes County & City Aid funds | Excludes CAP funds

Fiscal Year

Highway vs. General Revenue Compared to Employment Levels

Billions



Excludes County & City Aid funds | Excludes CAP funds

Fiscal Year



Possible Potential New Program Discussion



Options for Generating Additional Revenue for Highways

Source	\$400 Million for Highways ⁽¹⁾
Fuel Tax	28.4¢
Sales Tax on Fuel (wholesale)	16.67%
Registration Fee	\$208
General Sales Tax ⁽²⁾	1.16%

¹ Amount shown is annual net to highways – after deduction for CFA/CSF and 30% to cities and counties.

² Transfer of 4.5% (“general” portion of statewide sales tax)

Citizens Opinion Survey

CITIZENS OPINION SURVEY ON HIGHWAYS IN ARKANSAS

MAIL OR EMAIL RESPONSES TO:
 ARDOT
 Public Information
 P.O. Box 2261
 Little Rock, AR 72203
info@ardot.ar.gov

Are you satisfied with the condition of the existing state highway system?

Yes No

What highways in your area need improvements, and what type of improvements do they need?

Priority 1: _____
 Priority 2: _____
 Priority 3: _____
 Priority 4: _____

If you want better highway conditions, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department will need additional funds. Would you support a new highway program that would generate additional revenue?

Yes No

Which of the following sources do you recommend be utilized in obtaining additional funds (check all that apply):

- Increase in gas tax
- Increase in diesel tax
- Increase in sales tax (dedicated to highways)
- Increase in registration fees
- Add sales tax on wholesale price of motor fuels
- Transfer existing sales and use tax on motor vehicles and related parts and service (currently collected but not paid to highways)
- Other: _____

Would you be willing to sign a petition to put a highway revenue proposal on the 2018 general election ballot?

Yes No

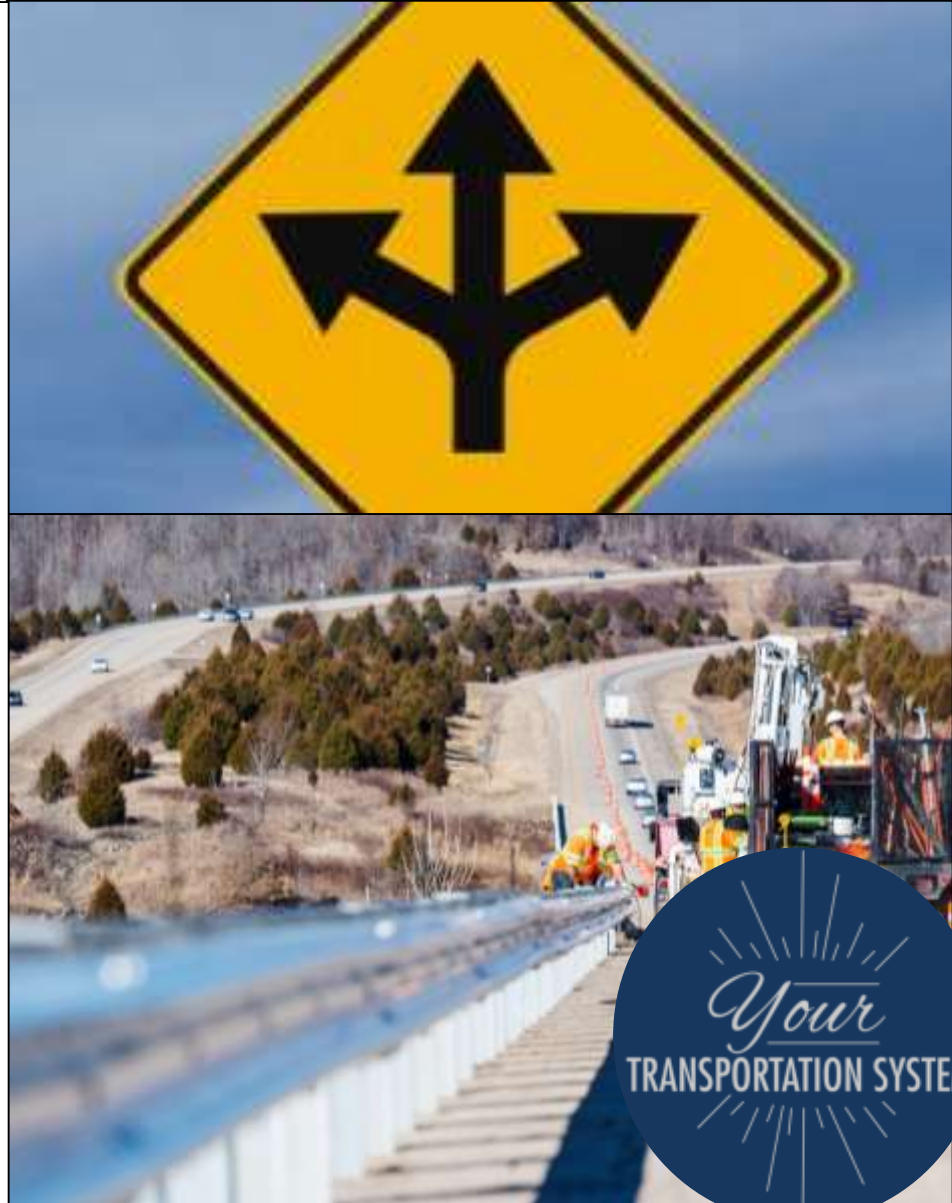
How did you hear about this survey?

- Presentation
- Social Media
- Other: _____
- TV/Radio/Print
- Family or Friend
- Website/Search Engine

Optional:

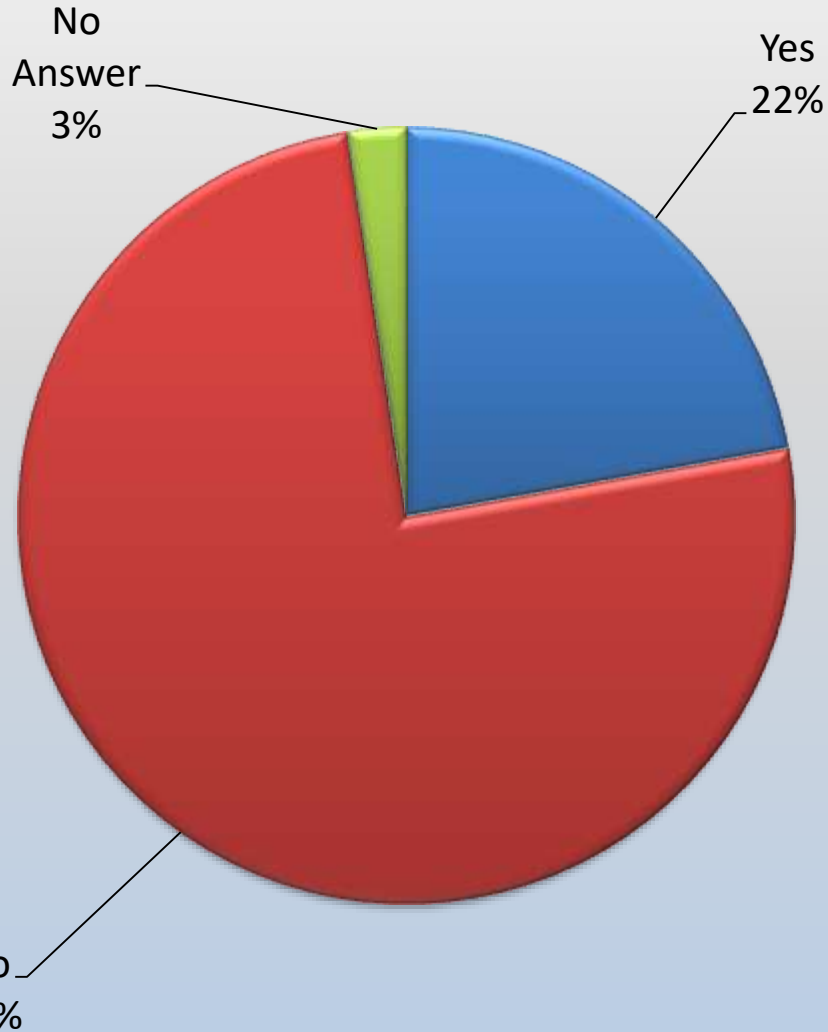
Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____

Online Form Available Here:

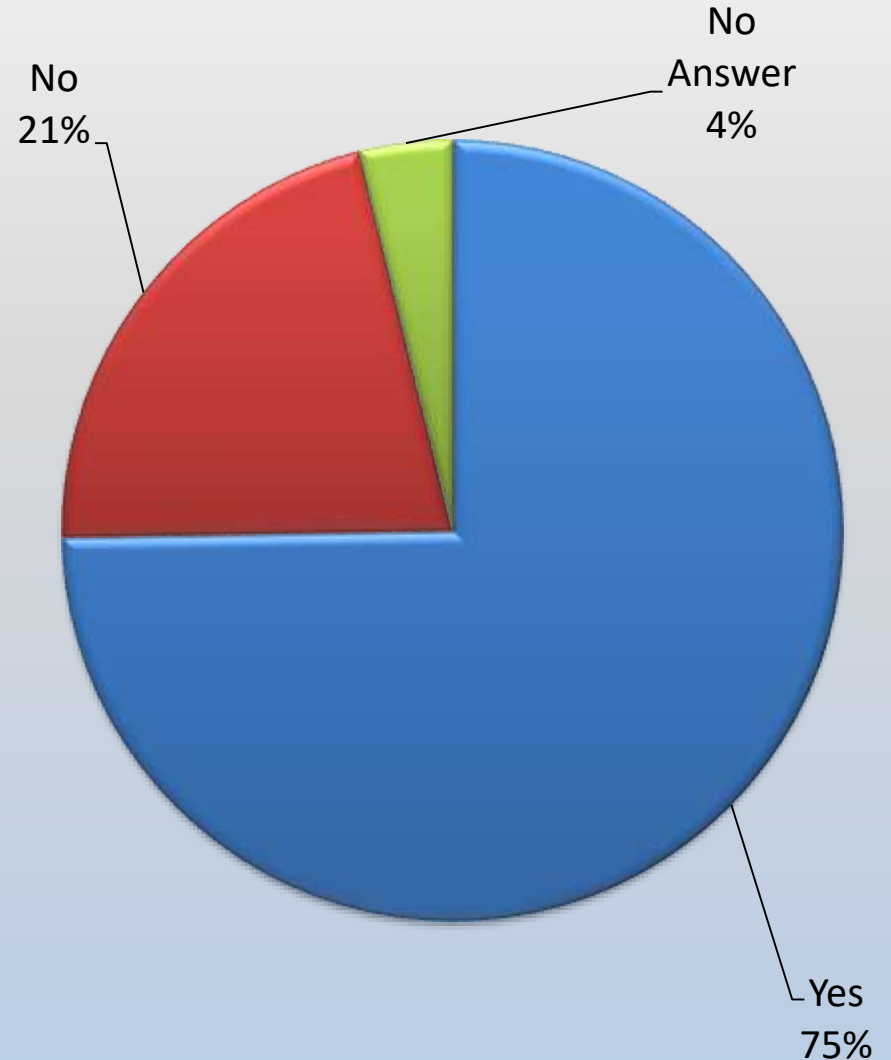


Survey Results

Are you satisfied with the condition of the existing highway system?

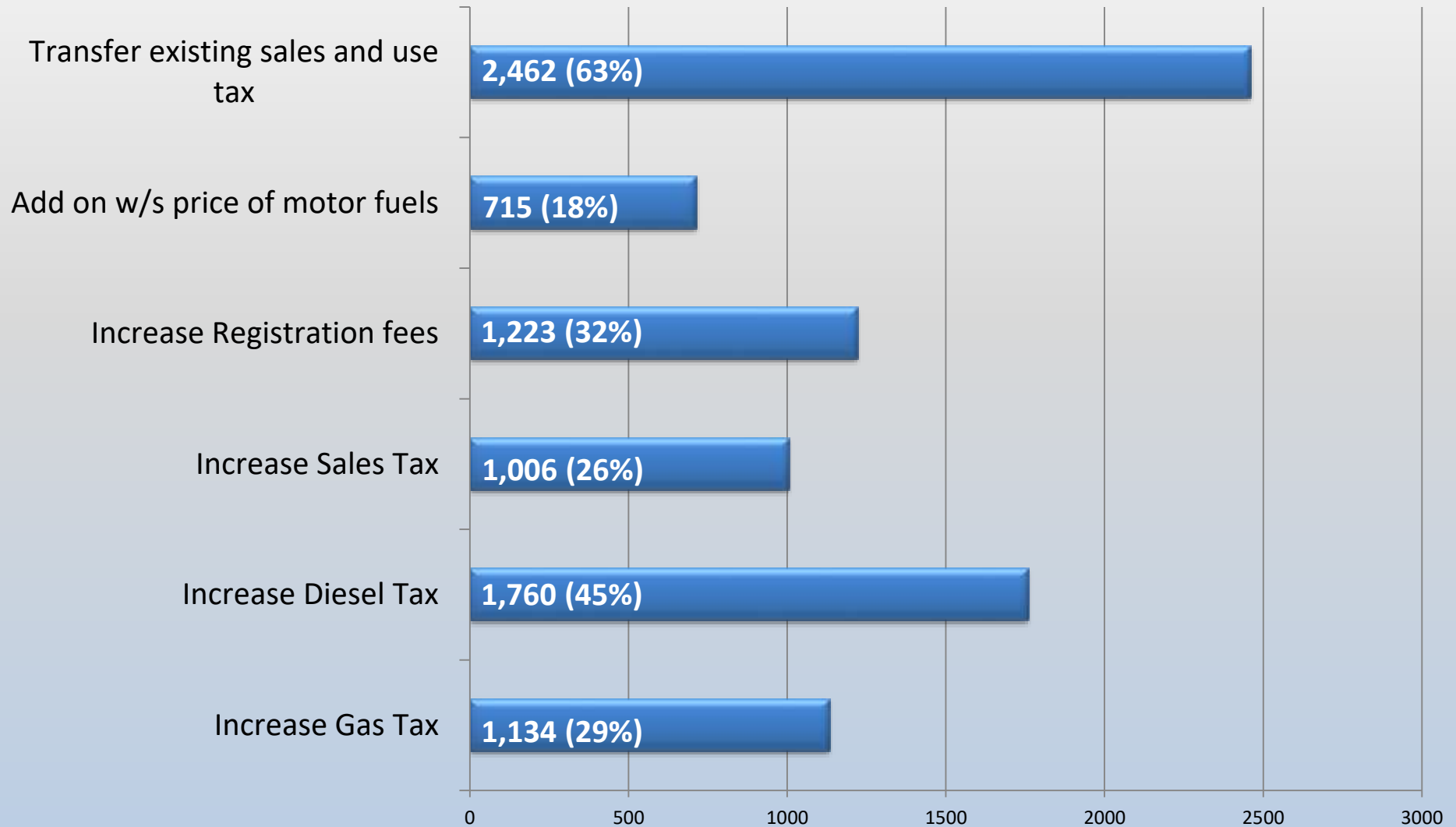


Would you support a new highway program that would generate additional revenue?



Survey Results

Which of the following sources do you recommend be utilized in obtaining additional funds?



Total Road User Revenue

\$1,076.5 Million

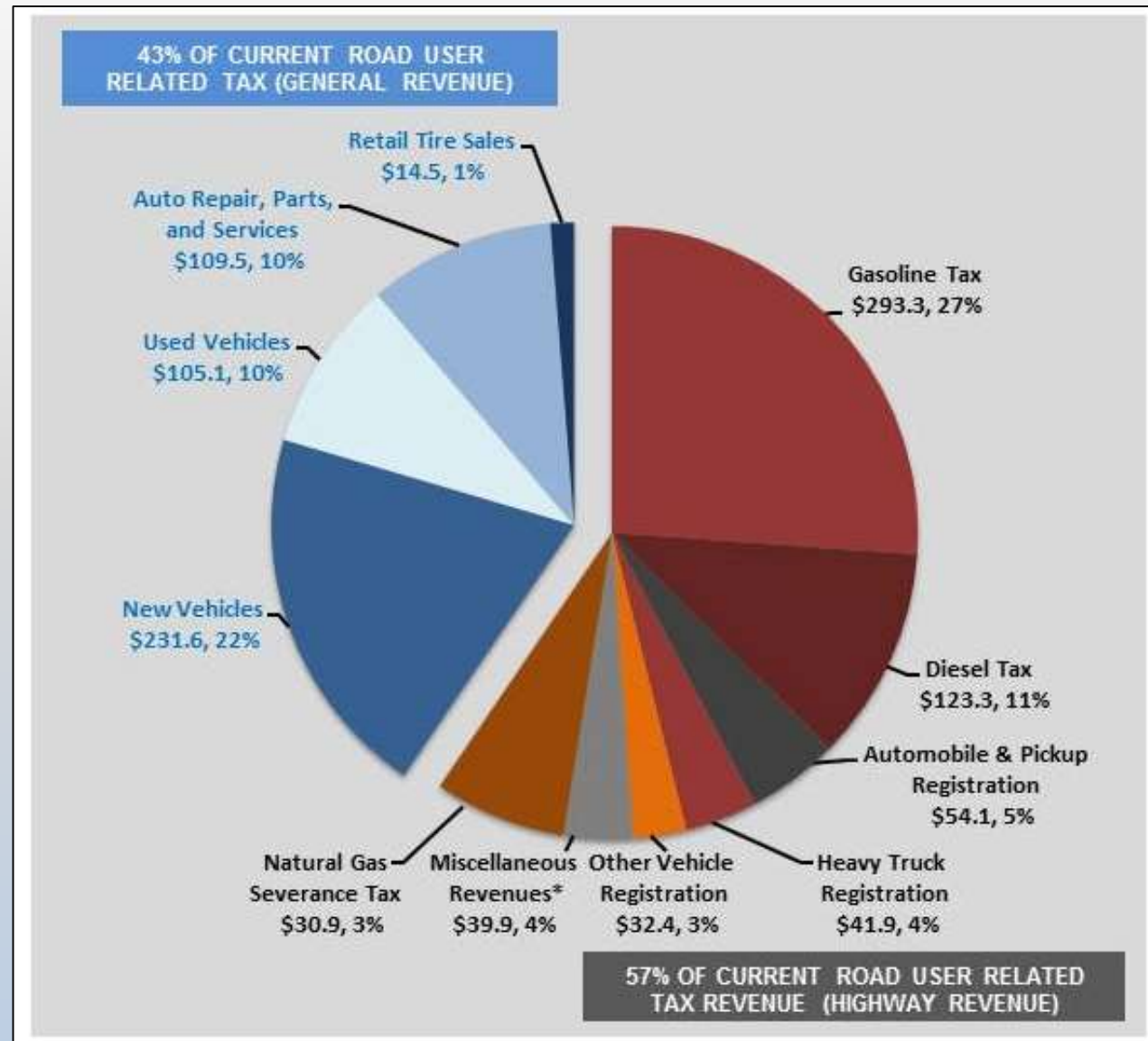
Distribution:

General Revenue

\$460.7 Million (43%)

Highway Revenue

\$615.9 Million (57%)





Your
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM



Questions?

