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Issue 1

Proposed Constitutional Amendment
November 3, 2020 General Election

Searcy Regional Chamber of Commerce
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Funding Challenges







\$10,000,000 Overlay Program

THEN

In 1998, **200 lane miles** of highway could be overlaid with \$10 million.

NOW

In 2018, **90 lane miles** of highway could be overlaid with \$10 million.



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Voter Approved in 2012

Provides Temporary Half-Cent Sales Tax

Expires June 2023

ARDOT Revenue Dedicated to the
Connecting Arkansas Program of Projects



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Highway 70 Widening
Garland and Saline Counties



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Future US Hwy 412 - Springdale Bypass

Benton County



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Interstate 630 Widening

Pulaski County



Current Connecting Arkansas Program

Highway 167 Widening
Calhoun County



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The Ballot Question: Issue 1

FOR



Funding from current sales tax continues after June 2023

AGAINST



Funding from current sales tax ends in June 2023

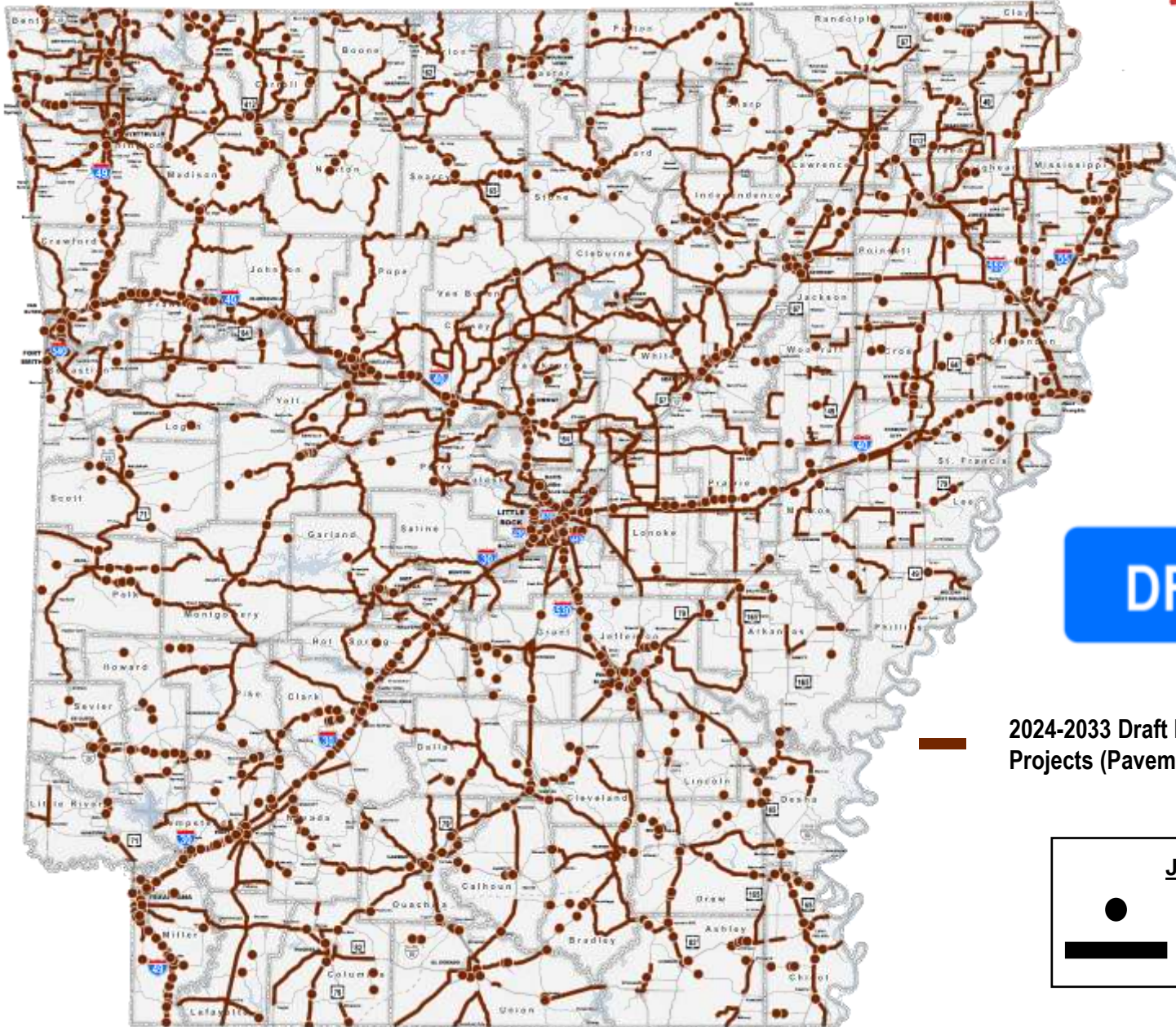
If Issue 1 Passes



10-Year *Renew Arkansas Highways* Program

Pavement Preservation	\$3.0 Billion
Bridge Improvements and Preservation	\$1.1 Billion
Interstate Maintenance	\$1.0 Billion
Safety Improvements	\$0.5 Billion
Capital and Congestion Relief (CAP-2)	\$1.8 Billion
Total	\$7.4 Billion



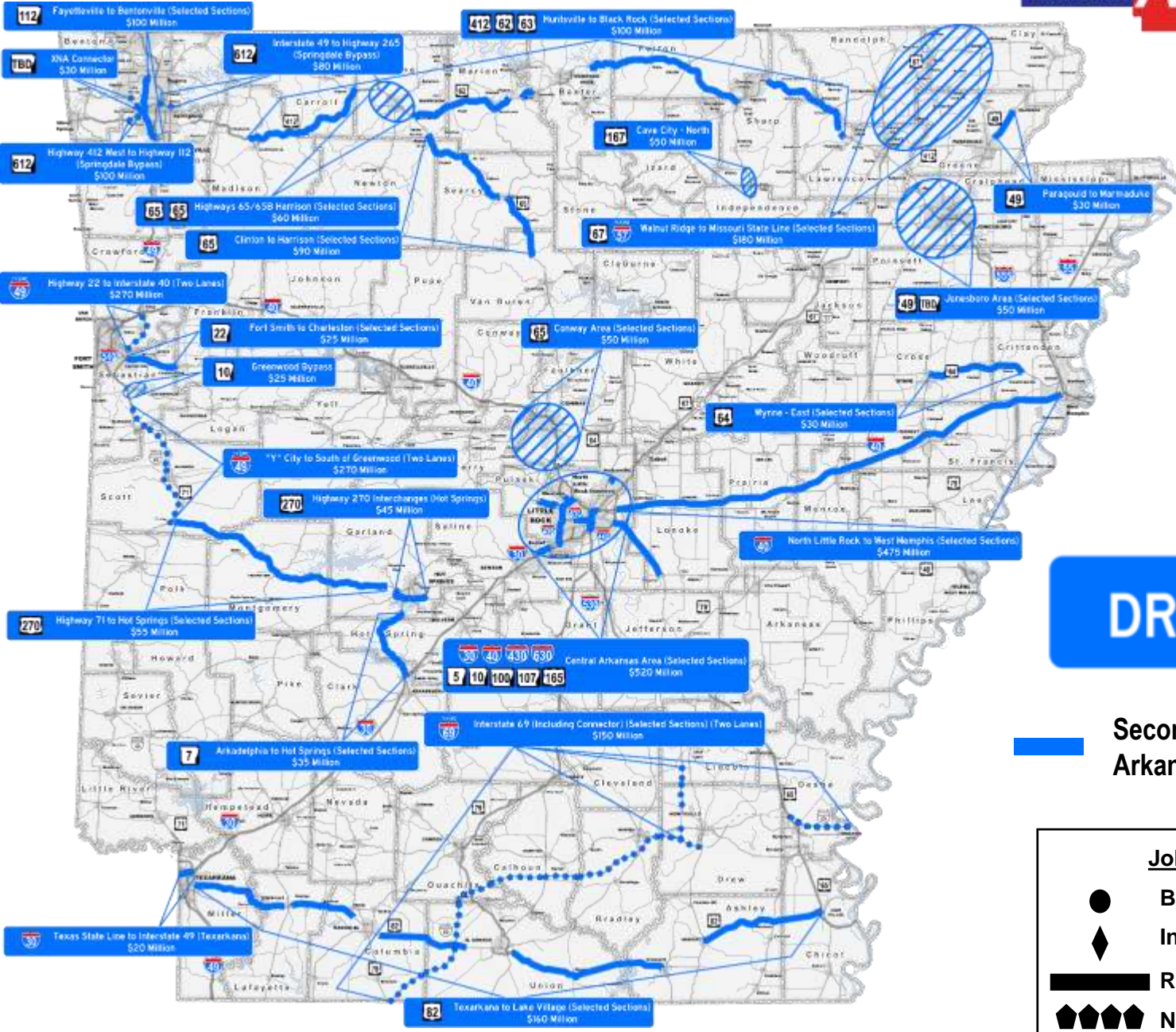


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— 2024-2033 Draft Program of Preservation Projects (Pavement & Bridges)

Job Type	
●	Bridge
—	Roadway

Second Connecting Arkansas Program



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Second Connecting Arkansas Program

Job Type

- Bridge
- ◆ Interchange
- ▬ Roadway
- ◆◆◆◆ New Location

If Issue 1 Fails

State Highways

2023 - \$740 Million

2024 - \$535 Million

City Streets

2023 - \$150 Million

2024 - \$106 Million



County Roads

2023 - \$150 Million

2024 - \$106 Million

30% Annual Reduction

If Issue 1 Fails

White County

2023 – \$3.4 Million

2024 – \$2.4 Million

Loss of Funding – \$1,000,000 Per Year

City of Searcy

2023 – \$1.8 Million

2024 – \$1.3 Million

Loss of Funding – \$500,000 Per Year

Key Takeaways

**Average Family
\$8 / month**

**No Increase
No Decrease**

Not on Groceries

**Only for
Road Improvements**



Arkansans Need to Decide How to Fund



Your
TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM



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