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Subject: Historic WPA Culverts
AHTD Job Number 040683
Hwy 62-Clyde Carnes Rd
(Hwy 170)(Farmington)
Washington County

The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department is planning to replace historic Works Progress Administration (WPA) culverts (WA1271, WA1272, and WA1273) on Highway 62 in Washington County. These culverts were determined eligible to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) as part of this project. Descriptions of the culverts and a location map are attached.

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, 23 USC § 144 (g)(5) states: "Any State that proposes to demolish a historic bridge for a replacement project ... shall first make the historic bridge available for donation to a State, locality, or responsible private entity..." As part of the mitigation process, the AHTD is offering WPA culverts identified as WA1271, WA1272, and WA1273 for donation to any government or entity that demonstrates a willingness to accept title for, preserve the historic features of, and assume the financial responsibility for the continued maintenance on the structure.

Normally the AHTD, through the Federal Highway Administration, can reimburse costs associated with preservation. However, the cost reimbursement funds allocated to these culverts will be exhausted during the dismantling process. Match marking the stones for reassembly will be required.

If you are interested in acquiring these culverts, please respond with a letter of interest within 45 days of receipt of this letter. For further information, contact Nikki Senn at (501) 569-2979.