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### AHTD ANNOUNCES FEDERAL FUNDING FOR RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

**LITTLE ROCK (9-9)** – The Arkansas State Highway Commission has awarded funding to applicants for the Recreational Trails Program projects in Arkansas. The program is a Federally-funded initiative of the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

“The trails program, which is a very competitive program, is directed toward developing and maintaining trails for recreational purposes throughout the state,” said AHTD Acting Director Scott Bennett.

“We received 38 applications requesting more than \$3 million. Thirty-one projects were selected to receive approximately \$1.8 million in available funding.”

The AHTD will work with the successful applicants to develop their projects and see them through to completion. The following applicants were selected for funding:

City of Helena-West Helena	\$43,200
City of Wynne	\$63,200
City of Wilmot	\$70,000
AR Game & Fish Commission (2)	\$80,000
Univ. of AR Community College at Hope	\$48,000
Ouachita ATV Club (4)	\$68,064
City of Fayetteville	\$80,000
City of Springdale	\$50,000
City of Booneville	\$47,000
City of Greenwood	\$40,000
City of Batesville	\$43,887
City of North Little Rock	\$85,000
City of Sherwood	\$44,253
Kohen’s Park Foundation	\$42,000
City of Hot Springs	\$40,000
Southern Bancorp Capital Partners	\$100,000
Southern Arkansas University	\$89,253
Melonvine Striders Running Club	\$69,528

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Hendrix College	\$122,640
AR State Parks	\$146,075
City of Conway	\$59,291
City of Mayflower	\$50,000
City of Berryville (2)	\$84,300
Buffalo National River Park	\$82,253
City of Jonesboro	\$80,000
<u>Lawrence County</u>	<u>\$80,000</u>
TOTAL	\$1,807,944

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