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High Water Requires Closure on U.S. Highway 71 in Little River County

LITTLE ROCK (6-26) – High water on U.S. Highway 71 north of the Red River in Little River County has prompted the closure of a section of the route north of the Texas state line, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

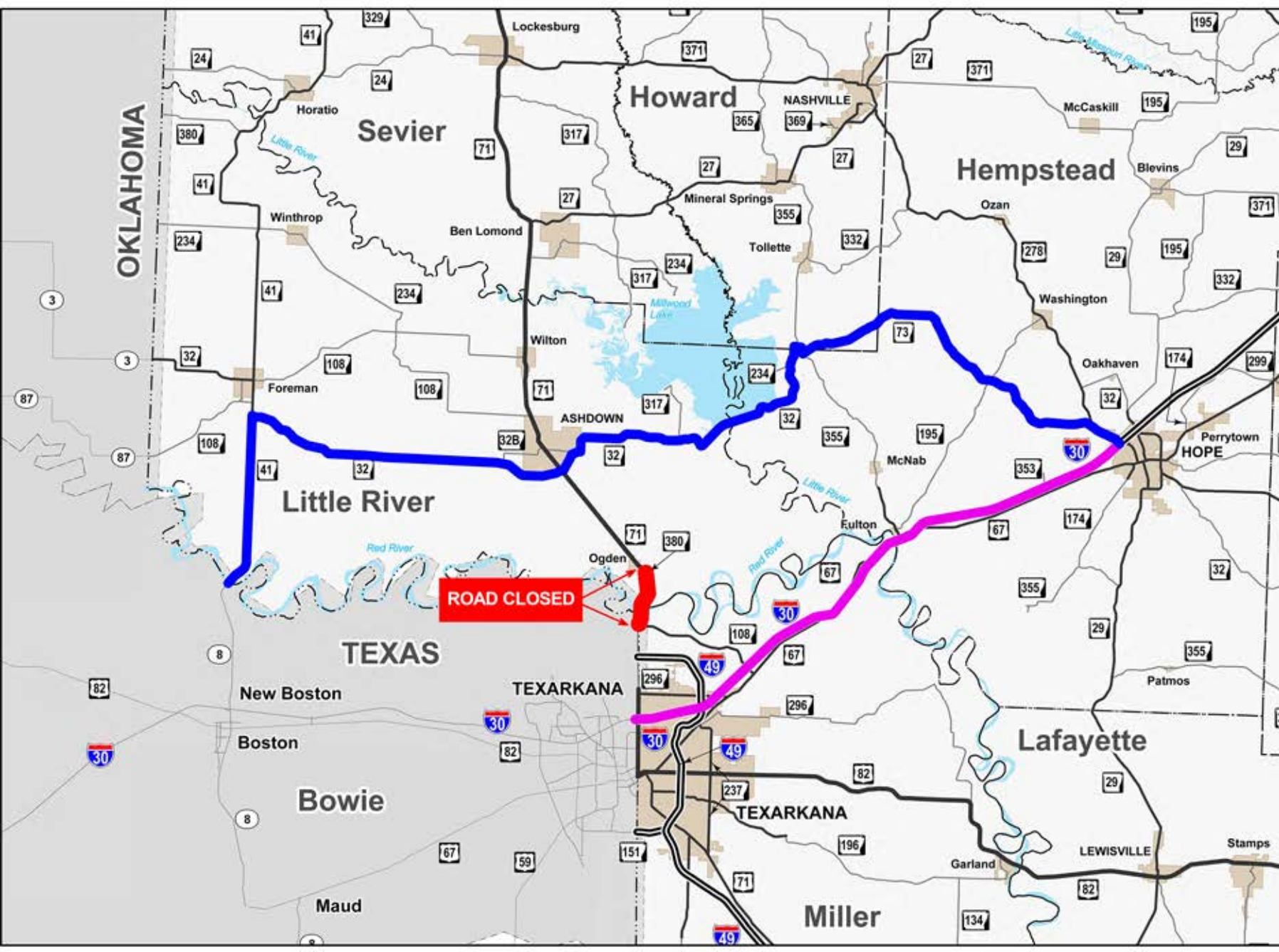
As of 1:00 p.m., both northbound and southbound lanes have been closed between the Arkansas Welcome Center (south end) and the intersection with State Highway 380 at Ogden (north end) – a total distance of 2.47 miles of U.S. Highway 71. The south end of the closure has been relocated from State Highway 108 (Miller County) to the Arkansas Welcome Center to accommodate area businesses.

The attached detour map illustrates alternate routes on State Highways motorists may take to travel around the closed section of U.S. Highway 71. This section will remain closed until water recedes from the highway and a damage assessment can be made by AHTD engineers.

Barricades, signs and portable electronic message boards have been placed to warn motorists of the closure at various points along U.S. Highway 71 (both north and south of the closure). Permanent message boards throughout the Texarkana metro on I-49 and I-30 will also be utilized.

Additional State Highway closures can be found at www.idrivearkansas.com/alternate-routes or www.arkansashighways.com. Follow us on Twitter @AHTD for alerts about travel conditions throughout Arkansas.





ROAD CLOSED

-  Road Closed
-  Blue Route (64.23 Miles)
-  Purple Route (29.74 Miles)

