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2015/16 ARKANSAS HIGHWAY MAPS NOW AVAILABLE

LITTLE ROCK (7-27) – The 2015/16 Arkansas State Highway Map is now available from the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD), according to AHTD Director Scott Bennett.

The cover of the new map features Highway 5 in Stone County. The map includes the latest route and destination changes for Arkansas travelers. The cities on the front and back of the map have changed from a bright yellow color to a more subtle color to enhance roads and other features. The back of the map includes detailed maps of major Arkansas cities. Also, city limits have been updated and some city streets have been added or removed for better clarity. The map also features the location of all State Parks in Arkansas and provides a Directory of Public Recreation Areas including Historic Memorials, National Parks, National Forest Recreation Areas and Corps of Engineers Parks.

More than one million maps are expected to be distributed free of charge to the public over the next 12 months.

The maps may be obtained, at no charge, at all Arkansas Welcome Centers and at Highway Department District Headquarters across the State. They are also available at the AHTD Central Office at 10324 Interstate 30 in Little Rock, by phone at 501-569-2444 or online at IDriveArkansas.com. To request a map by mail, send your request to the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department, State Map Division, P.O. Box 2261, Little Rock, AR 72203-2261.

2015-16 ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY MAP MODIFICATIONS

STATE SIDE (Front Side)

1. Date changed to 2015-16
2. Font in title changed.
3. Parts of Legend have been rearranged and some symbols changed.
4. New cover photo & location (Highway 5, Stone County).
5. New Governor's photo.
6. New Commission photo.
7. New letters from Commission & Governor.
8. Surrounding states have been made different colors. State boundary also heavier.
9. Memphis area: Parts of U.S. Highways 51, 61 and 64, and Tenn. Hwy. 388 have been widened to 4-Lane.
10. Mileage chart shading changed to grey.
11. New pattern fill for National Forests.
12. New pattern and color of fill for State Forest.
13. Changed color of City Limit fills.
14. WMA boundaries updated.
15. Benton Co: New portion of Bella Vista Bypass open.
16. Benton Co: Hwy. 62 widened to 4-lane from Avoca to Garfield.
17. Boone County (Harrison) "Community" removed from North Arkansas College. No longer part of name. *(Notified by public E- Mail 10/17/14)*
18. Clark Co: Caddo Valley RR removed - track is no longer there. (A short spur remains at Gurdon.)
19. Craighead Co: Hwy. 49 is 4-lane from Gibson to Hwy. 63.
20. Craighead Co: Hwy. 226 widened to 4-lane divided from new Cash bypass to new junction with U.S. 49.
21. Cross Co: Hwy 163 between Birdeye & Bay Village labeled Gold Star Families Hwy. (HB1816)
22. Faulkner Co: Hwy. 60 Spur (Conway) has been dropped from system.
23. Greene Co: Portion of Paragould bypass added as U.S. 412 Spur.
24. Lincoln Co: Hwy. 114 S3 dropped from system.
25. Lincoln Co: Cummins & Varner Units labeled separately.
26. Lincoln Co: New portions of Hwy. 530 & Hwy. 11 opened south of Star City.
27. Lonoke Co: New interchange added at Jct. I-40 & Hwy. 89 at Lonoke.
28. Marion Co: Bobby Hopper Highway labeled.
29. Monroe Co: U.S. 79 relocation at Clarendon.
30. Sebastian Co.: New portion of State Highway 549 (Future I-49)
31. Washington Co: (Springdale) – New interchange on I-49 at Don Tyson Parkway.
32. White Co: Hwy. 13 extended from Hwy. 267 to Junction Hwy. 36 in Searcy.

CITY SIDE (Back Side)

1. Recreation Areas Panel Updated.
2. New fill color replaces yellow.
3. All city limits have been updated and some city streets have been added or removed for better clarity.
4. New Golf/Heritage/Wine Trail panel design.
5. Travelers' info panel has been redesigned.
6. Parks/Byways Map: Added navigable waterways & ports to map.
7. Benton/Bryant: Map area expanded on east side. City limits updated. Some local roads added/removed.
8. Bentonville: Hwy. 204 S4 (Airport Rd.) has been dropped from system.
9. Blytheville: Hwy. 18 through downtown relocated.
10. Blytheville: Map area extended slightly on north side.
11. Cabot: Map area extended to the south.
12. Conway: Airport removed. It has relocated outside map area.
13. Conway: Hwy. 60S S0 (S. Donaghey Ave.) has been dropped from system.
14. Conway: Round-a-bout and Favre Street added at S. Donaghey.
15. El Dorado: 2 city parks added.
16. Fort Smith: Map area has been extended to the east.
17. Helena-West Helena: Railroad spur crossing U.S. 49 removed. Track has been taken up.
18. Hot Springs: AHTD Area Headquarters has been removed from map. The new location is now outside map area.
19. Jonesboro: NEA Baptist Memorial Hospital relocated.
20. Little Rock: Showing new configuration for I-430/630 "Big Rock" Interchange.
21. Little Rock: Added new on-ramp at Vimy Ridge interchange.
22. Paragould: Portion of new bypass added as U.S. 412 Spur.
23. Rogers/Springdale/Fayetteville: (Springdale) - Portion of Hwy. 265 from Hwy. 412 to Fayetteville City limits widened to 4-Lane.
24. Rogers/Springdale/Fayetteville: (Springdale) – New interchange on I-49 at Don Tyson Parkway, City limits updated.
25. Rogers/Springdale/Fayetteville: (Fayetteville) Hwy 112 extended 4-lane divided to north of Deane St.
26. Searcy: White County Med. Ctr. renamed. *Unity Health* and *Unity Health Specialty Care.*
27. Sherwood: Map area extended on the east side.
28. Texarkana: Interchange at Junction I-30 & Jefferson Ave. has been reconfigured.
29. Van Buren: Map area extended slightly to the east.
30. West Memphis: Crittenden Regional Hospital has been removed from map due to closure.
31. West Memphis: Map area extended slightly to the north.
32. West Memphis: Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. (Hwy. 38) is 4-lane undivided over I-55.