

Welcome to the Virtual Location Public Hearing for:

Arkadelphia Bypass
Connection Improvement
Project

ARDOT Job 070442

October 18 –
December 4, 2020



How do I become involved?

- Please complete the sign-in form to register your participation in this meeting.
- Review all of the materials provided in the virtual meeting.
- Written statements may be submitted anytime between October 18 – December 4, 2020 by using the attached comment form and mailing/emailing it to Garver, Attn: Lindi Miller, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118; or PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com.
- Your attendance and participation are greatly appreciated!

For more information, please call 501-823-0730 or email
PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com

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Location Public Hearing Information

What is the purpose of this hearing?

The primary objective of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for you to voice your opinion on this project. Through the materials presented in this hearing, we hope to make you familiar with the proposed project and give you an opportunity to express your opinions. In order to meet this objective, public participation is needed to identify and discuss any problems or controversial issues. Since we are not meeting in person, it is important to clearly identify your issues and concerns, and if needed you can call or email us for clarification on any matters related to this project – phone and email contact information is provided in the enclosed meeting materials. This hearing offers a medium for free and open discussions, which hopefully will result in the resolution of any problems or controversial issues. To accomplish this goal, we request your cooperation and participation.

The following information has been prepared to provide an overview and general information about the proposed project. Information has been included pertaining to the conceptual design and preliminary environmental impacts. Additional information on each of these topics is available in the Environmental Assessment (EA) document, and on the hearing project website or by contacting the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT). Garver personnel are also available to answer questions and explain the project and its impacts via email at PublicInvolvement@Garverusa.com.

What is the Arkadelphia Bypass project?

Several planning studies have identified the Central Business District and the east side of the Interstate 30 (I-30) and Highway 51 (Hwy. 51) interchange as areas in Arkadelphia where safety and mobility are inadequate. ARDOT is proposing to construct a bypass south of Arkadelphia and modify the I-30 and Hwy. 51 interchange in the City of Arkadelphia to improve safety, mobility, and connectivity.

What are the alternatives being considered?

Bypass Alignments: Six alignments provide a proposed bypass south of Arkadelphia.

- West Bypass: Alignments A, B, and H connect Hwy. 51 to Hwy. 67 south of Arkadelphia.
- East Bypass: Alignments D, F, and G connect Hwy. 67 to Hwy. 51 near the Ouachita River.

Interchange Alternatives: Four interchange alternatives connect the western bypass to Hwy. 51

Figure 1: Initial Bypass Alternatives Considered

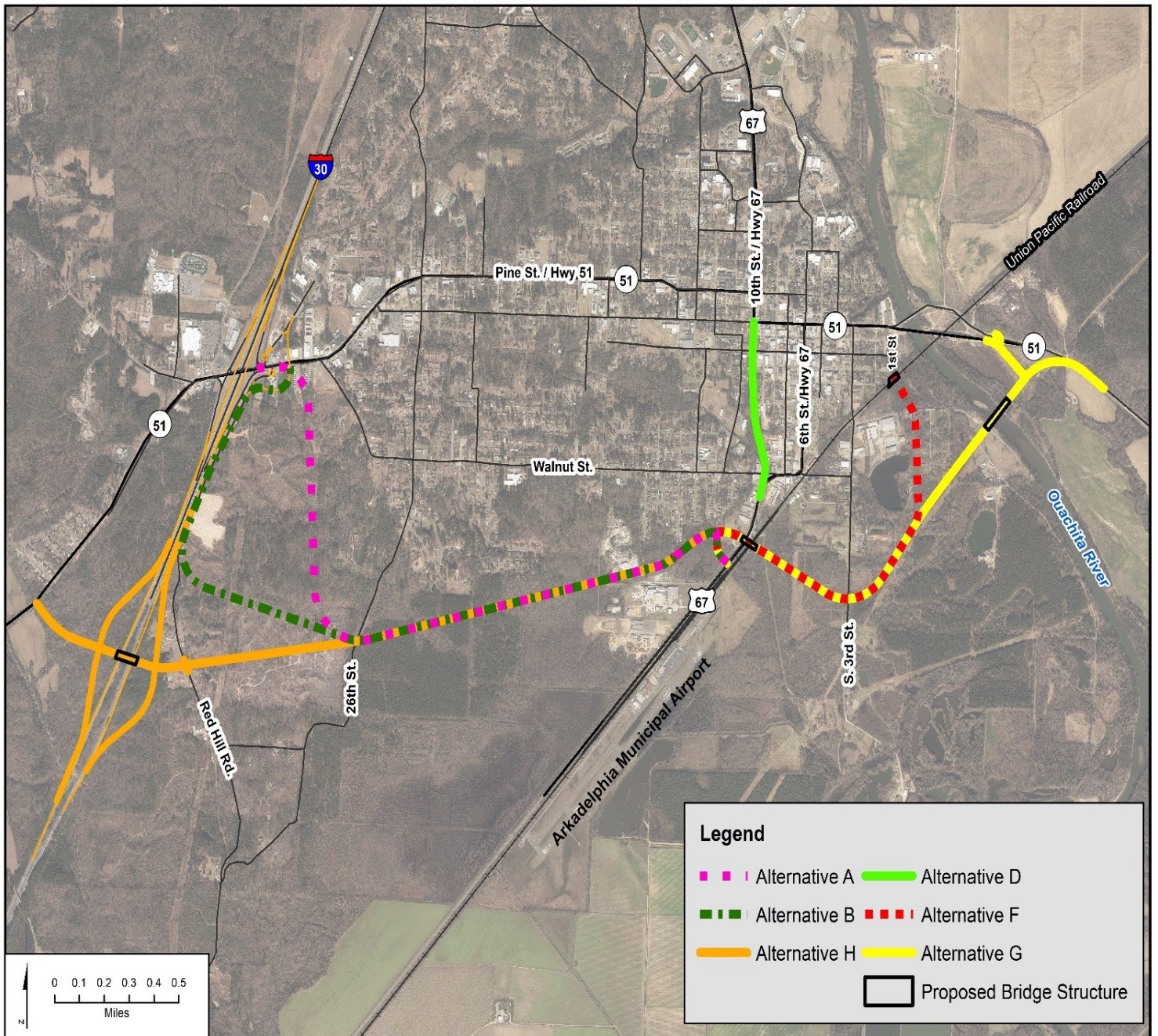


Figure 2: West Alternatives

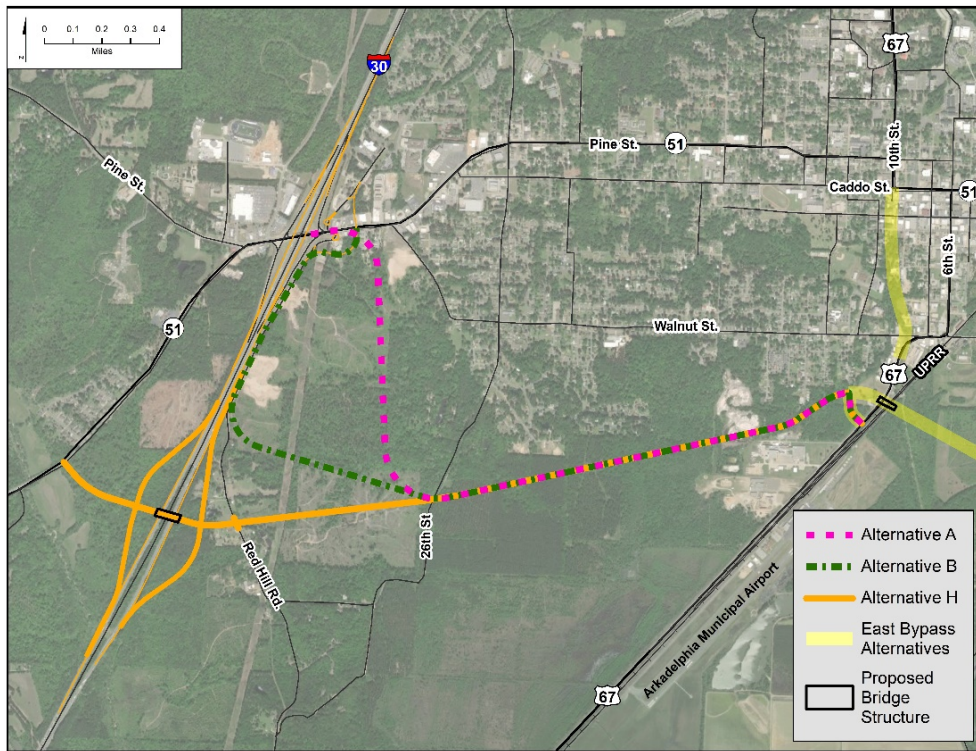


Figure 3 (below): East Alternatives

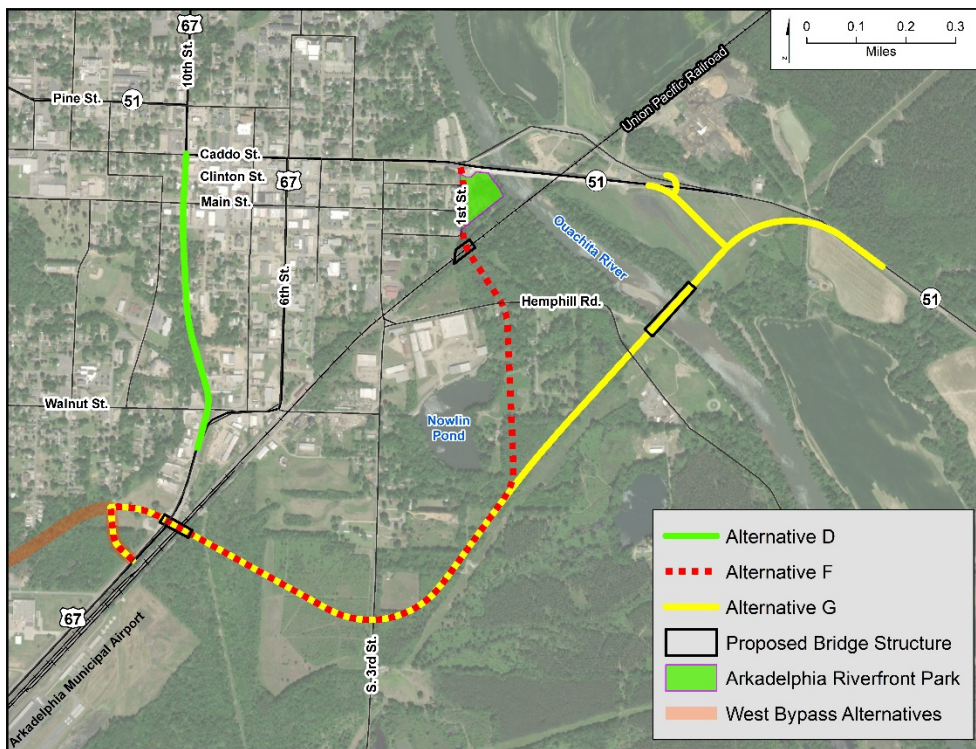
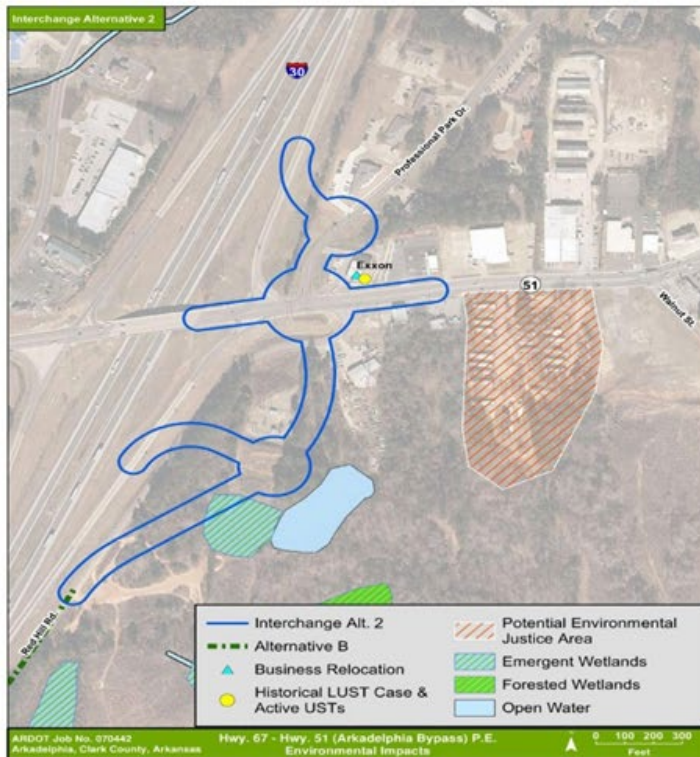
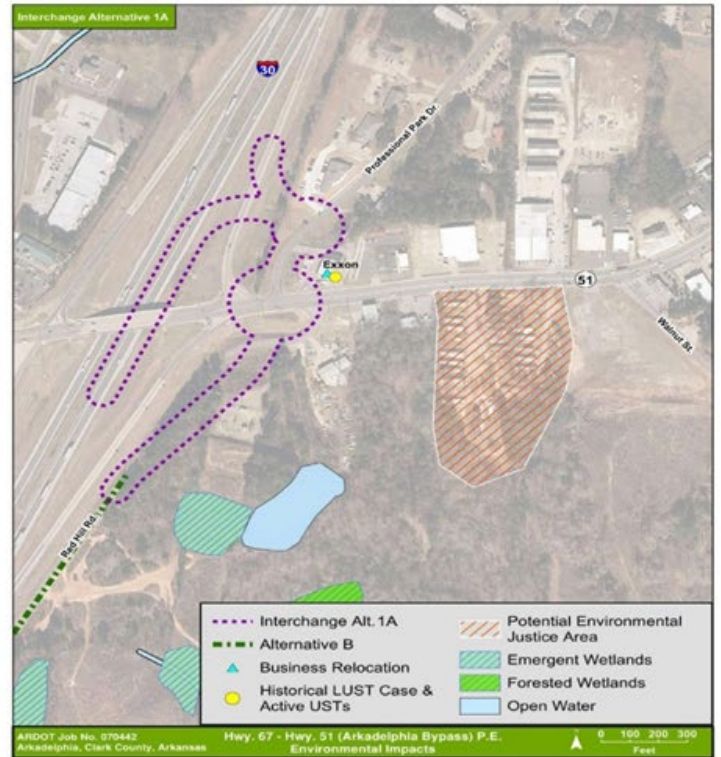
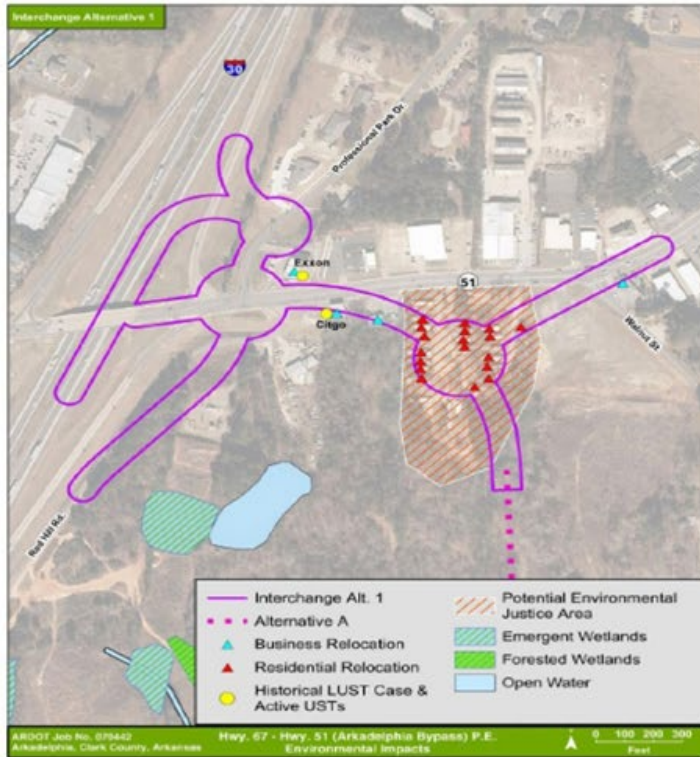


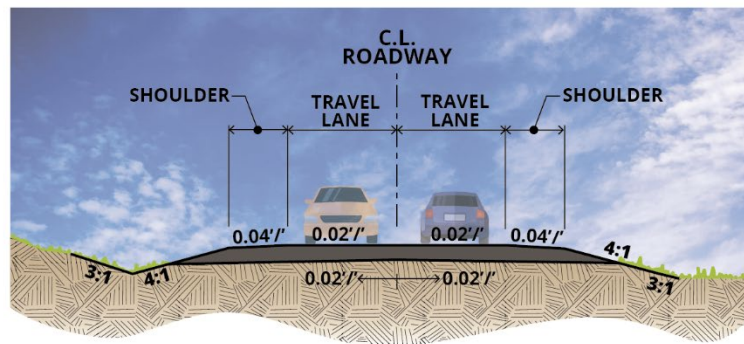
Figure 4: Initial Interchange Alternatives Considered



What will the roadway look like?

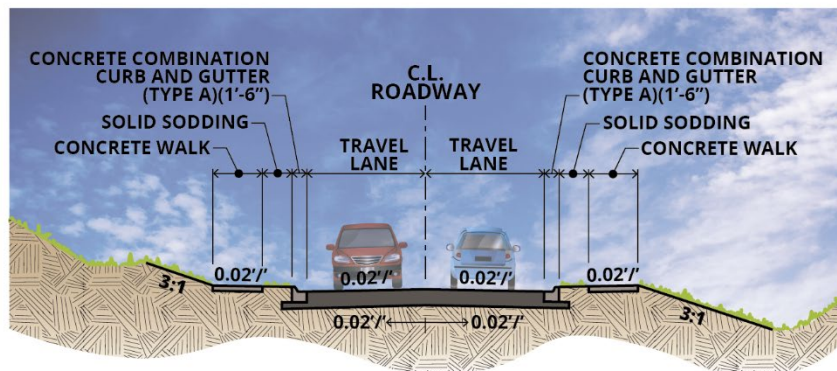
The projected traffic data indicates that a two-lane facility would be sufficient, but the Department is proposing corridor preservation through acquisition of right of way for expansion of the facility when traffic warrants it in the future.

Figure 5: Rural Typical Section



RURAL TYPICAL SECTION

Figure 6: Urban Typical Section



URBAN TYPICAL SECTION

What has happened since we last met in 2019?

Additional studies have been completed resulting in some revisions to previously presented alternatives, removal of some alternatives, and the addition of a new western bypass alternative that connects directly to I-30.

What happens after this hearing?

The ARDOT will review the comments received from citizens, public officials, and public agencies. The ARDOT will identify a preferred alternative and begin more detailed design and environmental studies for that preferred alternative. Once those studies have been completed and the design is at 60% the ARDOT will hold a Design Public Hearing to allow additional comments to be provided by citizens, public officials, and public agencies. Following the Design Public Hearing the ARDOT will prepare a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) document for review by the Federal Highway Administration. If approved, the FONSI will identify the Selected Alternative and conclude the National Environmental Policy Act process. Right of way acquisition can then begin. For additional information, please visit our website at <http://arkadelphiabypass.transportationplanroom.com>, call us 501-823-0758, or email us at PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com

**ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (ARDOT)
CITIZEN COMMENT FORM**

**ARDOT JOB NUMBER 070442
HWY. 67 – HWY. 51 (ARKADELPHIA BYPASS)
CLARK COUNTY**

LOCATION:

ArkadelphiaBypass.TransportationPlanRoom.com

Make your comments on this form and provide it to ARDOT or Garver personnel by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 4, 2020. Send by mail to: Lindi Miller, Garver, 4701 Northshore Drive, North Little Rock, AR 72118. Alternatively, send the form via email to PublicInvolvement@GarverUSA.com.

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Please Print:

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Street Address

City, State, Zip

Which West Alignment do you prefer? ☐ A ☐ B ☐ H

Which East Alignment do you prefer? ☐ D ☐ F ☐ G

Which Interchange Alternative do you prefer? ☐ 1 ☐ 1A ☐ 2 ☐ 3

Do you have any comments on the proposed project in Arkadelphia to connect U.S. Highway 67 and State Highway 51? _____

Use additional sheets if necessary

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