ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

Bryant Rotary Club
February 9, 2012
Highway 5 Projects
Railroad Overpass Removal
Interstate 30 Projects
Roya/Hwy 183 Signal
Highway 35 Overpass
2011 Interstate Rehabilitation Program
Temporary 0.5% Sales Tax (Issue #1)

- November 6, 2012 election ballot
- Temporary Increase
- $230m annually ($160m/$35m/$35m)
- State Aid Street Fund for City Streets
Temporary 0.5% Sales Tax (Issue #1)

- Bond debt retired over 10 years
- $1.3 Billion in general obligation bonds
- Tax expires when the bonds are retired
- Four-lane highways
- $1.8 Billion total program
Benefits of Temporary 0.5% Tax

• Completion of widening I-540 between Fayetteville and Bentonville;

• Completion of the initial two lanes of the ultimate four lanes of the Bella Vista Bypass (Future I-49);

• Beginning the four-lane construction of the U.S. Highway 412 Bypass (Springdale) from I-540 westward to XNA Connector;
Benefits of Temporary 0.5% Tax

• Completion of widening I-40 to six lanes between Conway and North Little Rock;

• Completion of widening U.S. Highway 67 to six lanes from Jacksonville to Cabot;

• Improvements to I-30 connecting Little Rock and North Little Rock, including widening Arkansas River bridge;
Benefits of Temporary 0.5% Tax

• Completion of widening U. S. Highway 64 to four lanes between Conway and Beebe;

• Completion of widening U. S. Highway 70 to four lanes between I-30 and Hot Springs;

• Completion of widening U. S. Highway 167 to four lanes between I-530 and El Dorado;

• Completion of widening U. S. Highway 412 to four lanes between Paragould and Walnut Ridge;
Benefits of Temporary 0.5% Tax

• Completion of widening U. S. Highway 425 to four lanes from Hamburg to the Louisiana state line;

• Completion of widening Highway 18 to four lanes between Jonesboro and Blytheville;

• Continuation of widening U. S. Highway 65 to four lanes from Clinton northward;

• Continuation of widening U. S. Highway 65 to four lanes from Bellefonte southward;
Benefits of Temporary 0.5% Tax

• Continuation of widening U. S. Highway 49 to four lanes from Brinkley southward toward Helena-West Helena;

• Continuation of widening U. S. Highway 270 to four lanes from Hot Springs westward;

• Beginning the widening of U. S. Highway 82 to four lanes between Magnolia and El Dorado.
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