Recent Legislation
Governor Hutchinson’s Highway Package

Two Bills

Four Revenue Sources

$300 Million Per Year
Motor Fuel Taxes

1.6% Tax On Wholesale Price of Gas
(equals 3 cents per gallon)

2.9% Tax On Wholesale Price of Diesel
(equals 6 cents per gallon)
Results in $86 Million in Additional Annual Revenue

$58 Million to ARDOT

$14 Million to Cities and Counties Each

“And we feel like we would like to invest and spend money to make the roads better so that they are safer, so that they are easier on the equipment, so that the volume of traffic can move more freely. The benefit of those things outweighs any increased costs.”

– Shannon Newton, Arkansas Trucking Association President
Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Registration Fees

Electric Vehicles - $200 Registration Fee

Hybrid Vehicles - $100 Registration Fee

$2 Million to ARDOT
Casino Revenue

All New Casino Revenue

$35 Million Annually to ARDOT

Act 416
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Summary

Motor Fuel Tax $ 58 Million
Electric and Hybrid Vehicle Registration Fees $ 2 Million
Casino Revenue $ 35 Million

Total to ARDOT $ 95 Million
Proposed Constitutional Amendment

- To Be Voted On In General Election – November 2020
- ½-Cent Sales Tax Permanent After 2023
- Continues To Provide $205 Million To ARDOT Annually
- Continues To Provide $43 Million To Cities Annually
- Continues To Provide $43 Million To Counties Annually
Governor’s Highway Funding Package

Summary

Act 416
$95 Million

House Joint Resolution 1018
$205 Million

Total To ArDOT
$300 Million
Looking Forward
What is the road to good roads?

Governor Asa Hutchinson paves the way for a highway plan to be presented to voters in 2020. But the politics ahead could be bumpy.

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Economic Impact of Infrastructure Investment

• Increased Property Values

• Attraction to Businesses
  ✔ Higher Wages
  ✔ More Job Opportunities

• Less Expense on Vehicle Wear and Tear = Greater Expendable Income

• Safety Benefits
  ✔ Reduced Fatalities
  ✔ Reduced Property Damage
Infrastructure Investment and Quality of Life

Quality of Life is Directly Linked to:

• Reliable Access to:
  ✓ Housing
  ✓ Family, Friends, Spirituality
  ✓ Employment
  ✓ School
  ✓ Health Care
  ✓ Recreation/Entertainment
  ✓ Consumer Goods
  ✓ Consumer Services
Immediate Economic Benefits of Increasing Investment

- Supports $1.3 Billion in Economic Activity
- Supports 5,729 Jobs

Neighbors Are Not Waiting

- Seven Have Raised State Gas Tax
- Six Have Variable Gas Tax
- Eight Have Electric Vehicle Registration Fees

Significant Transportation Challenges

- Safety Needs
- Increasing Freight Demands
- Impacts From Congestion
2023 vs. 2024 if ½ Cent Sales Tax Fails

**Turnback to Cities**
- 2023 - $156 million
- 2024 - $113 million
*Nearly a 30% Reduction*

**Turnback to Counties**
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1999 Interstate Rehabilitation Program

- 50 Projects
- 356 Miles
- $973 Million

Prior to Program:
- 63% Poor or Mediocre

After Program:
- 72% Good
Completed

Number of Projects: 47
Miles: 291
Amount (Millions): $1,027
Interstate Rehabilitation Program

Under Construction
Number of Projects: 5
Miles: 53
Amount (Millions): $287

Let To Contract
Number of Projects: 52
Miles: 344
Amount (Millions): $1,314
Interstate Rehabilitation Program

Scheduled
Number of Projects: 27
Miles: 160
Amount (Millions): $219

Total Program
Number of Projects: 79
Miles: 504
Amount (Millions): $1,533
Connecting Arkansas Program

$533 Million Completed

$1.19 Billion Under Construction

$175 Million Scheduled
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