

# Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department



Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce  
Transportation Committee

December 19, 2012

# Completed Projects



## *Highway 71 (Resurface)*

West Fork White River – North | \$726,000



## *Highway 71B (Resurface)*

Highway 16 – North | \$616,000



## *Interstate 540 (Cable Median Barrier)*

Hwy. 112/265 – Hwy. 62/102 | \$4.8 Million



## *Interstate 540 (Widening)*

Hwy. 62/180 – Hwy. 16 | \$5.8 Million

# Current Projects



## *Highway 265 (Widening)*

Highway 45 – East Joyce Blvd. | \$2.6 Million



## *Highway 16 (Widening)*

Armstrong – Stonebrook | \$6.2 Million



## *Highway 112 (Widening)*

Highway 112 Spur – North | \$3.4 Million

# Upcoming Projects



## *Highway 265 (Widening)*

East Joyce Blvd. – City Limits | Spring 2013

## *Interstate 540 (Widening)*

Highway 16 – Porter Road | 2013

## *Highway 112 (Widening)*

Highway 180 – Leroy Pond Drive | 2013

## *Highway 16 (Bridge Replacement)*

West Fork White River | 2013

# Issue Number 1: **APPROVED!**

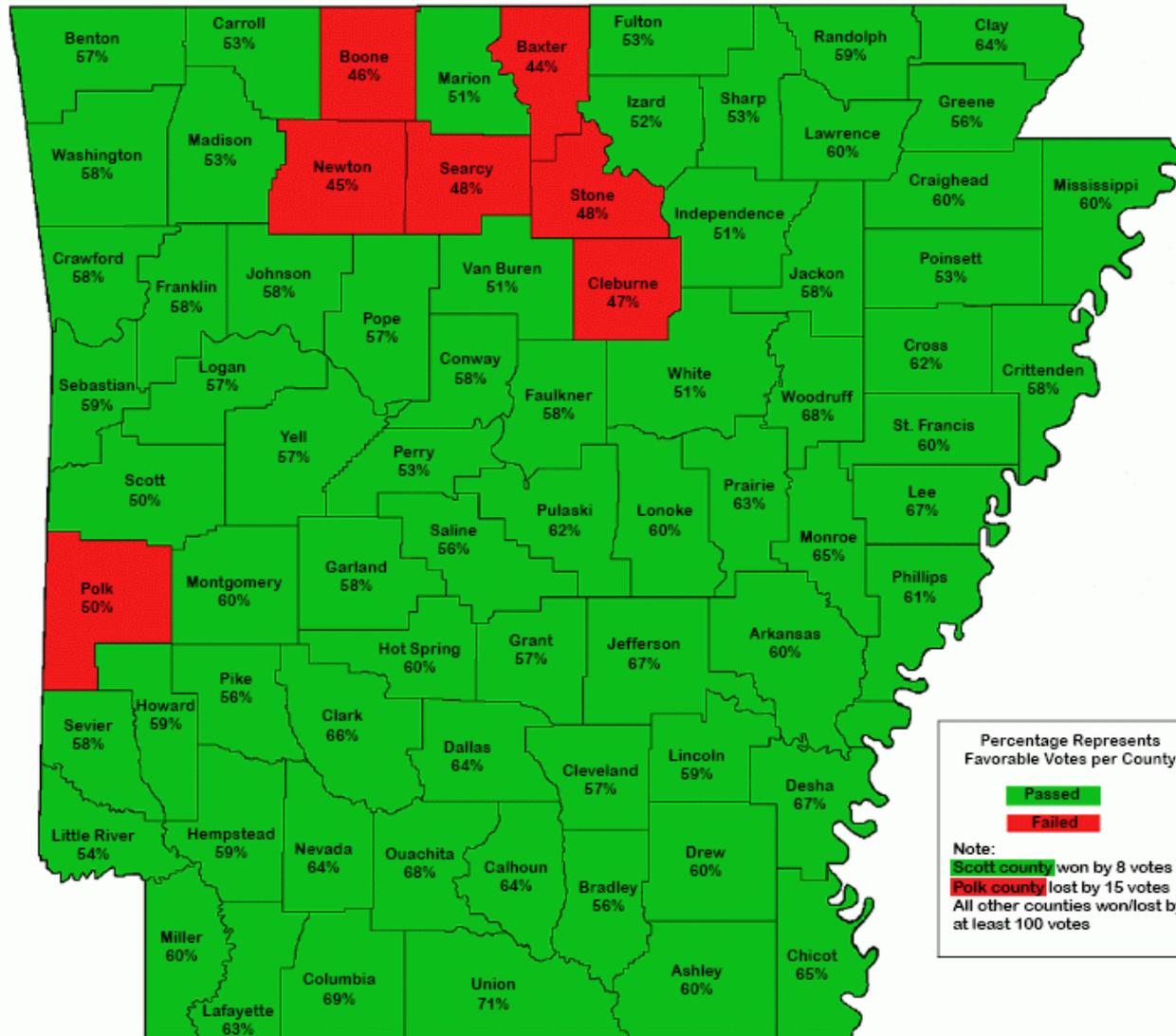


**MOVE  
ARKANSAS  
FORWARD**



# November 6<sup>th</sup> General Election

## Issue Number 1



# Issue Number 1: What's Next?

Hire a Program Manager  
(January 2013)

Hire a Financial Advisor  
(January 2013)

Hire Bond Counsel  
(January 2013)



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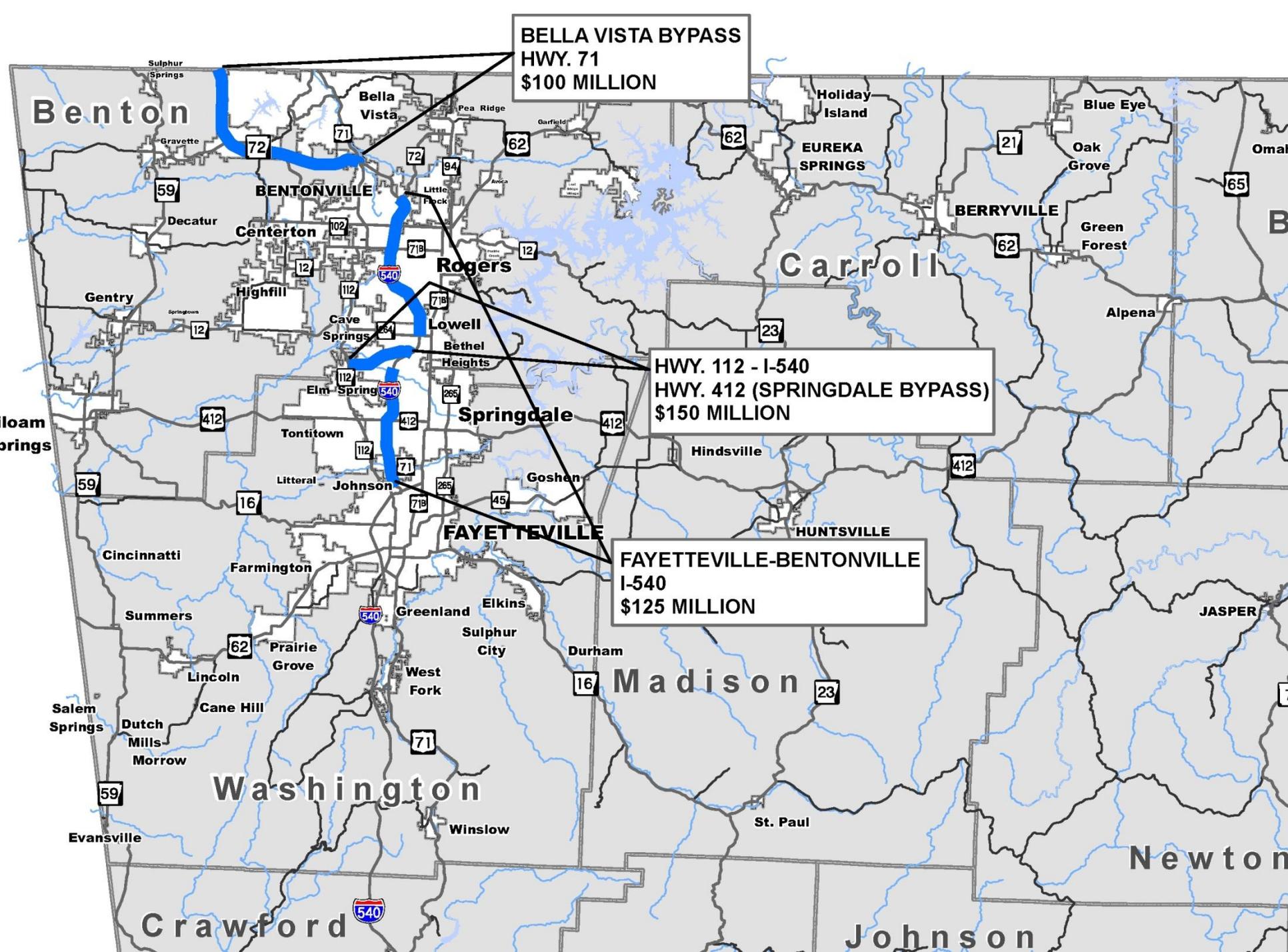
Assign Projects to Existing  
On-Call Design Consultants  
(Early 2013)

Schedule Projects  
(Early 2013)

Issue Bonds  
(Late 2013)

Award First Contracts  
(Late 2013)





**BELLA VISTA BYPASS  
HWY. 71  
\$100 MILLION**

**HWY. 112 - I-540  
HWY. 412 (SPRINGDALE BYPASS)  
\$150 MILLION**

**FAYETTEVILLE-BENTONVILLE  
I-540  
\$125 MILLION**



**Blue** Ribbon  
Committee  
on Highway Finance  
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“ . . . recommendations in this report . . . will provide a bold step forward in addressing the systemic flaws and sustainability issues that exist today in funding Arkansas’s roads.”

“The citizens of Arkansas deserve action on this, and they stand to benefit greatly through improvements to safety, mobility, and the economy.”

# Revenue Proposals



- Reissue GARVEE Bonds for Interstate Rehabilitation Program
- State Aid Program for Cities
- Temporary One-Half Cent General Sales Tax to Fund a Multi-Year Construction Program
- Transfer Sales Tax on New and Used Vehicles, Auto Repair Parts and Services, Tires and Batteries

# Revenue Proposals



## “Reissue GARVEE Bonds for Interstate Rehabilitation Program”

- Needed Vote of the People
- \$575 Million in Bonds
- No New Taxes

# Interstate Rehabilitation Program

1999

50 Projects | 360 Total Miles | \$1.0 Billion

Interstate Condition Improved From 21% 'Good' to 72%

2011

Passed With 81% of Vote

75 +/- Projects | 455 Total Miles | \$1.2 Billion

First Contracts Awarded in November 2012



# Interstate Rehabilitation Program

Projects Let to Contract

I-540

7.1 Miles | Hwy. 22 - I-40 | **\$78.8 Million**

I-530

7.4 Miles | Bingham Rd. - Grant Co. Line | \$13.5 Million

I-40

7.2 Miles | Mill Creek Rd. - Hwy. 331 | \$42.3 Million

**\*\* IRP Projects Included in Largest Letting in AHTD History! \*\***



# Revenue Proposals



## *“State Aid Program for Cities”*

- Dedicate 1¢ Per Gallon of Existing Motor Fuel Tax
- Identical to County Aid Program
- Funds Distributed by 9-Member Panel
- Passed in 2011; Triggered by Issue #1 Vote

# Revenue Proposals



## “Temporary One-Half Cent General Sales Tax to Fund a Multi-Year Construction Program”

- Sunset in 10 Years
- Used for Multi-Year Bond Program
- Would Generate \$1.8 Billion Total Program
- Recommended to Refer to a Vote of the People



# Blue Ribbon Committee Recommendations

~~“A Three-Course Meal”~~  
Four

- Reissue GARVEE Bonds for IRP
- State Aid Programs for Cities
- Issue Number 1 to Fund a Ten-Year Construction Program
- Sales Tax Revenue Transfer





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