



## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

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May 10, 2022

**TO:** Master Files

**FROM:**  John Fleming, Division Head, Environmental Division 

**SUBJECT:** Job 090544  
FAP STPF-0004(812)  
Hwy. 612 – Osage Creek (S)  
Route 112, Section 2  
Benton County  
Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion

After appropriate environmental review, it has been determined that the subject job is a Tier 1 Categorical Exclusion as described by the ARDOT/FHWA Programmatic Agreement on Categorical Exclusion Documentation and Processing. A public hearing will not be offered for this project.

The purpose of this project is to level and reconstruct with an Ultra-Thin Bonded Wearing Course approximately 4.1 miles of existing paved surfaces on Highway 112 between Highway 612 and Osage Creek in Benton County, AR. A project location map is attached.

The project will not involve relocations, prime farmlands, wetlands, underground storage tanks, hazardous materials, any environmental justice issues, or cultural resources. This project has been determined to generate minimal air quality impacts for Clean Air Act criteria pollutants and has not been linked with any special mobile source air toxics concerns. The State Historic Preservation Officer's clearance is attached.

The official species lists obtained through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Information for Planning and Consultation identified the following species as potentially occurring within the project area: gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*), Indiana

bat (*Myotis sodalis*), northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), Ozark big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii ingens*), Eastern Black Rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis ssp. jamaicensis*), Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*), Red Knot (*Calidris canutus rufa*), Ozark cavefish (*Amblyopsis rosae*), Neosho Mucket (*Lampsilis rafinesquaeana*), monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*), Benton County cave crayfish (*Cambarus aculabrum*), and Missouri bladderpod (*Physaria filiformis*). This project will have “no effect” on the aforementioned species due to the limited scope of the action, lack of suitable habitat, and distance to known species locations.

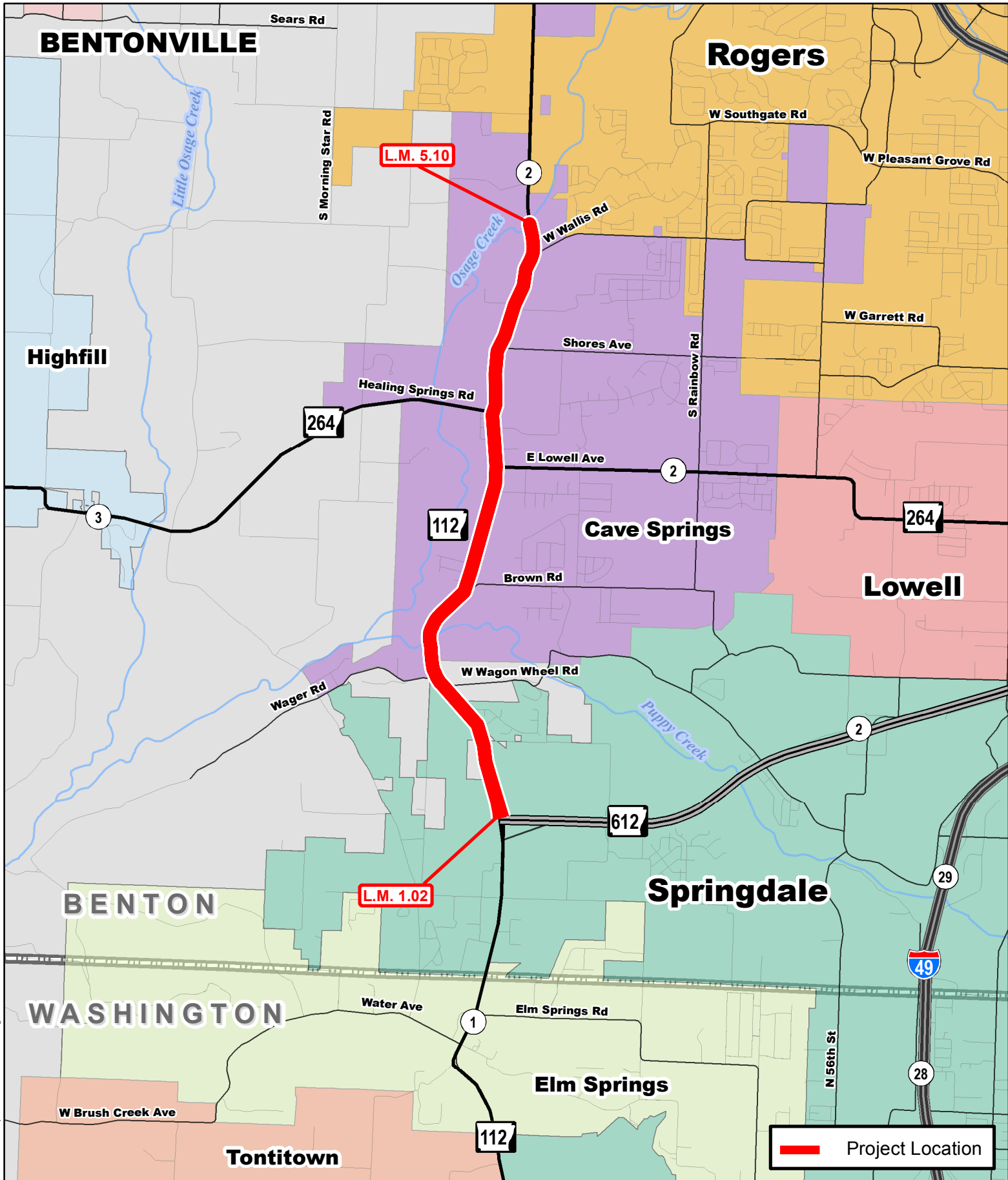
This project will not have a discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the U.S.; therefore, a Section 404 permit will not be required.

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Attachments:

- Location Map
- SHPO Clearance
- Environmental Study Checklist

c: Program Management  
Right of Way  
District 9  
FHWA

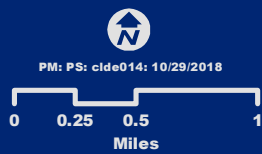


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September 28, 2020

Secretary Stacy Hurst  
Arkansas Historic Preservation Program  
1100 North Street  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

AHPP  
SEP 28 2020

RE: Job Number 090544  
Hwy. 612 – Osage Creek (S)  
Route 112, Section 2  
Benton County

Dear Secretary Hurst:

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) proposes to level and UTBWC reconstruct 4.1 miles of existing paved surfaces on Highway 112 in Benton County. All work will occur inside the existing ARDOT right-of-way on paved surfaces. Jobs with these types of activities are referred to as pavement preservation.

These activities are not covered by the existing 1999 Memorandum of Agreement when historic properties are on or adjacent to the project. As agreed upon during phone correspondence with Eric Mills on January 15, 2020, the table on the following page is presented to address the above referenced job with recorded historic properties and National Register of Historic Places unevaluated archeological sites, cemeteries, and bridges. It is ARDOT's opinion that this job has no potential to cause effect to historic properties pursuant to 36 CFR 800.3(1).

If you have any questions or need additional information, contact Jason Kennedy of my staff at (501) 569-2038.

Date 10.1.20  
No known historic properties will be affected by this undertaking. This effect determination could change should new information come to light.  
for [Signature]  
Arkansas State Historic Preservation Officer

Sincerely,

[Signature]  
for John Fleming  
Division Head  
Environmental Division

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**ARDOT ENVIRONMENTAL VERIFICATION CHECKLIST  
FOR CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL IMPACTS**

ARDOT Job 090544 FAP STPF-0004(812)

Job Title Hwy. 612 – Osage Creek (S)

Environmental Resource	None	Minimal	Major	Comments
Air Quality	X			No impacts anticipated
Cultural Resources	X			SHPO Clearance attached
Economic	X			No impacts anticipated
Endangered Species	X			“No effect” determination
Environmental Justice/Title VI	X			No impacts anticipated
Fish and Wildlife	X			No impacts anticipated
Floodplains	X			Zone A SFHA
Forest Service Property	X			None in project area
Hazardous Materials/Landfills	X			No impacts anticipated
Land Use	X			No impacts anticipated
Migratory Birds	X			No impacts anticipated
Navigation/Coast Guard	X			None in project area
Noise Levels	X			No impacts anticipated
Prime Farmland	X			No impacts anticipated
Protected Waters	X			ESW Springs & Seeps nearby, no impacts
Public Recreation Lands	X			No impacts anticipated
Public Water Supply/WHPA	X			No impacts anticipated
Relocates	X			No relocations
Section 4(f)/6(f)	X			No impacts anticipated
Social	X			No impacts anticipated
Underground Storage Tanks	X			No impacts anticipated
Visual	X			No impacts anticipated
Streams	X			No impacts anticipated
Water Quality	X			No impacts anticipated
Wetlands	X			None in project area
Wildlife Refuges	X			None in project area

Section 401 Water Quality Certification Required? N  
 Short-term Activity Authorization Required? N  
 Section 404 Permit Required? N Type N/A

Remarks: Water Pollution Control SP Required

Signature of Evaluator Kathryn Rose Date 5/3/2022