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RE: Historic Bridge M1144
Job 040721
Fayetteville Ave. – Hwy. 162
(Alma)(S)
Crawford County
Historic Bridge Marketing Request

To Whom It May Concern:

The Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) is planning to replace Bridge Number M1144 (Little Frog Bayou Bridge) on Highway 64B in Crawford County. This bridge was determined eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places as part of ARDOT's 2005 Historic Bridge Inventory. A location map and further information about the bridge is enclosed.

The Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, 23 USC § 144 (g)(5) states: "Any State which proposes to demolish a historic bridge for a replacement project ... shall first make the bridge available for donation to a State, locality, or responsible private entity..." As part of the mitigation process, ARDOT is offering to donate Bridge Number M1144 to any government or entity that demonstrates a willingness to accept title for, relocate it for use at another site, preserve the historic features of, and assume the financial responsibility for the continued maintenance on the structure.

Normally, ARDOT, through the Federal Highway Administration, can reimburse costs associated with preservation up to the demolition estimate expense. However, the reimbursement funds allocated to this bridge will be exhausted during the dismantling and relocation process

If you are interested in acquiring this bridge, please respond with a letter of interest addressed to me within 30 days from this letter's date. Such letter submission does not commit an entity to accept the bridge. Following its receipt, ARDOT's Historic Bridge Analysis Committee will request a preservation plan, including required information for consideration, before a preferred recipient is selected. For further information, contact Nikki Senn at (501) 569-2979 or Nikki.Senn@ardot.gov.

Sincerely,



For John Fleming
Division Head
Environmental Division

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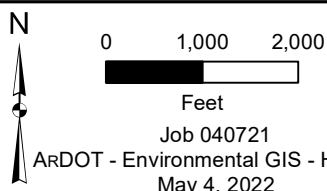
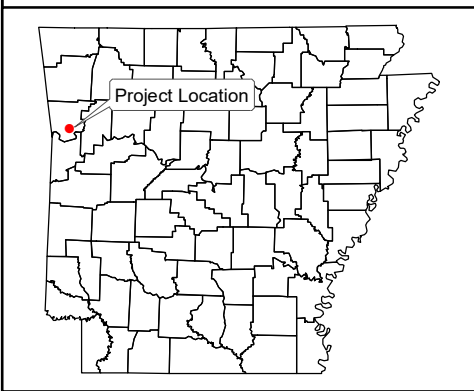
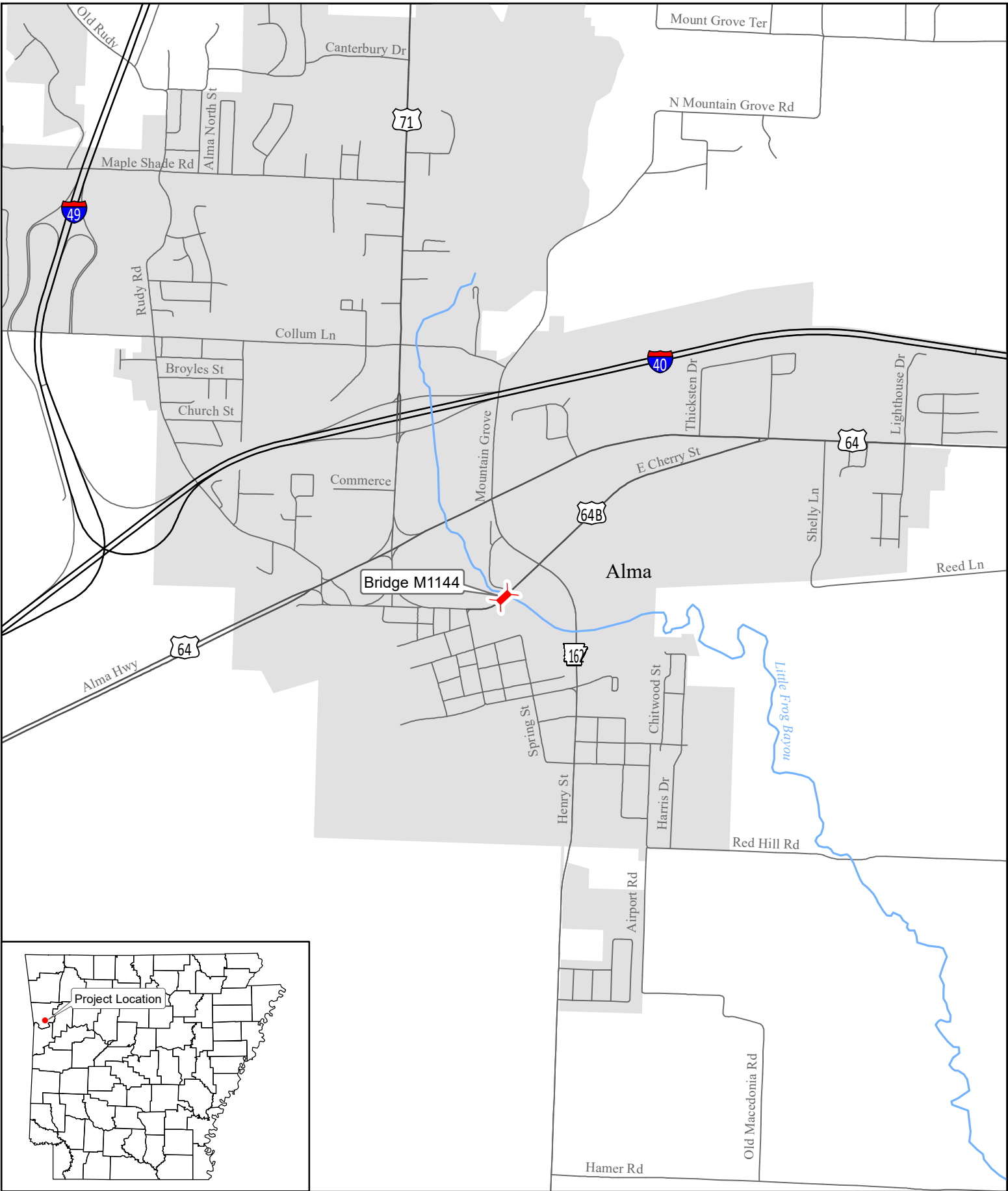
c: Assistant Chief Engineer - Planning
Bridge Division
District Engineer

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Historic Bridge Marketing Description



ARDOT Bridge Number M1144 (Little Frog Bayou Bridge), on Highway 64B, was determined eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) during the 2005 Historic Bridge Inventory. The bridge is eligible for the NRHP under Criterion A for its association with early transportation in Arkansas and Criterion C for its Warren pony truss design.

In approximately 1929, an unknown builder constructed this bridge over the Little Frog Bayou near the Alma Canning and Evaporating Company. Thus, it is also known locally as the Canner Bridge. The truss span measures 62 feet long and 18 feet wide. Seventeen remaining steel pony truss bridges currently display the Warren (with verticals) truss design on Arkansas roadways, including the Little Frog Bayou Bridge.



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 Project Location