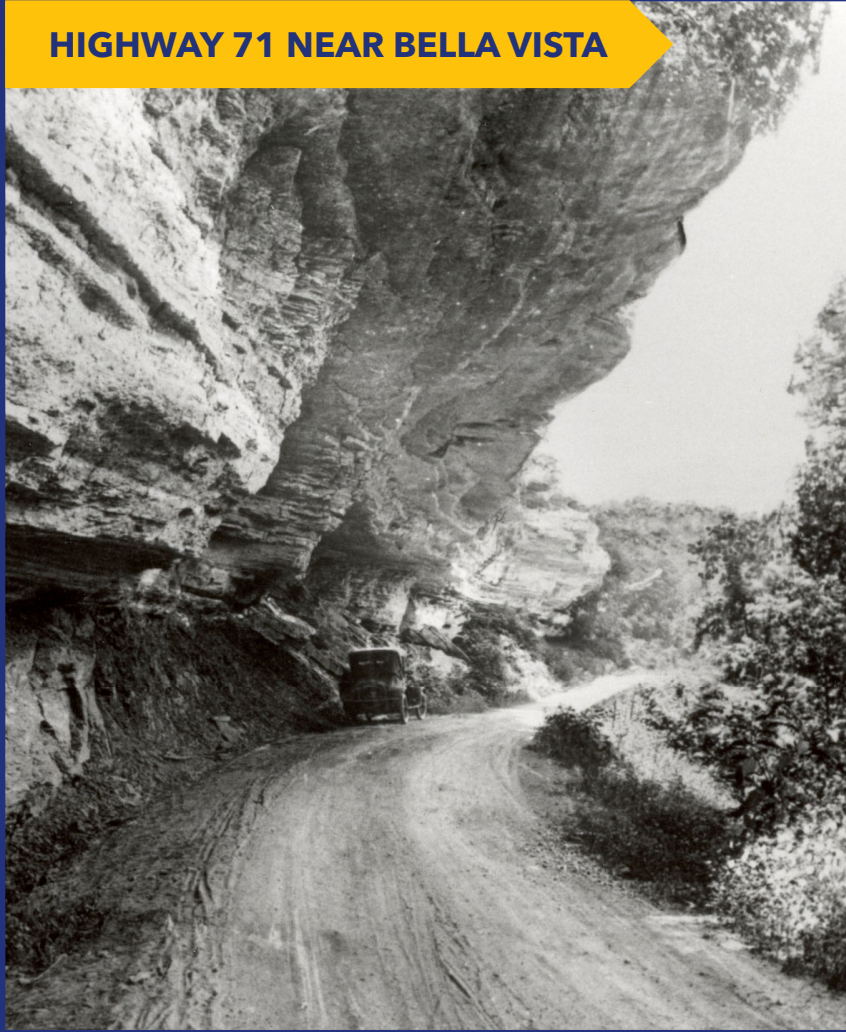


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HIGHWAY 71 NEAR BELLA VISTA



HISTORY

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

- **1913** - First Commission Created
 - No Highway Department
 - No Highway System
- **3,600** - Vehicles
- **\$72,000** - Total Budget
- **36,000** - Miles of Public Roads

WIDENING OF HIGHWAY 67 NEAR MALVERN



"The advice, counsel and expert know-how, which is available from the Department's own technical and administrative staffs, bear scant weight indeed when they are in conflict with the political pressures and political promises of the moment."

– Highway Audit Commission Report, 1951



STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION



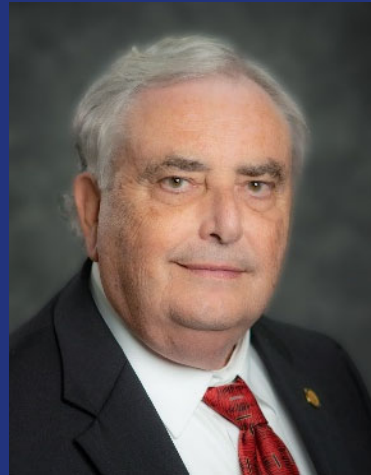
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Keith Gibson**



**Commissioner
Marie Holder**



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David Haak**



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DECADES OF PROGRESS

1975

First state to complete its Interstate System

1991

Highway Improvement Program

2011

Second Interstate Rehabilitation Program

2020

Renew Arkansas Highways Program

1985

Rural Road Program

1999

Interstate Rehabilitation Program

2012

Connecting Arkansas Program

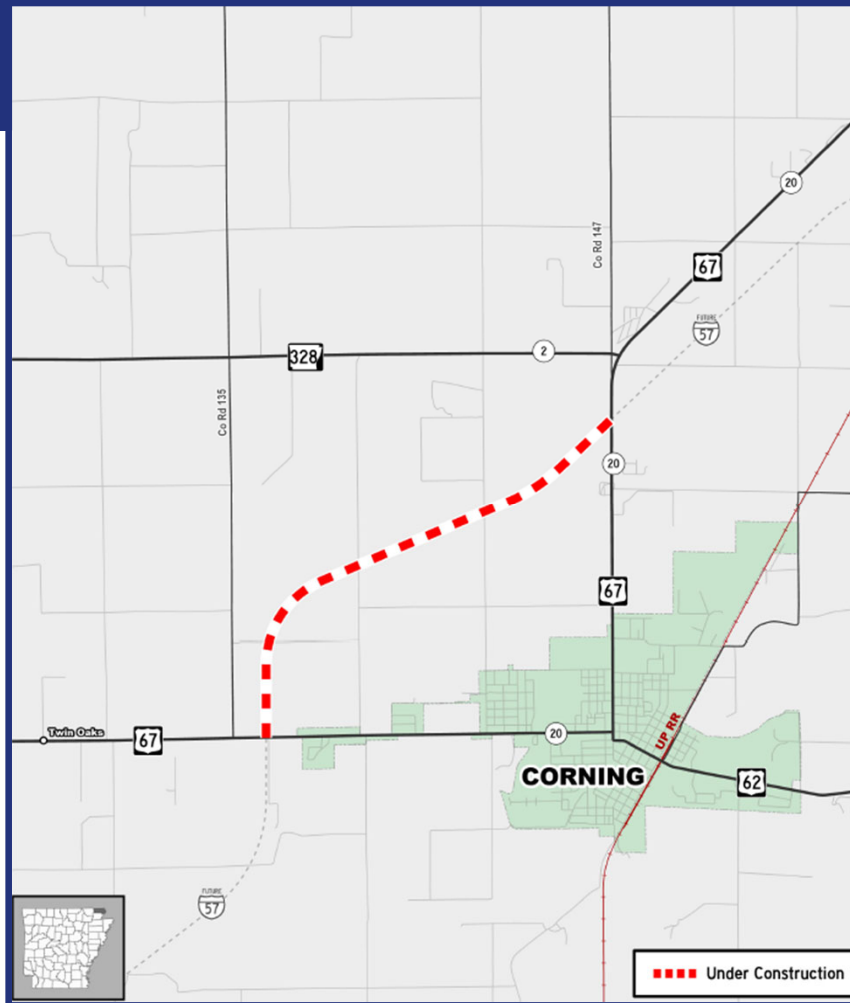


INTERSTATE 57 CORRIDOR



CORNING BYPASS

CLAY COUNTY



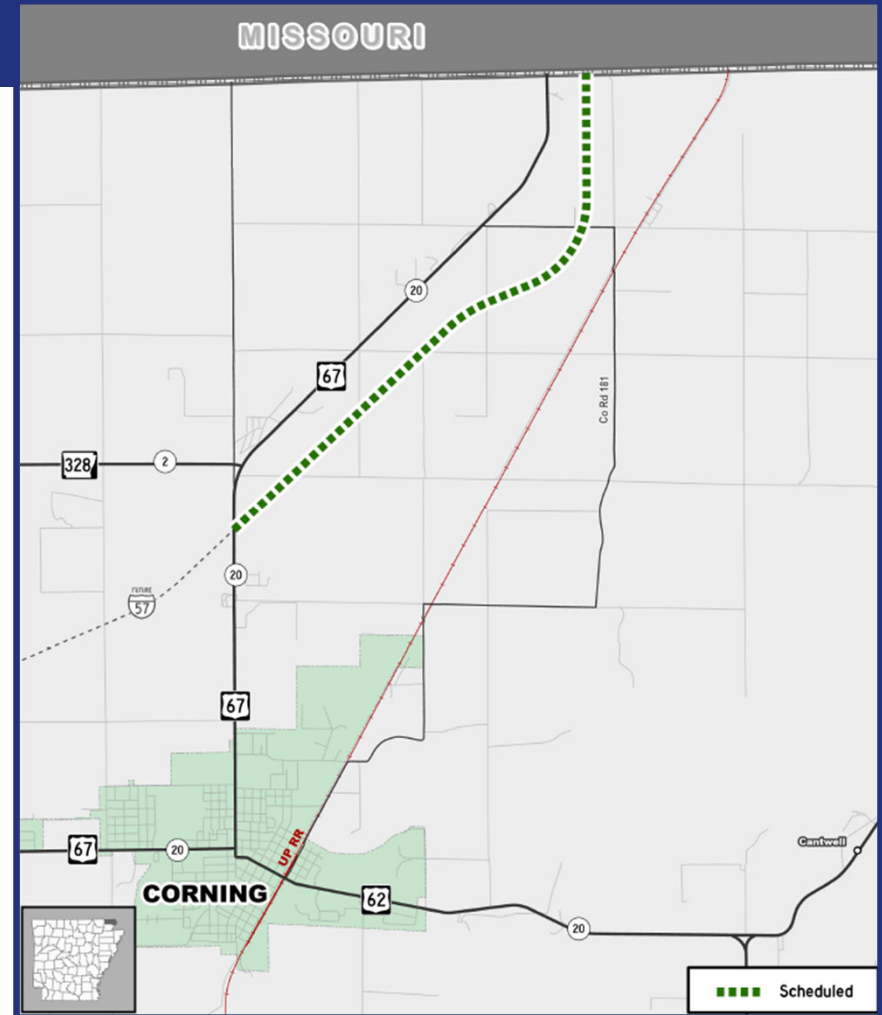
- **Objective:** Constructing 4-mile bypass around the City of Corning
- **Awarded:** September 2024 to Koss Construction Co. for \$55.9 million
- **Estimated Completion:** Late 2027



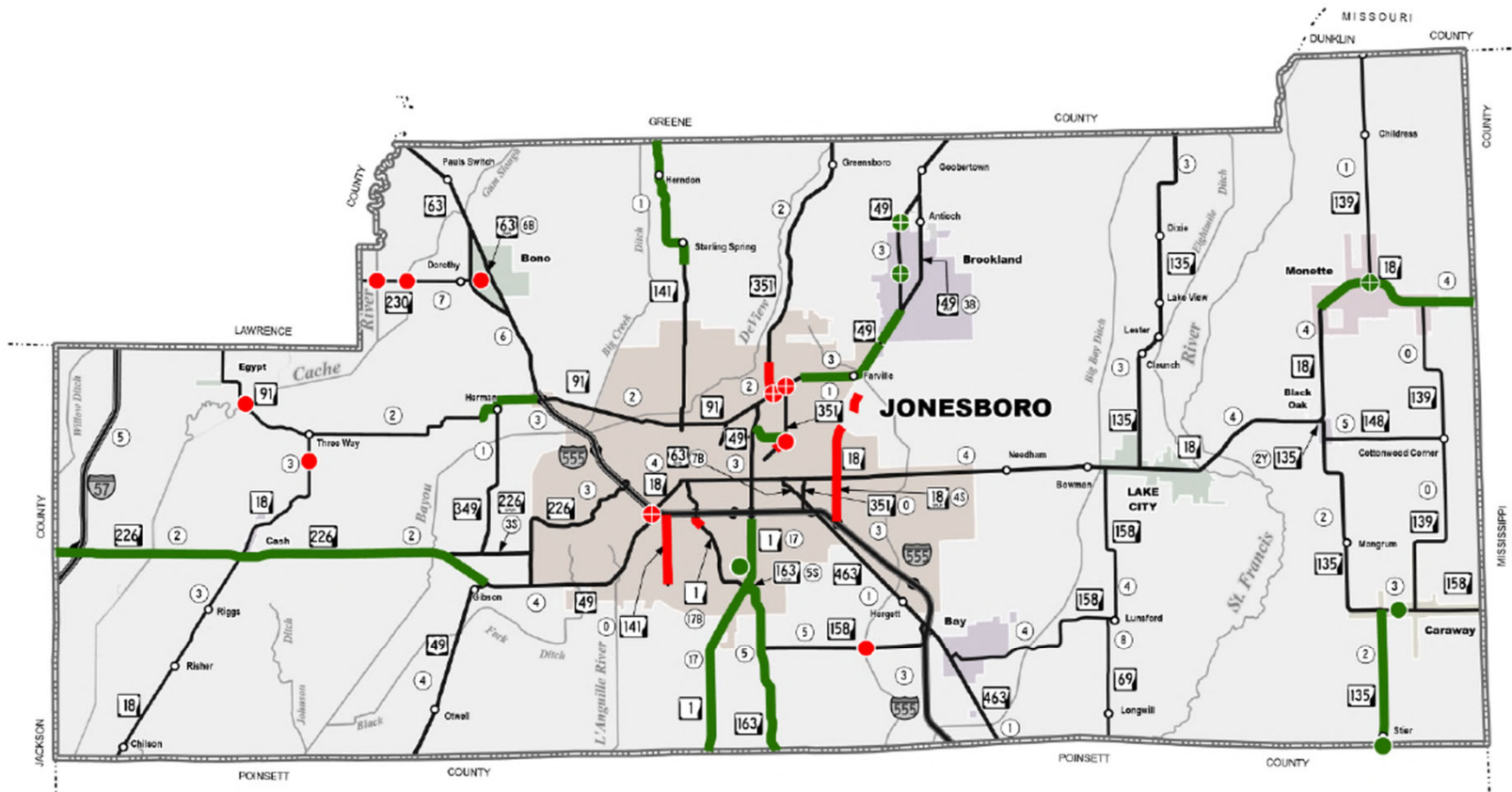
CORNING-MISSOURI STATE LINE

CLAY COUNTY

- **Objective:** Construct 5-mile future interstate from Corning to the Missouri State Line
- **Estimated Cost:** \$50-75 million
- **Construction Begins:** Late 2027



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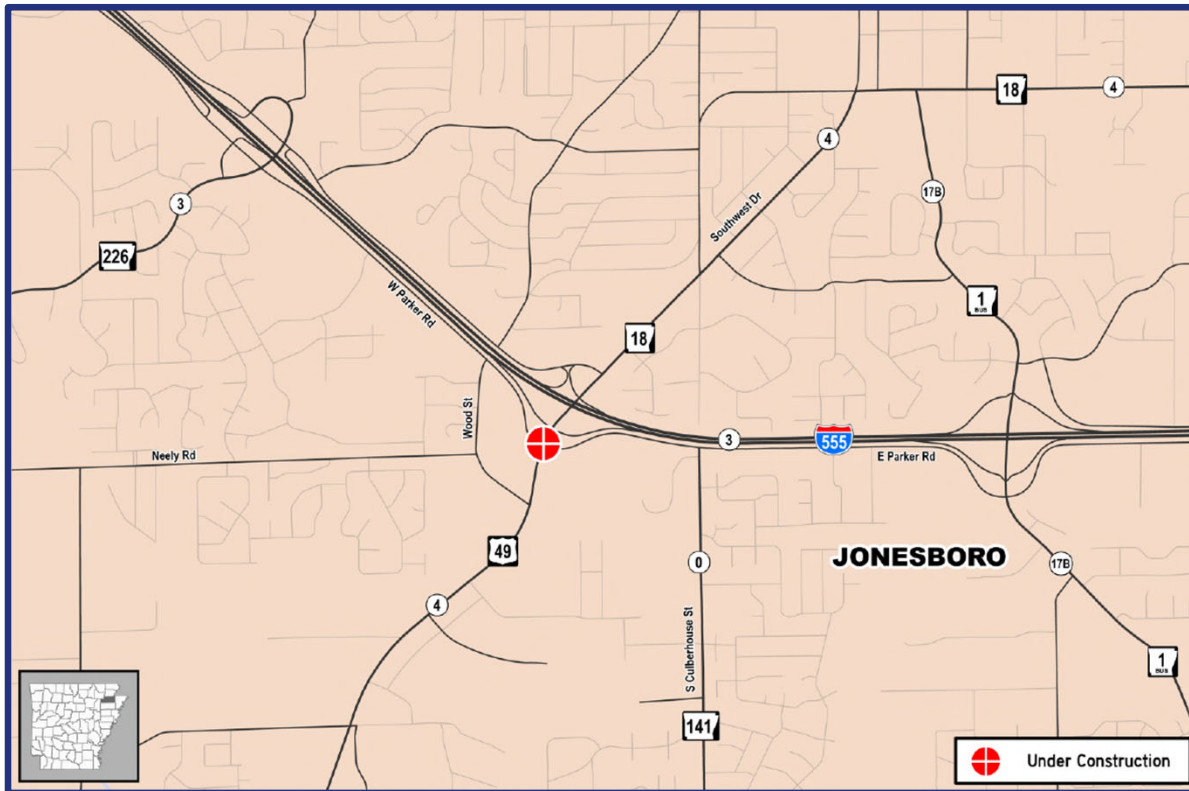


| Status of Improvements | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| — | Scheduled |
| — | Under Construction |
| ◆ | Bridge |
| ⊕ | Interchange |
| ⊕ | Intersection Improvement |
| ⊙ | Flood Repair |
| ⊙ | Slide Repair |
| — | Roadway |
| ■ | New Location |



HIGHWAY 49

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY



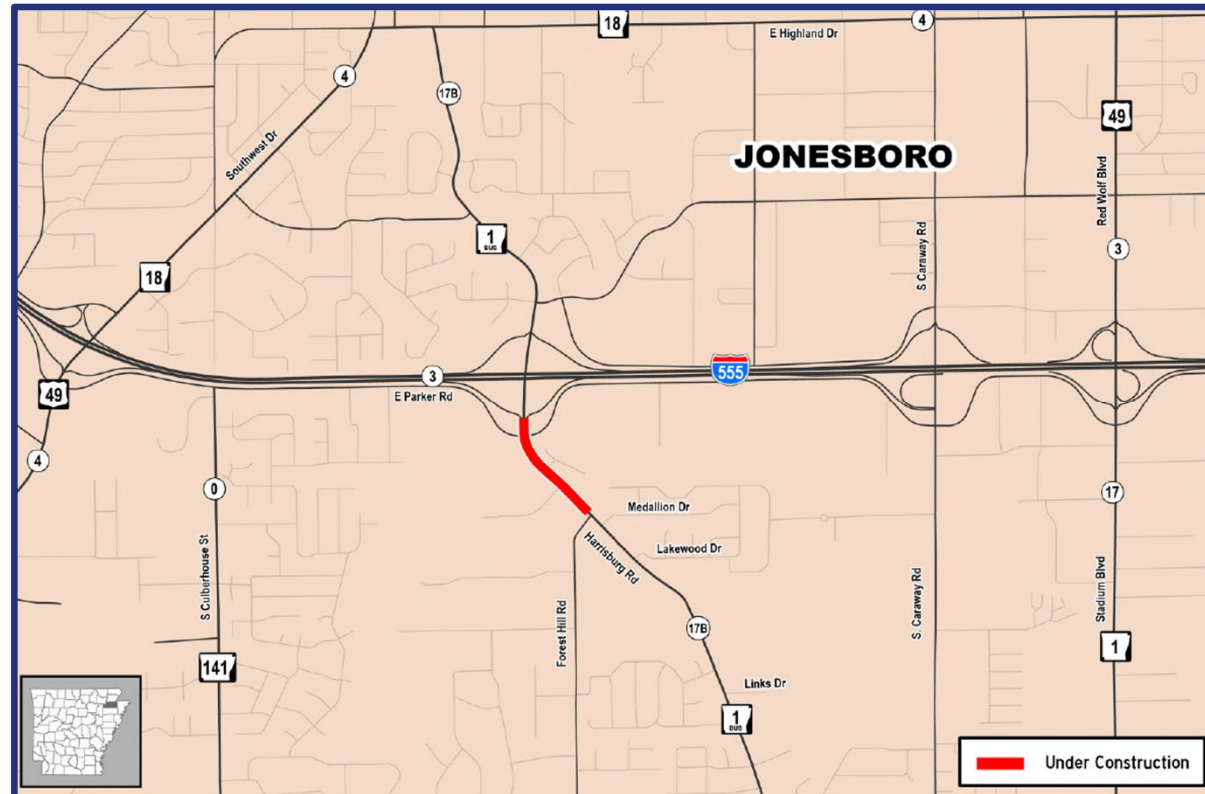
- **Objective:** Safety improvements, including widening, storm drainage, and sidewalk
- **Awarded:** June 2025 to Rogers Group, Inc. for \$6 million
- **Estimated Completion:** Early 2027
- **Partnering:** City of Jonesboro



HIGHWAY 1B

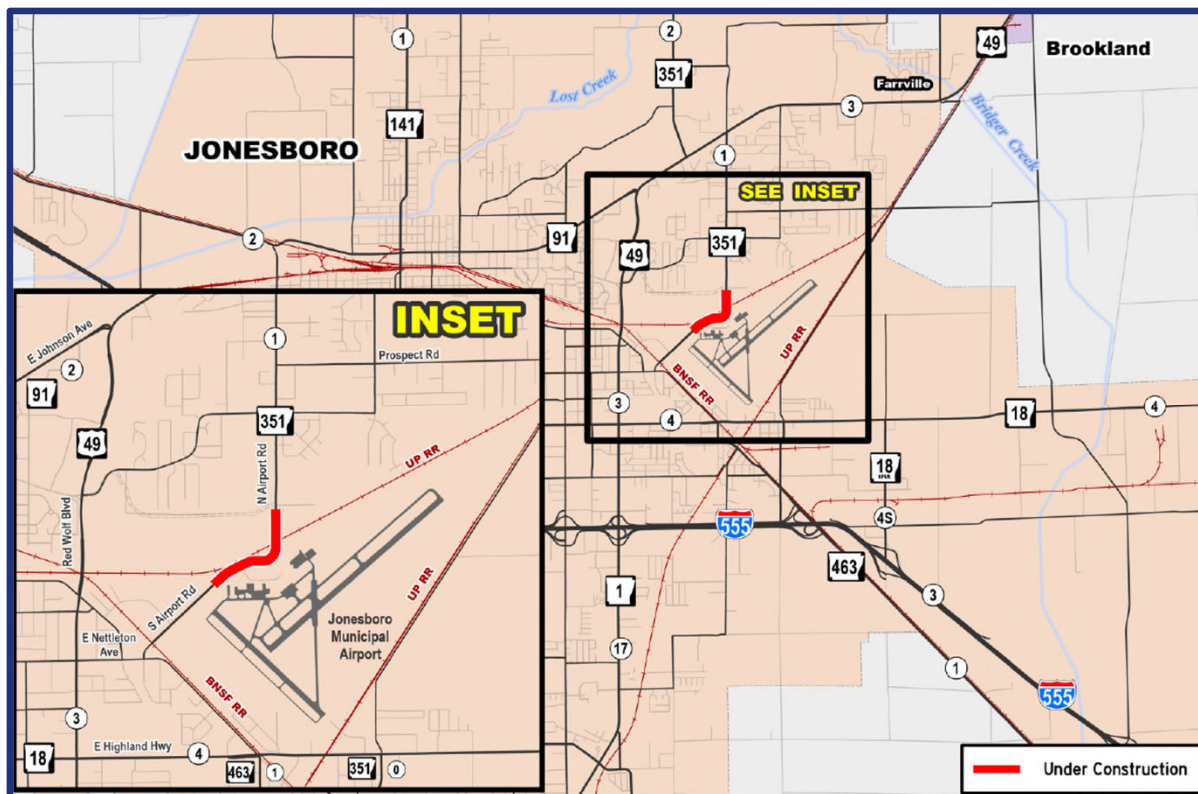
CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

- **Objective:** Widening Highway 1B to 5 lanes, including intersection improvements
- **Awarded:** January 2026 to Rogers Group, Inc. for \$5.9 million
- **Estimated Completion:** Late 2027
- **Partnering:** City of Jonesboro



351 HIGHWAY 351

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY



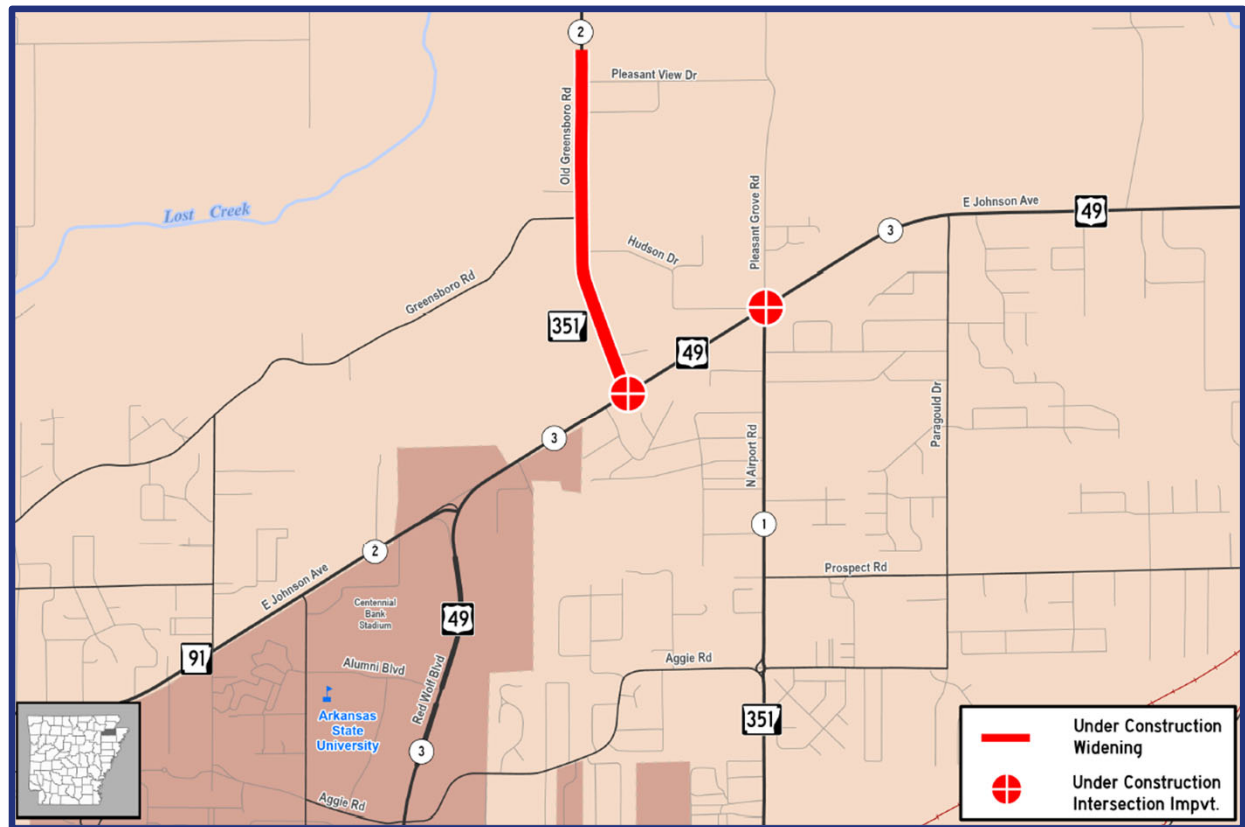
- **Objective:** Constructing 2-lane railroad overpass on Airport Road
- **Awarded:** September 2022 to Manhattan Road & Bridge Company, LLC for \$18.7 million
- **Estimated Completion:** Mid-2026
- **Partnering:** City of Jonesboro



HIGHWAY 49 & HIGHWAY 351

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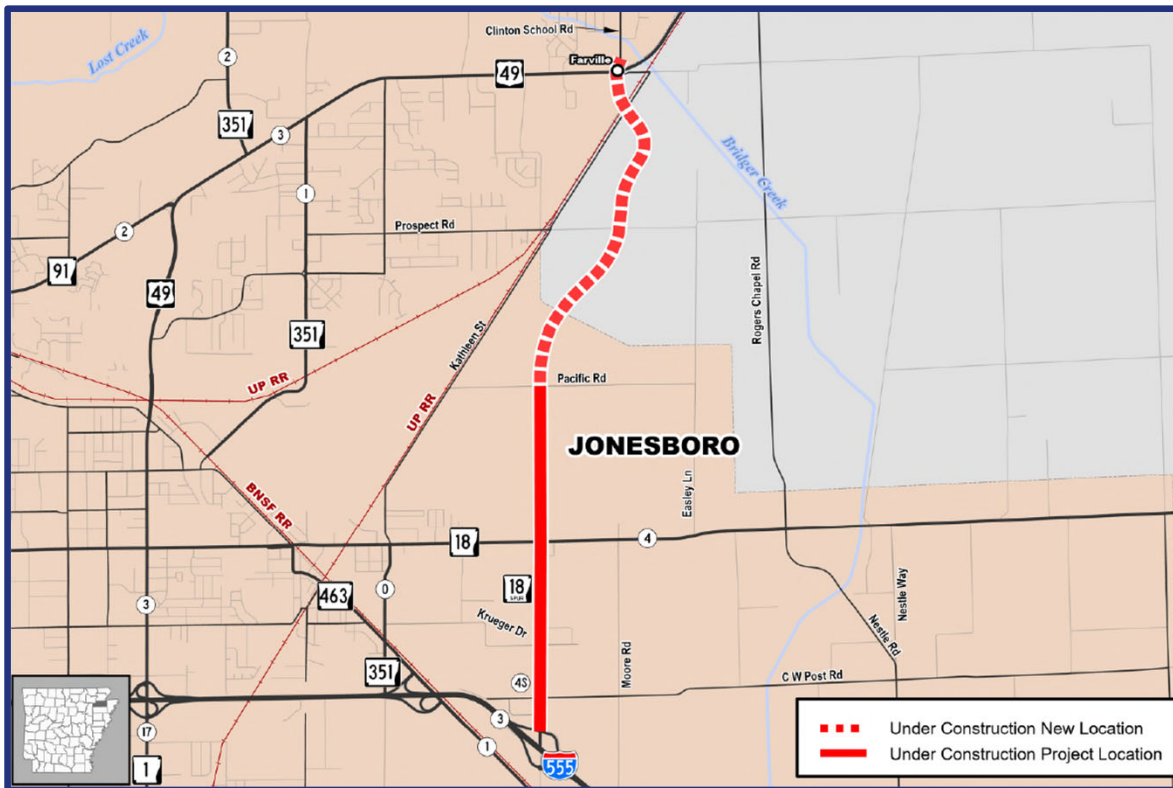
- **Objective:** Widening Highway 351 North to 4 lanes for more than 1 mile with intersection improvements
- **Awarded:** June 2024 to White River Materials, Inc. for \$16.2 million
- **Estimated Completion:** Late 2027





HIGHWAY 18 SPUR

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

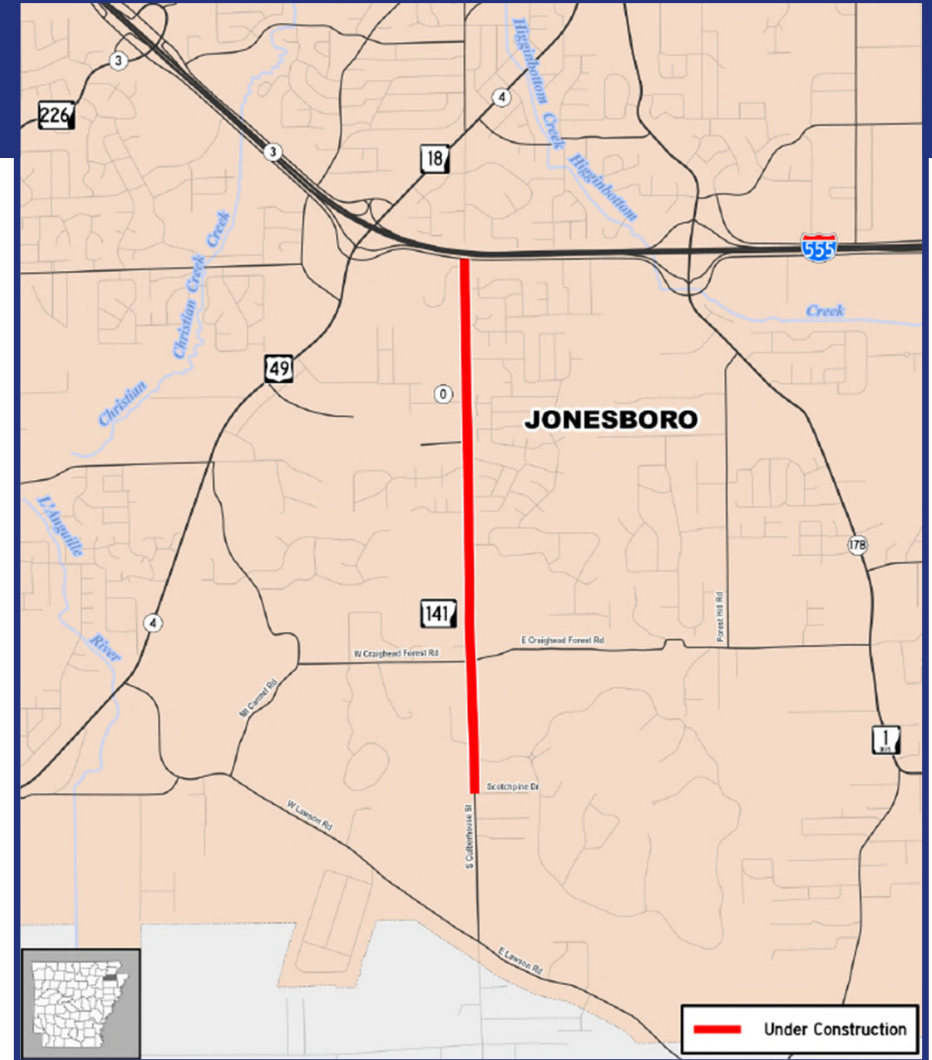


- **Objective:** Extending Highway 18 from Interstate 555 to Highway 49.
- **Awarded:** November 2022 to White River Materials, Inc. for \$61 million
- **Estimated Completion:** 2028
- **Partnering:** City of Jonesboro

141 HIGHWAY 141

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

- **Objective:** Resurfacing 2 miles of Highway 141
- **Awarded:** November 2025 to Atlas Asphalt, Inc. for \$630K
- **Estimated Completion:** Late 2026
- **Partnering:** City of Jonesboro



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