

# VAN BUREN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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# ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION



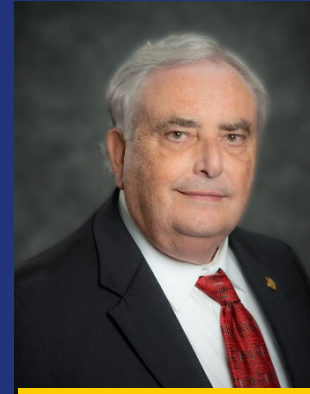
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Philip Taldo**



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Keith Gibson**



**Commissioner  
Marie Holder**



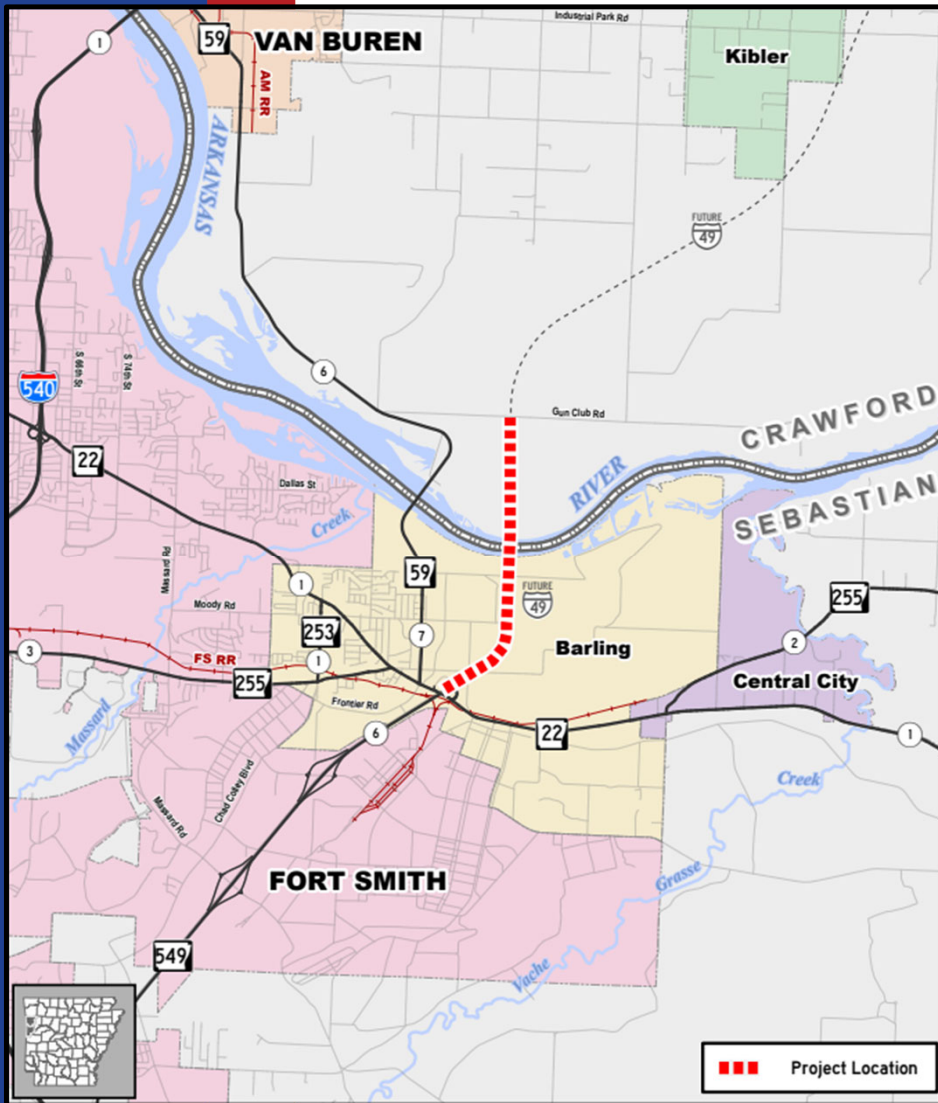
**Commissioner  
David Haak**



**Commissioner  
Jerry Halsey**



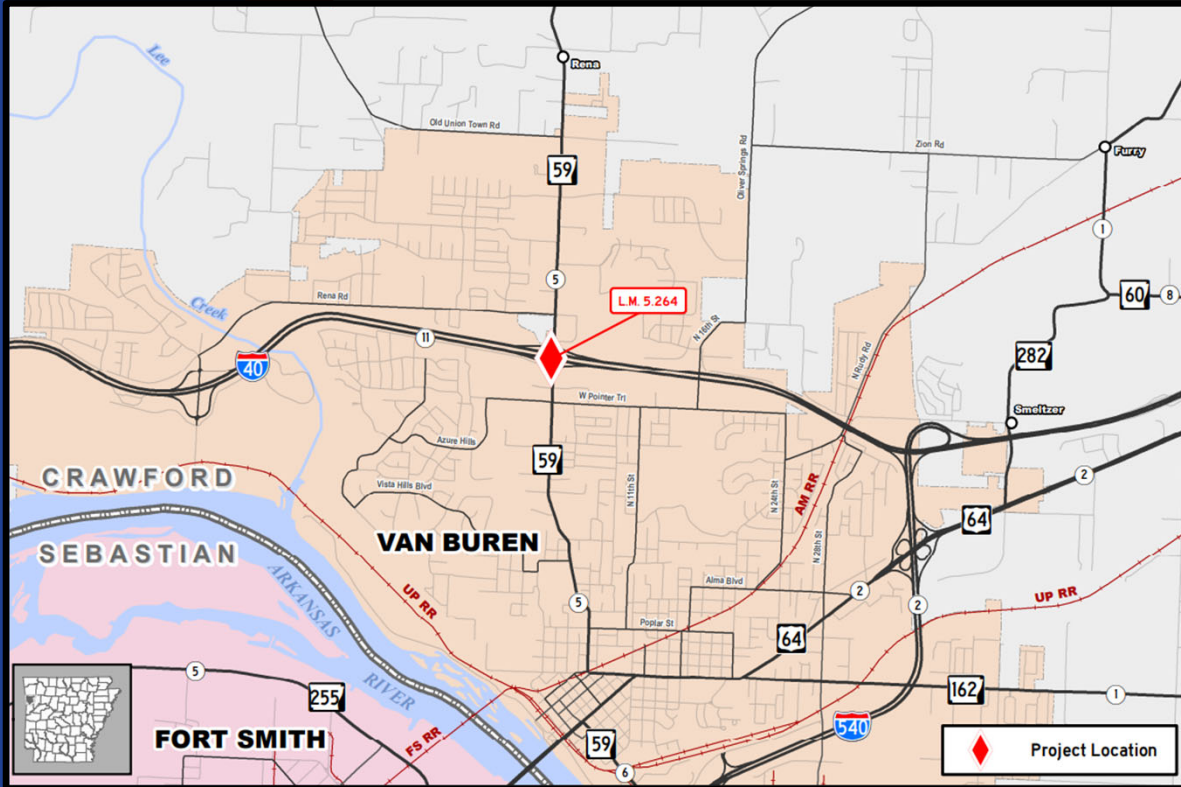
# PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION



# INTERSTATE 49

## SEBASTIAN & CRAWFORD COUNTIES

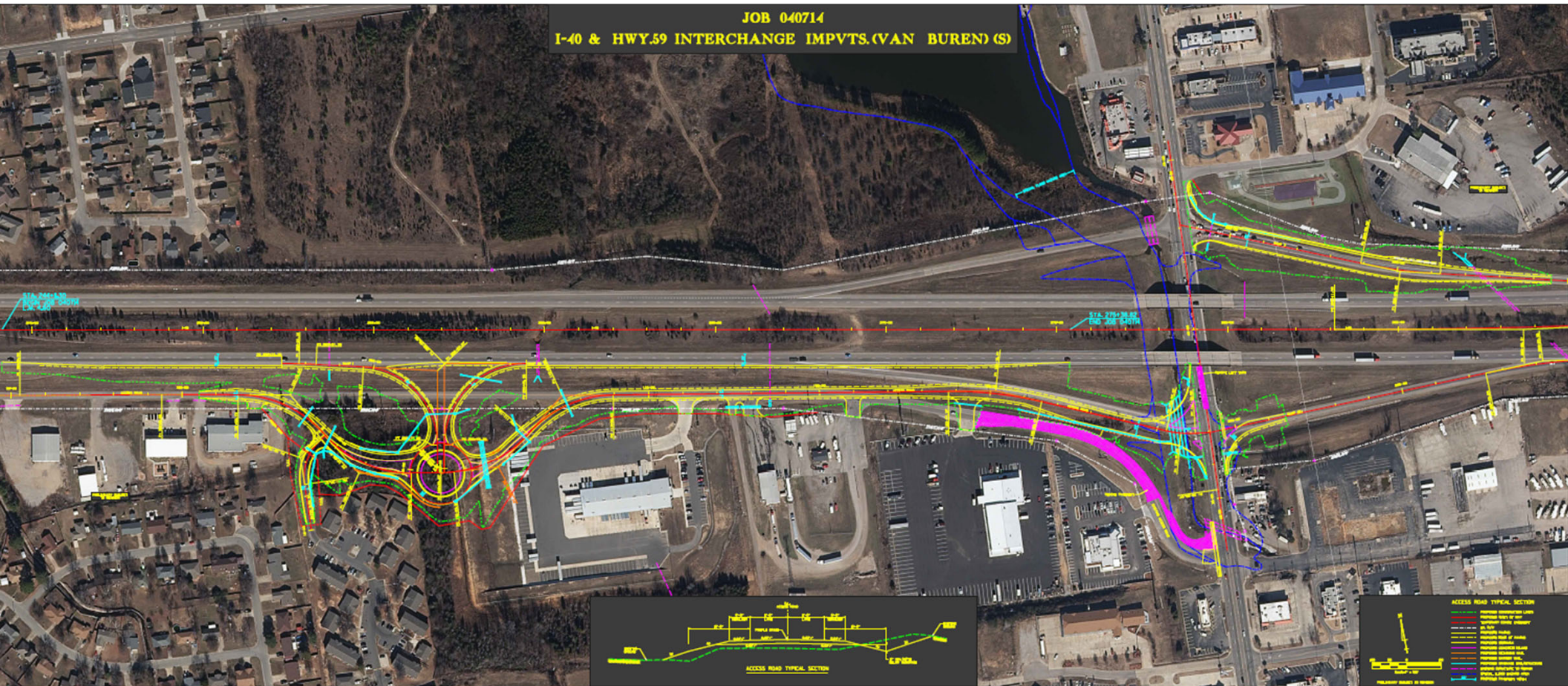
- **Objective:** Construct four-lane interstate facility between Highway 22 and Gun Club Rd, including a new bridge over the Arkansas River.
- **Contract Cost:** \$283 Million
- **Est. Completion:** Early 2029

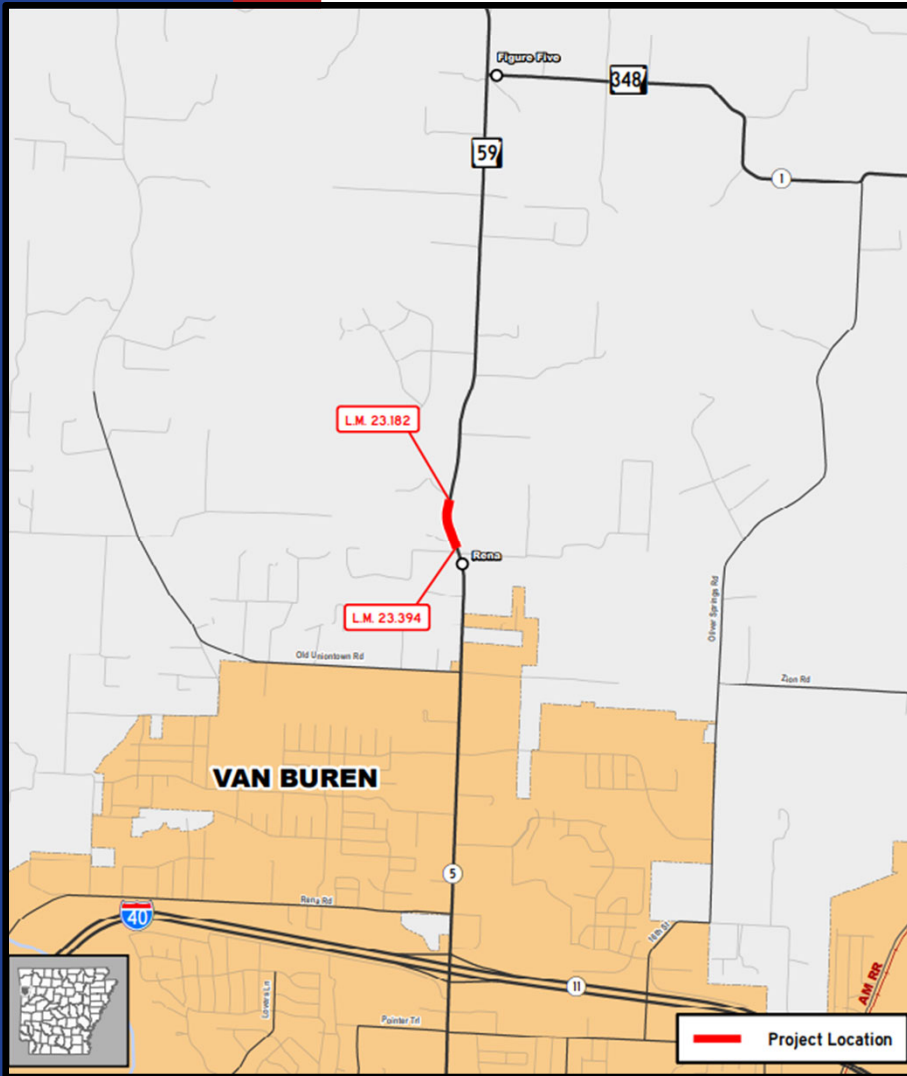


# I-40 & HIGHWAY 59 CRAWFORD COUNTY

- **Objective:** Interchange improvements including a roundabout and ramp improvements.
- **Contract Cost:** \$14.8 Million
- **Est. Completion:** Late 2026

# INTERSTATE 40/HIGHWAY 59

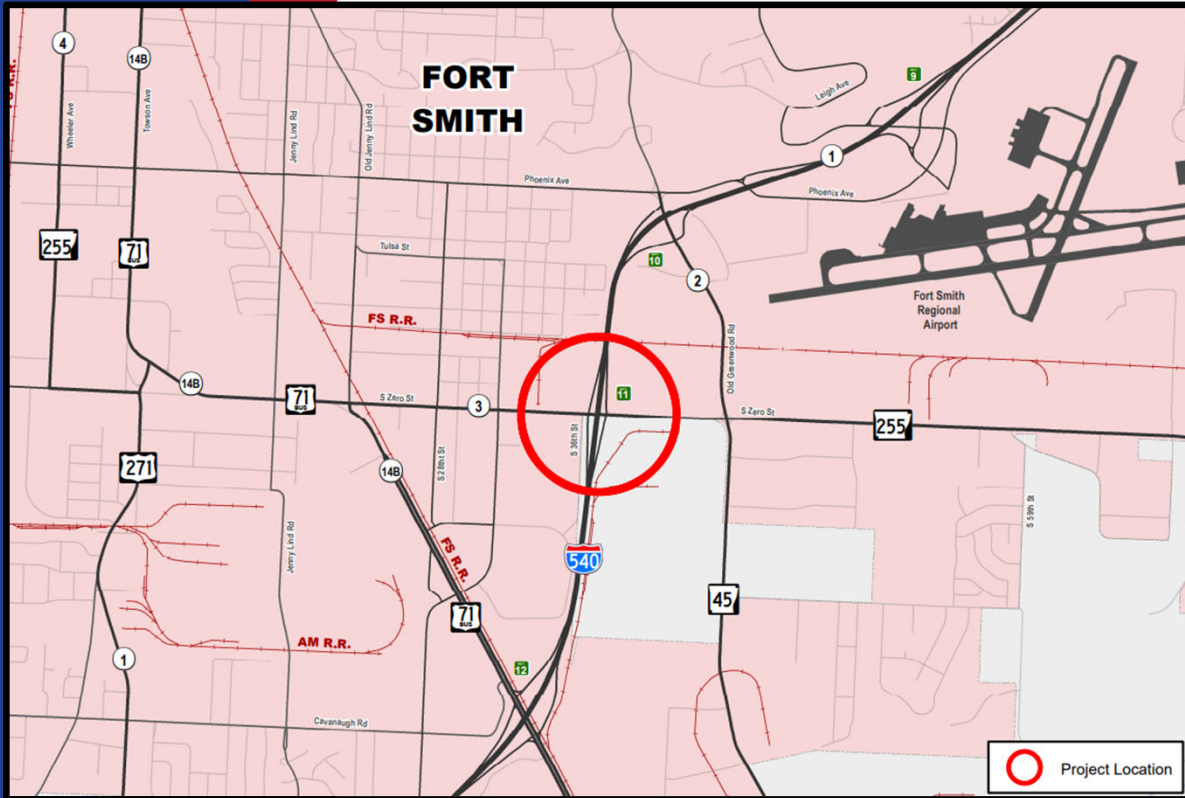




# HIGHWAY 59

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

- **Objective:** Realign Hwy 59 in slide prone area.
- **Contract Cost:** \$3.6 Million
- **Est. Completion:** Late 2026

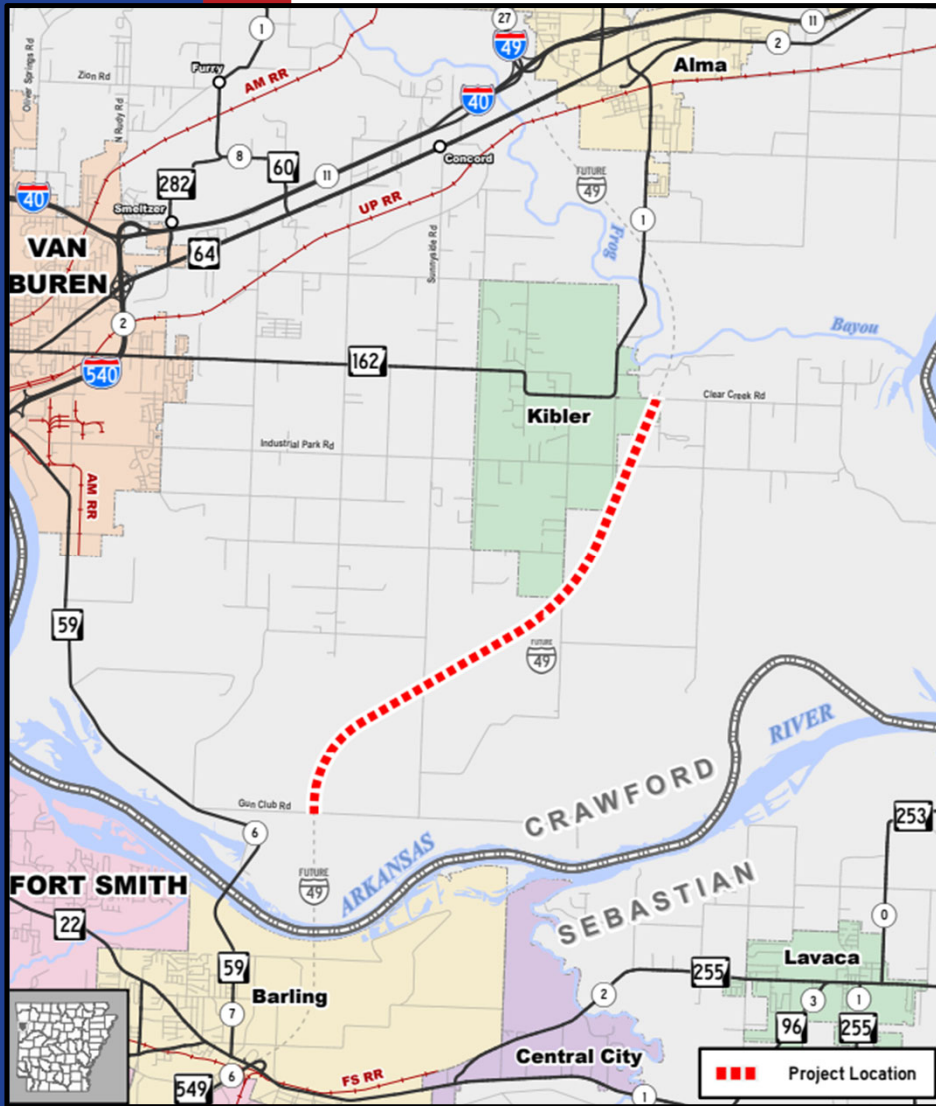


# I-540 & HIGHWAY 255 SEBASTIAN COUNTY

- **Objective:** Interchange Improvements including southbound on ramp realignment at S 36<sup>th</sup> St.
- **Contract Cost:** \$3.4 Million
- **Est. Completion:** Mid 2027



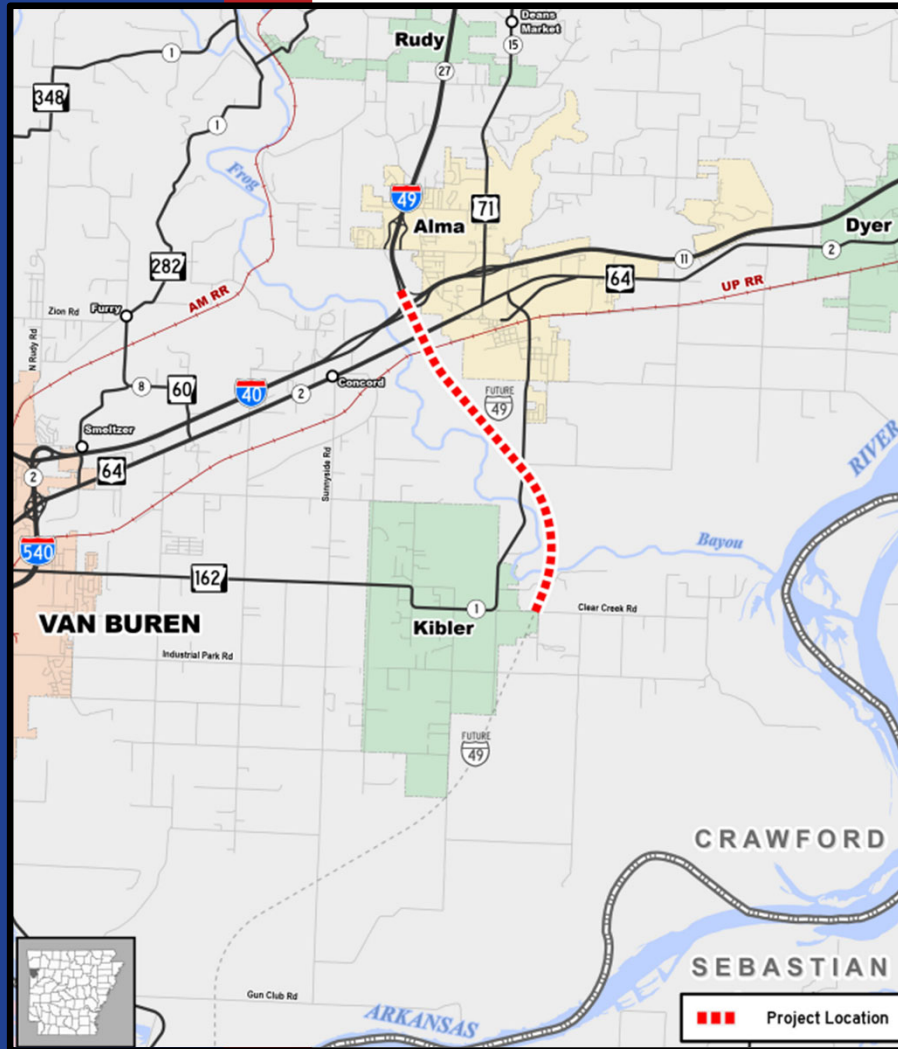
# UPCOMING PROJECTS



# INTERSTATE 49

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

- **Objective:** New location
- **Estimated Cost:** \$125-150 million
- **Shovel Ready:** 2027



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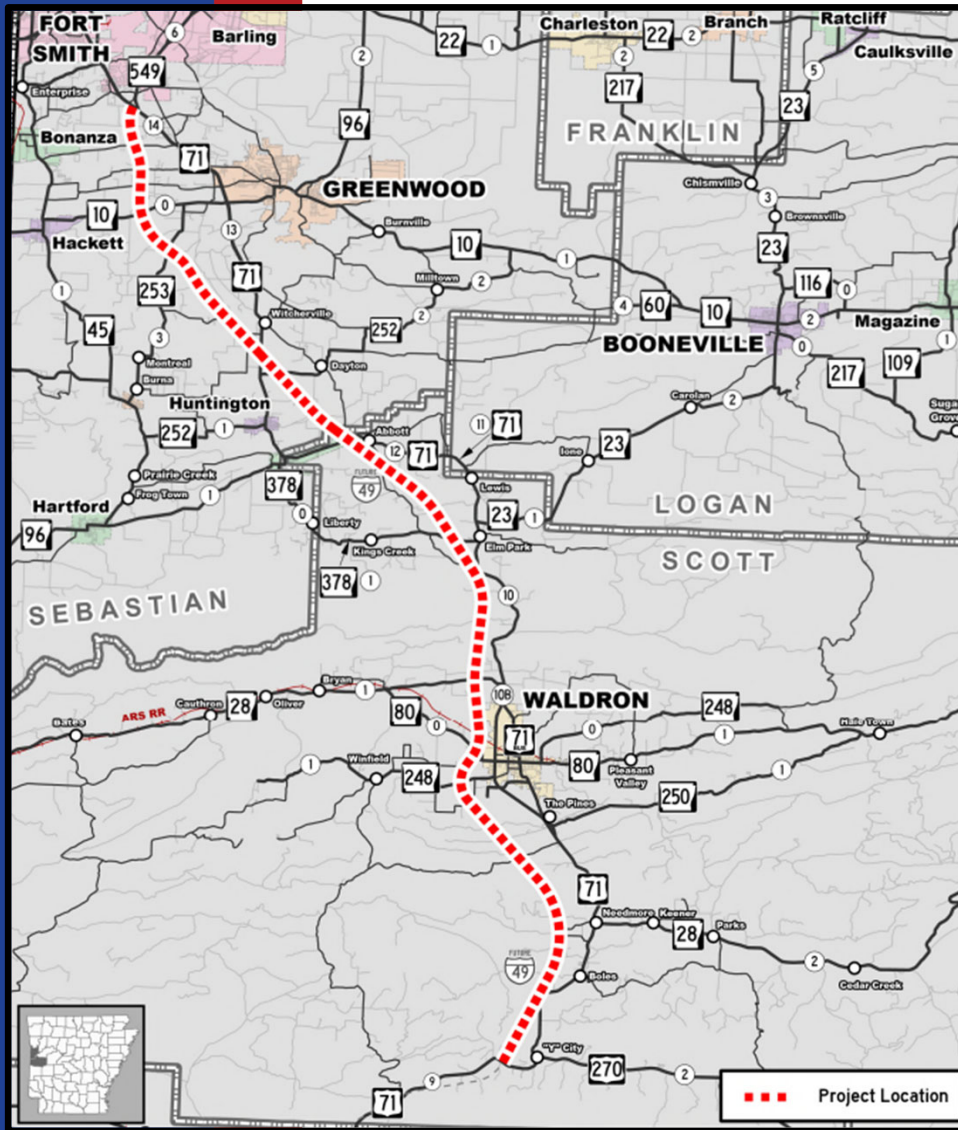
- **Objective:** Base, surfacing & six structures for four-lane interstate facility. Includes the I-40/I-49 interchange
- **Estimated Cost:** \$300-350 million
- **Shovel Ready:** Late 2026 (Phase One)

An aerial photograph of a winding road through a dense forest. The road curves through the valley, and the surrounding hills are covered in trees. The image has a blue tint.

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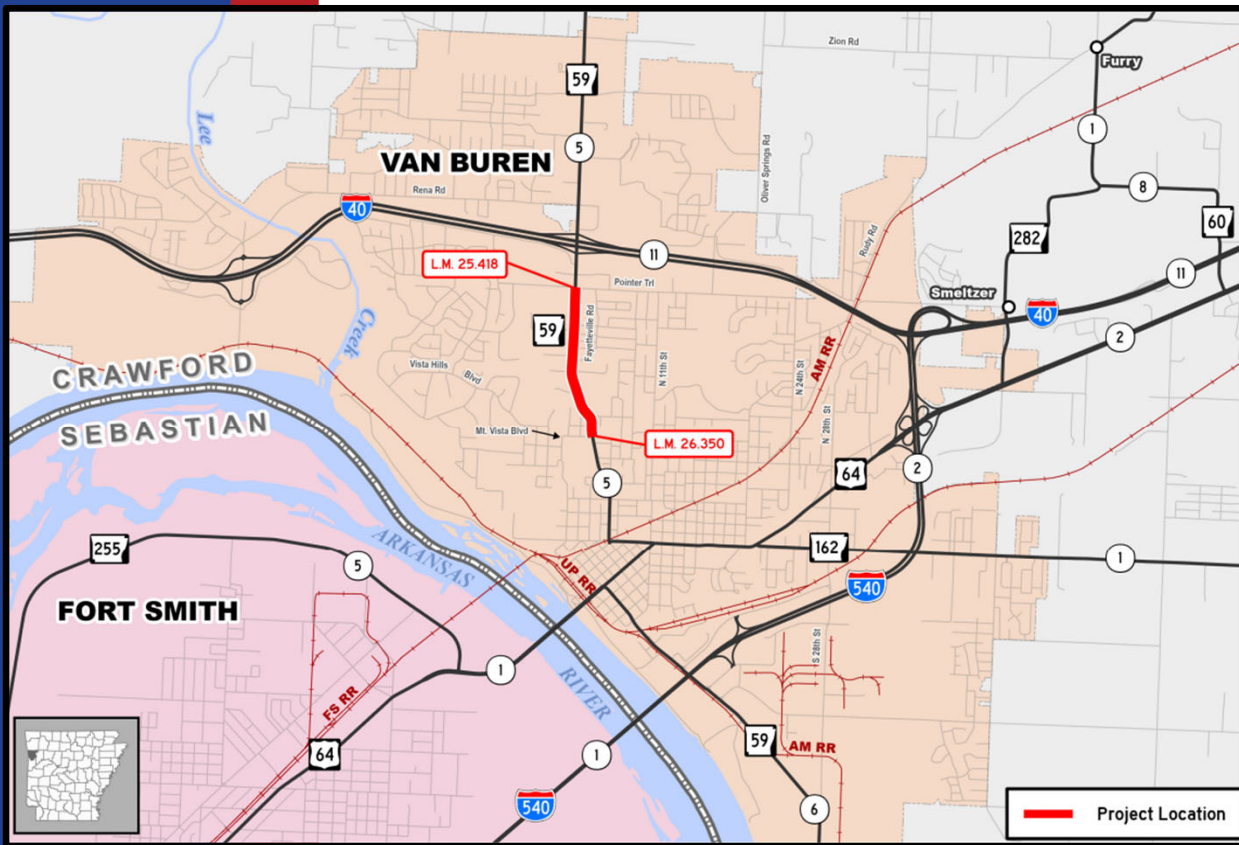
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# INTERSTATE 49

## SCOTT & SEBASTIAN COUNTIES

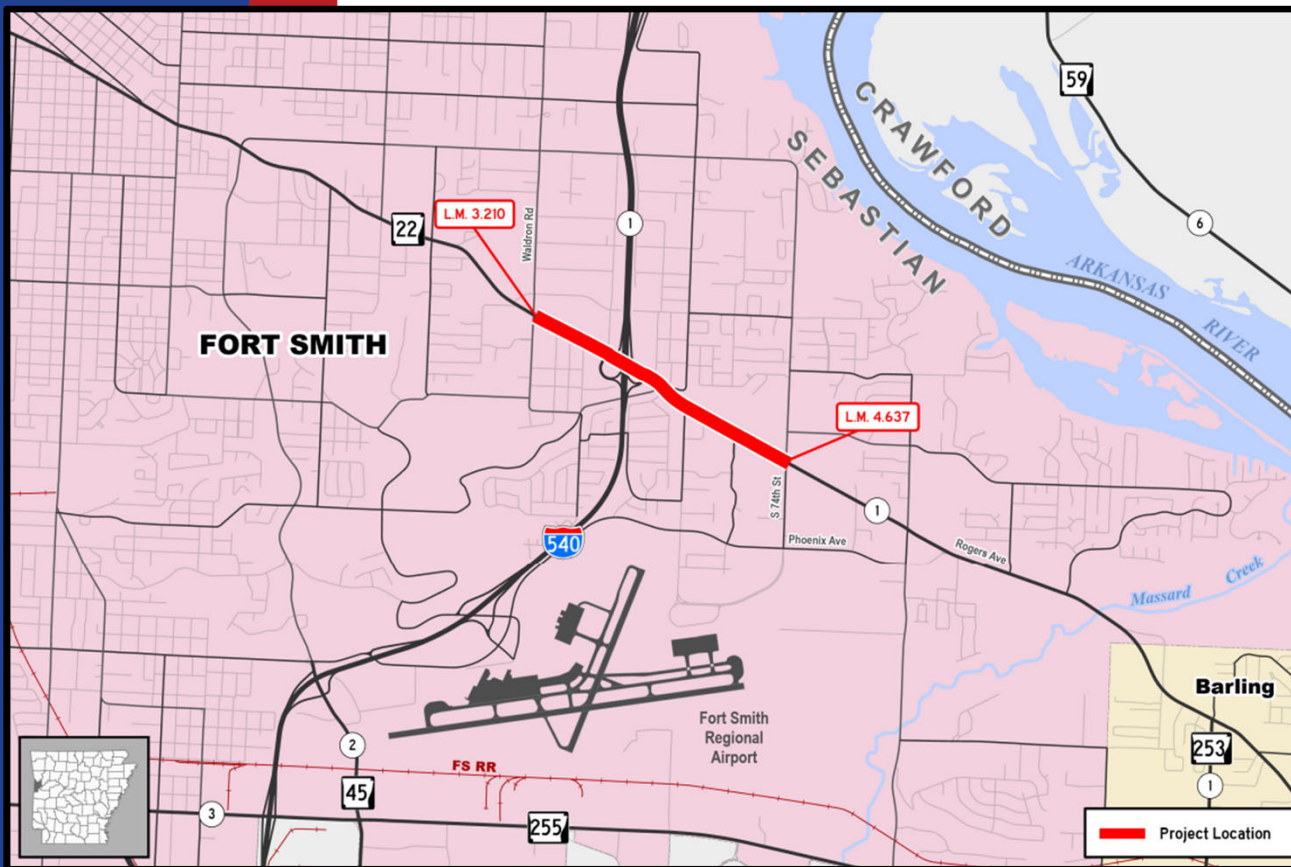
- **Objective:** Preliminary engineering phase for future I-49 corridor
- **Status:** On the shelf



# HIGHWAY 59

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

- **Objective:**  
Major widening
- **Estimated Cost:**  
\$5-10 million
- **Shovel Ready:** 2028



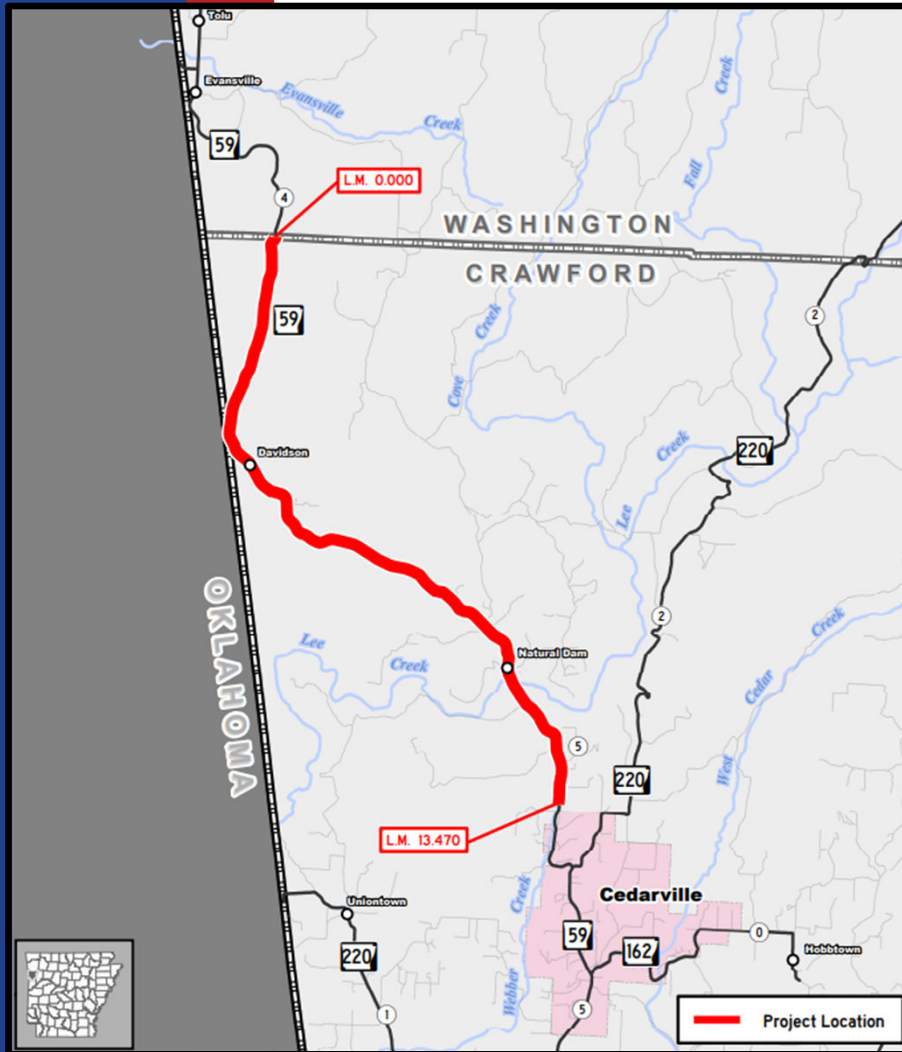
# HIGHWAY 22

## SEBASTIAN COUNTY

- **Objective:**  
Safety improvements
- **Estimated Cost:**  
\$15-20 million
- **Shovel Ready:**  
2028



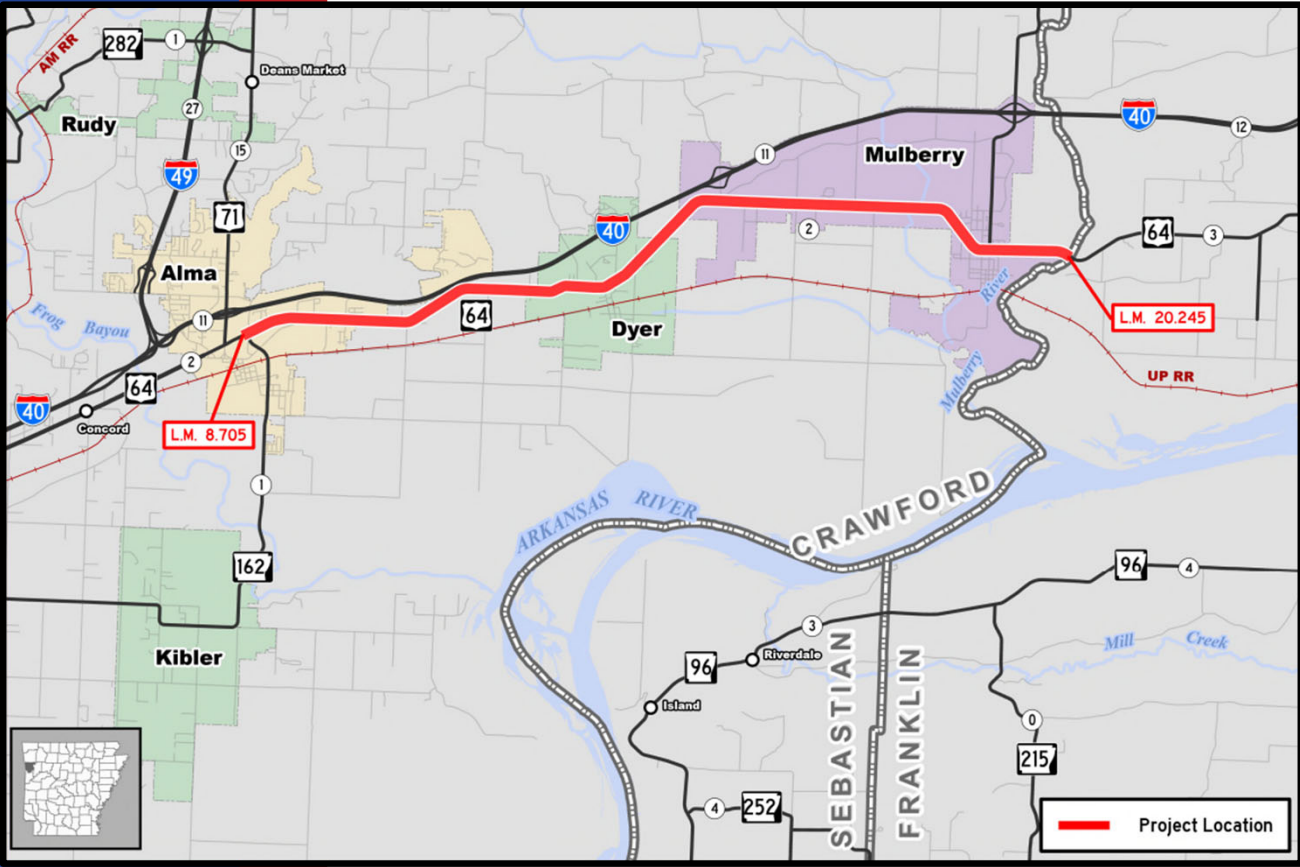
**UPCOMING  
PAVEMENT PRESERVATION  
PROJECTS**



# HIGHWAY 59

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

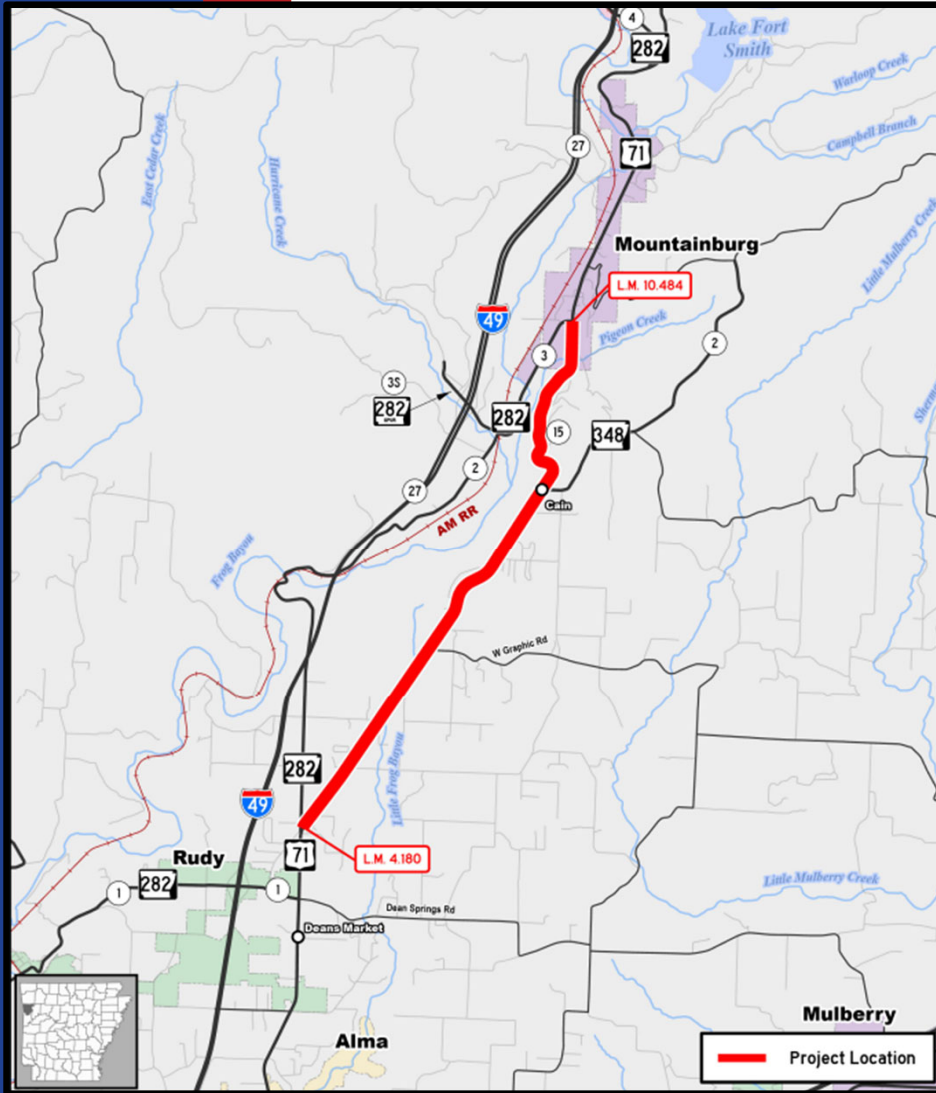
- **Objective:** Pavement preservation  
13.47 miles
- **Estimated Cost:** \$3-5 million
- **Shovel Ready:** 2027



# HIGHWAY 64

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

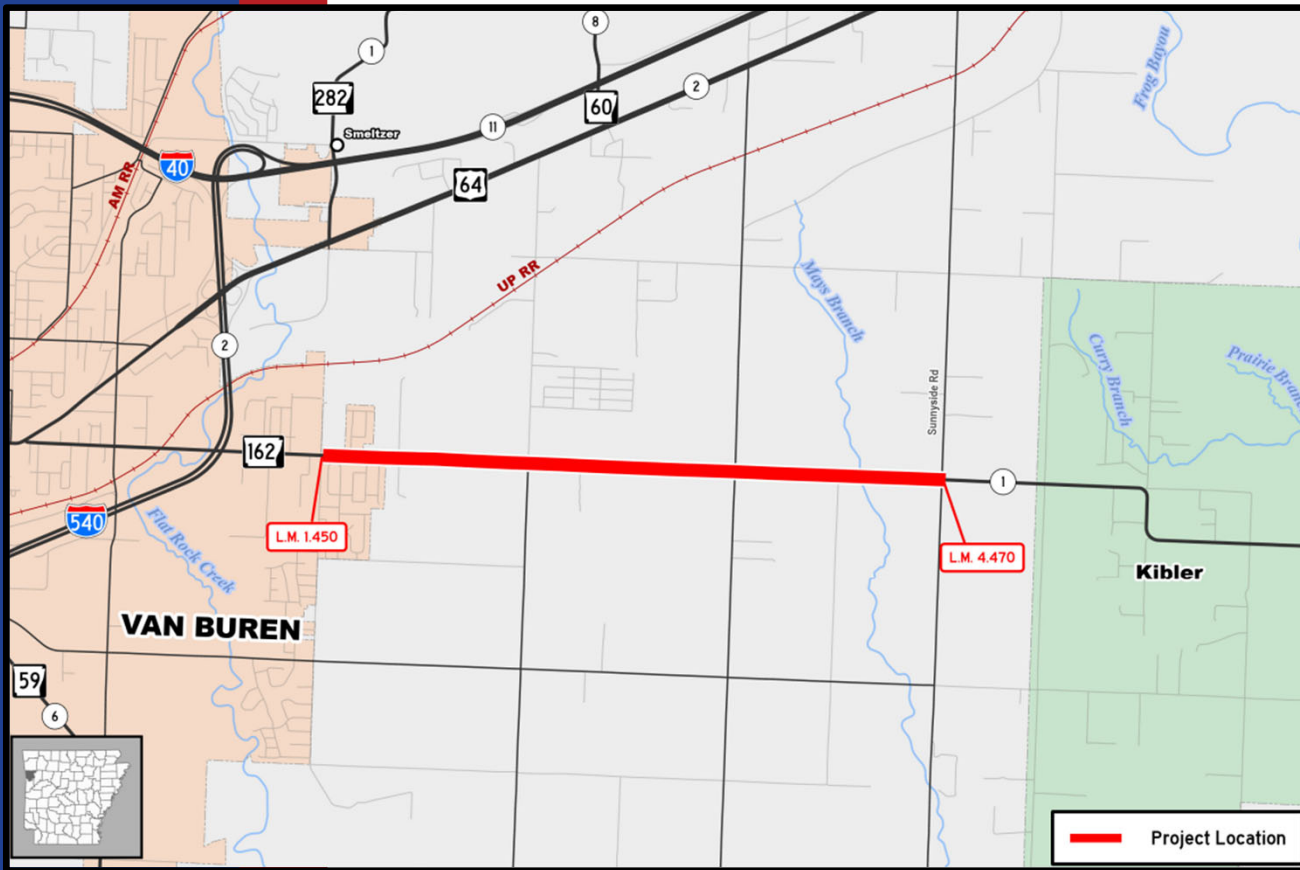
- **Objective:**  
Pavement preservation  
11.54 miles
- **Estimated Cost:**  
\$5-10 million
- **Scheduled:** Mid-2026



# HIGHWAY 71

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

- **Objective:** Pavement preservation 6.30 miles
- **Estimated Cost:** \$5-10 million
- **Shovel Ready:** 2028



# HIGHWAY 162

## CRAWFORD COUNTY

- **Objective:**  
Resurfacing 3.02 miles
- **Estimated Cost:**  
\$1-3 million
- **Shovel Ready:**  
2028

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