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Fayetteville Expressway Economic Development Corridor - *Project Summary*

The goal of this project is to improve accessibility to the developing land surrounding the Fulbright Expressway, Interstate 540, and College Avenue from Millsap Street to Zion Road, including the Northwest Arkansas Mall, Steele Crossing/CMN Business Park Area, Washington Regional Medical Center and adjacent medical offices.

This project has been identified as a High Priority Project under the Federal Highway Bill known as SAFETEA-LU, and the City expects to receive approximately \$7.66 million in federal funding. The City must provide matching funds in the amount of 20%, or \$1.91 million, making the total funds available for the project \$9.57 million.



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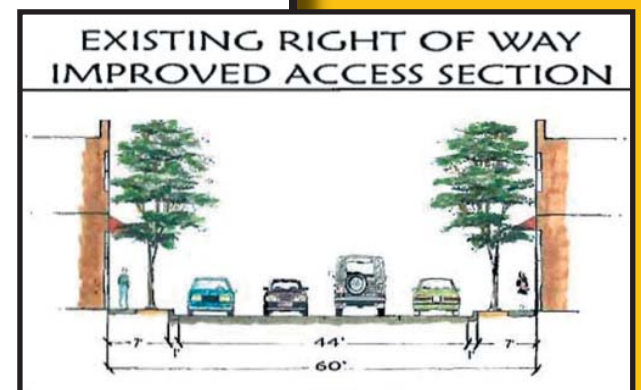
Transportation Improvement Plan *Street Bond Program*

The Transportation Bond Issue includes 13 projects, 9 of which will be designed, contracted, and administered by City Staff or consultants / contractors working for the City. All of these projects are underway, with the exception of Ruppel Road, from 6th Street to Persimmon.

- 1) **Wilson Park/Washington Willow Area Transportation Improvements**
 - Includes traffic calming, intersection improvements at Gregg Avenue and North Street, bridge rehabilitation of Maple and Lafayette railroad bridges, and street enhancements along Gregg and West Avenues and Maple and Lafayette Streets
 - Total project budget is \$4.277 million
- 2) **Cato Springs Road (U of A Technology Corridor)**
 - Project consists of reconstruction and widening to 2 and 3 lanes, with curb and gutter and sidewalks, from Hwy 71B to Razorback
 - Total Estimated Project Cost: \$5.07 million
 - Federal funding expected: \$2.72 million
- 3) **Garland Avenue (I540 to Howard Nickell Road)**
 - Project includes widening to 5 lanes, with curb and gutter and sidewalks
 - Estimated Project Cost: \$3.66 million
- 4) **Mount Comfort Road (I540/Shiloh/Dean Solomon)**
 - intersection improvements at Mount Comfort/I540/Shiloh/Dean Solomon
 - Total Estimated Cost: \$5.428 million
- 5) **Mount Comfort Road (Ruppel to Alpine)**
 - Project includes widening of Mount Comfort, from Ruppel to Alpine
 - Total Estimated Cost: \$6.235 million
- 6) **Fayetteville Expressway Economic Development Corridor**
 - Federally funded project that is intended to provide better access to the retail centers and restaurants in the NWA Mall area and to Washington Regional Hospital and adjacent medical park
 - Federal Funds expected: \$7.66 million
 - Total Project Budget: \$9.57 million
 - Study phase is underway to determine specific projects to be completed to accomplish the project goals
- 7) **Ruppel Road (6th St. to Persimmon)**
 - Extension as a 4 lane boulevard from Owl Creek School to 6th Street
 - Total Project Budget: \$8.155 million
- 8) **Zion Road (N. College to Vantage)**
 - Widening to 3 lanes from College Avenue to Vantage Drive
 - Estimated Project Cost: \$2.54 million
 - To be designed by City Staff
- 9) **College Avenue (Rock to Maple)**
 - Work includes sidewalk replacement, tree and landscaping installation, decorative lighting, and removal/reconfiguration of existing driveways to provide better access management and increase safety
 - No changes to the existing street capacity are planned
 - Estimated project cost: \$1.74 million

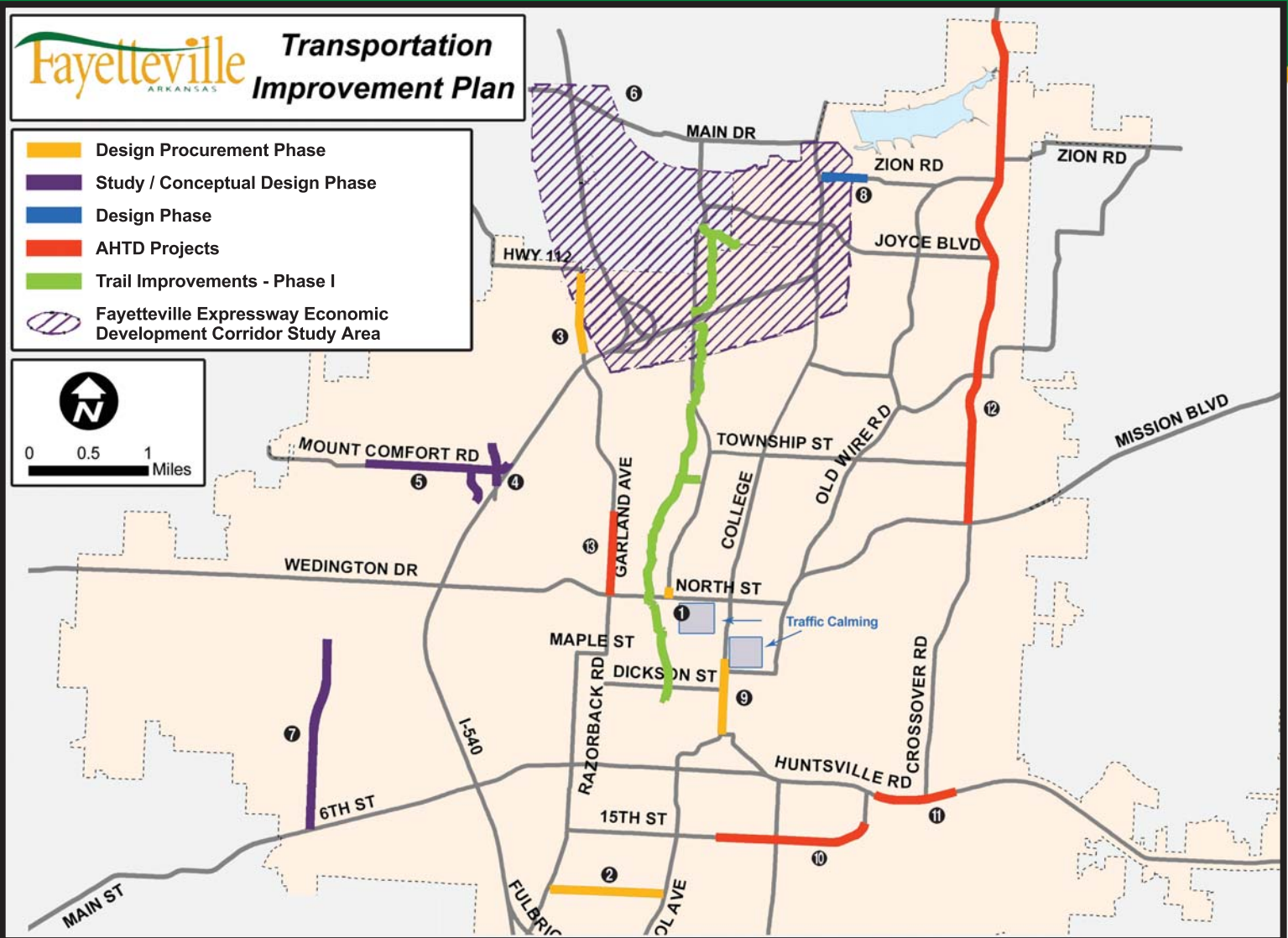


Lafayette Bridge



College Avenue
design sketch

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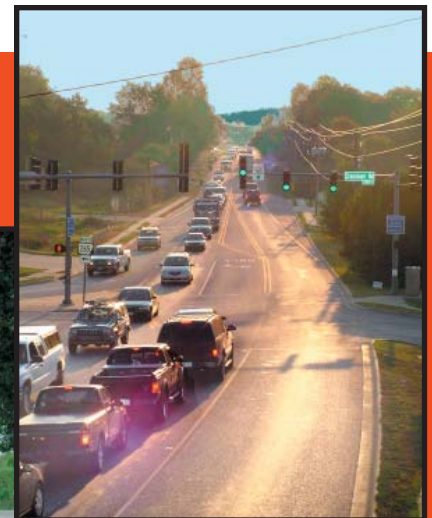
The following projects in the Bond Program will be designed, contracted, and administered by the AHTD or its consultants/contractors. The information listed has been provided by AHTD. Schedule information is based on AHTD workloads and on available funding.

Projects 10 and 11 have been combined

- 10) 15th Street
- 11) Huntsville Road (Happy Hollow to Stonebridge)
 - Total project cost \$8.3 million
 - City Share is \$3.3 million
 - Construction is Scheduled for 2009
- 12) Crossover Road
 - Total project cost is \$15.4 million
 - City share is \$7.7 million
 - Construction scheduled for 2007
- 13) Garland Avenue (North to Melmar)
 - Total project cost \$6.7 million
 - City Share is \$5.2 million
 - Construction is scheduled for 2009

Crossover Road

Garland Avenue



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Scull Creek Trail

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Frisco Trail



Spillway Bridge
Lake Fayetteville



Mud Creek
Trail

With the passing of the September 12th bond program, an additional \$2.1 million is available for trail construction to be used primarily for Scull Creek Trail. Scull Creek Trail is one of the most important trails for the City of Fayetteville because of its central location and connectivity with many businesses, parks and neighborhoods. In its entirety, Scull Creek Trail will be 4 miles in

length - connecting from Mud Creek Trail and following Scull Creek south to Wilson Park. From Wilson Park, Scull Creek Trail will become Frisco Trail and continue 0.6 miles south along the Arkansas-Missouri Railroad across Dickson Street to the Walton Arts Center parking lot where it will meet up with the new section of Frisco Trail dedicated on August 24, 2006. Because of the strong north-south connectivity, Scull Creek Trail and Frisco Trail will create the backbone for the trail network in the

adopted Fayetteville Alternative Transportation and Trails Master Plan (FATT plan). Numerous other trails including Clabber Creek Trail and Town Branch Creek Trail will extend east and west from this backbone to create an interconnected network of trails.

The first phase of Scull Creek Trail is currently under construction from Fulbright Expressway to Gordon Long Park and will be 0.6 miles in length. The trail will be 12-feet wide and constructed of concrete. Lighting will be

included at regular intervals along the trail to allow for extended use, safety and increased flexibility as a transportation route for commuters. Benches will also be included along the trail to take in the scenic views of Scull Creek. This section of Scull Creek Trail was made possible by the generosity of Lindsey & Associates and the Washington Regional Medical Center who have granted permanent multi-use trail easements across their properties for the trail. Support from property owners is essential to the realizing the dream of an interconnected network of trails within the City of Fayetteville.

Phase II of Scull Creek Trail will extend north under the Fulbright Expressway and connect to Mud Creek Trail where it currently ends near Steele Boulevard. Phase III will continue the trail south from Gordon Long Park, under Gregg Avenue to Poplar Street. From Poplar Street, Phase IV will extend Scull Creek Trail to Wilson Park. Phase V will complete the trail by connecting from Wilson Park to Frisco Trail near the Walton Arts Center parking lot.

Construction of the trails will be performed by a talented crew that is part of the Transportation Division. This trail construction crew has been exclusively building trails including segments of Lake Fayetteville Trail, St. Paul Trail, Town Branch Creek Trail, Frisco Trail and most recently Scull Creek Trail.

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Trail Improvement
Program go to:**

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