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Award Recipients Announced for ARDOT Transportation Alternatives Program and Recreational Trails Programs

LITTLE ROCK (10-27) – The Arkansas Department of Transportation has announced the award recipients for its Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Recreational Trails Program (RTP) for 2017.

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) provides funding for programs and projects defined as “transportation alternatives” for pedestrians, bicyclists and other non-motorized forms of transportation. It was authorized by the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. It is a reimbursement-type grant program that provides for an 80 percent federal share and a 20 percent local match from eligible applicants.

Under the TAP program, eligible projects can include construction of on-road and off-road trail facilities that include sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure. Conversion of abandoned railroad corridors for pedestrian and bicycle trails is also eligible.

The Recreational Trails program is funded through a portion of TAP funds set aside specifically for recreational trails. These funds are eligible for maintenance and restoration of existing trails, development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages, and construction of new trails.

For 2017, a total of 18 TAP projects and 14 RTP projects were awarded. A total of \$3,418,000 was awarded for TAP projects and \$1,595,000 was awarded to RTP projects.

Among the larger TAP projects awarded were for a trail connecting downtown Jonesboro to the Arkansas State University, sidewalk improvements in the city of Magnolia, and additional funding for the rehabilitation of the Old River Bridge over the Saline River. RTP projects awarded included a shared-use path in Pinnacle Mountain State Park and a trailhead and trail project in the City of Lowell, among others.

A complete listing of all award recipients and project names is attached.

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) 2017 Awarded Projects

County	Sponsor	Project Name	Federal Funding Award
Ashley	City of Wilmot	Downtown Sidewalk Project	\$ 178,000
Chicot	City of Eudora	Tommy Marshall Curiosity Center	\$ 230,000
Cleburne	City of Quitman	Safe Route Sidewalks, Phase 3	\$ 100,000
Columbia	City of Magnolia	Jackson St. Sidewalks	\$ 500,000
Craighead	City of Jonesboro	Downtown to A-State Connection	\$ 399,000
Faulkner	City of Mount Vernon	Downtown Sidewalk Improvement Project	\$ 168,000
Lonoke	City of Lonoke	School District Sidewalks	\$ 159,000
Perry	City of Perryville	North Cedar St. Sidewalk	\$ 100,000
Pulaski	City of Jacksonville	Pinewood Elementary Sidewalk Project	\$ 132,000
Pulaski	City of North Little Rock	Recycle Bikes for Kids (Non-Infrastructure)	\$ 16,000
Saline	Saline County	Old River Bridge	\$ 400,000
Sevier	City of DeQueen	School Connector Sidewalk	\$ 222,000
Sevier	University of Arkansas - Cossatot	Walking/Cycling/Exercise Trail with Workout stations	\$ 18,000
Van Buren	City of Fairfield Bay	Dave Creek Parkway Sidewalk Improvements	\$ 43,000
Washington	City of Fayetteville	Wedington (Hwy. 16) and I-49 Shared Use Paved Trail	\$ 332,000
Washington	City of Prairie Grove	Muddy Fork Park Walking Trail	\$ 140,000
Washington	City of West Fork	Neighborhood Safe Routes Connection	\$ 181,000
White	City of Pangburn	Sidewalk Improvements	\$ 100,000
Total			\$ 3,418,000

Recreational Trails Program (RTP) 2017 Awarded Projects

County	Sponsor	Project Name	Federal Funding Award
Benton	City of Lowell	KJMP Trailhead Connector Trail to Razorback Greenway	\$ 485,000
Crawford	City of Alma	Little Frog Bayou Walking Trail	\$ 120,000
Crittenden	Crittenden County	Delta Regional River Park Trail	\$ 75,000
Logan	City of Booneville	Marcelle-Veterans Parks Connecting Trails	\$ 144,000
Lonoke	City of Lonoke	Lonoke Trail	\$ 65,000
Miller	City of Texarkana	Parks Trail Connections	\$ 90,000
Miller	City of Texarkana	Seibert Street Trail	\$ 39,000
Pope	US Forest Service	Moccasin Gap Vault Toilet (Motorized)	\$ 16,000
Pulaski	Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism	Pinnacle Mt. State Park Shared-Use Path	\$ 200,000
Pulaski	City of Little Rock	Ottenheimer Accessibility Trail	\$ 64,000
Pulaski	University of Arkansas at Little Rock	Coleman Creek Greenway	\$ 42,000
Saline	City of Benton	Southwest Trail Loop	\$ 80,000
Searcy	US Forest Service	Richland Creek Vault Toilet	\$ 21,000
Van Buren	The Nature Conservancy	Bluffton Preserve Multi-use Trail System, Phase 1	\$ 154,000
Total			\$ 1,595,000