

**Arkansas Highway Study - Proposed Possibilities
June 2009**

- 1. Estimate the economic contribution of proposed highway construction and maintenance spending on the Arkansas economy.**
 - a. Jobs- Income – Gross State Product
 - b. Generation of State Tax Revenue
 - c. Return on Investment

- 2. Estimate the economic contribution of proposed highway construction and maintenance spending for local (regional) projects to show local impact of proposed highway spending.**

- 3. Estimate value of highway investments (using existing studies) on:**
 - a. Safety
 - b. Travel Time (congestion)
 - c. Motor Fuel Costs
 - d. Consumer costs (vehicle operating & maintenance, clothing, food, housing, insurance, etc.)
 - e. Lost Time
 - f. Productivity

- 4. Topics to address:**
 - a. Cost of deferring highway spending
 - b. Impact of severance tax funding
 - c. Sustainability of funding for AHTD
 - d. Increase in property values due to highway investments
 - e. Limitations imposed by weight restrictions

- 5. Good transportation infrastructure and impact on tourism**

- 6. Provide the above information in the context of the current state of the highway system and highway funding system in the state, including funding gap analysis.**

- 7. Corridor analysis of highway construction projects.**

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