0090 – ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2026 AS ENACTED BY ACT 87 OF 2025

The Arkansas Department of Transportation maintains and improves the state highway system, which includes planning, design, and management of highway projects and administering the State Highway Employees Retirement System.

TOTAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-2026
		Actual	Authorized	Legislative
049	Employees Retirement	\$144,189,771	\$240,000,000	\$250,000,000
087	NOAA Weather Warning Radio System	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
142	Arkansas Public Transit Trust	\$3,604,117	\$6,000,000	\$7,000,000
182	Highway - Operations	\$1,349,415,693	\$2,665,300,000	\$2,720,500,000
185	State Aid Roads	\$19,584,774	\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000
186	Public Transportation Programs	\$325,000	\$350,000	\$350,000
83J	Rd/Bridge Maint & Grts	\$794,153	\$7,000,000	\$5,000,000
AU8	Act 199 of 2022 (38)	\$486,125,940	\$0	\$0
F53	State Aid Streets	\$31,292,094	\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000
F54	4 Lane Highway Const	\$142,558,973	\$435,000,000	\$435,000,000
M65	Commercial Truck Safety & Education	\$795,900	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000
V53	Intermodal Facilities Grants	\$525,000	\$525,000	\$525,000
V54	Transportation Research Grants	\$922,396	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000
Total		\$2,180,133,811	\$3,431,179,000	\$3,494,379,000

FUNDING SOURCES

		2023-2024	
Funding Source	es	Actual	%
Fund Balance	4000005	\$879,295,634	28.22
General Revenue	4000010	\$70,325,000	2.26
Federal Revenue	4000020	\$967,572,026	31.06
Special Revenue	4000030	\$795,710,192	25.54
Special Revenue Restricted	4000031	\$99,970,296	3.21
Non-Revenue Receipts	4000040	\$135,489,700	4.35
Trust Fund	4000050	\$144,323,332	4.63
Other	4000370	\$22,923,950	0.74

Total Funds	\$3,115,610,130	100.00
Excess Appropriation/(Funding)	(\$935,476,319)	
Grand Total	\$2,180,133,811	

CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS

Highway - Operations (Appropriation 182)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5010000	Regular Salaries	\$260,000,000	\$270,000,000	\$10,000,000
5010003	Personal Services Matching	\$120,000,000	\$130,000,000	\$10,000,000
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$260,000,000	\$270,000,000	\$10,000,000
5050009	Conference & Travel Expenses	\$300,000	\$500,000	\$200,000
5060010	Professional Fees	\$90,000,000	\$120,000,000	\$30,000,000
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$50,000,000	\$70,000,000	\$20,000,000
5120019	Debt Service	\$75,000,000	\$50,000,000	(\$25,000,000)
Total		\$855,300,000	\$910,500,000	\$55,200,000

- Regular Salaries and Personal Services Matching increased due salary and match adjustments and to bring
 consultants in-house due to the permanence of the half cent sales tax
- Operating Expenses, Conference and Travel, Professional Fees, and Grants and Aid increased due to inflation and the permanence of the half cent sales tax that will be paid out of this appropriation section (Connecting Arkansas Program previously paid out of the 4-Lane Highway Construction Bond Account appropriation section)
- Debt Services decreased due to one series of bonds were paid off in 2024 and two series of bonds will be paid out in the next two years

Employees Retirement (Appropriation 049)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5020002	Operating Expenses	\$100,000	\$1,000,000	\$900,000
5100023	Benefits-Non Employee	\$220,900,000	\$230,000,000	\$9,100,000
Total		\$221,000,000	\$231,000,000	\$10,000,000

- Operating Expenses increased due to system upgrades to the retirement computer system
- **Benefits-Non Employee** increased due to possible increases in retirements and resulting increase in the distribution of benefits

Arkansas Public Transit Trust (Appropriation 142)

Commitment Item 2024-2025 2025-2026

		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$6,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$1,000,000
Total		\$6,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$1,000,000

• **Grants and Aid** increased due to anticipation of new US Department of Transportation funding for public transit vehicles

Rd/Bridge Maint & Grts (Appropriation 83J)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$7,000,000	\$5,000,000	(\$2,000,000)
Total		\$7,000,000	\$5,000,000	(\$2,000,000)

Grants and Aid decreased to production of natural gas in Fayetteville Shale

Transportation Research Grants (Appropriation V54)

Commitment Item		2024-2025	2025-2026	
		Authorized	Legislative	Change Level
5100004	Grants and Aid	\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	(\$1,000,000)
Total		\$2,000,000	\$1,000,000	(\$1,000,000)

• Grants and Aid decreased to allow the fund to accumulate and make a larger award in the second year

POSITIONS

Total Authorized Positions FY2026: 4,558 Total Authorized Positions FY2025: 4,558

Increase / (Decrease): 0

Extra Help Positions FY2025: 0

SPECIAL LANGUAGE REVISIONS

No Changes