

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

APPENDIX I

Public Involvement

Public Meeting

Synopsis

Garver Job 16017140

Bryant Parkway: Hill Road to Shobe Road

Saline County

April 26, 2018

An open-forum public involvement meeting for the proposed Bryant Parkway Extension project was held in the cafeteria of Hill Farm Elementary School in Bryant, Arkansas from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. on April 26, 2018. Efforts to involve minorities and local property owners in the meeting(s) included:

- Display ad placed in the Saline Courier on Sunday, April 8 and Sunday, April 15, 2018.
- Display ad (in Spanish) placed in El Latino on Thursday, April 12 and Thursday, April 19, 2018.
- English radio announcements were run once a day from April 23 through April 26, 2018 on Cumulus Power 92.3 FM.
- Spanish radio announcements were run twice a day from April 23 through April 26, 2018 on KOLL La Zeta 106.3 FM.
- A meeting announcement was listed on the City of Bryant's website (<http://cityofbryant.com/>), and the City of Bryant's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/199503640100411/photos/pb.199503640100411.-2207520000.1524250032./1925093587541399/?type=3&theater>) one week prior to the meeting on April 26, 2018.

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The following information was available for inspection and comment.

- Three poster boards (26"x40") with an aerial background at a scale of 1" = 700', illustrating the entire length of the proposed project. The exhibit showed the five alternatives currently being considered (Alternatives A-E), a preliminary impact matrix of each alternative, the airport property line, and surrounding vicinity. Additionally, drawings were provided showing the typical roadway section (with and without the shared-use path) and the typical bridge section (with shared-use path).
- An information sheet also was provided summarizing the project need and study purpose, project study area, project status, purpose of the Public Involvement Meeting, and information regarding comment submittal.

A handout was available for the public to make comments. A copy of the comment sheet is attached to this synopsis.

Table 1 describes the results of public participation at the 4-7 p.m. meeting.

Table 1	
Public Participation	Total
Attendance at meeting (Including City and Garver staff)	46
Comments received	9

Garver reviewed all comments received and evaluated their contents. The summary of comments listed below reflects the personal perception or opinion of the person or organization making the statement. The sequencing of the comments is random and is not intended to reflect importance or numerical values. Some of the comments are combined and/or paraphrased to simplify the synopsis process.

An analysis of the responses received from the public survey is shown in Table 2.

Table 2	
Survey Results	Totals
Feels the proposed Bryant Parkway Extension is necessary.	6
Feels the proposed Bryant Parkway Extension is not necessary.	2
Feels the proposed design will improve the traffic flow through the area.	4

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Feels the proposed design will worsen traffic on Shobe Road.	1
Feels the project is necessary for growth.	2
Knowledge of area environmental constraints	3
Concerns related to flash flooding in the area around the bridge.	1
Concerns related to the proposed bridge height and noise pollution.	1
Total Comments Received	9

The following is a listing of comments concerning issues associated with this project.

- One individual mentioned the potential that dangerous chemicals were buried at the public airport.
- One individual mentioned that in the past the City of Bryant and residences were dumping waste, etc. on Alcoa 40 property.
- Two individuals mentioned the importance of maintaining the tree barrier on all four sides of the Alcoa 40 Park. Additionally, these individuals commented that there is too much traffic on Shobe Road and Mills Park Road.
- Three comments were made regarding the risks to children safety of the proposed improvements with respect to Alcoa 40 Park and/or the increased traffic at the elementary school or within a school zone.
- Two individuals suggested that all the lanes be 10 feet wide with 4-foot wide shoulders. One of the individuals explained that this change would result in lower speeds, less drag racing and four-wheelers, a safer road, and a less expensive project.
- One individual commented that Phase I of the project (from the Interstate to Shobe Rd.) will relieve a large amount of congestion from Reynolds Road. The individual recalled that the project went to the public and was tabled as support from the community was not sufficient and that the project would not be supported by a public vote if given the opportunity.
- One individual requested respect for his property in retaining trees and vegetation during and after construction.
- One comment expressed approval for the project, as it will increase public safety response time, decrease traffic on Reynolds Road, and open up opportunity for economic development.
- One individual expressed preference for Alternatives A or C.
- One individual expressed preference for Alternative B, stating other alternatives greatly endanger the public due to their close proximity and location relative to the south end of the Airport runway. The same individual provided information on incompatible land use, examples, and a discussion on encroachment safety.


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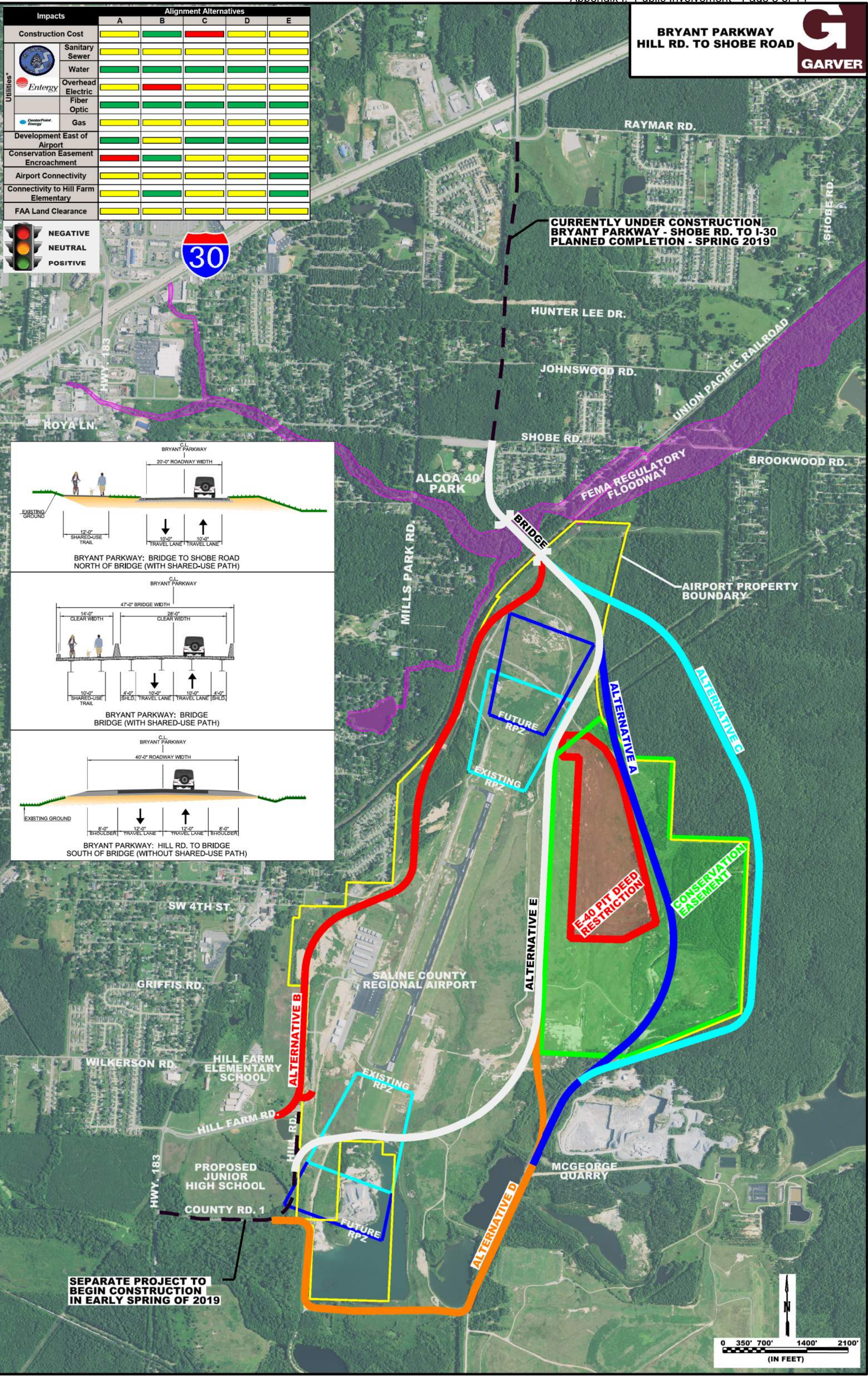
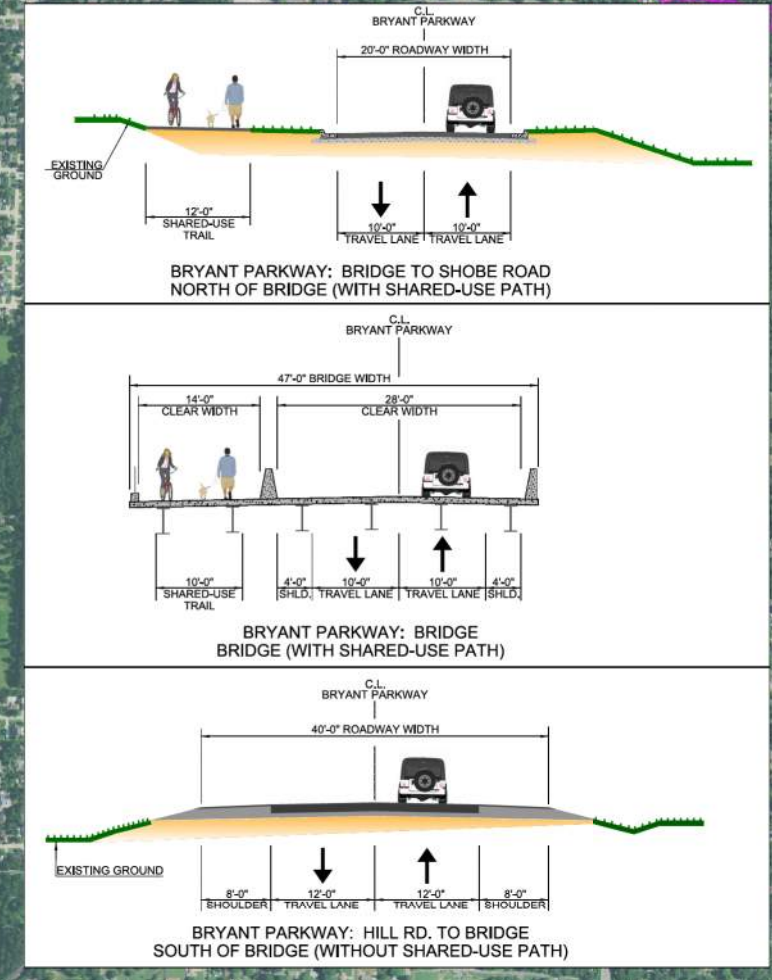
Attachments:

- Small-scale copy of the display board and informational sheet
- Blank comment form

**BRYANT PARKWAY
HILL RD. TO SHOBE ROAD**



Impacts	Alignment Alternatives				
	A	B	C	D	E
Construction Cost	Yellow	Green	Red	Yellow	Yellow
Utilities*	Sanitary Sewer	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
	Water	Green	Green	Green	Green
	Overhead Electric	Yellow	Red	Yellow	Yellow
	Fiber Optic	Green	Green	Green	Green
	Gas	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Development East of Airport	Green	Yellow	Green	Green	Green
Conservation Easement Encroachment	Red	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Airport Connectivity	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Green
Connectivity to Hill Farm Elementary	Yellow	Green	Yellow	Yellow	Green
FAA Land Clearance	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow



PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT MEETING

Thursday, April 26, 2018

City of Bryant

Bryant Parkway: Hill Rd. to Shobe Rd.
Saline County

PROJECT NEED AND STUDY PURPOSE

The City of Bryant is proposing the study and design of extending Bryant Parkway from Hill Road east then north to Shobe Road in Bryant, Arkansas. The purpose of the project is to provide a south to north minor arterial on the eastern side of the City of Bryant in order to alleviate traffic and improve safety on Reynolds Road (Highway 183). Additionally, the project will improve safety by providing emergency vehicles with a grade separation over Union Pacific Railroad and Crooked Creek. The project will also provide a pedestrian connection to serve the eastern side of Bryant, provide access to the east and southeastern parts of the City of Bryant, and provide access to airport development along the corridor. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, an Environmental Assessment (EA) is being prepared.

PROJECT STUDY AREA

The project study area is located east of downtown Bryant and primarily includes property owned by the Saline County Airport. The north boundary of the study area is Shobe Road and the south boundary is County Road 1. The principal future land use in the study area is commercial/industrial activities associated with the Airport, and natural areas. Current zoning is primarily Airport Industrial, but also includes Highway Commercial, Open Space/Parks, Industrial/Mining, and a small area of Single Family Residential. Nearby attractions include Saline County Airport, Hill Farm Elementary School, and McGeorge Contracting Company. Minimal wetland impact and minimal fill impacts to Crooked Creek are anticipated.

PROJECT STATUS

The layout of the various alternatives being considered by the proposed project are shown in the display area and on the comment form. These alternative alignments were included in the original feasibility study and are currently undergoing an initial screening process. Initial screening factors include, but are not limited to:

- Human environment considerations (residential relocations, water wells, septic systems, historic sites, etc.);
- Physical environment considerations (prime and unique farmland, hazardous materials sites, etc.);
- Natural environment considerations (wetlands, streams, threatened and endangered species, etc.);
- Cost considerations; and
- Public and agency comments.

The next steps include, but are not limited to:

- Summarizing the public meeting comments;
- Modify design based on comments received from citizens;
Reminder: Not all comments will impact or be incorporated into the design;
- Finalize the Environmental Assessment document.

PURPOSE OF TONIGHT'S MEETING

The purpose of this meeting is to inform the public of the proposed project. After signing in, please review maps, comment forms and other materials, and ask questions of the project team.

COMMENTS ARE REQUESTED BY

May 11, 2018

The project team is requesting that landowners and other interested persons provide comments or information that could be helpful in evaluating the project. Comment forms are provided at the Comment Table. Comments may be submitted by mail or by email. The project team contact information is listed at the end of this section.

All comments submitted will be reviewed and considered during the development of the EA. The project team encourages interested citizens to continue dialogue with the project team and resource agencies throughout the duration of the project. Also, feel free to take additional comment forms to give to people who could not make it to today's meeting. Thank you for your participation and assistance in the planning process.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Bryant Parkway – Hill Rd. to Shobe Rd. Study Team
Garver, LLC
4701 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118

Email: BryantParkway2@GarverUSA.com



COMMENT FORM

Public Involvement Meeting Thursday, April 26, 2018

Bryant Parkway: Hill Rd. to Shobe Rd.

INSTRUCTIONS

Please complete this form and submit it to Project Team personnel at this meeting or mail it **by May 11, 2018** to:

Bryant Parkway: Hill Rd. to Shobe Rd. Study Team
Garver, LLC
4701 Northshore Drive
North Little Rock, AR 72118

It is often necessary to contact property owners along potential routes. For this reason, please provide the information below:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

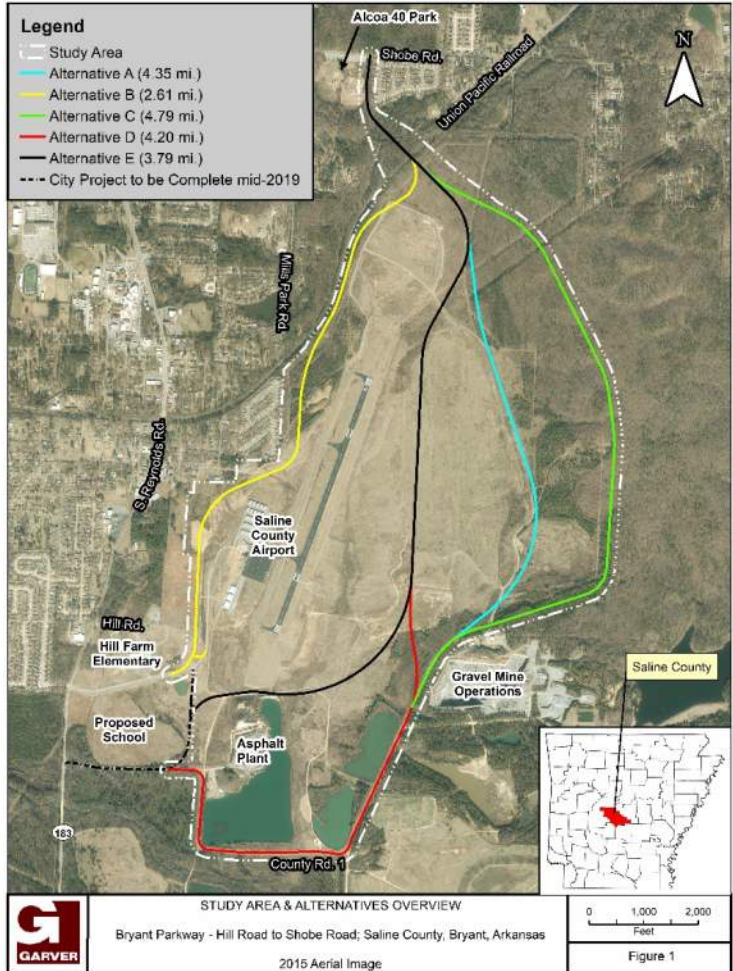
If you email your comments to the project team at BryantParkway2@GarverUSA.com, please follow the format of this comment form and be sure to include your contact information.

Please be thorough in completing this form as these comments will help the project team determine key community concerns and preferences. Thank you.

Do you think the proposed Bryant Parkway Extension is necessary?

Yes No

Please explain: _____



Do you have information on any of the following (if so, please explain on reverse side):

- Threatened and Endangered Species
- Hazardous Waste Sites
- Cave locations
- Water wells
- Septic tanks
- Existing or former landfills
- Parks or public lands
- Historical sites
- Family cemeteries
- Archaeological sites

If you have information regarding the roadway alignments mentioned above, please provide here:

Multiple horizontal lines for providing information regarding roadway alignments.

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Additional Comments (If additional space is needed, please enclose additional pages):

Multiple horizontal lines for providing additional comments.

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Garver, LLC
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North Little Rock, AR 72118



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Public Involvement Required for FEMA's CLOMR Process

DRAFT PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FOR PROPOSED FLOOD HAZARD REVISIONS FOR CROOKED CREEK IN BRYANT, AR (NEWSPAPER NOTICE)

The City of Bryant, AR Code Enforcement Department, in accordance with National Flood Insurance Program regulation 65.7(b)(1),] hereby gives notice of the City of Bryant's intent to revise the flood hazard information, generally located between 100-ft upstream of the Union Pacific Railroad bridge and 200-ft upstream of Mills Park Road, along Crooked Creek. The flood hazard revisions are being proposed as part of Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) Case No. 19-06-0660R for a proposed project along Crooked Creek. The City of Bryant is proposing to build a bridge as part of the Bryant Parkway project.

Once the project has been completed, a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) request should be submitted that will, in part, revise the following flood hazards along Crooked Creek.

1. The floodway will be revised from 100-ft upstream of the Union Pacific Railroad bridge to 200-ft upstream of Mills Park Road, along Crooked Creek. The floodway width will increase and decrease within the revised area.
2. Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) will decrease along Crooked Creek.
3. The Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) will decrease along Crooked Creek.

Maps and detailed analysis of the revision can be reviewed at the Bryant Police and Fire Department at 312 Roy Lane; Bryant, AR; 72022. Interested persons may call Greg Huggs at 501-943-0368 for additional information from ... to ... *{insert dates during which community contact person can be contacted}*.



Bryant Police Department Code Enforcement Division



312 Roya Lane Bryant, AR 72022

Phone: (501) 943-0943 Fax: (501) 943-0978

Richard Corbyn
Garver

I Greg Huggs CFM and Code Enforcement Director at the City of Bryant AR, do certify that the property owners certification was mailed to all 25 properties on the mailing list attached.

Greg Huggs

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Greg Huggs". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Code Enforcement Director/CFM

MAP NO	PARCEL ID	OWNER NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS/DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY
1	810-67507-000	HEWETT ROBERT W & PATRICIA C	15549 PINE MANOR DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2969	ALEXANDER	15549 PINE MANOR DR
2	810-67508-000	MORRIS PAUL & S STRAUSS LC:M WHITMORE	200 W CAPITOL AVE # 1118 LITTLE ROCK AR 72201-3605	ALEXANDER	EVERGREEN DR
3	810-67510-000	CROOM RUSSELL	15569 PINE MANOR DR BRYANT AR 72022	ALEXANDER	15569 PINE MANOR DR
4	810-67531-000	HEWETT ROBERT	15549 PINE MANOR DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2969	ALEXANDER	15602 EVERGREEN DR
5	840-03613-000	POINTS JAMIE E	1908 CHERRY CREEK CIR BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	1908 CHERRY CREEK CIR
6	840-04005-000	WHITTINGTON LEHMAN L & CAROLYN R LIVING TRUST	8 PARKVIEW DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2941	BRYANT	8 PARKVIEW DR
7	840-04006-000	BRYANT SCHOOL DISTRICT 25	200 NW FOURTH ST BRYANT AR 72022-3499	BRYANT	PARKVIEW DR
8	840-04007-000	BRYANT SCHOOL DISTRICT 25	200 NW FOURTH ST BRYANT AR 72022-3499	BRYANT	PARKVIEW DR
9	840-04008-000	HENDRICKS KRISTAN J	4314 PINE DRIVE BENTON AR 72019	BRYANT	PARKVIEW DR
10	840-04009-000	HENDRICKS KRISTAN J	4314 PINE DRIVE BENTON AR 72019	BRYANT	PARKVIEW DR
11	840-04010-000	HENDRICKS KRISTAN J	13 PARKVIEW DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2941	BRYANT	13 PARKVIEW DR
12	840-04011-000	JACKSON JESSAMINE ANN & JOSHUA	14 EASTWOOD DR BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	14 EASTWOOD DR
13	840-04012-000	RIC PROPERTIES LLC	18405 TADLOCK CIRCLE ALEXANDER AR 72002	BRYANT	15 EASTWOOD DR
14	840-04013-000	HILL VERNON G & TAMARA KAY	16 EASTWOOD DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2942	BRYANT	16 EASTWOOD DR
15	840-04014-000	BREWER MARY BETH TRUST BETH BREWER REVOCABLE TRUST	17 EASTWOOD DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	17 EASTWOOD DR
16	840-04015-000	CALDWELL WARREN R & JANET	18 EASTWOOD DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2942	BRYANT	18 EASTWOOD DR
17	840-06644-000	CITY OF BRYANT	210 SOUTHWEST THIRD ST BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	MILLS PARK RD

MAP NO	PARCEL ID	OWNER NAME	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY NAME	PHYSICAL ADDRESS/DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY
18	840-06645-000	CITY OF BRYANT	210 SOUTHWEST THIRD ST BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	MILLS PARK RD
19	840-06677-000	ROGERS MARK A & MICHAELE	1004 RUTH DRIVE BRYANT AR 72022-2818	BRYANT	1004 RUTH DR
20	840-13708-000	CITY OF BRYANT	210 SOUTHWEST THIRD ST BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	PT E/2 NW, N OF RR
21	840-13708-002	CITY OF BRYANT	210 SOUTHWEST THIRD ST BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	PT NENW 30'X40' 389-739
22	840-13708-003	UNION PACIFIC SYSTEM	1400 DOUGLAS ST STOP 1640 OMAHA NE 68179-1640	BRYANT	PT N2 & PT W/2 SW
23	840-13709-000	CITY OF BRYANT	210 SOUTHWEST THIRD ST BRYANT AR 72022	BRYANT	NWNW
24	840-13710-000	FRYAR BRANON L & KATY S	4 HUNTINGTON ESTATES BRYANT AR 72022-2391	BRYANT	PT SW NW
25	840-14232-001	MOSS JERRY R & AGNES I	1901 MILLS PARK ROAD BRYANT AR 72022-2935	BRYANT	PT NENE 1996-46247



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312 Roya Lane Bryant, AR 72022

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10/30/2019

Robert & Patricia Hewett
15549 Pine Manor Drive
Bryant, AR 72022

Re: Notification of increases in 1% (100-year) annual chance water-surface elevations and/or future flood hazard revisions

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Hewett

The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) for a community depicts the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), the area which has been determined to be subject to a 1% (100-year) or greater chance of flooding in any given year. The floodway is the portion of the floodplain that includes the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land area that must be reserved in order to discharge the 1% annual chance (base) flood without cumulatively increasing the water-surface elevation by more than a designated height. The FIRM is used to determine flood insurance rates and to help the community with floodplain management.

Garver, LLC. is applying for a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS-FEMA) on behalf of the City of Bryant, AR to revise FIRM 05125C0380D for the City of Bryant, AR along Crooked Creek. The City of Bryant is proposing to build a new bridge as part of the Bryant Parkway project. The proposed project will result in increases in the 1% annual chance (base) water-surface elevations for a portion of Crooked Creek. However, no increases to the base water-surface elevations will occur at any residential structures.

Once the project has been completed, a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) request should be submitted that will, in part, revise the following flood hazards along Crooked Creek.

1. The floodway will be revised from 100 feet upstream of the Union Pacific Railroad bridge to 200 feet upstream of Mills Park Road, along Crooked Creek. The floodway width will increase and decrease within the revised area.
2. Effective Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) will decrease along Crooked Creek.
3. The SFHA will increase and decrease along Crooked Creek.

This letter is to inform you of the proposed project that may affect flood elevations on your property at 15549 Pine Manor Drive. This letter is also to inform you of the potential changes to the effective flood hazard information that would result after the project is completed and a LOMR request is submitted to FEMA.

Maps and detailed analysis of the proposed flood hazard revisions can be reviewed at the **Bryant Fire and Police Department at 312 Roya Lane, Bryant, Arkansas, 72022**. If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed project or its effect on your property, you may contact **Greg Huggs, CFM**, of the City of Bryant at **501-943-0368, Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4:30 PM**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Huggs".

Greg Huggs, CFM
City of Bryant Code Enforcement Director
501-943-0369