

**AGENDA**  
**ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Monday, April 5, 2021**  
**12:00 p.m.**  
**By Telephone Conference Call**  
**1-866-394-9513/Passcode 5773530#**

I. Call to Order

Price Gardner, Chair

\*II. Agenda

- Proposed Arkansas State University (A-State) Resolutions
  - Resolution approving Arkansas State University to modify and extend the current agreement with New York Institute of Technology
  - Resolution approving Arkansas State University to grant an easement to empower Delivered by Craighead Electric
  - Resolution approving Arkansas State University to apply for federal grant funding from the Transportation Alternatives Program for support of the Campus Loop Trail in Jonesboro
  
- Proposed ASU-Newport Resolutions
  - Resolution approving ASU-Newport to apply for federal grant funding from the Recreational Trails Program for support of a campus loop trail
  - Resolution approving ASU-Newport to apply for federal grant funding from the Transportation Alternatives Program for support of a campus loop trail
  
- Proposed Henderson State University Resolution
  - Resolution approving Henderson State University to grant an easement to the Arkansas Research and Educational Optical Network

\*III. Adjournment

\*Action Item



**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Jeff Hankins (501) 660-1004

**ACTION ITEM:** Arkansas State University (A-State) requests approval to modify and extend the current agreement with New York Institute of Technology (NYIT).

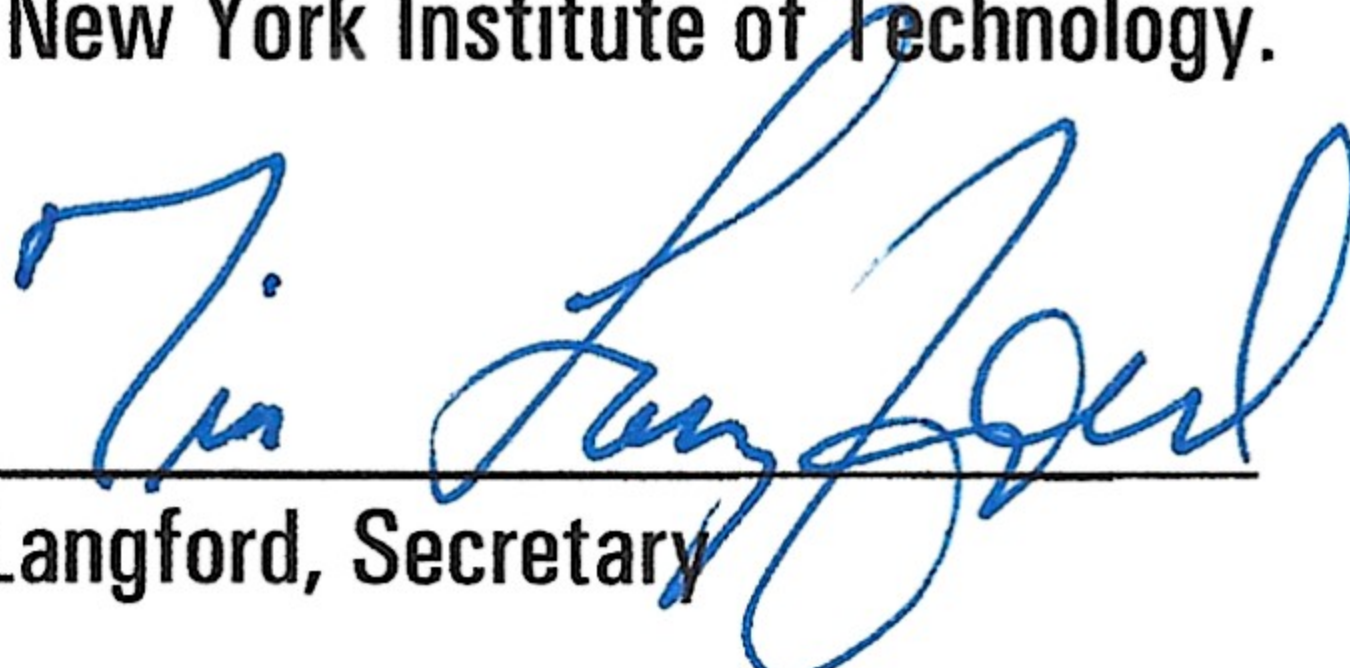
**ISSUE:** The Arkansas State University Board of Trustees approves changes to the agreement between A-State and NYIT.

**BACKGROUND:**

- In August of 2016, NYIT began operating a College of Osteopathic Medicine in Wilson Hall on the A-State campus in Jonesboro.
- Each incoming class at NYIT is comprised of approximately 115 students. More than 200 students have graduated from the NYIT program over the past two years.
- NYIT currently employs approximately 88 people on the A-State campus and also now operates the campus Student Health Center, providing health care services to both A-State and NYIT students.
- A-State and NYIT began discussing an extension of the NYIT agreement in the fall of 2019. Both institutions now wish to extend the agreement currently in place.
- The new agreement will extend the term of this partnership until the year 2036, providing mutual benefits to both A-State and NYIT.

**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University is approved to modify and extend the current agreement with New York Institute of Technology.

  
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Tim Langford, Secretary

  
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Price Gardner, Chair



**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Len Frey (870) 972-3303

**ACTION ITEM:** The Arkansas State University System requests approval for Arkansas State University (A-State) to grant an easement to empower Delivered by Craighead Electric (empower).

**ISSUE:** The Arkansas State University System Board of Trustees must approve all land transactions.

**BACKGROUND:**

- In order to provide high-speed broadband internet service to the KASU tower building, A-State has selected 3E8 Broadband Solutions, LLC d/b/a empower Delivered by Craighead Electric to install fiber-optic cable. To complete the project, empower requests an easement that is 10 feet in width from the origination point on the lines of empower, or Craighead Electric Cooperative Corporation, to the KASU tower building.
- The proposed easement, with a legal description, is attached to this resolution.

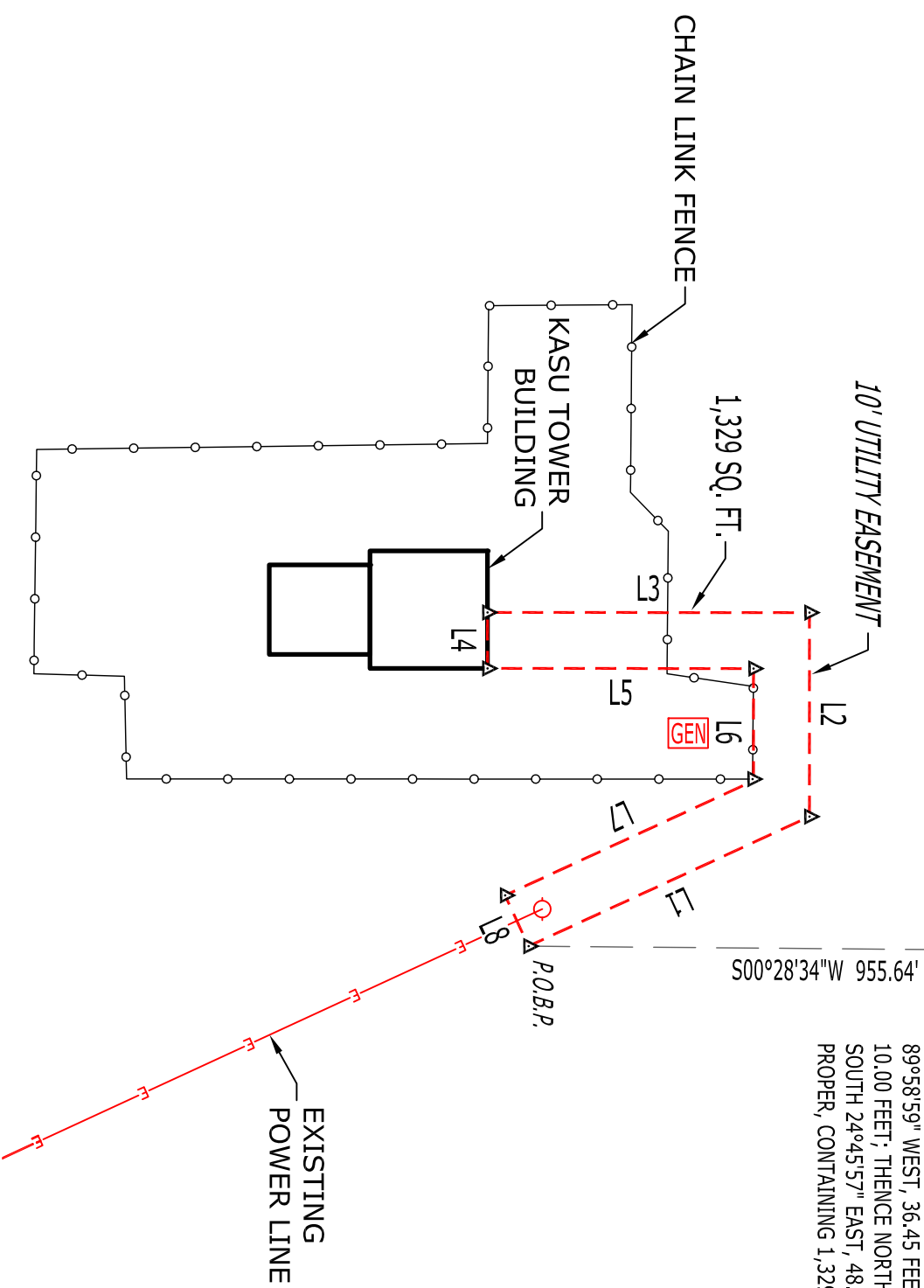
**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University is approved to grant an easement to empower Delivered by Craighead Electric.

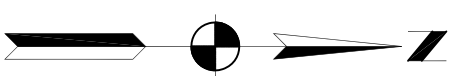
  
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POINT OF BEGINNING  
 NORTHWEST CORNER, SECTION 33,  
 TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 04 EAST  
 S89°31'26"E 522.23'



- LEGEND:**
- ▲ COMPUTED POINT (NOT MONUMENTED)
  - UTILITY POLE
  - - - EASEMENT LINE



BEARINGS BASED ON ARKANSAS STATE  
 PLANE GRID NORTH ZONE (0301)

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:**

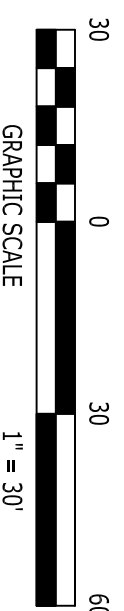
**10 FOOT UTILITY EASEMENT:**

PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 04 EAST, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 04 EAST, CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS; THENCE SOUTH 89°31'26" EAST, 522.23 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°28'34" WEST, 955.64 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING PROPER; THENCE NORTH 24°45'57" WEST, 55.29 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°58'59" WEST, 36.45 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°01'01" WEST, 57.56 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°58'59" EAST, 10.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°01'01" EAST, 47.56 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°58'59" EAST, 20.05 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 24°45'57" EAST, 48.89 FEET; THENCE NORTH 65°14'03" EAST, 10.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING PROPER, CONTAINING 1,329 SQUARE FEET, MORE OR LESS.

**LINE TABLE:**

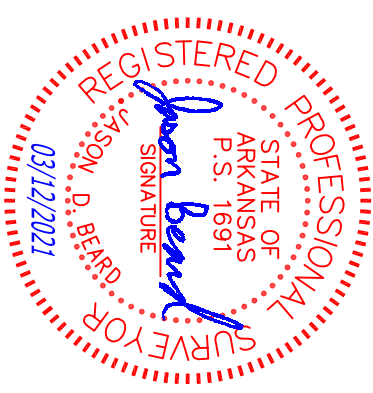
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| L3     | S00°01'01"W | 57.56' |
| L4     | S89°58'59"E | 10.00' |
| L5     | N00°01'01"E | 47.56' |
| L6     | S89°58'59"E | 20.05' |
| L7     | S24°45'57"E | 48.89' |
| L8     | N65°14'03"E | 10.00' |



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**LEGAL DEPICTION**  
 CLIENT: ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY  
 PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 33,  
 TOWNSHIP 15 NORTH, RANGE 04 EAST,  
 CRAIGHEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS



**DRAWING INFO**

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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| DRAWN BY: JDB                | SCALE: 1" = 30' |
| DATE: 03 / 12 / 2021         | JOB NO.: 21123  |
| <b>REVISIONS</b>             |                 |
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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Len Frey (870) 972-3033

**ACTION ITEM:** Arkansas State University (A-State) requests approval to apply for federal grant funding from the Transportation Alternatives Program for support of the Campus Loop Trail in Jonesboro.

**ISSUE:** A resolution from the Arkansas State University System Board of Trustees is required to apply for this grant.


**BACKGROUND:**

- A-State understands that federal Transportation Alternatives Program funds are available at 80% federal participation and 20% local match/in-kind labor to develop or improve the Campus Loop Trail.
- Federal funds are available for this project on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished, as well as proof of payment, prior to actual monetary reimbursement.
- The Campus Loop Trail, using federal funding, will be open and available for use by the general public and will be maintained by A-State for the life of the project.

**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University is approved to apply for federal grant funding from the Transportation Alternatives Program for support of the Campus Loop Trail in Jonesboro. The ASU System Board of Trustees pledges its full backing and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Department of Transportation to initiate action to implement this project. A-State will participate in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project. The A-State Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of the above-stated project, effective immediately.

  
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Tim Langford, Secretary

  
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Price Gardner, Chair

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Adam Adair (870) 512-7801

**ACTION ITEM:** Arkansas State University-Newport (ASUN) requests approval to apply for federal grant funding from the Recreational Trails Program for support of a campus loop trail.

**ISSUE:** A resolution from the Arkansas State University System Board of Trustees is required to apply for this grant.

**BACKGROUND:**

- ASUN understands that federal Recreational Trails Program funds are available at 80% federal participation and 20% local match/in-kind labor to develop or improve a campus loop trail.
- Federal funds are available for this project on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished, as well as proof of payment, prior to actual monetary reimbursement.
- The campus loop trail, using federal funding, will be open and available for use by the general public and will be maintained by ASUN for the life of the project.

**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Newport is approved to apply for federal grant funding from the Recreational Trails Program for support of a campus loop trail. The ASU System Board of Trustees pledges its full backing and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Department of Transportation to initiate action to implement this project. ASUN will participate in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project. The ASUN Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of the above-stated project, effective immediately.

  
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Tim Langford, Secretary



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Price Gardner, Chair



**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Adam Adair (870) 512-7801

**ACTION ITEM:** Arkansas State University-Newport (ASUN) requests approval to apply for federal grant funding from the Transportation Alternatives Program for support of a campus loop trail.

**ISSUE:** A resolution from the Arkansas State University System Board of Trustees is required to apply for this grant.

**BACKGROUND:**

- ASUN understands that federal Transportation Alternatives Program funds are available at 80% federal participation and 20% local match/in-kind labor to develop or improve a campus loop trail.
- Federal funds are available for this project on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished, as well as proof of payment, prior to actual monetary reimbursement.
- The campus loop trail, using federal funding, will be open and available for use by the general public and will be maintained by ASUN for the life of the project.

**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Arkansas State University-Newport is approved to apply for federal grant funding from the Transportation Alternatives Program for support of a campus loop trail. The ASU System Board of Trustees pledges its full backing and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Department of Transportation to initiate action to implement this project. ASUN will participate in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project. The ASUN Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of the above-stated project, effective immediately.

  
Tim Langford, Secretary

  
Price Gardner, Chair

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contact: Jim Borsig (870) 230-5091

**ACTION ITEM:** The Arkansas State University System requests approval for Henderson State University (HSU) to grant an easement to the Arkansas Research and Educational Optical Network (ARE-ON)

**ISSUE:** The Arkansas State University System Board of Trustees must approve all land transactions.

**BACKGROUND:**

- HSU has engaged ARE-ON to install upgraded fiber-optic cable to enhance internet service to East Hall, West Hall, Sturgis Hall, Smith Hall, Newberry Hall, Ridge Pointe Apartments, Caplinger Airway Science Center, and the Barkman House.
- As part of this project, ARE-ON seeks to establish a connection from its data center, located in Henderson's Foster Hall, to Ouachita Baptist University (OBU), which is located directly east of Henderson's Newberry Hall.
- In order to connect to OBU, ARE-ON requests a 10-foot-wide easement from HSU.
- The proposed easement and a description of the project are attached to this resolution.

**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION:**

Be it resolved that Henderson State University is approved to grant an easement to the Arkansas Research and Educational Optical Network.

  
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Tim Langford, Secretary

  
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HSU, ARE-ON Fiber Upgrade Project 2020

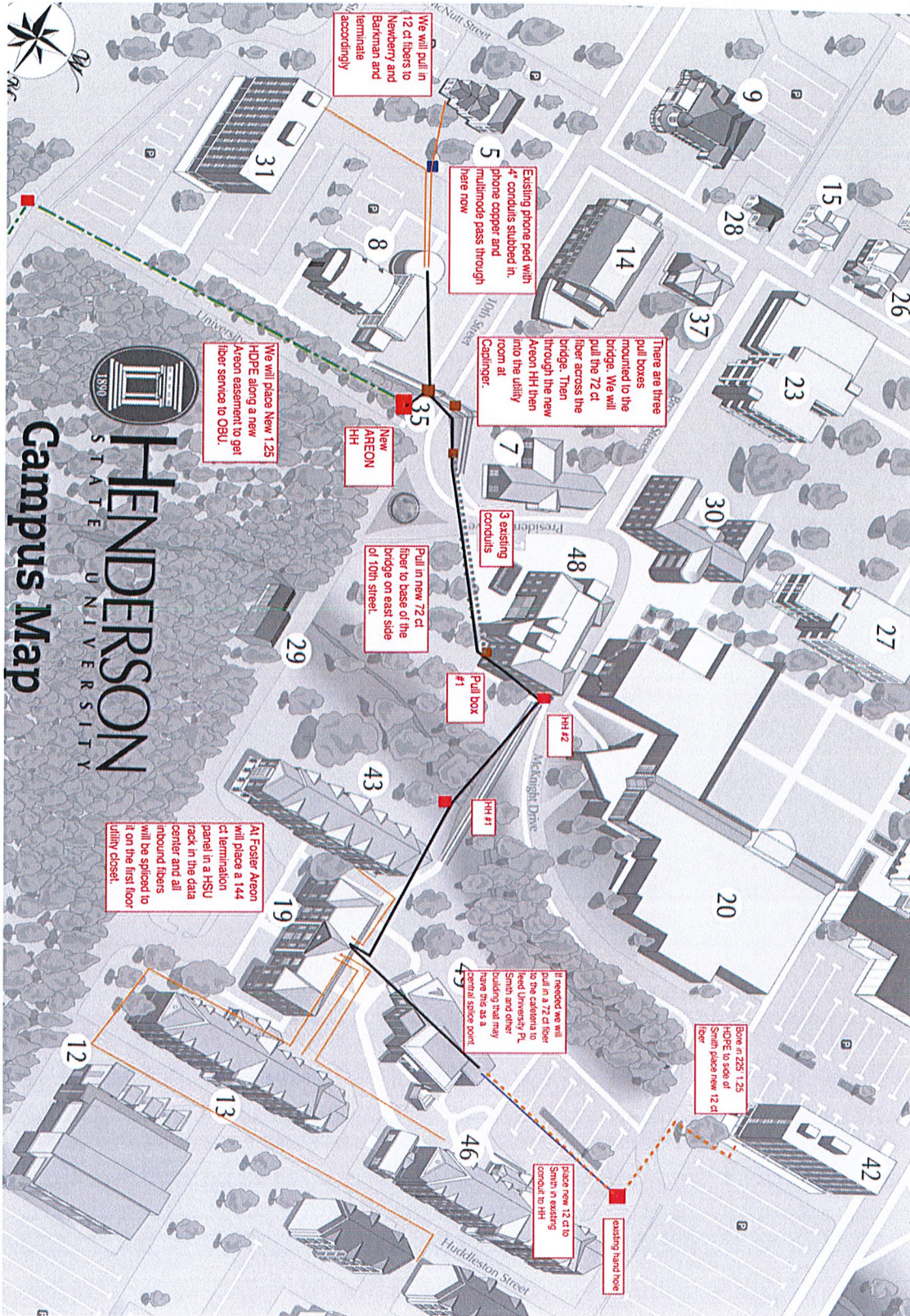


Figure 3



## HSU, ARE-ON Fiber Upgrade Project 2020

### ARE-ON Interests:

ARE-ON is in need of reaching Ouachita Baptist University with a fiber connection from the ARE-ON equipment located in Foster Hall. Henderson State University will grant the use of 24 fibers in the 72-count fiber cable from Foster Hall to the ARE-ON hand hole located at the east end of the 10<sup>th</sup> street pedestrian bridge near the second support. HSU will grant ARE-ON an easement for the placement of an ARE-ON hand hole near the east end of the bridge and an easement on HSU property along the south side of University Drive between 10<sup>th</sup> street and 8<sup>th</sup> street (approximately 810 feet in length). The easement is shown in figure 3 as a green dashed line and in figure 4. ARE-ON will be responsible for all costs associated with the placement of a cable from this hand hole to OBU. Cable placement in the easement will be in conduit placed by boring and will not disturb the parking lot near 8<sup>th</sup> street.

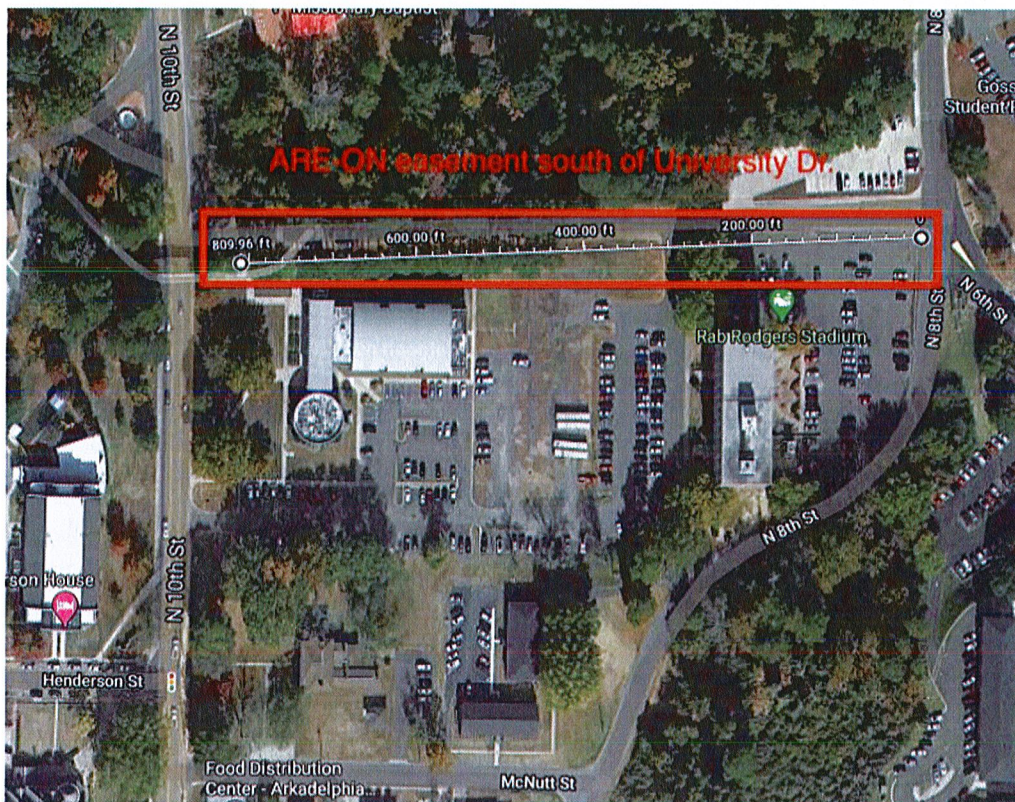


Figure 4

### Maintenance:

Following final testing, inspection, and acceptance of the new fiber and facilities as described in this document, HSU shall be fully responsible for all maintenance, repairs, splicing, termination, relocation, fiber locates, or any other type of work required to support the fiber and facilities, with the exception that ARE-ON shall be responsible for the same on its new handhole, conduit, cable, and supporting facilities for the fiber route that parallels University Drive from the handhole to Ouachita Baptist University.