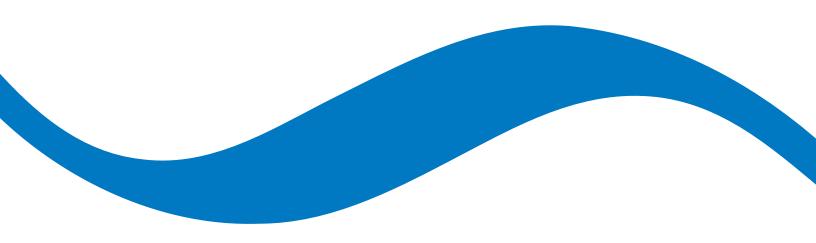
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APPALACHIAN REGION

The Appalachian Region includes all of West Virginia and parts of Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. The Region is home to nearly 25 million people and covers 420 counties and almost 205,000 square miles.



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Message from Federal Co-Chair Earl F. Gohl and 2009 States' Co-Chair Ted Strickland

We are pleased to present the Appalachian Regional Commission's (ARC) Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year (FY) 2009.

The Commission approved \$75.1 million in funding for 497 nonhighway projects during this fiscal year. Each of the projects advanced one or more of the four goals of ARC's 2005–2010 strategic plan:

1) increasing job opportunities and per capita income in the Appalachian Region to reach parity with the nation; 2) strengthening the capacity of the people of Appalachia to compete in the global economy;
3) developing and improving Appalachia's infrastructure to make the Region economically competitive; and 4) building the Appalachian Development Highway System to reduce Appalachia's isolation.

ARC's FY 2009 grant funds attracted an additional \$277.4 million in other project funding, an investment ratio of almost 4 to 1, and \$657.1 million in non-project leveraged private investment, a ratio of almost 9 to 1. The projects funded during the year will create or retain an estimated 21,183 jobs and train an estimated 23,764 students and workers in new job skills.

To bolster the Region's physical infrastructure, the Commission invested \$34.1 million in FY 2009 in 106 projects to bring new or upgraded water and sewer systems and other vital infrastructure to Appalachian communities. This investment was matched by \$217.9 million in other funding, primarily state and local, and leveraged \$339.5 million in non-project private investment. The projects resulted in 25,981 households and 3,297 businesses being served by new or improved water or sewer systems. Infrastructure projects are among the primary generators of new jobs in the Region.

Continuing its commitment to expanding the development of telecommunications and technology in the Region, ARC invested \$5.1 million in 37 projects in FY 2009. Activities included promoting broadband deployment, creating distance-learning networks, and implementing telemedicine programs. The Commission also introduced the latest course in its series of technology-training seminars, on social media applications for business.

During the fiscal year ARC also pursued activities through a new economic and energy development initiative, established in the agency's October 2008 reauthorization legislation, to help create energy-related job opportunities as outlined in the Commission's 2006 energy "blueprint" (*Energizing Appalachia: A Regional Blueprint for Economic and Energy Development*). In all, ARC invested \$4 million in 43 energy-related projects in FY 2009, including funds awarded through a grant competition to promote renewable energy and energy efficiency throughout the Region. A total of \$760,000 in grants was awarded through the competition to 18 winners in 9 Appalachian states for projects advancing an array of green technologies, including energy efficiency, solar power, and wind power.

In March, the Commission released a new study, *Energy Efficiency in Appalachia*, which showed that implementing energy-efficiency measures in Appalachia had the potential to help create tens of thousands of jobs and

ARC's mission is to be a strategic partner and advocate for sustainable community and economic development in Appalachia.

save billions of dollars in energy costs for Appalachian consumers over the next 20 years. While it also found that a bold energy-efficiency initiative could cut projected energy use in the Region by up to 24 percent by the year 2030, the study noted that the jobs created and energy saved would depend upon the willingness of the Region's business and government leaders to embrace energy-efficiency policies such as those modeled in the study.

As part of its asset-based economic development initiative, the Commission held two new Gems of Appalachia grant competitions in FY 2009 to enhance the gateway communities that border national and state parks and forests in the Region. The competitions provide funding to Appalachian communities to promote sustainable tourism, preserve natural resources, support locally owned businesses, and encourage outdoor recreation. In September, \$150,000 in grants was designated for winning projects in communities along the Blue Ridge Parkway in North Carolina and Virginia. Grants totaling \$200,000 were awarded for projects in Tennessee and Kentucky to enhance the communities bordering the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area.

Progress also continued on the Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS) this fiscal year. An additional 10.5 miles of the ADHS (net increase) were opened to traffic, strengthening Appalachia's commercial links to the rest of the nation. As of September 30, 2009, a total of 2,694.6 miles of the 3,090-mile system were complete or under construction.

In its ongoing efforts to improve rural health care in Appalachia, ARC began a major initiative in partnership with the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation to provide school-based dental services in West Virginia to promote children's oral health. These services are targeted to school-age youth without access to dental care in the economically distressed, at-risk, and transitional counties in the state.

The Commission also continued its partnerships with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on a diabetes education, prevention, and treatment program in economically distressed Appalachian counties, and on a comprehensive cancer control program. In addition, the Commission worked with the Office of Rural Health Policy to address the problem of illegal drugs and prescription drug abuse in Appalachia. To that end, ARC launched the second round of a grant competition that funded nine projects in substance abuse education, treatment, and prevention. The Commission also placed 17 health-care professionals in Health Professional Shortage Areas in the Region through J-1 Visa Waivers.

Boosting Appalachia's college-going rates through the eight-state Appalachian Higher Education (AHE) Network has remained a priority for the Commission. The network's programs have reached more than 53,000 high school seniors since FY 1999, providing support that has led to a 60 percent college-going rate for this group. In FY 2009, the network's Kentucky center was expanded to allow it to serve twice as many high schools, and its service area was enlarged to include all of the state's Appalachian counties. ARC also funded a leadership grant to help prepare all of the AHE Network centers to operate independently of Commission support in the future.

In July, ARC held its 20th high school Summer Math-Science-Technology Institute and first Middle School Summer Science Camp at the U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge National Laboratory. These programs were attended by 37 high school students, 23 middle school students, and 18 high school teachers from all 13 Appalachian states, giving them the opportunity to engage in research under the mentorship of world-renowned scientists. A total of 354 high school students and 163 high school teachers have graduated from the Summer Math-Science-Technology Institute since 2000.

We are pleased to note that the Commission has continued to receive support for its mission of helping the Appalachian Region reach economic parity with the rest of the nation: In FY 2009, the agency received an appropriation of \$75 million for its nonhighway activities, the largest funding amount for its base program in the last decade. The beginning of the fiscal year also saw the president's approval of legislation reauthorizing the Commission through FY 2012.

This report includes information on ARC's program actions and financial management during FY 2009. We are pleased to report that the Commission's independent auditor, WithumSmith+Brown, has pronounced an unqualified opinion that the financial statements in this document fairly present ARC's fiscal status.

ARC has made every effort to provide a complete and accurate report of its performance and stewardship of the public funds entrusted to it. This report is based on data that is as reliable and as comprehensive as possible. Congress and the American people can also be assured that the financial controls in place at the Commission reasonably meet the purposes of the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982.

The achievements reported here contribute significantly toward ARC's mission of helping the Region attain socioeconomic parity with the nation.

Sincerely,

Earl F. Gohl

ARC Federal Co-Chair

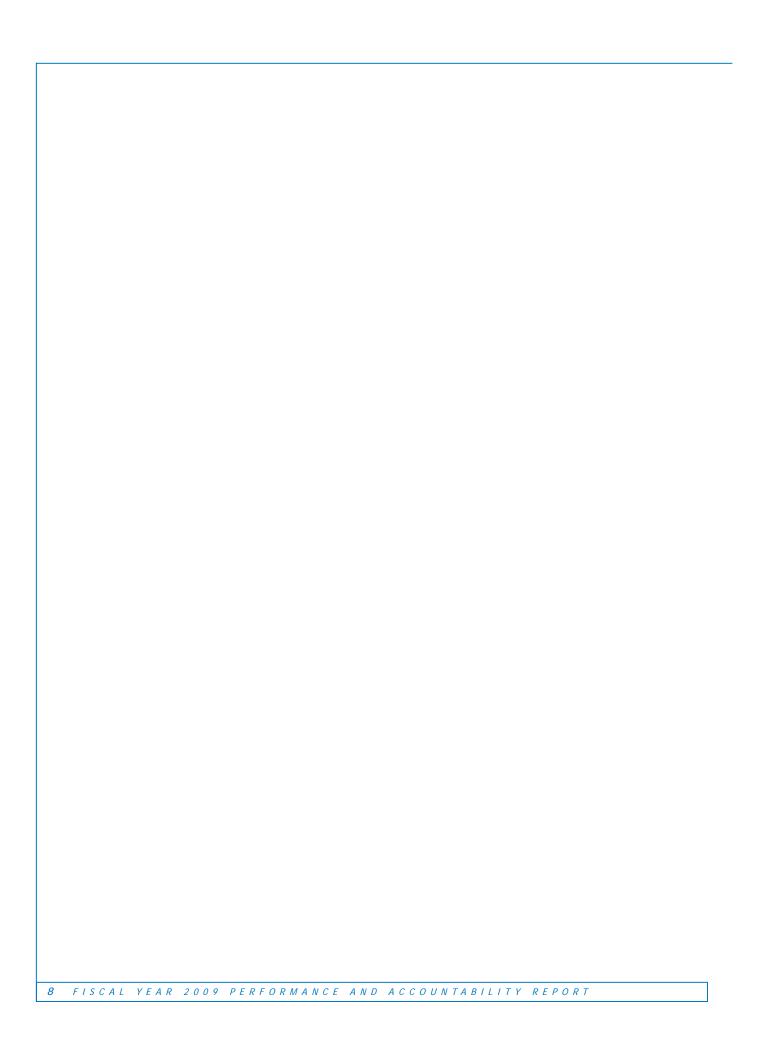
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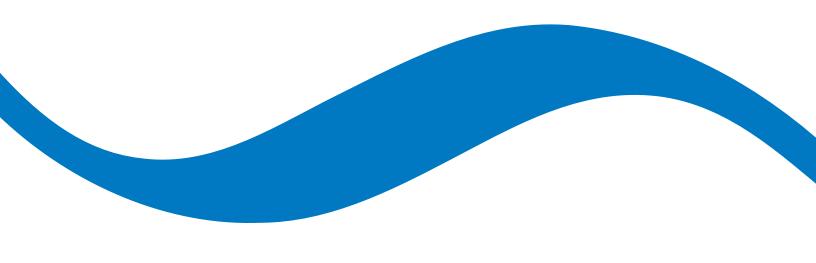
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June 8, 2010





PART I: MANAGEMENT DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS



APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION STRUCTURE AND PROGRAMS

Congress established the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) to address the profound economic and social problems in the Appalachian Region that made it a "region apart" from the rest of the nation.

The Commission was charged to

- Provide a forum for consideration of problems of the Region and proposed solutions, and establish and use citizens' and special advisory councils and public conferences;
- Provide grants that leverage federal, state, and private resources to build infrastructure for economic and human resource development;
- Generate a diversified regional economy, develop the Region's industry, and build entrepreneurial communities;
- Serve as a focal point and coordinating unit for Appalachian programs;
- Make the Region's industrial and commercial resources more competitive in national and world markets;
- Improve the skills of the Region's workforce;
- Adapt and apply new technologies for the Region's businesses, including eco-industrial development technologies;
- Improve the access of the Region's businesses to the technical and financial resources necessary to the development of business; and
- Coordinate the economic development activities of, and the use of economic development resources by, federal agencies in the Region.

The challenges confronting Appalachia today are complex. In some areas of the Region, basic needs in infrastructure, the environment, workforce training, and health care still exist. But because the nation and the Region now compete in the global economy, the threshold for success is higher than it once was: high-technology jobs rather than manual labor, college education rather than basic literacy, and telecommunications arteries in addition to highways.

Federal agencies are typically national in focus and narrow in scope, but ARC was created to be regional in focus and broad in scope. No other government agency is charged with the unique role of addressing Appalachian problems and opportunities. No other agency is charged with being simultaneously an advocate

for the Region, a knowledge builder, an investor, and a partner at the federal, state, and local levels. These roles represent elements that are essential to making federal investments work to alleviate severe regional disparities in the country: responsiveness to regional needs with a view to global competitiveness, emphasis on the most distressed areas, breadth of scope to address both human and physical capital needs, and flexibility in funding.

The Commission by law directs at least half of its grant funds to projects that benefit economically distressed counties and areas in the Region. In part, ARC gauges its long-term progress toward helping the Region achieve economic parity with the nation in terms of the gradual reduction in the number of such counties and areas over time. The maps on page 19 show the Region's high-poverty counties in 1960 and in FY 2009. The change is dramatic.

ARC is a federal-state partnership, with a governing board composed of a federal co-chair and the governors of the 13 Appalachian states. Because of its partnership approach, ARC is able to identify and help fund innovative grassroots initiatives that might otherwise languish. In many cases, the Commission functions as a predevelopment agency, providing modest initial funding that is unavailable from other sources. ARC funds attract capital from the private sector and from other public entities.

Through the years, ARC support has helped address the problem of historically low public and private investment in Appalachia. ARC has effectively used its funds to help communities qualify for, and make better use of, limited resources from other federal agencies. These federal funds, combined with state, local, and private money, provide a broad program of assistance to the Region. In addition, substantial private investment in business facilities and operations has accompanied ARC development projects.

Two independent studies have found that ARC's coordinated investment strategy has paid off for the Region in ways that have not been evident in parts of the country without a regional development approach. A 1995 study funded by the National Science Foundation compared changes in Appalachian counties with their socioeconomic "twin" counties outside the Region over 26 years, from 1965 to 1991. This analysis, controlled for factors such as urbanization and industrial diversification, found that the economies of the Appalachian counties grew significantly faster than their non-Appalachian counterparts'. A more recent analysis by Economic Development Research Group extended this analysis to 2000 and confirmed the earlier findings on the impact of ARC's investment. The study found that, on average, the gap between Appalachian counties and their non-Appalachian twin counties grew significantly in the 1990s.

In October 2008, the president signed a five-year reauthorization of the Commission (through FY 2012). The legislation created a new economic and energy development initiative and added ten counties to the Appalachian Region.

ARC's appropriation for FY 2009 nonhighway activities was \$75.0 million. Appendix A provides a history of appropriations to the Commission.

The Commission is a performance-driven organization, evaluating progress and results on an ongoing basis and relying on clearly defined priorities and strategies for achieving them.

Organization: The ARC Partnership Model

The Appalachian Regional Commission has 14 members: the governors of the 13 Appalachian states and a federal co-chair, who is appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate. Each year one governor is elected by his or her peers to serve as the states' co-chair. The partnership nature of ARC is evident in its policy making: the governors and the federal co-chair share responsibility for determining all policies and for the control of funds. On all Commission decisions, the federal co-chair has one vote, and the 13 governors share one vote. Accordingly, all program strategies, allocations, and other policy must be approved by both a majority of the governors and the federal co-chair. All projects are approved by a governor and by the federal co-chair. This consensus model ensures close collaboration between the federal and state partners in carrying out the mission of the agency. It also gives the Commission a nonfederal character that distinguishes it from typical federal executive agencies and departments.

An alternate federal co-chair, who is appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate, has authority to act as the federal co-chair in his or her absence. State alternates appointed by the governors oversee state ARC business and serve as state-level points of contact for those seeking ARC assistance.

By law, there is an inspector general for the Commission. The inspector general is under the general supervision of the federal co-chair and has a dual and independent reporting relationship to both the federal co-chair and Congress.

In FY 2009, there were 11 federal positions at the Commission, including the federal co-chair's staff and the staff of the Office of Inspector General.

The Commission members appoint an executive director to serve as the chief executive, administrative, and fiscal officer. The executive director and staff are not federal employees. The Commission has 48 nonfederal positions. Commission staff are charged with serving both the federal and the state members impartially in carrying out ARC programs and activities, and they provide the legal support, technical program management, planning and research, and financial/administrative management necessary for ARC's programs.

Federal Membership State Membership Federal Co-Chair 13 Governors/States' Co-Chair Governors' Alternate Federal Co-Chair Alternates Office of the States' Office of the Federal Washington Co-Chair Representative Office of Inspector General **Non-Federal Staff Executive Director** Local Development **Human Resources** District Program **Public Affairs Regional Planning** Finance and **Regional Program General Counsel** and Research Administration Operations

ARC Organization Chart

Public and Private Partnerships

ARC promotes economic and community development through a framework of joint federal and state initiatives. ARC's limited resources are necessary, but obviously not sufficient, for Appalachia to reach parity with the rest of the nation. Therefore, ARC continues a long tradition of building alliances among private and public organizations to focus technical, financial, and policy resources on regional problems. ARC's programs involve not only Appalachian governors' offices and state agencies, which control other substantial investment resources, but also 73 multi-county development districts in the Region, up to 20 federal agencies, and a host of private organizations and foundations. The Commission further helps create alliances through research, regional forums, advisory councils, and community meetings. One such alliance is ARC's partner-ship with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to implement programs in cancer control and diabetes education, prevention, and treatment.

In FY 2009, across all investment areas, each dollar of ARC funding was matched by \$3.69 in non-ARC project funding (public and private) and leveraged \$8.75 in private investment attracted as a result of the project. ARC continues its efforts to increase leveraged private investment through partnerships and collaborations with the private sector wherever possible, as in recent initiatives with the Ford Foundation, Microsoft Corporation, the National Geographic Society, the Claude Worthington Benedum Foundation, Parametric Technology Corporation, the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, the American Wind Energy Association, the Federal Reserve Banks of Richmond, Cleveland, and Atlanta, and American Electric Power, Southern Company, and other utilities.

ARC is often a predevelopment resource, especially in economically distressed areas, providing modest amounts of initial funding that are unavailable from other sources because the community cannot qualify for the support or raise adequate matching funds. Congress recognized, and subsequent experience has shown, that Appalachia for many reasons has been relatively less likely to use the grant resources of large federal agencies. ARC has helped other federal agencies better deploy their programs in the Region through joint funding. The Commission can also allow other federal agencies to use ARC funds under their statutory authorities when their own funds are insufficient for projects; in effect, ARC can provide sufficient match for federal grants on behalf of the poorest Appalachian communities.

A special provision of the Appalachian Regional Development Act authorizes ARC to operate in part as a supplemental grant program. This authority allows ARC funds to be used to increase the allowable participation under federal grant programs, enabling grantees to participate in programs for which they would otherwise be ineligible. In addition, it involves appropriate federal entities to ensure not only program coordination but also compliance with all applicable laws, such as environmental and labor requirements. Accordingly, about half of past ARC grants have been administered under agreements with federal agencies, mainly the Economic Development Administration, Rural Development, the Tennessee Valley Authority, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Federal Highway Administration. Other agreements have involved such agencies as the Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Departments of Energy, Labor, and Health and Human Services.

Commission Activities: Getting the Job Done

Congress gave the Commission very broad program discretion to address problems and opportunities in the Region. Accordingly, ARC has emphasized a wide-ranging set of priorities in its grant activities. Projects in recent years have focused on business development, telecommunications and technology infrastructure and use, educational attainment, access to health care, and tourism development. ARC has consistently maintained a focus on the construction of development highways and basic water and waste management facilities.

ARC Strategic Plan

FY 2009 was ARC's fifth year of operating under its strategic plan, *Moving Appalachia Forward: Appalachian Regional Commission Strategic Plan 2005–2010*, which outlined ARC's mission to be a strategic partner and advocate for sustainable community and economic development in Appalachia, and identified four strategic goals to help Appalachia reach socioeconomic parity with the rest of the nation:

- Increase job opportunities and per capita income in Appalachia to reach parity with the nation.
- Strengthen the capacity of the people of Appalachia to compete in the global economy.
- Develop and improve Appalachia's infrastructure to make the Region economically competitive.
- Build the Appalachian Development Highway System to reduce Appalachia's isolation.

As reported in Part II, the Commission demonstrated progress in FY 2009 toward achieving the 10-year performance goals set out in that plan.



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Area Development Program

Area development funds are largely allocated to the Appalachian states by formula to provide flexible assistance for individual community projects. In FY 2009, the Commission allocated by formula \$64.7 million, 86.3 percent of the total ARC appropriation, for use by the states in their area development activities. The states have wide discretion in the use of these funds, within the framework of the strategic plan. Priorities for area development funding are set forth in the Commission's strategic plan, and state and community leaders work together to package funding from public and private organizations to implement those priorities. All ARC nonhighway grants are approved by a governor and by the federal co-chair. See Appendix B for ARC grants approved in FY 2009, by state and category.

Special Focus on Distressed Counties

The Commission targets special resources to the most economically distressed counties and areas in the Region, using a very conservative measure of economic distress based on three economic indicators: three-year average unemployment rates, per capita market income, and poverty rates.

ARC uses an index-based classification system to compare each county in the nation with national averages on the three economic indicators. Based on that comparison, each Appalachian county is classified within one of five economic status designations—distressed, at-risk, transitional, competitive, or attainment.

- Distressed counties are those that rank in the worst 10 percent of the nation's counties.
- *At-Risk counties* rank between the worst 10 percent and the worst 25 percent of the nation's counties.
- *Transitional counties* rank between the worst 25 percent and the best 25 percent of the nation's counties.
- *Competitive counties* rank between the best 10 percent and the best 25 percent of the nation's counties.
- Attainment counties are those that rank in the best 10 percent of the nation's counties.

In FY 2009, 81 counties were designated distressed, 81 were designated at-risk, 232 were designated transitional, 19 were designated competitive, and 7 were designated attainment. ARC policy stipulates that competitive counties may receive limited assistance, while attainment counties are generally not eligible for funding.

See page 20 for a map of Appalachian counties classified by economic status.

Besides allocating funding to benefit distressed counties and areas, ARC has established other policies to reduce economic distress. ARC normally limits its maximum project funding contribution to 50 percent of costs, but it can increase its funding share to as much as 80 percent in distressed counties.

Regional Initiatives

Each year, the ARC partners identify a limited number of strategic objectives as regional initiatives. These initiatives support ARC's strategic plan by coordinating a concerted effort by the 13 Appalachian states and the federal government to address an area of critical importance. The initiatives can support and promote innovation in a particular goal area or focus on a sector of unique opportunity or underperformance. In FY 2009, in addition to providing special support for distressed counties, ARC supported regional initiatives on asset-based development and telecommunications. The initiatives were supported by a total allocation of \$3.4 million.

The Asset-Based Development Initiative seeks to help communities identify and leverage local assets to create jobs and build prosperity. A focus under this initiative in FY 2009 was the promotion of energy-related job opportunities in Appalachia, as outlined in the Commission's strategic framework *Energizing Appalachia: A Regional Blueprint for Economic and Energy Development*. Another focus was travel and tourism, with investments aimed at protecting and promoting Appalachia's natural, cultural, and historic assets through projects in community assessment, hospitality training, trail development, and product branding. Other asset-based development strategies include the promotion of value-added agricultural development and hardwood products exports.

ARC's Telecommunications Initiative aims to bridge the digital divide between Appalachia and the nation, focusing on projects that increase affordable access to broadband services, promote technology training and the use of technology in education and workforce training programs, increase e-commerce development, and promote technology-sector job creation. In FY 2009, ARC funded projects that support telemedicine and distance-learning applications, workforce development, and e-commerce development in the government and the private sector. ARC also funded projects that directly help communities and commercial-industrial areas gain access to high-speed telecommunications services.

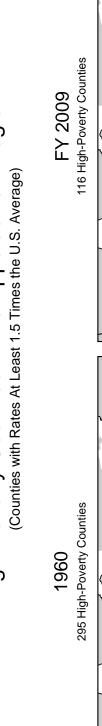
Business Development Revolving Loan Fund Grants

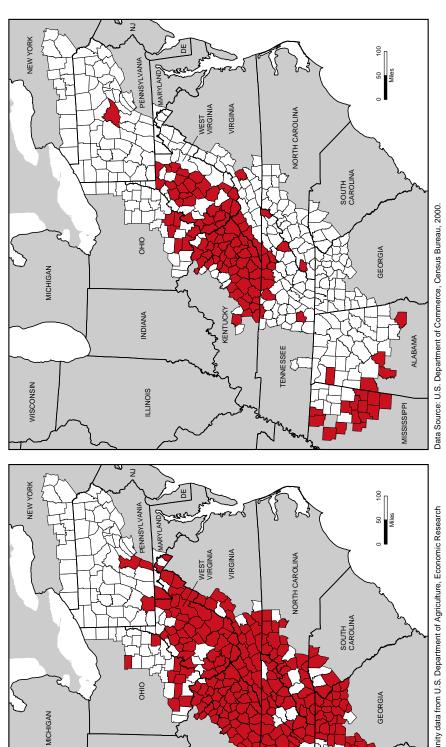
Business development revolving loan funds (RLFs) have been used by ARC since 1977 as an effective tool for economic development. The funds are pools of money used by grantees for the purpose of making loans to local businesses to create and retain jobs. As loans are repaid, money is returned to the fund and made available for additional loans.

The primary objective of ARC's business development RLF grants is creating and retaining private-sector jobs. Limited access to credit is one of the major problems in local business development in Appalachia, and is a significant contributing factor to local economic distress. In areas where credit is not available, or where the cost and terms of the credit are beyond the reach of local businesses, the result may be a community's loss of jobs, tax revenues, and private investment. RLFs are designed to fill gaps in existing local financial markets and to provide or attract capital that otherwise would not be available for economic development.

Since the first RLF grants were awarded, ARC-supported revolving loan funds have disbursed \$138 million in 2,058 loans, resulting in 78,929 jobs created or retained and leveraging \$1.16 billion in private investment for the Appalachian Region.

High-Poverty Counties in the Appalachian Region





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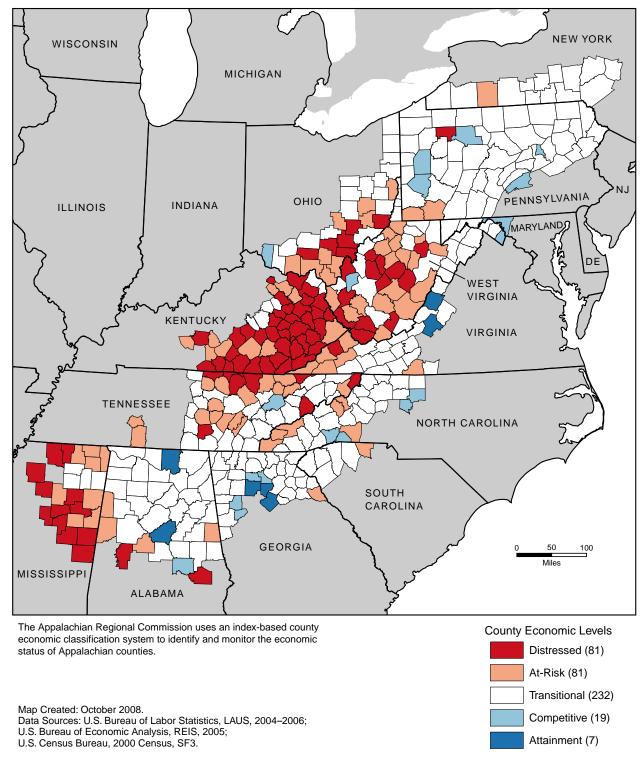
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County Economic Status in Appalachia, Fiscal Year 2009

(Effective October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2009)



Highway Program: The Appalachian Development Highway System

Congress created the Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS) expressly to provide growth opportunities for the residents of Appalachia—the same benefits afforded the rest of the nation through the construction of the interstate highway system, which largely bypassed Appalachia because of the high cost of building roads through the Region's mountainous terrain. The ADHS, a 3,090-mile system of modern highway corridors that replaces a network of worn, winding two-lane roads, was designed to generate economic development in previously isolated areas, supplement the interstate system, and provide access to areas within the Region as well as to markets in the rest of the nation. (See the map of the ADHS on page 22.)

Authorizations for the ADHS in FY 2009 were provided through the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). SAFETEA-LU authorized \$470 million per year through FY 2009 for the ADHS. Portions of some ADHS corridors have been identified as high priority and will receive additional funding. Although the funds are authorized from the Highway Trust Fund, ARC exercises policy control over the system and the allocation of funds to individual states. This ensures that the governors and the federal co-chair continue to determine where and how the money is used on ADHS highways. Appendices A and C provide information on ADHS authorizations and funding.







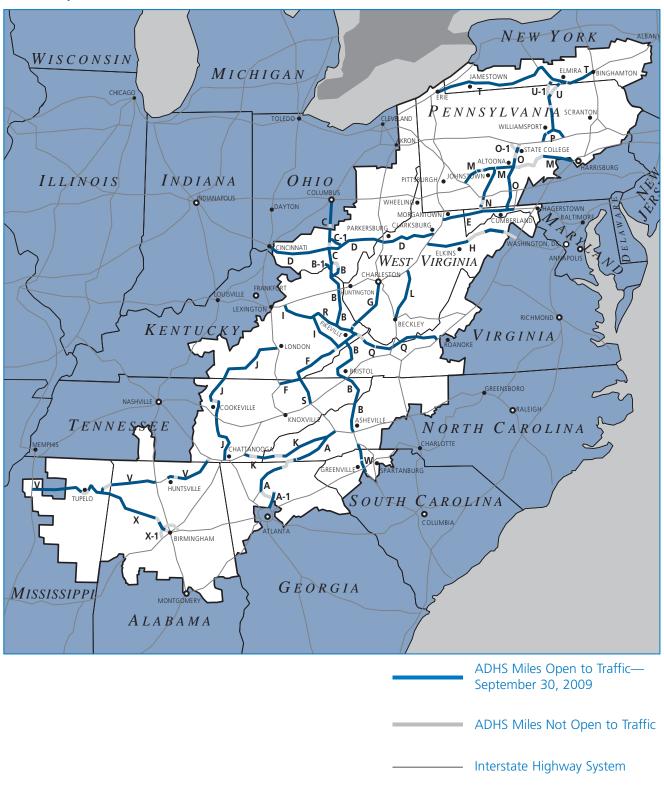
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Local Development Districts

ARC's statute underlines the importance of supporting local development districts (LDDs) in the Region. These multi-county planning and development organizations serve as local partners for ARC across the Region and are essential contributors in the development of projects and activities that support ARC's mission. Every county in the Region is served by an LDD.

Each LDD is governed by a board of directors composed of both local elected officials and nonelected individuals. Many of these state-chartered entities were originally created by state executive orders, but over half are now authorized in state legislation. Some also have 501(c)(3) nonprofit status, enabling

Appalachian Development Highway System as of September 30, 2009



them to access support from foundations and other nonpublic sources. The LDDs play four key roles in the development of the Region:

- Providing area-wide planning and program development, and coordination of federal and state funding sources;
- Assisting local governments in providing services, especially in poorer, more isolated communities;
- Promoting public-private partnerships and assisting in business development; and
- Helping communities assess, plan, and conduct a wide range of activities such as job training, business development, telecommunications planning and implementation, and municipal government support.

The Commission has also supported the training and technical assistance activities of the Development District Association of Appalachia (DDAA), an organization of the Region's LDDs. These activities improve member districts' organizational structure and operations, and their ability to effectively implement ARC's strategic plan and regional initiatives.

Appendix D provides a map and list of local development districts serving Appalachia.

Research and Technical Assistance Activities

ARC funds research and evaluation studies that produce specific information on socioeconomic and demographic conditions in the Region, including baseline data and trend analysis, economic impact analysis, project evaluation, and regional economic and transportation modeling. ARC-funded research focuses on strategic analyses of key economic, demographic, and quality-of-life factors that affect Appalachia's current and future development prospects. The aim of this research is to help policy makers, administrators, and staff target resources efficiently, and to provide high-quality research for the general public and research specialists.

ARC also funds project evaluations by outside researchers or consultants to assess whether Commission-funded projects have made a measurable difference in specific social or economic outcomes. The purpose of these evaluations is to determine the extent to which the projects have contributed to the attainment of economic development objectives identified in ARC's strategic plan. In addition, evaluations are used to verify project results and to assess the validity of specific performance measurements for monitoring and evaluating specific types of projects.

Reports and data products are distributed in print and posted on ARC's Web site at www.arc.gov.

Research completed or under way in 2009 includes:

- An analysis of oral health disparities and access to dental services in Appalachia;
- Energy training and management planning for water and wastewater treatment facilities;
- An evaluation of ARC's tourism and asset-based economic development projects;
- · An analysis of wind and solar manufacturing supply-chain opportunities in Appalachia; and
- An assessment of alternative measures for determining economically distressed counties in the Appalachian Region.

Impediments to Progress

Despite progress in some areas, Appalachia still does not enjoy the same economic vitality and living conditions as the rest of the nation. During the current recession, the Appalachian Region has been battered by job losses and structural economic changes. The Region's traditional industries, such as mining, manufacturing, textiles, and paper products, have faced intense global competition and are in decline. Population outmigration is among the worst in the nation. Central Appalachia in particular still battles economic distress, with concentrated areas of poverty, unemployment, poor health, and severe educational disparities.

The Region's isolation and its difficulty in adapting to economic changes over past decades are major factors contributing to the gap in living standards and economic achievement between the Region and the rest of the nation.

The role of the Commission is to help Appalachia reach parity with the rest of the nation. In an era of global competition, that requires a special emphasis on helping the people of Appalachia become a globally competitive workforce.

Civic Capacity

Civic capacity is vital for communities to be strategically ready to take advantage of economic opportunities. Weakness in civic capacity in Appalachia has inhibited the broad citizen involvement, local strategic planning, and collaboration that are necessary for a sense of empowerment and civic engagement. Low levels of percapita private foundation funding have contributed to the lack of support for civic capacity, particularly the low rates of formation and survival of community-based nonprofit organizations in the Region.

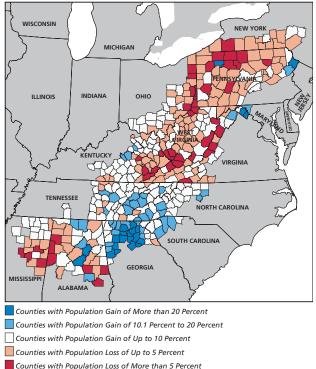
Economic and Demographic Shifts

A rising number of Appalachian counties are experiencing net population loss, and, as a result, there is continuing concern about the decline in Appalachia's "prime age" workforce—workers between the ages of 25 and 55. Net population loss occurred in 179 counties between 2000 and 2008, compared with 83 counties in the period 1990–2000.

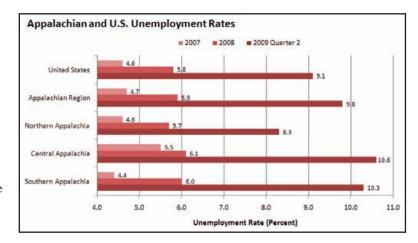
The Appalachian Region has been battered by job losses and structural economic shifts because of global competition and the Region's reliance on declining industries such as coal mining and manufacturing.

- Population growth in Appalachia between 2000 and 2008 was 5.0 percent, compared with 8.0 percent for the nation. Approximately 80 percent of Appalachian counties had a lower rate of population growth than the nation as a whole.
- At the end of 2009, approximately two-thirds of Appalachian counties had unemployment rates higher than the national average.
- The unemployment rate averaged 9.8 percent in Appalachia in the second quarter of 2009, compared with 9.1 percent for the nation as a whole.
- Of the 420 counties in Appalachia, only 11 registered positive employment growth from the second quarter of 2008 to the second quarter of 2009.
- Appalachia lost more than 14,000 jobs in high-tech manufacturing and information services between 2001 and 2006.
- During the current recession, the Region has lost 800,000 jobs, all the jobs gained since 2000.
- · Employment growth in Appalachia averaged only 0.8 percent per year during the economic expansion period of 2002-2007, compared with 1.2 percent per year for the nation as a whole.
- Per capita personal income was 20 percent lower in Appalachia than in the nation as a whole in 2007. This is true of average wages and salaries and average earnings as well.

Percent Change in Population in Appalachian Counties, 2000-2008 WISCONSIN



Data Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Population Division, 2008 Population Estimates,



Access to Capital and Credit

Access to capital and credit is essential to finance and nurture new and existing businesses and entrepreneurs. Chronic gaps in access to capital and credit have often stifled business formation in rural areas, including parts of Appalachia. Despite signs of progress, significant disparities continue to exist in small-business lending in Appalachia. Small-business lending is less accessible in Appalachia's non-metropolitan counties and in counties experiencing economic distress. In addition, the smallest businesses (those with assets under \$1 million) and businesses in low- and moderate-income communities experience the least access to credit.

Underinvestment

Research preceding the creation of ARC found that for many reasons, including dearth of leadership and lack of financial and technical resources, Appalachia had not been in a position to take advantage of many federal programs that could help mitigate long-standing problems, much less focus public investment on the areas of greatest need. The Appalachian Region receives far less federal investment per capita than the nation as a whole. Analyses of the *Consolidated Federal Funds Report for Fiscal Year 2007* found that per capita federal expenditures were 28.2 percent less in Appalachia than in the nation as a whole. In federal grants alone, the Region falls short of parity with the nation as a whole by \$5.4 billion each year.

Water and Wastewater Systems

Most Americans don't realize that access to basic water and wastewater systems remains a critical issue in many smaller, poorer communities in Appalachia. Twenty percent of Appalachian households are still not reached by community water systems, compared with 10 percent nationwide. Forty-seven percent of Appalachian households are not served by public sewer systems, compared with a national average of 24 percent. Appalachian counties require an investment of \$26 billion to \$40 billion for drinking water and wastewater system infrastructure needs, according to an ARC-funded study published in August 2005.

Small, rural Appalachian communities also face higher investment requirements to address pressing economic development needs while meeting environmental standards. Communities experiencing declining customer bases and low household incomes cannot rely on construction loans (and the resulting rate increases) to meet capital investment needs. The local ability to pay is particularly low in 184 Appalachian counties where the

per capita personal income is two-thirds of the national average or less. These communities need additional technical, managerial, and financial assistance to meet their future needs.

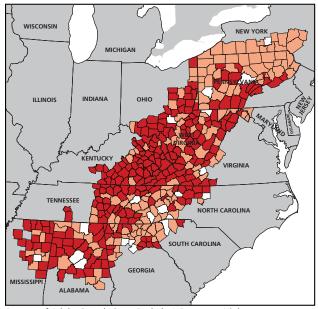
Telecommunications

The Appalachian Region continues to lag behind the rest of the nation in access to affordable broadband telecommunications, which is essential to today's commerce. Without special advocacy, technical support, and financial assistance, rural Appalachia will continue to struggle with access to affordable telecommunications services.

Education and Workforce Skills

Vigorous job growth will not occur in areas that lack an educated workforce. Global competition is reinforcing the economic premium on workers in knowledge-based industries, leaving low-skilled or unskilled U.S. workers increasingly vulnerable. ARC seeks to increase the employment rate and productivity of

Appalachian Counties with Low College Completion Rates



Percent of Adults Completing a Bachelor's Degree or Higher

- Counties below Half of the U.S. Average
- Counties between 50 and 99 Percent of the U.S. Average
- Counties at or above the U.S. Average

Data Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 3.

Appalachia's workers, and to attract educated and skilled workers to the Region. Doing so will require considerable improvement in both educational attainment and educational achievement at all levels.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the 30 fastest-growing occupations will require post-secondary educational attainment levels, special post-secondary certification, or moderate—to—short-term training. Many areas of the Region do not have the state-of-the-art equipment and/or the capacity to train the number of workers needed for these high-growth occupations.

In the last decade, the education attainment gap between Appalachia and the rest of the nation has widened: in 1990 the difference between the Region and the nation's share of adults with college degrees was 6.0 percentage points; in 2000 the gap widened to 6.8 percentage points.

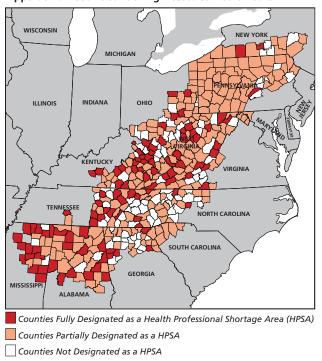
Health Care

Health problems continue to impede quality of life as well as economic prospects in some areas of the Region. More than two-thirds of the Region's counties are fully or partially designated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as health professional shortage areas. Most Appalachian counties have had difficulty attracting or retaining basic services such as dentistry, outpatient alcohol treatment, outpatient drug treatment, and outpatient mental health services. In addition, Appalachia suffers from disproportionately high rates of chronic diseases such as cardiovascular disease, cancer, and diabetes.

Program Assessment Rating Tool

In 2004, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) conducted its first review of the ARC program using the Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART) and issued a score of adequate. ARC received high scores for clarity of purpose, planning, and management. OMB noted

Appalachian Counties Lacking Access to Health Care



Data Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration, Bureau of Health Professions, November 2009.

ARC's progress in developing outcome-related measures, but acknowledged the difficulty of performance measurement since ARC co-funds projects with other agencies. ARC revised its metrics to include performance goals for targeting resources to areas of greatest distress, and for leveraging other public and private funds. The agency continues to share performance data and research to clarify the links between federal investment and community change. Part II of this report includes updates to PART information.

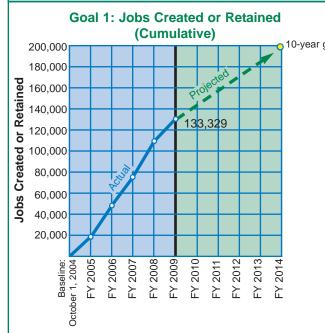
SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS

Performance Goals and Results for Fiscal Year 2009 Projects

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE GOALS	FISCAL YEAR 2009 INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	RESULTS ACHIEVED
Jobs and Income		
Outcome Goal: 20,000 jobs created or retained	21,183 jobs created or retained	Exceeded goal
Leveraging Goal: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 1	Achieved a 3:1 ratio	Met 75% of goal
Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of grant funds to benefit distressed counties or areas for projects in General Goal 1	Directed 47% of funds*	Met 94% of goal
Competitiveness		
Outcome Goal: 20,000 students/ trainees with improvements	23,764 students/trainees with improvements	Exceeded goal
Matching Goal: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non- ARC to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 2	Achieved a 1:1 ratio	Met goal
Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of grant funds to benefit distressed counties or areas for projects in General Goal 2	Directed 68% of funds*	Exceeded goal
Infrastructure		
Outcome Goal: 20,000 households served	25,981 households served	Exceeded goal
Matching Goal: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non- ARC to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 3	Achieved a 6:1 ratio	Exceeded goal
Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of grant funds to benefit distressed counties or areas for projects in General Goal 3	Directed 61% of funds*	Exceeded goal
Highways		
Outcome Goal: 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS opened to traffic	Opened 10.5 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic	Met 42% of goal

^{*} ARC exceeded its overall goal of investing 50% of total ARC nonhighway funds in projects that benefit distressed counties or areas. Project funds are included if the project primarily or substantially benefits distressed counties or areas.

Progress toward ARC Strategic Plan Ten-Year Performance Goals Fiscal Years 2005–2014



Ten-Year Performance Goal: 200,000 jobs will be created or retained.

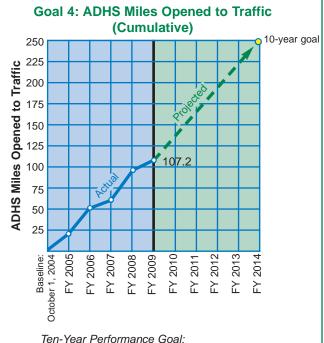
Goal 3: Households Served (Cumulative) 10-year goal 200,000 180,000 160,000 140,000 120,000 122.029 Households 100,000 80,000 60,000 40,000 20,000 2007 2010 2012 2011 FY 2008 FY 2009 Baseline: Ten-Year Performance Goal:

200,000 households will be served with new or

improved water and sewer infrastructure.



Ten-Year Performance Goal: 200,000 citizens will benefit from enhanced education and job-related skills.



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Financial Management System

In FY 2009 the Appalachian Regional Commission used a commercial off-the-shelf core accounting system, GLOWS, that is intended for government financial management. The GLOWS system incorporates capabilities to manage obligations, disbursements, the general ledger, and financial reporting. This system, however, is no longer considered a Financial Systems Integration Office–certified financial management system. During the fiscal year ARC awarded the GSA External Services Division a contract to perform the Commission's accounting and financial reporting beginning with fiscal year 2010.

ARC supplements the GLOWS system with a management information system, ARC.net, that provides real-time funding, grant status, and performance measurement information, as well as grant-related financial data, in an intranet environment available to staff and key state officials. ARC.net applications are built using an industry-standard programming language.

Management's Responsibility for Internal Control

ARC implemented a process for providing audited financial statements in fiscal year 2002, following the guidance of the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act of 2002. ARC, strictly speaking, is not a federal agency as defined in Titles 5 and 31 of the U.S. Code; it is a 501(c)(3) organization with a quasi-federal character. While the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act applies only to executive branch agencies, the Commission has elected to comply with OMB guidance because full disclosure of financial information is consistent with the governmental nature of ARC's mission and operations and its stewardship of public funds. ARC also follows OMB and Department of the Treasury financial reporting requirements, as appropriate.

The Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act of 1982 (FMFIA) represents sound management practice for managing federal appropriations. FMFIA establishes specific requirements with regard to management controls. The agency must establish controls that reasonably ensure that (1) obligations and costs comply with applicable law; (2) assets are safeguarded against waste, loss, unauthorized use, or misappropriation; and (3) revenues and expenditures are properly accounted for and recorded. In addition, the agency annually must evaluate and report on the control and financial systems that protect the integrity of federal programs. The FMFIA encompasses program, operational, and administrative areas as well as accounting and financial management. In addition, OMB Circular A-123 directs agencies to "take systematic and proactive measures to (1) develop and implement appropriate, cost-effective management controls for results-oriented management; (2) assess the adequacy of management controls in federal programs and operations; (3) identify needed improvements; (4) take corresponding corrective action; and (5) report annually on management controls." Management controls are the organizational structures, policies, and procedures used to help program and financial managers achieve results and safeguard the integrity of their programs.

ARC maintains a written plan of internal control development and testing. The agency's approach is to make management controls an integral part of the entire cycle of planning, budgeting, management, accounting, and auditing. Testing procedures are based on a team approach and are designed to provide feedback to management on a continuing basis throughout the cycle. ARC recognizes that an appropriate

balance of controls must exist in programs and operations. Managers should benefit from controls, not be encumbered by them. Too many controls, especially in an organization as small as the Commission, can result in inefficient and ineffective government. ARC strives to maintain an environment of accountability in which all employees help ensure that government resources are used efficiently and effectively to achieve intended program results with minimal potential for waste, fraud, and mismanagement.

The Office of Inspector General (OIG) conducts independent program reviews and audits. Weekly management team meetings provide an opportunity to address control issues. Finance staff conduct pre-payment examinations of approved payments, as well as oversight reviews of program account obligation and payment details. Finally, the annual financial audit of the agency provides independent assessments of the adequacy of internal controls. The internal control plan assigns responsibility within the organization for follow-up action on any deficiencies.

ARC is pleased to report that it received an unqualified opinion from its independent auditor, WithumSmith+Brown, on the fiscal year 2009 financial statements provided in this Performance and Accountability Report.

Management Follow-Up to Inspector General Recommendations

At the start of the fiscal year, ten OIG audit reports were open that needed to be addressed by ARC management. During fiscal year 2009, the OIG issued four additional reports related to financial statement activities, grantee activities, ARC's internal grant monitoring procedures, and internal controls. The total dollar value of grants and programs audited during fiscal year 2009 was approximately \$10 million. No costs were questioned as a result of OIG audit activities. By the end of the fiscal year, management decisions regarding two reports from 2006 involving \$351,875 in questioned costs were resolved.

The OIG worked closely with ARC staff to prepare for the production of audited financial statements, and served as an important resource for workshops and meetings in the field to promote sound financial management on the part of ARC grantees. The semi-annual reports of the ARC inspector general, along with contact information, are available to the public at www.arc.gov/oig.

Funding Waivers

As mentioned in the section "Appalachian Regional Commission Structure and Programs," the Commission restricts project funding for economically strong counties. Section 14526 of the Appalachian Regional Development Act authorizes the Commission to grant waivers under certain conditions. In FY 2009, no waivers were granted.

SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL STATUS

Part III of this Performance and Accountability Report includes information about the financial status of the Appalachian Regional Commission. In the unqualified opinion of ARC's independent auditor, WithumSmith+Brown, the financial statements included in that section fairly represent, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as of September 30, 2009, and ARC's net costs, changes in net position, and budgetary resources for the year ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and OMB Circular A-136. The financial statements taken together include all aspects of ARC, including the Office of the Federal Co-Chair, area development programs, and administrative/operational activities performed by the Commission.

Assets on September 30, 2009, totaled \$204.1 million, and liabilities totaled \$5.7 million. Seventy-nine percent of ARC's assets were in the United States Treasury. In addition, 14.5 percent, or \$29.5 million, represented Commission grant funds held by intermediary organizations in Appalachia for the operation of revolving loan funds promoting business development. The federal government retains a residual interest in the loan funds. ARC also advanced funds equaling \$12.3 million to three federal agencies for the purpose of servicing grants. Remaining assets are cash and advances to grantees.

Liabilities included \$3.5 million in accounts payable, \$1.6 million in accrued benefits and pension liability, \$626,729 in advances from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Endowment for the Arts, and \$31,012 in other agency transactions.

The net cost of operations for FY 2009 totaled \$67.7 million. The statement of changes in net position was broken down between an earmarked fund and all other funds. The earmarked fund represents the operating costs of the Commission, of which 50 percent is paid by ARC's congressional appropriation and 50 percent by the 13 Appalachian states. Commission operating costs exclude costs for the Office of the Federal Co-Chair and the Office of Inspector General, which are fully covered by congressional appropriations. The net position of the earmarked fund was \$981,356, and the consolidated net position was \$198.4 million.

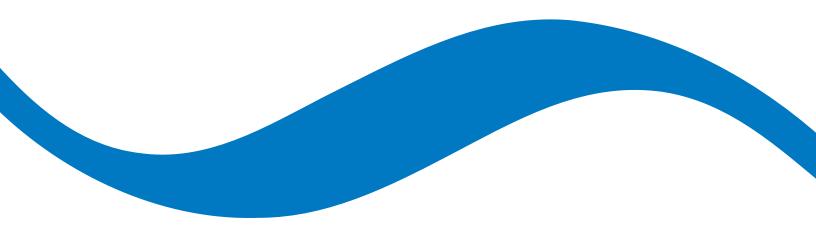
ARC receives most of its resources from congressional appropriations, which totaled \$75 million in FY 2009. In addition, ARC received \$3.762 million from the 13 member states to pay for the Commission's operating costs. The statement of budgetary resources reported net outlays of \$68.1 million. ARC incurred obligations of \$92.2 million in FY 2009 and has an unpaid obligated balance (net end of period) of \$132.6 million. Of FY 2009 obligations, \$80.0 million funded ARC's Area Development Program, \$7.2 million funded the Commission Trust Fund, and the remainder was directed to the Appalachian Development Highway System.

The Commission must rely on congressionally appropriated funds to continue its operations, make grants, and meet its liabilities.

Notes are attached to the financial statements to describe and explain important disclosure information about line items in the statements and related financial policies and programs.



PART II: FISCAL YEAR 2009 PERFORMANCE REPORT



INTRODUCTION

The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) requires all federal agencies to submit a report to Congress on actual program results at the end of each fiscal year. This report documents the Appalachian Regional Commission's (ARC) progress toward fulfilling its mission and goals. The report

- Compares ARC performance goals to estimated results reported by the projects of the 13 Appalachian states;
- Summarizes the findings of several ARC-initiated evaluations and project validation endeavors; and
- Describes unmet performance goals and explains why those goals were not met, and, if goals are impractical or infeasible, identifies steps to be taken to address the problem.

To meet GPRA requirements, ARC has defined performance measures and goals for all major ARC operations. In FY 2009, ARC

- Collected and entered state estimates of results for FY 2009 into a database as part of daily operations and project management;
- Validated results of a sample of projects funded in FY 2006 and FY 2007 through field visits and interviews with those managing the projects; and
- Conducted independent evaluations to ascertain the benefits of projects.

ARC uses performance data as a management tool to inform the management process. In addition, staff use ARC.net, ARC's management information system, to track critical project performance information. ARC staff review performance measurement data generated by projects throughout the fiscal year to analyze trends and validate data. ARC routinely shares such information with partners through "best practices" conferences and on-site validation visits with grantees. ARC's Policy Development Committee has also used research, evaluations, validation visits, and staff monitoring to develop and revise guidelines for program activities.

The four general goals from ARC's 2005–2010 strategic plan, *Moving Appalachia Forward*, were used to evaluate performance in FY 2009.

FY 2009 Outcome Goals and Intermediate Results		
ANNUAL OUTCOME GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	
20,000 Jobs Created or Retained	21,183 Jobs Created or Retained	
20,000 Students/Trainees with Improvements	23,764 Students/Trainees with Improvements	
20,000 Households Served	25,981 Households Served	
25 Additional Miles (Net Increase) of the ADHS Opened to Traffic	10.5 Additional Miles (Net Increase) of the ADHS Opened to Traffic	

The following sections of this report present an overview of the Appalachian Regional Commission, a list of ARC goals and objectives, a description of the methodology employed to monitor project outcomes in compliance with the GPRA, the estimated outcomes for projects funded in FY 2009 and each of the three prior fiscal years, and the results of project validation samplings and project evaluations.

OVERVIEW OF ARC

ARC's vision is that Appalachia will achieve socioeconomic parity with the nation.

ARC's mission is to be a strategic partner and advocate for sustainable community and economic development in Appalachia.

Organizational Structure

The Appalachian Regional Commission is a regional economic development agency representing a unique partnership of federal, state, and local governments designed to address local needs in Appalachia. ARC was established by an act of Congress and operates under congressional authorizations. In FY 2009, the president approved legislation that reauthorized the Commission for five years, through FY 2012, and added ten counties to the Region.

The Commission is composed of the governors of the 13 Appalachian states and a federal co-chair, who is appointed by the president. Grassroots participation is provided through multi-county local development districts, with boards made up of elected officials and other local public and private leaders. Each year Congress appropriates funds for the Commission's programs, which ARC allocates among its member states. At the beginning of their terms in office, Appalachian governors submit development plans for the Appalachian counties in their states. The Commission votes to approve these plans. The governors also submit annual strategy statements developed from the plans, and must select projects for ARC approval and funding based on these statements.

Project Funding

ARC funds more than 400 projects annually throughout the 13-state Appalachian Region. All of the projects must address one of the four goals in ARC's 2005–2010 strategic plan: increase job opportunities and per capita income in Appalachia to reach parity with the nation; strengthen the capacity of the people of Appalachia to compete in the global economy; develop and improve Appalachia's infrastructure to make the Region economically competitive; and build the Appalachian Development Highway System to reduce Appalachia's isolation. The Commission's strategic plan identifies the goal areas as the basic building blocks of sustainable economic development in the Region.

All projects are approved by a governor and by ARC's federal co-chair. ARC provides technical assistance to grantees in an effort to increase the likelihood that the project will be successful.

One of the key differences between ARC and typical federal executive agencies and departments is the flexibility given to the states in determining how their allocated funds will be spent. This flexibility exists within a framework: funds must be spent in counties designated as part of the Appalachian Region; projects must address one or more of the Commission's four goals; and a specified amount of the funds allocated to each state can be used only on projects that benefit counties and areas the Commission has designated as economically distressed.

GENERAL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

In accordance with its 2005–2010 strategic plan, ARC organizes its funding policies and administration around four goals to carry out its mission. Strategic objectives under each goal embody core ARC policies.

GENERAL GOAL 1: Increase Job Opportunities and Per Capita Income in Appalachia to Reach Parity with the Nation.

Strategic Objectives

- 1.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship
- 1.2: Diversify the Economic Base
- 1.3: Enhance Entrepreneurial Activity in the Region
- 1.4: Develop and Market Strategic Assets for Local Economies
- 1.5: Increase the Domestic and Global Competitiveness of the Existing Economic Base
- 1.6: Foster the Development and Use of Innovative Technologies
- 1.7: Capitalize on the Economic Potential of the Appalachian Development Highway System

Outcome measure: Number of jobs created or retained.

GENERAL GOAL 2: Strengthen the Capacity of the People of Appalachia to Compete in the Global Economy.

Strategic Objectives

- 2.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship
- 2.2: Enhance Workforce Skills through Training
- 2.3: Increase Access to Quality Child Care and Early Childhood Education
- 2.4: Increase Educational Attainment and Achievement
- 2.5: Provide Access to Health-Care Professionals
- 2.6: Promote Health through Wellness and Prevention

Outcome measure: Number of students/trainees with improvements.

GENERAL GOAL 3: Develop and Improve Appalachia's Infrastructure to Make the Region Economically Competitive.

Strategic Objectives

- 3.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship
- 3.2: Build and Enhance Basic Infrastructure
- 3.3: Increase the Accessibility and Use of Telecommunications Technology
- 3.4: Build and Enhance Environmental Assets
- 3.5: Promote the Development of an Intermodal Transportation Network

Outcome measure: Number of households served with new or improved water and/or sewer infrastructure, and number of jobs created or retained.

GENERAL GOAL 4: Build the Appalachian Development Highway System to Reduce Appalachia's Isolation.

Strategic Objectives

- 4.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship
- 4.2: Promote On-Schedule Completion of the Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS)
- 4.3: Coordinate Work on ADHS State-Line Crossings

Outcome measure: Net increase in the number of miles of the ADHS open to traffic.

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT METHODOLOGY

Overview of ARC's Performance Measurement System

ARC's performance measurement system was designed to accomplish two primary objectives: compliance with the GPRA in measuring the outcomes of ARC projects, and creation of a process that allowed for both feedback from grantees and analysis of funded projects, in an effort to improve programming.

ARC's performance measurement system has three components:

- Project data collection and analysis through use of an information management system;
- Site visits to validate actual outcomes of a sample of projects; and
- Independent project evaluations.

These three components work together to allow GPRA reporting and compliance and to help ARC glean "lessons learned" from previously funded grants. By structuring the measurement system in this manner, ARC has made the GPRA a management tool and a valuable resource in determining program effectiveness.

This report presents performance goal results for each of ARC's four general goal areas. It is important to note that two outcome measures cut across general goal areas. To simplify the reporting of these measures, results from each general goal area are totaled and reported under the general goal that most closely aligns with the outcome measure. For example, one of ARC's outcome measures is jobs created or retained. ARC measures results for jobs created or retained by projects funded under General Goals 1, 2, and 3. For clarity, this outcome measure is discussed, and results from all three general goal areas are reported, under General Goal 1: "Increase job opportunities and per capita income in Appalachia to reach parity with the nation."

Project Data Collection and Analysis

Annual Performance Goals and Measures

Each fiscal year, ARC submits to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) annual performance goals for projects to be funded in coming years, as required in the budget submission process. In determining these goals, ARC develops likely investment scenarios for the 13 Appalachian states, anticipating how each state will direct ARC funds in addressing the four general goal areas. The scenarios are based on state development plans, strategy statements, historical trends, and communication with the states. ARC uses these scenarios to project results; however, the states have flexibility in spending decisions, although all projects are reviewed and approved by the federal co-chair and must pursue one of ARC's four general goals. The states' spending flexibility is a critical element of the ARC federal-state partnership but poses challenges in setting performance goals. Each state's priorities will shift from year to year, occasionally producing unanticipated results.

Before FY 2005, ARC focused on assessing progress toward reaching outcome performance goals. As a result of OMB's 2004 review of the ARC program using the Program Assessment Rating Tool, ARC established measurements for assessing progress toward reaching two additional performance goals: (1) leveraging non-ARC project funding and private non-project investments resulting from the completion of ARC-funded projects, and (2) targeting ARC funds to benefit distressed counties and areas. ARC now measures progress in reaching all three performance goals. Both non-ARC funds used as a match in projects and non-project leveraged private investments have been recorded by ARC in the past; however, in FY 2005 ratios of these funds to ARC funding were established as annual goals.

To address reporting requirements, ARC reports results toward reaching these three performance goals in four program categories (jobs and income, competitiveness, infrastructure, and highways) that reflect priorities within the Commission's four general goals. Although the projects funded by ARC each year generate many more measures than those reported for GPRA compliance, the measures reported relate uniquely to ARC's four general goals and to its mission (see table on page 43).

Program Category One: Jobs and Income. The following measures are presented in General Goal 1.

1) Outcome Measures: The number of jobs created and the number of jobs retained.

"Jobs created" includes any direct hires that will be made as a result of the project's operation, not including highway or building construction jobs. Also included are private-sector jobs that will be created within three years after ARC-funded services or projects are complete. These jobs are usually related to additional investments in manufacturing plants and equipment, and retail and commercial real estate development. Part-time jobs are converted to full-time equivalents and rounded up to whole numbers.

"Jobs retained" refers to the number of workers actually enrolled in specific training programs, or to the number of jobs at businesses that will be retained because of an investment that is needed to keep the businesses and jobs in the area or in continued operation.

These two measures are combined and reported together as "jobs created/retained."

2) Leveraging Measure: The ratio of leveraged private investment (LPI) to ARC investment for all General Goal 1 projects.

LPI represents private-sector, non-project financial commitments that follow and are the result of the completion of an ARC-supported project or the delivery of services under an ARC-supported project. Leveraged private investment is a performance measurement because it is a desired outcome; and it represents the private investment supporting job creation. It is generally estimated for the three-year period following the completion of a project and is separate from any direct private contribution to ARC-supported project funding.

3) *Targeting Measure*: The percentage of nonhighway ARC funds used for projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.

Program Category Two: Competitiveness. The following measures are presented in General Goal 2.

1) *Outcome Measures:* The number of students with improvements and the number of workers/trainees with improvements.

"Students with improvements" is the number of students who, as a result of an ARC-funded project, receive a career credential or obtain a job in the field for which they were specifically trained, or are certified or passed to the next grade or level necessary to continue their education.

"Workers/trainees with improvements" is the total number of participants that obtain new employment or enhanced employment (e.g., receive higher pay or better positions) as a result of ARC-funded projects.

These two measures are combined and recorded together as "students/trainees with improvements."

2) Matching Measure: The ratio of non-ARC to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 2.

This ratio sets a goal for non-ARC matching project funds. Ratios showing the amount of ARC funding to other project investment sources help illustrate the impact ARC's relatively small, flexible grants can have in the Appalachian Region.

3) *Targeting Measure:* The percentage of nonhighway ARC funds used for projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.

Program Category Three: Infrastructure. The following measures are presented in General Goal 3.

1) Outcome Measure: The number of households served.

Infrastructure projects measured in this category include general water and/or sewer projects. "Households served" encompasses the number of households with either new or improved service.

2) Matching Measure: The ratio of non-ARC to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 3.

This ratio sets a goal for non-ARC matching project funds. Ratios showing the amount of ARC funding to other project investment sources help illustrate the impact ARC's relatively small, flexible grants can have in the Appalachian Region.

3) *Targeting Measure:* The percentage of nonhighway ARC funds used for projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.

Performance Report

Program Category Four: Highways. The following measure is presented in General Goal 4.

Outcome Measure: The net increase in the number of miles of the Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS) open to traffic.

Progress on the ADHS is measured by the net increase in the number of miles open to traffic each year. ARC also prepares a separate annual report, *Status of the Appalachian Development Highway System*, which provides detailed information on the portions of highways moving through the various stages of work in each Appalachian state, as well as an analysis of funding and remaining work.

Intermediate Results

Intermediate results presented in this report are derived from estimates in project applications, as reported by grantees. When projects are closed, actual results to date are recorded; however, some estimates are based on three-year projections. More accurate results are obtained when ARC staff validate a sample of projects two to three years after initial funding. The validity of final numbers is sampled during periodic project evaluations (see page 44).

Data Analysis

Critical data from projects submitted to ARC for funding are entered into the Commission's management information system, ARC.net, to facilitate monitoring of projects. At quarterly intervals throughout the fiscal year, ARC staff review performance measurement data in ARC.net to better understand emerging trends, improve data integrity, and shape policy to improve the ARC programs. At the close of each fiscal year, ARC staff review results and prepare the data for submission to OMB and Congress.

ARC Performance Measurement Framework Fiscal Year 2009

COMPETITIVENESS

JOBS AND INCOME

Category

Program

Strengthen the capacity of to compete in the global

Outcome Goal 2005-2010:

the people of Appalachia economy.

citizens with enhanced educa-Provide 120,000 Appalachian tion/skills.

Outcome Goal: Position 20,000 Appalachians for enhanced Performance Goals

Outcome Goal: Create or retain

Performance Goals

20,000 jobs for Appalachians.

PERFORMANCE

ratio of non-ARC project funding Matching Goal: Achieve a 1:1 to ARC project funding. employability.

ment (non-project investment) to

ARC project funding.

ratio of leveraged private invest-

FY 2009

Goals

Leveraging Goal: Achieve a 4:1

grant funds to projects that ben-Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of efit distressed counties or areas.

grant funds to projects that ben-

efit distressed counties or areas.

Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of

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Key Strategies and Activities:

Key Strategies and Activities:

Increase employability by identifying and replicating exemplary worker skills, science/math edu with other organizations, and providing funding leadership. Focus on college-going rates, high school completion rates. cation, school readiness, and projects, expanding alliances Address health access issues.

NFRASTRUCTURE

Appalachia's infrastructure economically competitive. Develop and improve to make the Region

water/sewer services to 120,000 Outcome Goal 2005-2010: Provide new or improved nouseholds.

Performance Goals

households with basic infrastruc-Outcome Goal: Provide 20,000 Matching Goal: Achieve a 2:1 ture services.

ratio of non-ARC project funding

grant funds to projects that ben-Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of efit distressed counties or areas. to ARC project funding.

Key Strategies and Activities:

advocacy, knowledge sharing, emphasizing clean water and basic infrastructure projects, Seek highly leveraged and telecommunications infracollaborative funding for waste disposal. Expand and targeted funding. structure through

HIGHWAYS

Development Highway Build the Appalachian Appalachia's isolation. System to reduce

(net increase) of the ADHS to Outcome Goal 2005-2010: Open 150 additional miles raffic.

tional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic. Outcome Goal: Open 25 addi-Performance Goal

Key Strategy:

close cooperation with state and Work to complete the ADHS in **Frust Fund financing becomes** federal partners as Highway available.

preneurship development and Promote economic diversificasharing, training, and cooperregional forums, information ative funding. Target entretion through advocacy,

ACCOUNTABILITY

ousiness support.

Appalachia to reach parity

with the nation.

and per capita income in

ncrease job opportunities

Six-Year

Goals

Create or retain 120,000 jobs

Outcome Goal 2005-2010:

Performance Report

Project Validation

Staff validation visits, confirming actual project outcomes, have become a critical part of ARC's GPRA compliance. As a general rule, in each fiscal year ARC validates the outcomes of 40 to 60 projects funded two to three years earlier. The two- or three-year lag allows time for most projects to be completed, resulting in a more accurate sampling of outcomes.

The validation visits performed by ARC staff yield far more than project outcomes. Grantees are asked a series of questions aimed at providing insight into why their projects were or were not successful in reaching their stated outcomes. This feedback allows ARC to better understand the consequences of its programming and make policy or procedural changes as the need arises.

In situations where a project failed to meet proposed goals, ARC staff consider mitigating circumstances and look for possible trends in an effort to assist other projects faced with similar challenges. Likewise, when a project has exceeded proposed goals, ARC staff attempt to determine why. Analyses from the validation visits are compiled in an annual internal report.

Project Evaluations: Final Results

Another critical component of ARC's GPRA compliance is independent or external evaluation of ARC initiatives and sub-programs. Evaluations confirm both the outcomes and the overall effectiveness of projects. Evaluations focus on the extent to which the projects have achieved, or contributed to the attainment of, their objectives. Particular emphasis is placed on assessing the utility and validity of the outcome measures. The findings of these project evaluations are summarized and made available to state and local organizations engaged in carrying out projects under the four general goals in ARC's strategic plan, and are typically published on ARC's Web site. Summaries of recent evaluations are included in this report under each general goal area.

GENERAL GOAL 1: INCREASE JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND PER CAPITA INCOME IN APPALACHIA TO REACH PARITY WITH THE NATION.

In partnership with other agencies, ARC will help local and state leaders diversify local economies, support entrepreneurship, increase domestic and global markets, and foster new technologies in order to address job shifts throughout the Region. In addition, ARC will encourage local leaders to build on the opportunities presented by Appalachian Development Highway System corridors and to examine natural, cultural, structural, and leadership assets that can create job opportunities while preserving the character of the Region's communities.

Strategic Objective 1.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship. This objective supports selected strategies including broad-based leadership, collaboration, partnerships, regional initiatives, strategic planning, training, and consultation.

Strategic Objective 1.2: Diversify the Economic Base. This objective supports selected strategies including development of new businesses and products, modernization and strengthening of existing businesses and their workforce, and increasing awareness of available economic development tools.

Strategic Objective 1.3: Enhance Entrepreneurial Activity in the Region. This objective supports selected strategies including access to investment capital, entrepreneurship training, and technical assistance for businesses.

Strategic Objective 1.4: Develop and Market Strategic Assets for Local Economies. This objective supports selected strategies including identifying local and regional assets, creating strategies for local businesses to capitalize on these assets, and specifically maximizing economic benefits of heritage tourism and craft industries.

Strategic Objective 1.5: Increase the Domestic and Global Competitiveness of the Existing Economic Base. This objective supports selected strategies including research in global and domestic development, aiding small businesses in connecting to national and global markets, and promoting foreign investment in the Region.

Strategic Objective 1.6: Foster the Development and Use of Innovative Technologies. This objective supports selected strategies including expansion and creation of high-tech operations and research, increased support for public-sector science and technology programs, and commercialization of new technologies.

Strategic Objective 1.7: Capitalize on the Economic Potential of the Appalachian Development Highway System. This objective supports selected strategies including strategic planning and development initiatives along completed and future sections of the ADHS, and promoting cooperation between highway and economic development officials.

Per Capita Income

While ARC sets a performance goal for increasing job opportunities in Appalachia, addressing increases in per capita income resulting directly from specific projects is much more difficult. For this reason, ARC depends on tracking trends in per capita market income, as well as on census poverty measures and comparisons between the Appalachian Region and the nation.

ARC uses an index-based county economic classification system to identify and monitor the economic status of Appalachian counties. The system compares each county in the nation with national averages on three economic indicators: three-year average unemployment rates, per capita market income, and poverty rates. Each county is then ranked, and each Appalachian county is classified in one of five economic status designations—distressed, at-risk, transitional, competitive, or attainment—based on its position in the national ranking.

- Distressed counties are those that rank in the worst 10 percent of the nation's counties.
- *At-Risk counties* rank between the worst 10 percent and the worst 25 percent of the nation's counties.
- Transitional counties rank between the worst 25 percent and the best 25 percent of the nation's counties.
- *Competitive counties* rank between the best 10 percent and the best 25 percent of the nation's counties.
- Attainment counties are those that rank in the best 10 percent of the nation's counties.

In FY 2009, 81 counties were designated distressed, 81 were designated at-risk, 232 were designated transitional, 19 were designated competitive, and 7 were designated attainment.

Performance Goals and Results

General Goal 1 is aligned with the annual performance goals listed under the program category "jobs and income." (See page 43.)

Outcome Goal

ARC's strategic plan describes the major outcome measure for the "jobs and income" program category as the number of jobs created or retained. Because General Goal 1 is most closely aligned with the annual performance goals listed under the "jobs and income" program category, results for "jobs and income" projects from General Goals 1, 2, and 3 are reported under this goal. "Jobs created or retained" is an outcome measure under all three goals. This measure is referred to as "jobs created/retained."

Annual outcome goal for FY 2009: Create/retain 20,000 jobs for Appalachians.

Results for FY 2009: Exceeded goal.

Outcome Goal: Create/Retain 20,000 Jobs for Appalachians		
ANNUAL OUTCOME GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	
FY 2006: 20,000 Jobs Created/Retained	FY 2006: 28,866 Jobs Created/Retained	
FY 2007: 20,000 Jobs Created/Retained	FY 2007: 28,642 Jobs Created/Retained	
FY 2008: 20,000 Jobs Created/Retained	FY 2008: 35,292 Jobs Created/Retained	
FY 2009: 20,000 Jobs Created/Retained	FY 2009: 21,183 Jobs Created/Retained	

Leveraging Goal

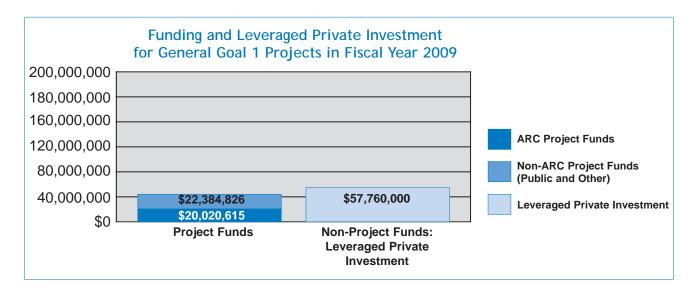
The leveraging performance goal for General Goal 1 projects is a ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment.

Annual leveraging goal for FY 2009: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment.

Results for FY 2009: Met 75% of goal. Due to the economic downturn, leveraged private investment was lower than usual.

Leveraging Goal: Achieve a 4:1 Ratio of Leveraged Private Investment to ARC Investment		
ANNUAL LEVERAGING GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	
FY 2006: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment.	FY 2006: Achieved a 7:1 ratio.	
FY 2007: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment.	FY 2007: Achieved a 10:1 ratio.	
FY 2008: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment.	FY 2008: Achieved a 7:1 ratio.	
FY 2009: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment.	FY 2009: Achieved a 3:1 ratio.	

In FY 2009, ARC's General Goal 1 grant funds of \$20,020,615 attracted non-project leveraged private investment of \$57,760,000, and \$22,384,826 in matching project funds from public and other sources.



Targeting Goal

The targeting performance goal for General Goal 1 projects is the percentage of funds targeted to distressed counties or areas.

Annual targeting goal for FY 2009: Direct 50 percent of all ARC grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.

Results for FY 2009: In FY 2009, 59 percent of all ARC nonhighway project funds were directed to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas. ARC tracks the percentage of funds targeted to distressed counties separately in General Goals 1, 2, and 3 for management purposes only.

Targeting Goal: Direct 50 Percent of General Goal 1 Grant Funds to Distressed Counties or Areas		
ANNUAL TARGETING GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES*	
FY 2006: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2006: Directed 46% of General Goal 1 funds.	
FY 2007: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2007: Directed 45% of General Goal 1 funds.	
FY 2008: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2008: Directed 49% of General Goal 1 funds.	
FY 2009: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2009: Directed 47% of General Goal 1 funds.	

^{*} Includes projects that primarily benefit distressed counties or areas, and projects where most beneficiaries of the project are in distressed counties or areas.

Project Validation Sampling

In FY 2009, members of ARC's field validation team surveyed twenty-seven FY 2006 and FY 2007 projects with goals for jobs created/retained to compare estimated and actual results.

Number of Projects Surveyed	Projected Number of Jobs Created/Retained	Actual Number of Jobs Created/Retained	Results Achieved
27	10,139	12,118	120%

As shown above, the projects surveyed achieved 120 percent of projected results for jobs created/retained.

Project Evaluation: Final Results

Entrepreneurship

In FY 2008, the Appalachian Regional Commission issued the report *Creating an Entrepreneurial Appalachian Region: Findings and Lessons from an Evaluation of the ARC's Entrepreneurship Initiative 1997–2005*, prepared by the Rural Policy Research Institute (RUPRI), the RUPRI Center for Rural Entrepreneurship, EntreWorks Consulting, and RTI International. The report evaluated ARC's Entrepreneurship Initiative (EI) in terms of both outcomes achieved by a sample of funded projects and broader policy impacts across the Region.

As identified through project final reports submitted to ARC, the EI led to the creation of at least 9,156 jobs, the retention of a further 3,022 jobs, the formation of 1,787 new businesses, and the provision of services to 8,242 businesses. The cost per job created was \$4,693, which compares favorably with other economic development efforts.

From 1997 to 2005, the EI made investments in 340 unique projects across the Region at an average investment of \$3.3 million per state and a per capita investment of \$1.82. The EI investment in projects that were completed as of 2005 leveraged an additional \$72.8 million in private investment. When all the projects in the study have been completed, the leveraging figure is expected to rise to \$109.9 million.

A sample of 88 projects was selected for in-depth investigation of outcomes. Additional metrics were reported for these projects, including the following: more than 11,500 students and teachers participated in or received training in entrepreneurship education projects; 1,500 entrepreneurs took part in sector-focused activities; and another 1,620 entrepreneurs received training and technical assistance.

Performance Report

The evaluation team assessed the qualitative impacts of the sample projects through interviews with project leaders familiar with the investments, and from regional stakeholders and entrepreneurship experts with deep experience both in the Region and in entrepreneurship development. Common themes identified were that ARC EI investments

- raised the profile of entrepreneurship as a development strategy in the Region;
- provided start-up funding for innovative projects;
- leveraged additional resources that helped some projects achieve scale and impact;
- facilitated networking and collaboration among practitioners; and
- helped change attitudes, particularly among youths and their teachers.

The evaluation team offered three sets of recommendations for ARC:

- Entrepreneurship development initiatives should include assessments of existing capacity and
 capacity-building activities as part of the project design; they should be designed with a focus on
 the long term; they should be market driven and practice continuous improvement; and they
 should emphasize forming regional partnerships and collaborations.
- The use of job creation as the sole performance measurement for entrepreneurship development investments paints an incomplete picture of the outcomes, and should be replaced by a set of metrics designed for entrepreneurship projects.
- ARC's "regional initiative" process should be regularized so that state program managers can
 more effectively plan for and promote the use of the resources; ARC should apply its proven
 experience to developing and delivering effective, regionwide education programs that help make
 the case for entrepreneurship as a core economic development strategy; and ARC should invest
 long-term in a "next generation entrepreneurship innovation initiative" using lessons learned from
 the original EI and building on its momentum.

Tourism and Asset-Based Development

In FY 2007, Regional Technology Strategies (RTS) undertook a program evaluation of ARC's tourism, cultural heritage, and asset-based development projects. The evaluation will verify project outcomes and assess the utility and validity of specific performance measurements for monitoring and evaluating these types of projects; and will identify future policy options, reporting concerns, and lessons learned. RTS has completed examinations of approximately 100 tourism, cultural heritage, and asset-based development projects through surveys, interviews with ARC staff and stakeholders in the 13 Appalachian states, and visits to selected sites. A draft report of the evaluation was completed in 2009 and will be finalized in 2010.

Capacity Building

In FY 2004, the Appalachian Regional Commission issued the report *Evaluation of the Appalachian Regional Commission's Community Capacity–Building Projects*, prepared by the Westat Corporation. The purpose of the evaluation was to assess factors associated with successful capacity–building projects and to recommend a range of performance measures that could be used to document the impact of successful initiatives. One hundred projects were examined in the study, all of which were funded by ARC between 1995 and 2003. Total ARC funding for the projects was roughly \$7 million. The report's evaluation includes both quantitative and qualitative findings on outcomes, based on multiple sources (i.e., documentary evidence, interviews, and case studies) and incorporated lessons learned about community capacity building, including studies conducted by various foundations, private nonprofits, academic researchers, and federal agencies. Findings of the study are summarized below.

Findings: Most (70 percent) of the 179 outcomes proposed by interviewed projects were successfully achieved. Of the remaining outcomes, 9 percent had not been achieved, 10 percent were still open, and 11 percent lacked information on attainment.

Recommendations: ARC application materials for community capacity–building projects should provide information and examples to help applicants execute and document their approach and outcomes more accurately; ARC should work more closely with applicants during this process. In addition, ARC should provide grantees with written materials on data collection and analysis practices.

GENERAL GOAL 2: STRENGTHEN THE CAPACITY OF THE PEOPLE OF APPALACHIA TO COMPETE IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY.

ARC will continue to support local efforts to make all of the Region's citizens productive participants in the global economy. The Commission's focus will be to address a range of educational issues, such as workforce skills, early childhood education, dropout prevention, and improved college attendance; and health issues, such as the recruitment and retention of health-care professionals in areas with documented shortages and the promotion of better health through wellness and prevention measures. In addition, ARC will develop partner-ships with other organizations to address the high incidence of life-threatening diseases in the Region.

Strategic Objective 2.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship. This objective supports selected strategies that include collaboration between businesses and training institutions, youth civic education and participation, and community dialogue on local health issues.

Strategic Objective 2.2: Enhance Workforce Skills through Training. This objective supports selected strategies including new and innovative workforce training and vocational education, and modernization and expansion of existing programs.

Strategic Objective 2.3: Increase Access to Quality Child Care and Early Childhood Education. This objective supports selected strategies including access to, and expansion of, early childhood education programs, and access to quality child care.

Strategic Objective 2.4: Increase Educational Attainment and Achievement. This objective supports selected strategies including preparation for post-secondary-level training, expansion of the Appalachian Higher Education Network, and programs for dropout prevention and increasing the college-going rate.

Strategic Objective 2.5: Provide Access to Health-Care Professionals. This objective supports selected strategies including access to health-care programs, the J-1 Visa Waiver Program, health-care professional training programs, and primary-care systems.

Strategic Objective 2.6: Promote Health through Wellness and Prevention. This objective supports selected strategies including promotion of nutrition, physical activity, and early screening; and programs that promote healthy lifestyles, and help eliminate drug and/or alcohol abuse.

Performance Goals and Results

General Goal 2 is aligned with the annual performance goals listed under the program category "competitiveness." (See page 43.)

Outcome Goal

The outcome goal for the "competitiveness" program category is the number of citizens in the Region that have been positioned for enhanced employability through education or job-related skills. The outcome measure for this goal is students/trainees with improvements. Because General Goal 2 is most closely aligned with the annual performance goals listed under the "competitiveness" program category, results for "competitiveness" projects from General Goals 1, 2, and 3 are reported under this goal. "Competitiveness" is an outcome measure under all three goals. This outcome measure combines the measures "students with improvements" and "workers/trainees with improvements," and is referred to as "students/trainees with improvements."

Annual outcome goal for FY 2009: Position 20,000 Appalachians for enhanced employability.

Results for FY 2009: Exceeded goal.

Outcome Goal: Position 20,000 Appalachians for Enhanced Employability		
ANNUAL OUTCOME GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	
FY 2006: 20,000 Students/Trainees with Improvements	FY 2006: 17,578 Students/Trainees with Improvements	
FY 2007: 20,000 Students/Trainees with Improvements	FY 2007: 20,876 Students/Trainees with Improvements	
FY 2008: 20,000 Students/Trainees with Improvements	FY 2008: 20,432 Students/Trainees with Improvements	
FY 2009: 20,000 Students/Trainees with Improvements	FY 2009: 23,764 Students/Trainees with Improvements*	

^{*} FY 2009 estimate does not include one large-scale project that will provide books for 14,286 preschoolers.

Matching Goal

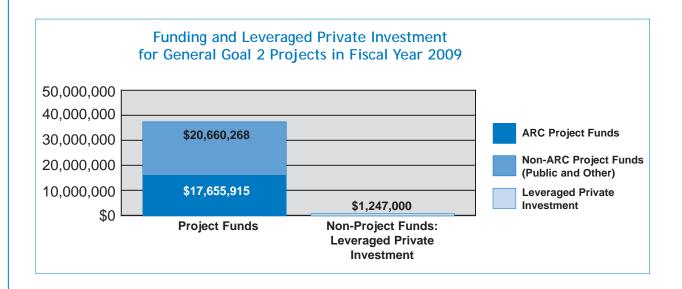
The matching performance goal for General Goal 2 projects is the ratio of non-ARC project matching funds to ARC investment.

Annual matching goal for FY 2009: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non-ARC matching funds to ARC investment.

Results for FY 2009: Met goal.

Matching Goal: Achieve a 1:1 Ratio of Non-ARC Matching Project Funds to ARC Investment		
ANNUAL MATCHING GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	
FY 2006: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2006: Achieved a 2:1 ratio.	
FY 2007: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2007: Achieved a 2:1 ratio.	
FY 2008: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2008: Achieved a 2:1 ratio.	
FY 2009: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2009: Achieved a 1:1 ratio.	

In FY 2009, ARC General Goal 2 grant funds of \$17,655,915 attracted \$20,660,268 in matching project funds from public and other sources and \$1,247,000 in non-project leveraged private investment.



Targeting Goal

The targeting performance goal for General Goal 2 projects is the percentage of funds targeted to distressed counties or areas.

Annual targeting goal for FY 2009: Direct 50 percent of all ARC grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.

Results for FY 2009: In FY 2009, 59 percent of all ARC nonhighway project funds were directed to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas. ARC tracks the percentage of funds targeted to distressed counties separately in General Goals 1, 2, and 3 for management purposes only.

Targeting Goal: Direct 50 Percent of General Goal 2 Grant Funds to Distressed Counties or Areas		
ANNUAL TARGETING GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES*	
FY 2006: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2006: Directed 71% of General Goal 2 funds.	
FY 2007: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2007: Directed 75% of General Goal 2 funds.	
FY 2008: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2008: Directed 66% of General Goal 2 funds.	
FY 2009: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2009: Directed 68% of General Goal 2 funds.	

^{*} Includes projects that primarily benefit distressed counties or areas, and projects where most beneficiaries of the project are in distressed counties or areas.

Project Validation Sampling

In FY 2009, members of ARC's field validation team surveyed twenty-two FY 2006 and FY 2007 projects funded under General Goal 2 to compare estimated and actual results.

Number of Projects Surveyed	Projected Number of Students/Trainees with Improvements	Actual Number of Students/Trainees with Improvements	Results Achieved
22	4,807	4,926	103%

As shown above, the projects surveyed achieved 103 percent of projected results for students/trainees with improvements.

Project Evaluation: Final Results

Vocational Education and Workforce Training

In FY 2002, the Appalachian Regional Commission issued the report *Evaluation of the Appalachian Regional Commission's Vocational Education and Workforce Training Projects*, prepared by the Westat Corporation. The study examined 92 projects started and completed during the 1995–2000 period. This sample constituted about one-third of the project universe during the period, after adjusting for continuation projects. A mail survey collected data on project implementation, monitoring, and impact. In addition, five case study site visits were conducted. A two-tier sample of projects was developed to assess the impact before and after full implementation of ARC's performance measurement system in FY 2000. Tier 1 selected 67 projects from the 1995–1999 period; Tier 2 selected 25 projects funded in 2000.

Types of Performance Measured

- Skills obtained; e.g., projects helped participants improve basic skills, academic skills, vocational skills, or employability habits.
- Individual employment gains; e.g., projects helped laid-off workers or underemployed workers obtain new work; helped those without full-time job experience gain initial full-time jobs; helped employed individuals increase skills, responsibilities, wages, and position.

Project Outcomes

- Forty-five percent of the Tier 1 (1995–1999) projects achieved all of their objectives; 27 percent achieved all but one objective.
- Only 9 percent (six projects) achieved fewer than half of their objectives.
- The vast majority of projects had quantifiable outcome measurements, but a higher proportion of the Tier 2 (2000) projects had clear and quantifiable outcomes.

Education

A March 2006 evaluation of the ARC–Oak Ridge National Laboratory Math-Science-Technology Summer Institute by the Academy for Educational Development assessed the effectiveness of the program in encouraging more Appalachian high school students to continue their studies beyond high school and to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering, and math. It also assessed how the program helped participating high school teachers raise the level of math, science, and technology instruction in their schools. The findings are based on data collected from eight groups of participants attending the summer institute between 1997 and 2004.

The study found that participation in the summer institute influenced 24 percent of students to take more science classes and 22 percent to take more math classes when they returned to high school. Slightly more than half the students reported that their summer institute experience reinforced prior decisions about the science and math courses they had already chosen to take. Students also reported that the summer institute had reinforced their intention to go to college and reduced some of the barriers. Ninety-six percent of the student participants who had graduated from high school at the time of the survey had continued their formal education beyond high school, with more than half receiving degrees in science, technology, engineering, or math fields. Of the 23 students who attended the institute in 1997 and 1998, all reported attending college: 26 percent had attended college but had not earned a bachelor's degree, 39 percent had earned a bachelor's degree, and 35 percent had earned a bachelor's degree and begun graduate work.

Participating teachers reported that they had incorporated activities and approaches learned at the summer institute into their classrooms: 77 percent reported that they drew on the experience for explanations and examples; 52 percent reported that they drew on the experience for classroom demonstrations; and 50 percent reported that they had incorporated new knowledge into their lab experiments.

In fiscal year 2001, ARC issued the report *Evaluation of the Appalachian Regional Commission's Educational Projects*, by the Westat Corporation, which assessed the implementation and impact of 84 education projects funded by ARC during the 1990s. The study examined the type of activities projects used to enhance learning opportunities, the extent to which these activities were implemented, the accomplishments associated with

these activities, and whether or not the projects were able to sustain themselves beyond the ARC grant period. Of particular interest was the extent to which projects achieved the outcomes set forth in their original proposals to ARC. In addition, site visits were conducted at eight projects that had successfully provided community residents with a new or enhanced educational service.

Types of Performance Measured

- Increased educational attainment; e.g., increased high school completion rates, increased collegegoing rates.
- Increased economic well-being; e.g., improved job skills, increased wages.
- Increased family/individual well-being; e.g., improved family stability.
- · Reduced barriers; e.g., decreased student behavior problems, increased access to educational support.

Project Outcomes

Study findings indicate that most of the projects in the study reached those segments of Appalachia that are most economically disadvantaged or geographically isolated. Most projects were successful in achieving or exceeding the outcomes they set forth in their original requests for ARC support (just under half met expectations and nearly one-third achieved more than planned). Thirteen percent achieved less than planned.

College-Going Rates

In FY 2007, the University of Kentucky completed a report on college-going and perseverance rates in Appalachia that analyzed school-level data on college-going rates and college-going plans for schools participating in the Appalachian Higher Education (AHE) Network, and for non-participating schools in peer counties in the same Appalachian states. In addition, it examined national evaluations of similar programs in order to benchmark regional outcomes. The findings show that AHE Network results mirror national trends. It should be noted that privacy concerns prevented the contractors from being able to conduct student-level analysis.

ARC launched the AHE Network in FY 1999 to raise the levels of educational attainment in Appalachia. The network provides funding, training, and assistance to participating high schools for programs to encourage students to obtain a post-secondary education. From October 1998 to June 2009, 53,900 high school seniors were served by AHE Network centers. In FY 2009, centers operated in Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.

GENERAL GOAL 3: DEVELOP AND IMPROVE APPALACHIA'S INFRASTRUCTURE TO MAKE THE REGION ECONOMICALLY COMPETITIVE.

ARC will address the lack of adequate water and sewer systems and telecommunications systems and services in the Region, and will build partnerships to address the critical issue of intermodal connections to improve access to global markets.

Strategic Objective 3.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship. This objective supports selected strategies including building capacity to address infrastructure challenges, partnerships and regional efforts, local community infrastructure projects, and strategic planning for capitalizing on ADHS economic development opportunities.

Strategic Objective 3.2: Build and Enhance Basic Infrastructure. This objective supports selected strategies including strategic investments to leverage other funding for water and wastewater systems and expansion of safe, affordable housing stock.

Strategic Objective 3.3: Increase the Accessibility and Use of Telecommunications Technology. This objective supports selected strategies including strategic telecommunications infrastructure, information technology training, e-commerce, telemedicine, and combining telecommunications development with other public infrastructure development.

Strategic Objective 3.4: Build and Enhance Environmental Assets. This objective supports selected strategies including brownfield redevelopment in industrial areas and redevelopment of mine-impacted land, eco-industrial development, and planning and development policies promoting good stewardship of natural resources.

Strategic Objective 3.5: Promote the Development of an Intermodal Transportation Network. This objective supports selected strategies including intermodal economic development studies, inland port location analysis, regional forums, and organizational development to support intermodal connectivity.

Performance Goals and Results

General Goal 3 is aligned with the annual performance goals listed under the program category "infrastructure." (See page 43.) All projects with these annual performance goals are in General Goal 3.

Outcome Goal

The strategic plan describes the performance measure for the "infrastructure" program category as the number of citizens served. The major outcome measure used in this category is the number of households served with new or improved water or sewer infrastructure. The outcome measure for General Goal 3 projects is referred to as "households served."

Annual outcome goal for FY 2009: Provide 20,000 households with basic infrastructure services.

Results for FY 2009: Exceeded goal. In addition to the numbers recorded below, in FY 2009 ARC funded water storage tank construction and improvement projects that will serve a total of 30,898 households; water and sewer plant upgrades that will serve 99,020 households; and an upgrade for a wholesale water supplier serving 14 individual water systems that will serve 30,577 households.

Outcome Goal: Provide 20,000 Households with Basic Infrastructure Services		
ANNUAL OUTCOME GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES*	
FY 2006: 20,000 Households Served	FY 2006: 30,148 Households Served	
FY 2007: 20,000 Households Served	FY 2007: 23,107 Households Served FY 2008: 21,538 Households Served	
FY 2008: 20,000 Households Served		
FY 2009: 20,000 Households Served	FY 2009: 25,981 Households Served	

^{*}Intermediate estimates do not include households served by ARC-funded water storage tank construction and improvement projects.

Matching Goal

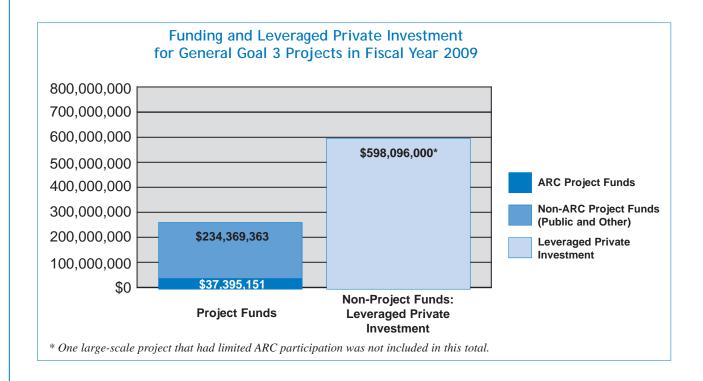
The matching performance goal for General Goal 3 projects is the ratio of non-ARC project matching funds to ARC investment.

Annual matching goal for FY 2009: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non-ARC matching funds to ARC investment.

Results for FY 2009: Exceeded goal.

Matching Goal: Achieve a 2:1 Ratio of Non-ARC Matching Project Funds to ARC Investment		
ANNUAL MATCHING GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	
FY 2006: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2006: Achieved a 5:1 ratio.	
FY 2007: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2007: Achieved a 5:1 ratio.	
FY 2008: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2008: Achieved a 4:1 ratio.	
FY 2009: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non-ARC matching project funds to ARC investment.	FY 2009: Achieved a 6:1 ratio.	

ARC FY 2009 General Goal 3 grant funds of \$37,395,151 attracted \$234,369,363 in matching project funds from public and other sources, and \$598,096,000* in non-project leveraged private investment.



Targeting Goal

The targeting performance goal for General Goal 3 projects is the percentage of funds targeted to distressed counties or areas.

Annual targeting goal for FY 2009: Direct 50 percent of all ARC grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.

Results for FY 2009: In FY 2009, 59 percent of all ARC nonhighway project funds were directed to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas. ARC tracks the percentage of funds targeted to distressed counties separately in General Goals 1, 2, and 3 for management purposes only.

Targeting Goal: Direct 50 Percent of General Goal 3 Grant Funds to Distressed Counties or Areas			
ANNUAL TARGETING GOAL INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES*			
FY 2006: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2006: Directed 70% of General Goal 3 funds.		
FY 2007: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2007: Directed 65% of General Goal 3 funds.		
FY 2008: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2008: Directed 64% of General Goal 3 funds.		
FY 2009: Direct 50% of grant funds to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas.	FY 2009: Directed 61% of General Goal 3 funds.		

^{*} Includes projects that primarily benefit distressed counties or areas, and projects where most beneficiaries of the project are in distressed counties or areas.

Project Validation Sampling

In FY 2009, members of ARC's field validation team surveyed nine FY 2006 and FY 2007 projects funded under General Goal 3 to compare estimated and actual results.

Number of Projects Surveyed	Projected Number of Households Served	Actual Number of Households Served	Results Achieved
9	15,345	15,472	101%

As shown above, the projects surveyed achieved 101 percent of projected results for households served.

Project Evaluation: Final Results

Infrastructure and Public Works

In FY 2007, the Brandow Company and Economic Development Research Group completed the ARC report Evaluation of the Appalachian Regional Commission's Infrastructure and Public Works Program Projects, 2006. The evaluation examined a sample of 104 completed ARC infrastructure projects that had been funded between 1998 and 2004, including industrial parks and other industrial sites, access roads, business incubators, water and sewer systems, housing, and telecommunications. The sample projects represent 25 percent of the completed infrastructure projects that had been funded during this period. Of the 104 projects sampled, 78 were non-residential economic development projects; 22 were community development projects, including residential water and sewer projects; and four were housing projects. The number of infrastructure projects funded during this period accounted for about 49 percent of ARC area development projects.

Findings of the evaluation included the following:

- Jobs. The sampled projects, which received \$29.4 million in ARC funding, directly produced 17,795 new jobs and retained 9,580. In addition, an estimated 25,341 new jobs were created by the indirect effects of the project. ARC funds created an average of one new direct job for every \$1,652 of ARC investment. On average, industrial parks created 1,086 jobs per project; commercial water and sewer improvements created 304 jobs per project; business incubators created 271 jobs per project; telecommunications created 230 jobs per project; and access roads created 212 new jobs per project.
- *Personal Income*. The jobs created or retained by these projects led to an increase of \$638 million annually in new wages for the jobs created directly by the projects, \$325 million annually in wages for retained jobs, and another \$692 million in wages from indirect jobs.
- *Tax Revenue*. The new projects yield \$13.3 million per year in state income tax revenue, \$16.5 million per year in state and local sales tax revenue, and \$14.2 million per year in local property tax revenue. The total of annual state income tax and local property tax revenue almost equals the amount of the ARC investment.
- Private Investment. The new projects have leveraged total private-sector investment of \$1.7 billion: \$947 million in direct private non-project investment and \$753 million in induced non-project private investment.

Water and Sewer Infrastructure Gaps Study

In August 2005, ARC issued the report *Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure in Appalachia: An Analysis of Capital Funding and Funding Gaps* by the University of North Carolina Environmental Finance Center. This report analyzes the conditions of water and wastewater services in the Appalachian Region and attempts to assess the financial requirements and strategies available to improve the quality of drinking water and wastewater services in the Region, particularly in the areas that face chronic economic distress and clear deficiencies in these services. The analyses are based on major data sources compiled by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the U.S. Geological Survey, and the U.S. Census Bureau, as well as private creditrating agencies. In addition, detailed case studies are developed to examine specific community-level services, issues, and practices.

The analysis shows that, on average, community water systems in distressed counties have greater needs per person served (\$497) than systems in non-distressed counties (\$191–\$353). Based on an analysis of EPA needs-survey data, communities in Appalachia report approximately \$26 billion in water and wastewater

infrastructure needs. However, there is ample evidence that communities will actually have to pay far more than this to ensure services that meet basic public health and environmental standards since the estimate does not include the additional funds needed to address operation and maintenance costs or the thousands of substandard and failing individual wells and on-site sanitation systems (septic systems to straight pipes). Including these other factors could raise the total capital needs to the range of \$35 billion to \$40 billion.

The study also demonstrates that needs identified by the EPA's *Clean Watersheds Needs Survey* were significantly and positively related to the distribution of water and wastewater infrastructure funding in Appalachia. The relationship between funding distributions and National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System compliance violations was significant and positive. Likewise, the relationships between funding distributions and waterborne diseases were significant and positive. The relationship between septic system density and funding, although significant, was negative; on average, counties with higher densities of septic systems received less public funding than counties with lower densities of septic systems. This latter finding is likely attributable to a fundamental characteristic of infrastructure funding: it tends to flow to communities with existing large public systems.

GENERAL GOAL 4: BUILD THE APPALACHIAN DEVELOPMENT HIGHWAY SYSTEM TO REDUCE APPALACHIA'S ISOLATION.

Some of the Region's most persistent economic problems stem from geographic isolation brought about by mountainous terrain. The Appalachian Development Highway System (ADHS) was designed to connect Appalachia to the national interstate system and provide access to areas within the Region as well as to markets in the rest of the nation. The strong partnership of ARC, the U.S. Department of Transportation (U.S. DOT), and state departments of transportation will continue to oversee the planning and construction of the Appalachian Development Highway System. ARC will work to identify and overcome barriers to the timely completion of the ADHS.

Strategic Objective 4.1: Foster Civic Entrepreneurship. This objective supports selected strategies including local and multi-jurisdictional forums to reduce barriers to completion of the ADHS and collaboration among state departments of transportation, the U.S. DOT, and other state and federal agencies involved in economic development.

Strategic Objective 4.2: Promote On-Schedule Completion of the ADHS. This objective supports selected strategies including working with federal and state DOTs to identify and overcome barriers in the location-study and design phases, supporting efforts to obligate the maximum amount of the annual appropriation for ADHS construction, accelerating construction of final phases, and promoting development that preserves cultural and natural resources of the Region while enhancing economic opportunity.

Strategic Objective 4.3: Coordinate Work on ADHS State-Line Crossings. This objective supports selected strategies including coordination of technical information, funding disbursements, and construction scheduling between adjoining states to complete state-line crossings of ADHS corridors.

Performance Goal and Results

General Goal 4 is aligned with the annual performance goal listed under the program category "highways." (See page 43.)

Outcome Goal

The strategic plan describes the outcome measure in the program category "highways" as the net increase in the number of miles of the ADHS open to traffic. The outcome measure for General Goal 4 projects is referred to as "net increase in the number of miles of the ADHS open to traffic."

Annual outcome goal for FY 2009: Open 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.

Result for FY 2009: Met 42% of goal. Construction schedules are often delayed by weather, environmental conditions, or traffic issues. Currently, 109.2 miles of the ADHS are under construction and are expected to open within five years. ADHS highway miles are opened by section, as each section is completed; some sections contain more miles than others. The sections opened in FY 2009 contained a total of 10.5 miles of highway. ARC expects to open ADHS sections containing a larger number of miles within the 2011–2015 timeframe.

At the end of FY 2009, a total of 2,585.4 miles, or 83.7 percent, of the 3,090 miles authorized for the ADHS were open to traffic; 109.2 more were under construction; 122.0 miles were in the final design or right-of-way acquisition phase; and 273.5 were in the location study phase.

Outcome Goal: Open 25 Additional Miles (Net Increase) of the ADHS to Traffic			
ANNUAL OUTCOME GOAL	INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES		
FY 2006: Open 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.	FY 2006: Opened 30.8 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.		
FY 2007: Open 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.	FY 2007: Opened 11.1 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.		
FY 2008: Open 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.	FY 2008: Opened 35.5 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.		
FY 2009: Open 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.	FY 2009: Opened 10.5 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic.		

Project Validation Sampling

The ADHS program is not funded through ARC's appropriation. Therefore, ARC validation visits are not performed on the ADHS. Instead, ARC staff prepare a status report each year on the development of the ADHS based on information from the Federal Highway Administration and state departments of transportation.

Project Evaluation: Final Results

ADHS Economic Impact

In October 2006, Economic Development Research Group completed the study *The Impact of Highway Investments on Economic Growth in the Appalachian Region, 1969–2000: An Update and Extension of the Twin County Study.* The report updated the 1995 "twin county" study by Andrew Isserman and Terance Rephann, which found statistically significant differences in economic growth rates between Appalachian counties and their non-Appalachian counterparts during the years 1965 to 1991, and also found that counties served by the Appalachian Development Highway System had higher rates of income, population, and percapita income growth than similar non-Appalachian counties. The new study extended the analysis to the year 2000 and assessed whether the amount, characteristics, and timing of ADHS investments can explain some of the differences in economic outcomes. The study, which used survey-based data, showed that there is a robust statistical link between ADHS investments and differential income and earnings growth between Appalachian counties and similar non-Appalachian counties.

A key finding of the study was that Appalachian counties with open ADHS segments had higher income growth than their twin counties, with the ADHS counties posting 200 percent more income growth over the 1969–2000 period. In comparison, income growth for all Appalachian counties during the period was 131 percent higher than income growth in the non-Appalachian twin counties.

Performance Report

The overall performance during this period of the Appalachian counties studied, however, should not mask the struggles that some areas of the Region have experienced: performance of the northern Appalachian counties lagged behind the non-Appalachian twins', and, across the Region, the performance of smaller metropolitan areas fell far behind their non-Appalachian counterparts'.

In 1998, ARC published a research report undertaken by Wilbur Smith Associates to conduct a comprehensive study of the economic benefits of the ADHS. *Appalachian Development Highways Economic Impact Studies* focused on the contributions of completed portions of 12 corridors within the highway system. The portions studied totaled 1,417.8 miles and traversed 165 counties. The objective of the study was to quantify regionally specific economic development impacts (as measured by jobs, wages, and value added) as well as impacts on travel efficiencies. The study found that the completed sections of the 12 corridors had created jobs (an estimated net increase of 16,000 jobs by 1995) and showed a solid return on investment (\$1.18 in travel-efficiency benefits and \$1.32 in economic benefits gained for each dollar invested in construction and maintenance). The study concluded that the ADHS can take credit for highway-related growth in Appalachia and demonstrated that the completed portions of the ADHS have been a good investment.

In FY 2008, Cambridge Systematics completed a report on the economic impact of completing the Appalachian Development Highway System. The work included building a regional travel demand model to estimate travel demands, as well as user benefits, that would be realized by the completion of ADHS corridors and the resulting network improvements in moving goods and people to, from, within, and across the Region. Analysts estimated user benefits for freight, commuting, tourism, and other business and non-business traffic; then, using these data, estimated the regional economic development benefits from the enhanced competitive position of industry in the Region, increased roadside business and tourism, increased transportation reliability, and increased commuting areas, as well as national benefits due to congestion relief. The study also developed several types of benefit-cost assessments, including an overall assessment of regional travel efficiency and economic development benefits, as well as national efficiency benefits.

SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS

Performance Goals and Results for Fiscal Year 2009 Projects

ANNUAL PERFORMANCE GOALS	FISCAL YEAR 2009 INTERMEDIATE ESTIMATES	RESULTS ACHIEVED
Jobs and Income		
Outcome Goal: 20,000 jobs created or retained	21,183 jobs created or retained	Exceeded goal
Leveraging Goal: Achieve a 4:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 1	Achieved a 3:1 ratio	Met 75% of goal
Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of grant funds to benefit distressed counties or areas for projects in General Goal 1	Directed 47% of funds*	Met 94% of goal
Competitiveness		
Outcome Goal: 20,000 students/ trainees with improvements	23,764 students/trainees with improvements	Exceeded goal
Matching Goal: Achieve a 1:1 ratio of non-ARC to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 2	Achieved a 1:1 ratio	Met goal
Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of grant funds to benefit distressed counties or areas for projects in General Goal 2	Directed 68% of funds*	Exceeded goal
Infrastructure		
Outcome Goal: 20,000 households served	25,981 households served	Exceeded goal
Matching Goal: Achieve a 2:1 ratio of non-ARC to ARC investment for projects in General Goal 3	Achieved a 6:1 ratio	Exceeded goal
Targeting Goal: Direct 50% of grant funds to benefit distressed counties or areas for projects in General Goal 3	Directed 61% of funds*	Exceeded goal
Highways		
Outcome Goal: 25 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS opened to traffic	Opened 10.5 additional miles (net increase) of the ADHS to traffic	Met 42% of goal

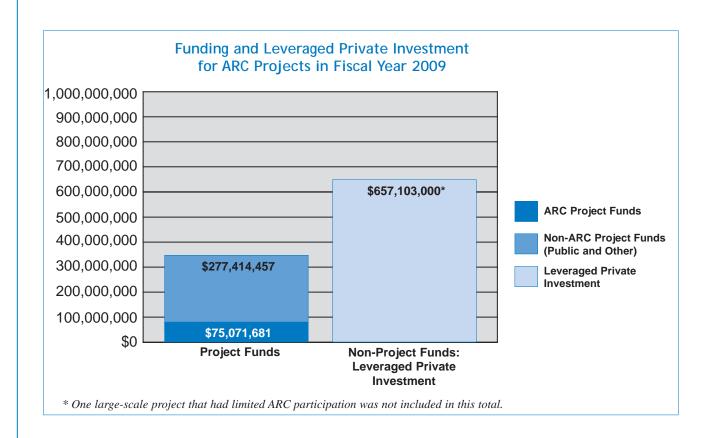
^{*} ARC exceeded its overall goal of investing 50% of total ARC nonhighway funds in projects that benefit distressed counties or areas. Project funds are included if the project primarily or substantially benefits distressed counties or areas.

Investment Summary for FY 2009 Projects

LEVERAGING, MATCHING, AND TARGETING SUMMARY for All ARC Nonhighway Projects Fiscal Year 2009			
Leveraged private investment	\$657,103,000*	9:1 ratio of leveraged private investment to ARC investment	
Non-ARC matching project funds	\$277,414,457	4:1 ratio of non-ARC project investment to ARC project investment	
ARC project funds targeted to distressed counties or areas	\$44,107,753**	59% of total ARC project funds directed to projects that benefit distressed counties or areas	

^{*} One large-scale project that had limited ARC participation was not included in the calculations for this ratio.

^{**} Project funds are included if the project primarily or substantially benefits distressed counties or areas.



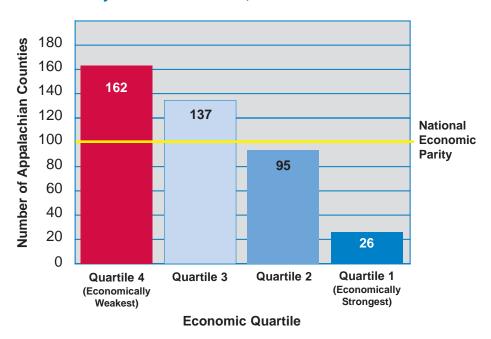
MEASURING PROGRESS TOWARD THE ARC VISION

ARC's overall vision for Appalachia is for the Region to achieve socioeconomic parity with the nation. One way to measure progress of the Region toward this vision is to look at the economic status of Appalachian counties in comparison with all counties nationwide.

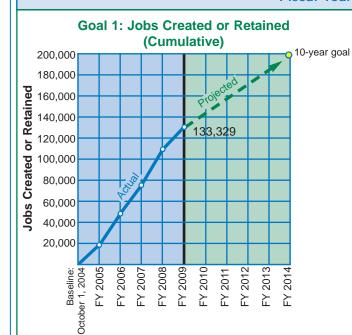
In order to provide a single unified measure of regional progress and economic change, ARC developed an index to track improvement over time. Drawing on the three variables ARC uses annually to determine the economic status of the Region's 410 counties, staff developed a national composite index of distress. The three variables (three-year annual unemployment, per-capita market income, and decennial poverty rates) are applied to each county in the nation and compared with national averages. The resulting values are summed, averaged, and ranked to create four quartiles with approximately equal number of counties in each group.

Using this index, ARC can compute annually the number of Appalachian counties in each quartile, as well as an overall regional index value. This can be directly compared with the national index value to measure progress. In addition, progress can be clearly measured by reductions in the number of Appalachian counties in the worst quartile. As the figure below shows, despite a large reduction in the number of distressed counties in Appalachia over the past several years, the Region continues to have a disproportionately high number of counties with underperforming economies and a smaller share of counties with strong economies, compared with the rest of the nation.

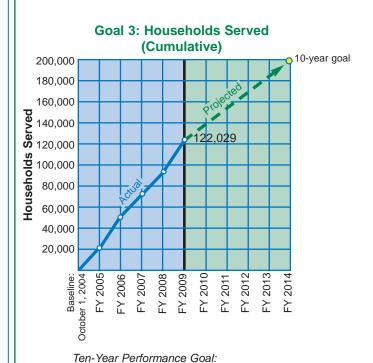
Number of Appalachian Counties by Economic Quartile, Fiscal Year 2009



Progress toward ARC Strategic Plan Ten-Year Performance Goals Fiscal Years 2005–2014

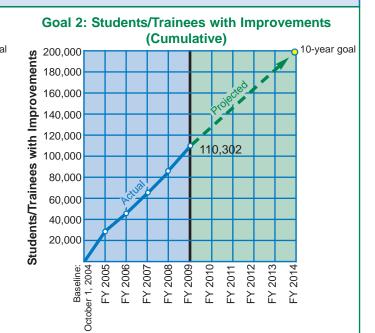


Ten-Year Performance Goal: 200,000 jobs will be created or retained.

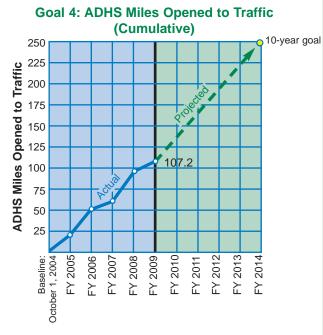


200,000 households will be served with new or

improved water and sewer infrastructure.



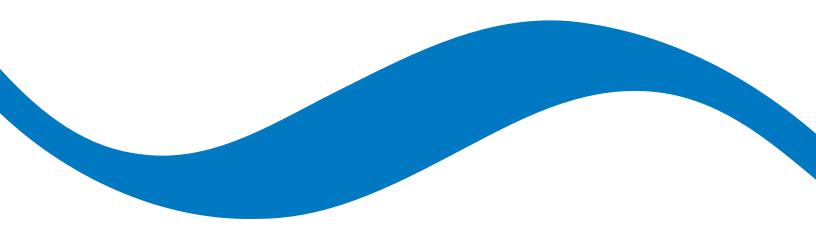
Ten-Year Performance Goal: 200,000 citizens will benefit from enhanced education and job-related skills.



Ten-Year Performance Goal: 250 additional miles (net increase) of the Appalachian Development Highway System will be opened to traffic.



PART III: FISCAL YEAR 2009 FINANCIAL REPORT





Message from the Executive Director

The executive director of the Appalachian Regional Commission is appointed by the federal co-chair and the governors of the 13 member states to be the chief executive officer of the organization, a responsibility that includes financial management. ARC recognizes its responsibility to demonstrate to the American public that it exercises proper stewardship of the public resources entrusted to it. The financial statement in this Performance and Accountability Report fairly presents the financial position of ARC.

I am very pleased to report that WithumSmith+Brown, the independent auditor of ARC's financial statement for 2009, has rendered an unqualified opinion about the adequacy of the statement. The independent audit was performed in cooperation with the Office of Inspector General (OIG).

The Commission maintains clearly written financial management guidelines governing accounts, payments, procurement, administration, and travel policy. The guidelines are provided to all staff and are reviewed at least annually and are amended to reflect changes in policy or revised procedures resulting from tests of internal controls.

On behalf of the entire Commission, I pledge a continued commitment to promptly address all financial management issues that need further attention and to maintain the strengths the Commission has achieved.

Thomas M. Hunter Executive Director

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June 8, 2010

Report of Independent Audit



APPALACBIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION

A Proud Past, A New Vision Office of Inspector General

June 8, 2010

Memorandum for: The Federal Co-Chair

ARC Executive Director

Subject: OIG Report 10-05

Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009 Financial Statement Audits

The enclosed report presents the results of the audit of the Commission's financial statements for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008 and 2009. The report should be read in conjunction with the Commission's financial statements and notes to fully understand the context of the information contained therein.

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm of WithumSmith+Brown (WSB) to audit the financial statements of the Commission as of and for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2008 and 2009. The contracts required that the audits be conducted in accordance with U.S. generally accepted government auditing standards and OMB audit guidance. ARC's Office of Inspector General monitored audit activities to help ensure audit quality.

The following results were noted from WSB's audit of ARCs financial statements for the Fiscal Year Ended, September 30, 2009.

- WSB expressed an unqualified opinion on ARC's financial statements and reported that they
 were presented fairly in all material respects, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted
 accounting principles.
- WSB was not contracted for and did not provide an opinion on the effectiveness of ARC's
 internal controls. However, WSB did state that they did not identify any deficiencies in
 internal control that were considered to be material weaknesses,* relative to their expressing
 an opinion on ARC's financial statements.
- Two significant deficiencies were reported. One was related to the Department of Transportation's failure to timely correct recordkeeping errors previously identified** and the other was related to ARC's controls over its information systems.

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^{*} A material weakness is a condition that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Commission's internal controls.

^{**} This significantly contributed to ARC's failure to meet OMB's reporting deadline.

WSB did not express an opinion on compliance with laws and regulations, but noted no
instances of non-compliance with laws or regulations required to be reported under the
provision of OMB Bulletin 07-04.

In connection with the contract, we reviewed WithumSmith+Brown's report and related documentation and inquired of its representatives. Our involvement in the audit process consisted of monitoring of audit activities, reviewing auditor independence and qualifications, attending meetings, participating in discussions, and reviewing audit planning and conclusion workpapers and reports. Our review, as differentiated from an audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted government auditing standards, was not intended to enable us to express, and we do not express, opinions on the Appalachian Regional Commission's financial statements, conclusions about the effectiveness of internal control, or conclusions about compliance with laws and regulations. WithumSmith+Brown is responsible for the attached auditor's report dated May 7, 2010 and the conclusions expressed in the report. However, our review disclosed no instances where WithumSmith+Brown did not comply, in all material respects, with U.S. generally accepted government auditing standards.

Clifford H. Jennings Inspector General

Attachment

cc: Director, Finance and Administration Division

 Report	
APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSI	ON
Financial Statements	
September 30, 2009 and 2008	
With Independent Auditors' Report	

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Commission Members Appalachian Regional Commission Washington, D.C.

In our audit of the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) for the fiscal year (FY) 2009, we found:

- The financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally
 accepted accounting principles;
- ARC made significant progress in addressing FY 2008 issues and accordingly only two significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting remained open in FY 2009; and
- no instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations were found.

The following sections discuss each of these conclusions in more detail.

Opinion on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of ARC as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and the related statements of net cost, changes in net position, and budgetary resources for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and OMB Bulletin 07-04, *Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements*. The financial statements are the responsibility of ARC's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

Except as discussed in the following paragraph, we conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

ARC, a parent agency, was unable to obtain documentation supporting the funds transferred to the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), its child agency as of September 30, 2008. In addition, DOT was unable to provide a detailed schedule supporting its ARC grant balances. As a result, we were not able to satisfy ourselves as to the amounts reported in the FY 2008 financial statements related to DOT grants.

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In our opinion, except for the effects on the FY 2008 financial statements of such adjustments, if any, as would have been determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves about the matters discussed in the third paragraph in this section, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Appalachian Regional Commission as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, and its net costs, changes in net position, and budgetary resources for the years then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

The information in Management's Discussion and Analysis and Required Supplementary Stewardship Information sections are not a required part of the financial statements, but is supplementary information required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and OMB Circular A-136. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The information in the Message from the Federal Co-Chair, Performance Report, Other Accompanying Information and Appendices are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not required as part of the financial statements. This information has not been subjected to auditing procedures, and accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our work, we considered ARC's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for developing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of ARC's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not provide an opinion on the effectiveness of ARC's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by ARC's internal control.

Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described above and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above. Exhibits I and II presents the status of the prior year material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

ARC management is responsible for complying with laws and regulations applicable to the agency. We are responsible for performing tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws and regulations that have a direct and material effect on the financial statements and certain other laws and regulations specified in OMB Bulletin No. 07-04. Providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our tests of compliance with laws and regulations disclosed no instances of non-compliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* or OMB Bulletin No. 07-04.

We noted certain other matters that we have reported to the Commission Members and management of ARC in a separate letter dated May 7, 2010.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of ARC's management, the Office of Management and Budget, the Government Accountability Office, and the U.S. Congress, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

May 7, 2010

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Exhibit I

Status of Prior Year Material Weaknesses and Significant Deficiencies (Current Year Significant Deficiencies)

Dries Vees Condition	As Reported at	Status as of			
Prior Year Condition Lack of Full	September 30, 2008 Material Weakness: ARC was unable	September 30, 2009 Changed to a Significant Deficiency:			
Implementation of Parent/Child Reporting Requirements	to verify the integrity of the child agency data or gain an understanding of the internal controls in place related to these allocated funds. Because of ARC's inability to verify the integrity of the data, ARC management was not in a position to take responsibility for and to make representations concerning the fair presentation of the child agency data. Although ARC had been able to obtain financial information from its child agencies and to verify the data, DOT's inability to provide detailed support for its grants balances resulted in a qualified opinion on ARC's FY 2008 financial statements.	ARC continues to make progress in addressing child agency reporting deficiencies noted in the prior years. In FY 2009, ARC had ongoing issues with financial information provided by the Department of Transportation (DOT). The errors that were corrected on ARC's records through our prior year audit were not corrected by DOT in a timely manner. Because this issue was not resolved until February 2010, the issuance of this report was delayed.			
Weaknesses in IT General Controls	Significant Deficiency: During our FY 2008 audit, we noted that ARC has not yet performed a detailed risk assessment, which would help ARC assess the likelihood and impact of potential vulnerabilities, so that ARC can better determine how to allocate and prioritize its limited resources. This risk assessment should then drive how ARC will address the control weaknesses we identified in our audit, and help decide the most cost effective ways to reduce the associated risks. Also, during FY 2008, we performed certain tests over ARCs IT general controls impacting its key financial and support systems. The two primary systems we focused on are the GLOWS accounting system and the ARCNET grants management system. We identified the following specific areas where the controls are not in place or not operating effectively: 1) security management; 2) access controls; 3) configuration / change management; 4) segregation of duties; and 5) contingency planning.	Remains a Significant Deficiency. ARC continued to make progress during FY 2009 to improve and upgrade the management of its information systems and either completed or began work in many key areas of implementation in correcting deficiencies noted in prior years. Some of the key activities began or completed in FY 2009 include: 1) completion of an information system security categorization; 2) initiation of a detailed risk assessment; 3) implementation of a virtualized environment; 4) migration to a new network security firewall appliance; 5) implementation of a new VPN system; 6) training of ARC employees on security awareness; and 7) implementation of a power management system. However, at the end of FY 2009, the following specific areas still remain where controls were not yet in place or not operating effectively: 1) security management; 2) access controls; 3) configuration/change management; 4) segregation of duties; and 5) contingency planning. ARC has taken steps to improve each of these five areas, most notably, the implementation of an accounting service provider (GSA) beginning in FY 2010 to replace the GLOWS accounting system,			

Prior Year Condition	As Reported at September 30, 2008	Status as of September 30, 2009
		which was a source of many of these deficiencies. The evaluation of the controls related to the new accounting system and service provider will occur during the FY 2010 audit. As a result of these control weaknesses, ARC is subject to the risk that data could be accessed, transmitted or manipulated by unauthorized personnel and the risk that systems could become unstable or unavailable.
		The specific nature of these weaknesses and the associated details has been communicated in a separate letter to the Commission Members and management due to the sensitive nature and the potential misuse of this information.
		There were no new weaknesses identified in FY 2009 that were not also reported in our FY 2008 audit.

Exhibit II

Prior Year Significant Deficiencies and Non-Compliance with Significant Laws and Regulations

	As Reported at	Status as of
Prior Year Condition	September 30, 2008	September 30, 2009
Controls Over Compliance with Federal Reporting Requirements Not Fully Implemented	Significant Deficiency: There was a deficiency related to reporting information required by OMB Circular A-136. ARC accounting staff prepared a reconciliation of budgetary and proprietary data; however, ARC still has difficulty reconciling its proprietary with its budgetary data which resulted in a \$1.2 million unexplained difference at year-end.	No longer considered a Significant Deficiency. This issue has moved to the Management Letter. Going forward ARC will no longer prepare the reconciliation. As of October 1, 2009, ARC moved its accounting function to GSA's shared services. GSA will enter ARC's financial transactions, generate the financial statements (including the reconciliation of the proprietary to the budgetary), and submit ARC's SF-224 and FACTS II Reports.
Lack of Adequate Grant Accrual Methodology	Significant Deficiency: To record a grant accrual as of September 30, 2008, ARC collected all the financial reports received from the grantees from October 1, 2008 through February 15, 2009 (4 ½ months after the end of the fiscal year). ARC did not have an effective process to record grant accruals on a quarterly basis which resulted in an understatement of its liabilities and expenses on the interim and year-end financial statements provided to OMB.	No longer considered a Significant Deficiency. This issue has moved to the Management Letter. ARC has developed a reasonable methodology to estimate their accrual and will continue with an analysis of grant payments until they develop a definitive and defendable grant accrual rate.
Anti-Deficiency Act Violation	Significant Deficiency: During FY 2008, ARC management disclosed that several Anti-Deficiency Act violations had occurred. The ARC Federal Co-Chair reported the violations along with all relevant facts and a statement of actions to the OMB and is waiting for OMB guidance prior to reporting the violations to the President of the United States, Congress and the Comptroller General of the United States as required by 31 U.S.C. §1351.	This finding is closed.

Appalachian Regional Commission Balance Sheets September 30, 2009 and 2008

Assets	2009	2008
Intragovernmental		
Fund balance with U.S. Treasury (<i>Notes 1 & 2</i>)	\$ 161,967,586	\$ 155,078,061
Advances (Notes 1 & 3)	 12,329,479	 11,850,630
Total intragovernmental	174,297,065	166,928,691
Cash in commercial institutions (Note 1)	31,012	87,820
Advances (Notes 1 & 3)	29,767,568	30,868,453
Equipment, net (Note 1)	 	
	\$ 204,095,645	\$ 197,884,964
Liabilities and Net Position		
Intragovernmental		
Advances (Notes 1 & 4)	\$ 626,729	\$ 658,072
Total intragovernmental	626,729	 658,072
Accounts payable (Notes 1 & 4)	3,460,229	3,620,067
Benefits due and payable (Notes 1, 4 & 5)	1,567,145	2,374,812
Other	31,012	75,304
	5,058,386	6,070,183
Total liabilities	 5,685,115	 6,728,255
Unexpended appropriations	117,867,086	108,140,376
Cumulative results of operations-earmarked fund (Note 7)	981,356	(398,346)
Cumulative results of operations	79,562,088	83,414,679
Total net position	198,410,530	191,156,709
	\$ 204,095,645	\$ 197,884,964

Appalachian Regional Commission Statements of Net Cost Years Ended September 30, 2009 and 2008

	2009	2008
Net cost of operations:		
Program costs	\$ 71,534,461	\$ 74,981,260
Less: earned revenues	3,788,282	4,636,738
Net cost of operations	\$ 67,746,179	\$ 70,344,522

Appalachian Regional Commission Statement of Changes in Net Position Year Ended September 30, 2009

	2009					
	Earmarked Fund		All Other Funds		С	onsolidated
						Total
Cumulative results of operations, beginning	\$	(398,346)	\$	83,414,679	\$	83,016,333
Budgetary financing sources:						
Appropriations used		-		65,273,290		65,273,290
Transfers in/out without reimbursement		3,762,000		(3,762,000)		-
Total financing sources	· <u> </u>	3,762,000		61,511,290		65,273,290
Net cost of operations		(2,382,298)		(65,363,881)		(67,746,179)
Net change		1,379,702		(3,852,591)		(2,472,889)
Cumulative results of operations, ending	\$	981,356	\$	79,562,088	\$	80,543,444
Unexpended appropriations, beginning	\$	-	\$	108,140,376	\$	108,140,376
Budgetary financing sources:						
Appropriations received		-		75,000,000		75,000,000
Other adjustments		-		-		-
Appropriations used		<u>-</u>		(65,273,290)		(65,273,290)
Total budgetary financing sources		-		9,726,710		9,726,710
Total unexpended appropriations		<u>-</u>		117,867,086		117,867,086
Net position	\$	981,356	\$	197,429,174	\$	198,410,530

Appalachian Regional Commission Statement of Changes in Net Position Year Ended September 30, 2008

	2008					
	Earmarked Fund		All Other Funds		C	Consolidated Total
Cumulative results of operations, beginning	\$	(1,156,994)	\$	84,027,762	\$	82,870,768
Budgetary financing sources: Other adjustments						-
Appropriations used				70,490,087		70,490,087
Transfers in/out without reimbursement		3,608,000		(3,608,000)	_	70.400.007
Total financing sources		3,608,000		66,882,087		70,490,087
Net cost of operations		(2,849,352)		(67,495,170)		(70,344,522)
Net change		758,648		(613,083)		145,565
Cumulative results of operations, ending	\$	(398,346)	\$	83,414,679	\$	83,016,333
Unexpended appropriations, beginning	\$	-	\$	110,644,441	\$	110,644,441
Budgetary financing sources:						
Appropriations received		-		73,032,000		73,032,000
Other Adjustments		-		(5,045,978)		(5,045,978)
Appropriations used		-		(70,490,087)		(70,490,087)
Total budgetary financing sources		-		(2,504,065)		(2,504,065)
Total unexpended appropriations				108,140,376	_	108,140,376
Net position	\$	(398,346)	\$	191,555,055	\$	191,156,709

Appalachian Regional Commission Statements of Budgetary Resources Years Ended September 30, 2009 and 2008

		2009		2008
Budgetary Resources				
Unobligated balance brought forward October 1	\$	28,796,944	\$	24,875,320
Recoveries of prior year unpaid obligations		8,242,388		8,083,423
Budget authority				
Appropriation		82,524,000		80,248,000
Spending authority from offsetting collections				
Earned Collected		1,990,031		1,767,181
Collected		1,990,031		1,707,101
Total budgetary resources	\$	121,553,363	\$	114,973,924
Status of Budgetary Resources				
Obligations incurred	\$	92,196,158	\$	86,176,980
Unobligated balance available		26,925,233		25,496,404
Unobligated balance not available		2,431,972		3,300,540
Total status of budgetary resources	\$	121,553,363	\$	114,973,924
Change in Obligated Balance	\$	400 004 447	•	404 047 005
Unpaid obligated balance, net brought forward October 1 Obligations incurred, net	Ф	126,281,117 92,196,158	\$	131,317,085 86,176,980
Less: Gross outlays		(77,662,809)		(83,175,715)
Less: Recoveries of prior year unpaid obligations, actual		(8,242,388)		(8,083,422)
Less: Uncollected customer payments from federal sources		-		46,189
Unpaid obligated balance, net end of period	\$	132,572,078	\$	126,281,117
Net Outlays				
Gross outlays	\$	77,662,809	\$	83,175,715
Offsetting collections	*	(1,990,032)	*	(1,813,371)
Offsetting receipts		(7,550,281)		(4,720,432)
Net outlays	\$	68,122,496	\$	76,641,912

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting entity

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) was established under the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, as amended; the Appalachian Regional Development Reform Act of 1998; and the Appalachian Regional Development Act Amendments of 2002. ARC is a regional development agency designed to function as a federal, state, and local partnership. ARC is not a federal executive branch agency (as defined in Title 5 and 31 of the United States Code and by the Department of Justice).

Commission members are comprised of a federal member (Federal Co-Chair), who is appointed by the President of the United States, and the governors of each of the 13 states in the Appalachian Region. The state members elect a State Co-Chair from their members. ARC has an Executive Director and Program and Administrative Offices that implement the policies and procedures established by the Federal and State Co-Chairs. ARC personnel are comprised of both federal and non-federal employees.

ARC supports economic and social development in the Appalachian Region. The Appalachian Region is a 200,000 square mile region from the Appalachian Mountains in Southern New York to Northern Mississippi. The ARC programs affect approximately 420 counties located in 13 states including all of West Virginia and parts of Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia.

Fund accounting structure

ARC's financial activities are accounted for by utilizing individual funds and fund accounts in reporting to the U.S. Treasury and the Office of Management and Budget. For financial statement purposes, these funds are classified as an earmarked fund and all other funds. Earmarked funds are financed by specifically identified revenues often supplemented by other financing sources which remain available over time. These specifically identified revenues and other financing sources are required by statute to be used for designated activities, benefits, or purposes and must be accounted for separately from the Government's general revenues. ARC's earmarked fund and all other funds are identified as follows:

Earmarked fund

A trust fund was established by the U.S. Treasury under the authority of the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, to receive, hold, invest, and disburse monies collected to cover the administrative expenses of ARC. The administrative expenses are paid equally by the federal government and the states in the Appalachian Region as determined annually by ARC.

All other funds

All other funds consist of area development program funds and funding for the Office of the Federal Co-Chair and the Office of Inspector General.

Budgets and budgetary accounting

ARC programs and activities are funded through no-year appropriations and contributions from the 13 states in the Appalachian Region. Federal funds are available without fiscal year limitation and remain available until expended. Because of the no-year status of the funds, unobligated amounts are not returned to the U.S. Treasury.

Basis of accounting and presentation

These financial statements present the financial position, net cost of operations, changes in net position, and budgetary resources of ARC in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and form and content requirements of OMB Circular A-136 *Financial Reporting Requirements*. GAAP for federal entities are the standards prescribed by the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory

Board (FASAB), which is the official standard-setting body for the federal government. The financial statements have been prepared from the books and records of ARC, and include the accounts of all funds under the control of the ARC reporting entity.

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles encompass both accrual and budgetary transactions. Under accrual accounting, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recognized when incurred. Budgetary accounting facilitates compliance with legal constraints on, and controls over, the use of federal funds. These financial statements are prepared by ARC pursuant to OMB directives and used to monitor ARC's use of budgetary resources.

Fund Balance with U.S. Treasury

ARC's cash receipts and disbursements are processed by the U.S. Treasury. Funds with U.S. Treasury represent obligated and unobligated no-year funds available to finance allowable current and future expenditures.

Cash in Commercial Institutions

ARC uses commercial bank accounts to accommodate collections and payments that cannot be processed by the U.S. Treasury. Cash in commercial institutions totaled \$31,012 and \$87,820 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Advances

ARC advances funds to other federal agencies for work performed on its behalf under various reimbursable agreements. These intra-governmental advances are recorded as an asset, which is reduced when actual expenditures or the accrual of unreported expenditures are recorded.

ARC also has advances made to grantees for revolving loan fund payments to provide pools of funds to be made available to grantees to create and retain jobs. These advance payments are recorded by ARC as an asset, which is reduced if the revolving fund is terminated.

Equipment

ARC's equipment is recorded at cost. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. The capitalization threshold is \$50,000. All equipment was fully depreciated at September 30, 2009 and 2008.

Liabilities

Liabilities represent probable amounts to be paid by ARC as a result of past transactions. Liabilities covered by budgetary or other resources are those for which Congress has appropriated funds or funding is otherwise available to pay amounts due.

Liabilities not covered by budgetary or other resources represent amounts owed in excess of available congressionally appropriated funds or other amounts. The liquidation of liabilities not covered by budgetary or other resources is dependent on future Congressional appropriations or other funding.

Accounts Payable

Accounts payable consists of amounts owed to grantees and amounts owed to federal and non-federal entities for goods and services received by ARC.

Benefits Due and Payable:

Unfunded Annual Leave

Annual leave is accrued as it is earned and the accrual is reduced as leave is taken. Each year, the balance in the accrued leave account is adjusted to reflect current pay rates. To the extent current or

prior year appropriations are not available to fund annual leave earned but not taken, funding will be obtained from future financing sources. Sick leave and other types of non-vested leave are expensed as taken.

Retirement Benefits

ARC's federal and certain non-federal employees participate in the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) or the Federal Employees' Retirement System (FERS). FERS was established by the enactment of Public Law 99-335. Pursuant to this law, FERS and the Social Security and the Thrift Savings Plan program automatically cover most employees hired after December 31, 1983. Employees hired before January 1, 1984 elected to participate in the FERS and Social Security or to remain in CSRS.

All federal and certain non-federal employees are eligible to contribute to the Thrift Savings Plan (TSP). For those employees participating in the FERS, a TSP account is automatically established and ARC makes a mandatory one percent contribution to this account. In addition, ARC makes matching contributions, ranging from one to four percent, for FERS eligible employees who contribute to their TSP accounts. Matching contributions are not made to the TSP accounts established by CSRS employees. FERS employees and certain CSRS reinstatement employees are eligible to participate in the Social Security program after retirement. In these instances, ARC remits the employer's share of the required contribution.

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) actuaries determine pension cost factors by calculating the value of pension benefits expected to be paid in the future and communicate these factors to ARC. OPM also provides information regarding the full cost of health and life insurance benefits. ARC does not recognize the imputed cost of pension and other retirement benefits during the employees' active years of service as this amount is considered to be immaterial. Reporting amounts such as plan assets, accumulated plan benefits, and related unfunded liabilities, if any, is the responsibility of OPM.

ARC also has a Defined Benefit Pension Plan which was open to all employees not participating in CSRS and FERS. ARC uses a July 1 measurement date for its plan.

In February 2000 ARC established a 401(k) retirement plan that mirrors FERS. The plan covers substantially all non-federal employees. Employees are eligible to participate in and are fully vested in the plan upon employment. ARC's funding policy is to make a 3% contribution of total salary and a matching 3% of the first 50% of the participants' contributions to the plan up to 6% of total salary.

Parent Child Reporting

ARC is a party to allocation transfers with other federal agencies as both a transferring (parent) entity and receiving (child) entity. Allocation transfers are legal delegations by one department of its authority to obligate budget authority and outlay funds to another department. A separate fund account (allocation account) is created in the U.S. Treasury as a subset of the parent fund account for tracking and reporting purposes. All allocation transfers of balances are credited to this account, and subsequent obligations and outlays incurred by the child entity are charged to this allocation account as they execute the delegated activity on behalf of the parent entity. Generally, all financial activity related to these allocation transfers (e.g., budget authority, obligations, outlays) is reported in the financial statements of the parent entity, from which the underlying legislative authority, appropriations and budget apportionments are derived. ARC allocates funds as the parent agency to the U.S. Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, as well as the Rural Development Agency, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Economic Development Agency. Additionally, ARC receives allocation transfers, as the child agency from the U.S. Department of Treasury to cover Appalachian Development Highway System administrative costs.

Net Position

Net position is the residual difference between assets and liabilities and is comprised of unexpended appropriations and cumulative results of operations. Unexpended appropriations represent the amount of unobligated and unexpended budget authority. Unobligated balances are the amount of appropriations or other authority remaining after deducting the cumulative obligations from the amount available for obligation. The cumulative results of operations are the net results of ARC's operations since inception.

Net Cost of Operations

Earned revenues arise from the collection of state contributions and are deducted from the full cost of ARC's major programs to arrive at net program cost. Earned revenues are recognized by ARC to the extent reimbursements are payable from the public, as a result of costs incurred or services performed on the public's behalf.

Budgetary Financing Sources

Budgetary financing sources other than earned revenues provide funding for ARC's net cost of operations and are reported on the Statement of Changes in Net Position. These financing sources include amounts received from Congressional appropriations to support its operations. A financing source is recognized for these appropriated funds received.

Use of Estimates

Management has made certain estimates when reporting assets, liabilities, revenue, and expenses, and in the note disclosures. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Tax Exempt Status

As an agency of the federal government, ARC is exempt from all taxes imposed by any governing body whether it is a federal, state, commonwealth, local, or foreign government.

Reclassifications

Certain items at September 30, 2008 have been reclassified to conform to the presentation at September 30, 2009. There was no effect on the changes in net position.

2. Fund Balance with Treasury

Funds with U.S. Treasury at September 30 consisted of the following:

		2003	2000
Fund balances			
Trust fund	\$	2,291,054	\$ 1,923,267
Appropriated funds		159,638,228	153,154,794
Total entity fund balance with treasury		161,929,282	155,078,061
Non-entity fund balance with treasury	_	38,304	
Total fund balance with treasury	\$_	161,967,586	\$ 155,078,061

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	Status of fund balance with Treasury Unobligated balance: Available Unavailable Obligated balance not yet disbursed Non-budgetary	\$	26,925,233 2,431,971 132,572,078 38,304	\$	25,496,404 3,300,540 126,281,117
	Total	\$_	161,967,586	\$_	155,078,061
3.	Advances				
	Advances at September 30 consist of the following: Intergovernmental		2009		2008
	Advances to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Advances to the Tennessee Valley Authority Advances to the Environmental Protection Agency	\$	1,302,962 10,876,517 150,000 12,329,479	\$	1,652,257 10,198,373 - 11,850,630
	Other Advances to grantees to finance future program expenditures		29,767,568	_	30,868,453
	Total	\$	42,097,047	\$	42,719,083

4. Liabilities

The accrued liabilities of ARC are comprised of program expense accruals, payroll accruals and unfunded annual leave earned by employees. Program expense accruals represent expenses that were incurred prior to year-end but were not paid. Similarly, payroll accruals represent payroll expenses that were incurred prior to year-end but were not paid.

Liabilities at September 30 consist of the following:

A Leaves	2009		2008
Advances Advances from the Centers for Disease Control Advances from the National Endowment for the Arts	\$ 564,406 62,323	\$	595,749 62,323
Total intra-governmental	626,729	_	658,072
Benefits due	27.000		27.000
Accrued health and flexible spending benefits	87,323		87,820
Accrued salaries and benefits	318,790		243,385
Unfunded annual leave	460,957		467,544
Unfunded pension liability	700,075	_	1,576,063
Total benefits due	1,567,145	_	2,374,812
Payments due to grantees to finance program expenditures	3,460,229		3,620,067
Other agency transactions	31,012	_	75,304
Total liabilities	\$ 5,685,115	\$	6,728,255

Liabilities not covered by budgetary resources consist of the following:

	2009	2008
Unfunded annual leave Unfunded pension liability	\$ 460,957 700,075	\$ 467,544 1,576,063
Total liabilities not covered by budgetary resources	\$ 1,161,032	\$ 2,043,607

5. Retirement Plans

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ARC participates in the Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) and the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS) for federal and certain non-federal employees. The CSRS and FERS plans are administered by the OPM. ARC's contributions to these plans for FY 2009 were \$26,521 and \$96,717 for CSRS and FERS, respectively and contributions for FY 2008 were \$39,056 and \$83,534 for CSRS and FERS, respectively.

Several employees also participate in the Federal Employees Health Benefit plan (FEHB) and the Federal Employees Group Life Insurance program (FEGLI), also administered by OPM. ARC pays a portion of the cost of current employees. Post-retirement benefits are paid by OPM. No amounts have been recognized in the financial statements for these imputed costs as they are not deemed material. ARC's contributions to these plans for FY 2009 were \$66,785 and \$2,030 and for FY 2008 were \$69,638 and \$2,099 for FEHB and FEGLI, respectively

ARC does not report in its financial statements CSRS, FERS, FERB or FEGLI assets, accumulated plan benefits or unfunded liabilities, if any, applicable to its employees.

ARC also contributed \$36,864 and \$33,977 to the Federal Thrift Savings plan for all eligible employees for the years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Non-Federa

The following table presents the pension benefit expense for the defined benefit pension plan by component for fiscal years 2009 and 2008:

		2009		2008
Service cost	\$	536,183	\$	553,305
Interest cost		705,990		664,839
Expected return		(454,788)		(421,202)
Amortization of prior service cost		418,870		418,870
Recognized loss	_	67,132	_	37,909
Net periodic benefit expense	\$	1,273,387	\$	1,253,721

The following table presents the pension liability by component for fiscal years 2009 and 2008:

	2009		2008
Pension liability at October 1	\$ 1,576,063	\$	2,327,001
Net periodic benefit expense	1,273,387		1,253,721
Contributions	 (2,149,375)	_	(2,004,659)
Pension liability at September 30	\$ 700,075	\$	1,576,063

Addition of the form of the		2009		2008
Additional Information Benefit obligation Fair value of plan assets	\$	(13,814,271) 7,077,988	\$	(10,682,35) 5,797,033
Funded status	\$_	(6,736,283)	\$_	(4,885,324)
Employer contribution Participant contribution Benefits paid Net periodic benefit expense	\$	2,129,249 20,126 1,193,575 1,273,387	\$	1,985,638 19,021 4,488 1,253,721

The accumulated benefit obligation was \$11,8881,525 and \$9,460,083 at September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

Weighted-average of economic assumptions used to determine benefit obligations at September 30:

	2009	2008	
Discount rate	5.50%	7.00%	
Rate of compensation increase	3.00%	3.00%	

Weighted-average of economic assumptions used to determine net periodic benefit cost for the years ended September 30:

	2009	2008
Discount rate	7.00%	6.25%
Expected return on plan assets	7.25%	7.25%
Rate of compensation increase	3.00%	3.00%

Historical returns of multiple asset classes were analyzed to develop a risk-free real rate of return and risk premiums for each asset class. The overall rate for each asset class was developed by combining a long-term inflation component, the risk-free real rate of return, and the associated risk premium. A weighted-average rate was developed based on those overall rates and the target asset allocation plan.

Plan Assets

Pension plan weighted-average asset allocations at September 30 are as follows:

	2009	2008
Asset Category		
Cash	16.00%	10.00%
Bonds	32.00%	31.00%
Equity securities	47.00%	40.00%
International stocks		14.00%
Real estate	5.00%	5.00%
Total assets	100.00%	100.00%

ARC's investment strategy is a long-term, risk-controlled approach using diversified investment options with a minimal exposure to volatile investment options like derivatives. ARC expects to contribute \$2,129,249 to the plan in FY 2010.

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid as follows:

Fiscal Year	Pension Benefits
2010	\$ 5,464,047
2011	548,019
2012	1,694,559
2013	18,792
2014	620,874
Years 2015 - 2019	6,218,768

ARC contributed \$190,502 and \$181,753 to the 401(k) plan for the years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

6. Operating Lease

ARC's lease for its office commenced on January 1, 2007 and extends through December 31, 2016. It provides for increases in annual base rent of 2 percent per year beginning January 1, 2008, and every year thereafter for the remainder of the lease term. The future minimum lease payments required under this lease are as follows:

Fiscal Year	 Amount		
2010	\$ 795,146		
2011	810,547		
2012	829,781		
2013	847,426		
2014	864,375		
Thereafter	 2,006,890		
Total	\$ 6.154.165		

Rent expense for the years ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 was \$780,046 and \$707,726, respectively.

7. Earmarked Fund

Condensed financial information for the ARC trust fund for the years ended September 30 is:

Balance Sheet		
Assets	2009	2008
Fund balance with U.S. Treasury	\$ 2,291,054	\$ 1,923,267
Cash in commercial institutions	31,012	87,820
Total assets	2,322,066	2,011,087
Liabilities and net position		
Accounts payable	41,219	217,477
Benefits due and payable	1,299,491	2,191,956
Cumulative results of operations	981,356	 (398,346)
Total liabilities and net position	\$ 2.322.066	\$ 2.011.087

Statement of Net Cost Program costs Less: earned revenues	\$ 6,145,275 3,762,977	\$ 6,785,916 3,936,564
Net cost of operations	\$ 2,382,298	\$ 2,849,352
Statement of Changes in Net Position Net position, beginning of period	\$ (398,346)	\$ (1,156,994)
Transfers in/out without reimbursement Net cost of operations Change in net position	 3,762,000 (2,382,298) 1,379,702	 3,608,000 (2,849,352) 758,648
Net position, end of period	\$ 981,356	\$ (398,346)

8. Status of Budgetary Resources

A. Apportionment Categories of Obligations Incurred

Obligations incurred reported on the Statement of Budgetary Resources consist of the following:

	2009	2008
Direct obligations		
Category A	\$ 2,010,806	\$ 5,237,449
Category B	82,937,649	73,709,286
Exempt	7,247,703	7,230,245
Total direct obligations	\$ 92,196,158	\$ 86,176,980

B. Permanent Indefinite Appropriations

The Commission's permanent indefinite appropriation includes the trust fund. These funds are described in Note 8.

C. Explanation of Differences between the Statement of Budgetary Resources and the Budget of the U.S. Government

Statement of Federal Financial Accounting Standards No. 7, Accounting for Revenue and Other Financing Sources and Concepts for Reconciling Budgetary and Financial Accounting, calls for explanations of material differences between amounts reported in the Statement of Budgetary Resources (SBR) and the actual balances published in the Budget of the U.S. Government (President's Budget). The Budget of the U. S. Government, with the Actual column completed for 2008 and 2007, was reconciled to the Statement of Budgetary resources as follows:

	2008						
(Dollars in Millions)	Budgetary Resources		Obligations Incurred		Distributed Offsetting Receipts		Net Outlays
Statement of Budgetary Resources	\$ 115	\$	86	\$	4	\$	76
Reconciling Items Offsetting collections and receipts	(1)		2		(2)		5
Budget of the U.S. Government	\$ 114	\$	88	\$_	2	\$	81

	2007						
	Budgetary		Obligations		Distributed Offsetting		Net
(Dollars in Millions)	Resources		Incurred		Receipts		<u>Outlays</u>
Statement of Budgetary Resources	\$ 109	\$	84	\$	2	\$	80
No Reconciling Items							
Budget of the U.S. Government	\$ 109	\$	84	\$	2	\$	80

9. Undelivered Orders at the End of the Period

The amount of budgetary resources obligated for undelivered orders are 128,831,106 and 122,343,662 as of September 30, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

10. Subsequent Events

ARC has evaluated subsequent events occurring after the balance sheet date and through the date of May 7, 2010, the date the financial statements were available for release. Based upon this evaluation, ARC has determined that no subsequent events have occurred which require disclosure in the financial statements.

11. Reconciliation of Net Cost to Budget

ARC presents the Statement of Net Cost using the accrual basis of accounting. This differs from the obligation-based measurement of total resources supplied, both budgetary and from other sources, on the Statement of Budgetary Resources.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION

Stewardship Investments

Stewardship investments are substantial investments that are made by the federal government for the benefit of the nation but are not physical assets owned by the federal government. Such investments are measured in terms of expenses incurred for non-federal physical property, human capital, and research and development.

ARC invests in non-federal physical property, human capital, and research and development through its Area Development Program, which funds projects that support the goals and objectives set forth in the Commission's strategic plan.

ARC Investment in Non-Federal Physical Property

Non-federal physical property investments are expenses included in net cost of operations for the purchase, construction, or major renovation of physical property owned by state and local governments. In FY 2009, ARC's investment in non-federal physical property included grants for water and sewer system construction and improvements; storm sewer construction; utilities installation; and access road construction.

ARC Investment in Non-Federal Physical Property					
Fiscal Year 2006	\$34,829,283				
Fiscal Year 2007	\$38,405,157				
Fiscal Year 2008	\$33,400,670				
Fiscal Year 2009	\$30,495,770				

ARC Investment in Human Capital

Human capital investments are expenses included in net cost of operations for education and training programs that are intended to increase or maintain national economic productive capacity and that produce outputs and outcomes that provide evidence of maintaining or increasing national productive capacity. ARC's investments in human capital in FY 2009 included grants for education and job training programs including workforce training, dropout prevention, distance learning, math and science, child development, and health.

ARC Investment in Human Capital					
Fiscal Year 2005	\$6,297,802				
Fiscal Year 2006	\$7,815,477				
Fiscal Year 2007	\$5,763,348				
Fiscal Year 2008	\$7,564,563				
Fiscal Year 2009	\$10,147,647				

ARC Investment in Research and Development

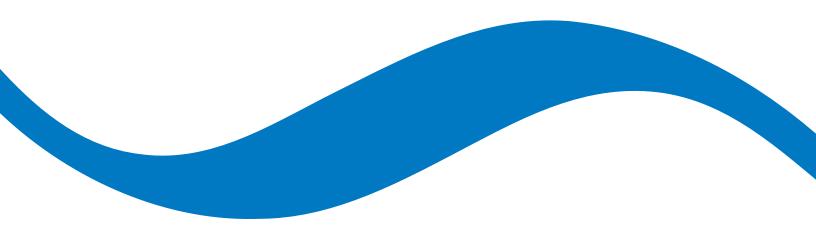
Research and development investments are expenses included in net cost of operations that support the search for new or refined knowledge and ideas and for the application or use of such knowledge and ideas with the expectation of maintaining or increasing national economic productive capacity or yielding other future benefits. In FY 2009, ARC invested in applied research through the following projects: an analysis of ARC's tourism and asset-based development projects; an analysis of oral health disparities in Appalachia; an assessment of potential forward-looking distress indicators; an analysis of federal and state energy-efficiency policies, and energy training and management planning for water and wastewater treatment plants.

ARC Investment in Research and Development					
Fiscal Year 2005	\$705,155				
Fiscal Year 2006	\$393,794				
Fiscal Year 2007	\$614,464				
Fiscal Year 2008	\$592,516				
Fiscal Year 2009	\$387,840				





PART IV: OTHER ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION



ARC PERFORMANCE MEASURES

As an investor in grassroots economic development, ARC's performance is in large measure dependent on the achievements of its local, state, and regional partners. To measure its effectiveness, ARC will look at the following four areas of performance:

- Leverage. ARC will measure additional public and private financial and technical support attracted by Commission investments.
- *Jobs*. ARC will gauge its involvement in job-generating programs by both the quantity and the quality of jobs created.
- *Employability*. ARC will measure improvements in high school graduation rates, increases in college attendance and graduation rates, the number of participants completing workforce training programs, and the number of children served in early childhood education programs.
- Infrastructure Development and Connectivity. ARC will look at the number of citizens served; connections made between modes of transportation, particularly between railways and highways; and highway miles opened to traffic.

PERFORMANCE GOALS

Assuming ARC's annual funding remains at the current level, the Commission is committed to the following six-year and ten-year performance goals:

Six-Year Performance Goals

- 120,000 jobs will be created or retained.
- 120,000 households will be served with new or improved water and sewer infrastructure.
- 120,000 citizens of the Region will benefit from enhanced education and job-related skills.
- 150 miles of the Appalachian Development Highway System will be opened to traffic (based on the current level of transportation funding from the U.S. Congress).

Ten-Year Performance Goals

- 200,000 jobs will be created or retained.
- 200,000 households will be served with new or improved water and sewer infrastructure.
- 200,000 citizens of the Region will benefit from enhanced education and job-related skills.
- 250 additional miles (net increase) of the Appalachian Development Highway System will be open to traffic (based on the current level of transportation funding from the U.S. Congress).

The Appalachian Regional Commission tracks the programs it supports and reports its findings regarding performance on a yearly basis. ARC's current performance and accountability report can be found on the ARC Web site at www.arc.gov.



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MEMORANDUM FOR FEDERAL CO-CHAIR POPE

FROM: Clifford H. Jennings /

Inspector General

SUBJECT: Management and Performance Challenges Facing the

Appalachian Regional Commission

The Reports Consolidation Act of 2000 requires we provide you with our perspective on the most serious management and performance challenges facing the Commission for inclusion in the Commission's annual performance and accountability report. Our compilation of these challenges was derived from our consideration of audit reports, open recommendations, discussions with contract auditors, ARC personnel, and new project undertakings.

This year ARC faces many of the same challenges that were reported last year but some of the details have changed. In addition, we became aware of a significant new challenge resulting from our work in the grants management area. See discussion below.

The financial reporting improvements we noted this year addressed many of our concerns under Challenge, Compliance with OMB Circular A-136. We noted more timely and accurate financial reporting. The FY 2008 financial statement reports were issued two months earlier than the previous year's reports, and we anticipate much earlier report issuance for 2009. In addition, the financial statement data was more accurate; the auditors were able to issue a qualified opinion, with an exception only for a child agency report. In the prior fiscal year, 2007, the auditors were only able to disclaim an opinion.

Management has continued to address the Challenge, Upgrading agency IT support infrastructure, agency accounting and grant management system. Management contracted with IT personnel to provide additional staffing and a GSA contract was executed to provide a new accounting platform. In addition, a new IT policy manual was written and adopted, an IT help desk tracking system was implemented, the grants management system documentation was improved and there have been some improvements in IT security. On the other hand, ARC has begun implementation of a new accounting platform and needs to ensure that its infrastructure is appropriate for the system and that IT security concerns identified recently, in the 2008 financial statement audit, are addressed.

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Other Accompanying Information

$Challenge \ 1-Upgrading \ agency \ IT \ support \ infrastructure, \ agency \ accounting \ and \ the \ grant \ management \ system$

ARC continues to undergo a transformation in its IT support as it transfers its accounting system operations to outsourced support and shared services, which are offsite and maintained by GSA. The challenge is to effectuate a smooth transition while maintaining the integrity of the accounting data and ensuring appropriate processes are in place for the continual and timely transfer of data and processing of transactions while obtaining meaningful, useful and timely information and reports from the system.

Coupled with these efforts are ARC's ongoing efforts to bring to fruition a fully functional grants management system. The system was to interface with ARC's accounting system to ensure accuracy of its data, but which will now require an alternate methodology to ensure its accuracy.

Always underlying the surface of IT operations is its security. ARC made strides addressing some security issues identified in a report issued in 2007, but many additional weaknesses were recently identified in the financial and grant management systems. The issues included: security management, access control, configuration/change management, segregation of duties, and contingency planning. A detailed risk assessment needs to be completed and an evaluation made in terms of likelihood and magnitude of risk related to the deficiencies cited, and for an appropriate corrective action plan to be implemented.

Challenge 2 - Grant management oversight

We completed an inspection of ARC's grant management activities and found significant weaknesses in ARC grant oversight and administrative processes. The inspection report made 17 recommendations to address the development and enforcement of policies (and other rules) and for development of grant monitoring plans, improving supervisory oversight, training, metric reporting, documentation, file organization, tracking grantee characteristics, and controls to safeguard grant files. To effectuate these changes, continued training is required, grant management system changes need to be made, a grant policy manual needs to be drafted and implemented and proper attention paid to grant management requirements.

Challenge 3- Compliance with OMB Circular A-136

The financial statement audit for FY 2008 was still very late for the second year in a row and was not finalized until May 2009 (issued shortly thereafter). In addition, despite the extra time and effort by both the Commission staff and the auditors, the audit firm was unable to express an unqualified opinion. The financial statement for FY 2009 appeared to be on schedule. However, certain information from one of the child agencies will not be provided timely, and the audit report will again be late.

An ongoing challenge for ARC is to comply with OMB Circular A-136. ARC is currently attempting to satisfy Section 3 Financial Section; II.4.2 Q&As; Question 5 of OMB Circular A-136, Financial Reporting Requirements, under which a parent agency (transferor of the appropriation) must report all budgetary and proprietary activity in its financial statements, whether that activity is material to its child agencies or not. ARC has parent relationships with seven departments and agencies to each of whom it transfers its appropriated funds for purposes of accomplishing economic development activities in the Appalachian Region, largely through Federal grants. These activities are authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 14101-14704. ARC has significant parent/child relationships with the following departments/agencies:

- Department of Transportation
- Economic Development Agency of the Department of Commerce
- Rural Development of the Department of Agriculture
- Department of Education
- US Army Corps of Engineers

ARC transfers a large and material portion of its appropriation annually to these child agencies to carry out its mission; however, the transfers are relatively minor for the child agency receiving them and are not material to their financial reporting. The child agency auditors do not audit at the materiality level needed by ARC and reports of activities and balances are not made a priority by the child agencies. ARC needs to continually work with these agencies to ensure timely and accurate data is received.

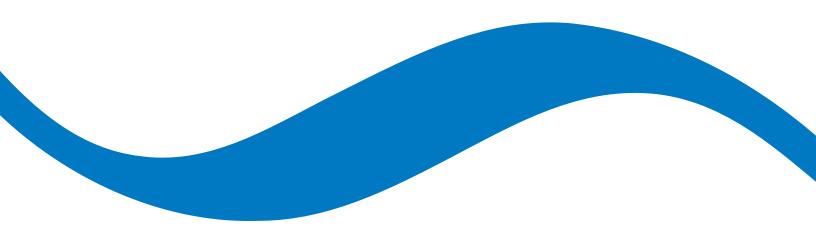
In addition, ARC has had difficulty reconciling its proprietary activities to it budgetary records and has sought help from an outside/contacted accountant firm, but this issue has not been fully resolved. Management hopes that the transfer of its accounting records to a GSA shared services accounting platform will resolve this reconciliation issue but continued attention to this problem, we believe, will be needed.

Finally, ARC needs to develop a method to properly record an accrual for its grants, which affect its reported expenses and obligations, and is more fully described in ARC's most recent financial statement audit. ARC management plans to develop a grant accrual methodology based on historical data and which will take several years to develop.





APPENDICES





APPENDIX A: Historical Funding Totals



Appropriations for Appalachian Regional Development Programs

(in thousands of dollars)

D .	Appalachian	Area	
Fiscal Year	evelopment Highway System Program	Development Program	Total
1965–66	\$200,000*	\$107,240	\$307,240
1967	100,000*	58,550	158,550
1968	70,000*	57,446	127,446
1969	100,000*		
		74,450	174,450
1970	175,000*	108,390	283,390
1971	175,000*	127,968	302,968
1972	175,000*	123,113	298,113
1973	205,000*	139,217	344,217
1974	155,000*	116,492	271,492
1975	160,000*	135,247	295,247
1976	162,200*	127,870	290,070
Transition Quart		12,995	50,495
1977	185,000*	119,925	304,925
1978	211,300*	114,483	325,783
1979	233,000*	147,920	380,920
1980	229,000*	130,605	359,605
1981	214,600*	87,892	302,492†
1982	100,000*	52,900	152,900
1983	115,133*	52,900	168,033
1984	109,400*	52,700	162,100
1985	100,000*	51,300	151,300
1986	78,980*	37,965	116,945‡
1987	74,961*	30,039	105,000
1988	63,967*	43,033	107,000
1989	69,169*	41,531	110,700
1990	105,090*	42,810	147,900‡
1991	126,374*	43,624	169,998‡
1992	142,899*	47,101	190,000
1993	129,255*	60,745	190,000
1994	152,327*	96,673	249,000
1995	179,766*	92,215	271,981†
1996	102,475*	67,514	169,989†
1997	99,669*	60,331	160,000
1998	102,500*	67,500	170,000
1999	391,390§	66,392	457,782†
2000	386,071 §	66,149	452,220†
2001	389,617§	77,230	466,847†
2002	400,427 §	71,282	471,709†
2002	446,645 §	70,827	517,472†
2003	484,830§	65,611	550,441†
2004	385,374§	65,472	450,846†
2006	395,296§	64,817	460,113†
2007	423,820§	64,858	488,678
2008	434,280§	73,032	507,312
2009	439,920§	75,000	514,920
Total	\$9,217,235	\$3,491,354	\$12,708,589

^{*} Highway funds are net appropriations after transfers to area development for access roads.

[†] After rescission of an appropriation.

[‡] After sequestration of an appropriation.

[§] Obligation ceiling; Appalachian Development Highway System funds from the Highway Trust Fund apportioned by ARC formula to the Appalachian states.

Appalachian Development Highway System Authorizations

(in millions of dollars)

		Amount of	Authorization
Legislation	Period Covered	Added	Cumulative
1965 Appalachian Regional Development Act (ARDA)	through 1971	\$840.0	\$840.0
1967 ARDA Amendments	through 1971	175.0	1,015.0
1969 ARDA Amendments	through 1973	150.0	1,165.0
1971 ARDA Amendments	through 1978	925.0	2,090.0
1975 ARDA Amendments	through 1981	840.0	2,930.0
1980 ARDA Amendments	through 1982	260.0	3,190.0
1982 Reconciliation Act	through 1982	-50.0	3,140.0
1983 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1983	115.1	3,255.1
1984 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1984	109.4	3,364.5
1985 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1985	100.0	3,464.5
1986 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1986	79.0	3,543.5
1987 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1987	75.0	3,618.5
1988 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1988	64.0	3,682.4
1989 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1989	69.2	3,751.6
1990 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1990	105.1	3,856.7
1991 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1991	126.4	3,983.1
1992 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1992	142.9	4,126.0
1993 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1993	129.3	4,255.3
1994 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1994	160.0	4,415.4
1995 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1995	189.3	4,604.7
1996 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1996	109.0	4,713.7
1997 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1997	99.7	4,813.4
1998 ARDA Appropriation Act	through 1998	102.5	4,915.9
Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century*	through 2003	2,250.0	7,165.9
Surface Transportation Extension Acts of 2004*	through 2004	512.5	7,678.4
Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation			
Equity Act: A Legacy for Users*	through 2009	2,350.0	10,028.4
Expired authorization (through 1982) Cumulative authorization through 2009			\$-252.4 \$9,776.0

Note: Totals may not add because of rounding.

^{*} Appalachian Development Highway System funds from the Highway Trust Fund apportioned by ARC formula to the Appalachian states.

Cumulative Funding by State through Fiscal Year 2009

(in millions of dollars)

State	ARC Nonhighway Funds	ARC Highway Funds*	TEA-21/ SAFETEA-LU Highway Funds*†
Alabama	\$289.0	\$365.9	\$506.8
Georgia	209.0	144.2	9.4
Kentucky	384.1	619.0	357.9
Maryland	123.3	161.1	25.3
Mississippi	201.7	195.4	54.0
New York	180.8	325.4	146.8
North Carolina	223.2	219.6	170.2
Ohio	239.2	178.3	167.7
Pennsylvania	442.9	673.5	1,047.6
South Carolina	199.5	39.7	30.3
Tennessee	298.5	457.0	214.9
Virginia	189.5	171.3	125.7
West Virginia	363.6	1,033.0	713.2
Commission Discretionary	216.5	n/a	n/a

^{*} Includes funding for Appalachian Development Highway System and local access roads.

[†] Appalachian Development Highway System funds from the Highway Trust Fund apportioned by ARC formula to the Appalachian states.

APPENDIX B: Nonhighway Project Funding



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Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

			Other	State	
	No. of	ARC	Federal	and Local	Total
	Grants	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Business Development	122	\$20,087.8	\$13,093.5	\$66,849.6	\$100,031.0
Child Development	9	602.9	0.0	3,210.6	3,813.5
Community Development	83	22,373.0	37,789.8	101,383.3	161,546.1
Education and Job Training	72	10,887.9	345.3	10,124.4	21,357.6
Environment and Natural Resources	12	2,093.0	0.0	2,251.4	4,344.4
Health	50	4,852.8	60.8	10,784.3	15,697.9
Housing	2	848.9	3,122.0	2,150.0	6,120.9
Leadership and Civic Capacity	33	2,997.2	0.0	2,030.8	5,027.9
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	74	6,811.7	0.0	5,950.9	12,762.6
Research and Technical Assistance	28	3,516.6	0.0	2,481.1	5,997.7
Total	485	\$75,071.7	\$54,411.4	\$207,216.4	\$336,699.5

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Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in millions of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	2,835	\$414.5	\$180.6	\$790.4	\$1,385.5
Child Development	2,112	209.0	130.7	122.2	461.9
Community Development	5,302	1,184.1	1,691.0	2,466.2	5,341.3
Education and Job Training	4,593	701.8	199.9	895.9	1,797.6
Environment and Natural Resources	457	112.9	10.1	40.7	163.7
Health	4,076	503.7	248.9	764.0	1,516.6
Housing	1,214	80.6	296.5	271.7	648.8
Leadership and Civic Capacity	655	40.3	1.0	24.2	65.5
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	3,460	204.6	41.7	170.9	417.2
Research and Technical Assistance	1,436	109.4	1.3	77.1	187.8
Total	26,140	\$3,560.9	\$2,801.9	\$5,623.1	\$11,986.0

ALABAMA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	12	\$1,629.7	\$3,966.0	\$6,555.5	\$12,151.2
Child Development	5	295.1	0.0	318.9	614.0
Community Development	8	736.8	0.0	549.4	1,286.2
Education and Job Training	11	1,475.9	42.4	2,219.3	3,737.6
Leadership and Civic Capacity	4	254.8	0.0	141.2	396.0
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	8	544.3	0.0	435.5	979.8
Research and Technical Assistance	1	135.9	0.0	135.9	271.7
Total	49	\$5,072.6	\$4,008.4	\$10,355.6	\$19,436.5

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Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
	Grants	Tulius	Tulius	Tulius	runus
Business Development	172	\$23,052.7	\$19,319.4	\$50,717.5	\$93,089.6
Child Development	162	14,284.2	13,628.0	9,305.4	37,217.6
Community Development	471	90,785.4	114,111.8	171,219.9	376,117.1
Education and Job Training	330	78,036.0	22,569.9	81,934.8	182,540.6
Environment and Natural Resources	7	2,630.1	0.0	245.0	2,875.1
Health	408	50,217.7	21,415.7	51,264.2	122,897.6
Housing	16	1,419.8	350.0	127.0	1,896.9
Leadership and Civic Capacity	45	2,717.6	6.3	1,566.5	4,290.4
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	358	18,983.4	2,122.8	12,300.4	33,406.6
Research and Technical Assistance	80	6,860.3	25.0	5,113.4	11,998.7
Total	2,049	\$288,987.3	\$193,548.9	\$383,794.1	\$866,330.2

GEORGIA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	9	\$1,880.0	\$0.0	\$4,212.4	\$6,092.4
Community Development	3	424.7	72.0	565.4	1,062.0
Education and Job Training	2	465.0	112.9	519.9	1,097.7
Environment and Natural Resources	1	35.0	0.0	165.0	200.0
Health	1	40.0	0.0	40.0	80.0
Leadership and Civic Capacity	1	59.0	0.0	94.0	153.0
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	5	432.3	0.0	446.0	878.4
Research and Technical Assistance	2	225.8	0.0	225.8	451.6
Total	24	\$3,561.8	\$184.9	\$6,268.5	\$10,015.1

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Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	137	\$25,499.9	\$7,078.2	\$53,308.4	\$85,886.4
Child Development	307	21,021.8	16,591.6	9,495.7	47,109.0
Community Development	315	57,438.8	82,136.1	147,436.1	287,011.0
Education and Job Training	284	42,072.1	6,129.9	32,308.7	80,510.7
Environment and Natural Resources	6	981.4	0.0	414.6	1,396.0
Health	322	35,786.3	12,251.3	31,037.9	79,075.5
Housing	81	5,063.6	15,357.7	33,666.5	54,087.8
Leadership and Civic Capacity	15	709.8	0.0	544.6	1,254.3
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	287	14,455.8	3,833.3	12,737.7	31,026.8
Research and Technical Assistance	46	5,978.4	0.0	4,854.9	10,833.2
Total	1,800	\$209,007.6	\$143,378.1	\$325,805.1	\$678,190.8

KENTUCKY

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	5	\$1,456.7	\$400.0	\$936.2	\$2,792.9
Community Development	11	4,092.8	9,680.8	26,031.4	39,805.0
Education and Job Training	8	2,138.2	0.0	1,245.3	3,383.5
Health	5	1,395.1	0.0	1,025.0	2,420.1
Housing	2	848.9	3,122.0	2,150.0	6,120.9
Leadership and Civic Capacity	4	826.5	0.0	362.2	1,188.7
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	9	711.7	0.0	719.7	1,431.4
Total	44	\$11,469.9	\$13,202.8	\$32,469.8	\$57,142.5

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Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	144	\$22,888.1	\$16,532.9	\$51,259.8	\$90,680.8
Child Development	32	9,730.7	13,201.2	3,044.9	25,976.8
Community Development	593	152,644.1	224,973.5	415,902.4	793,520.0
Education and Job Training	351	59,804.6	10,470.8	46,329.9	116,605.2
Environment and Natural Resources	30	3,012.4	1,148.5	1,123.4	5,284.3
Health	392	71,527.2	21,672.8	91,152.5	184,352.5
Housing	316	27,937.3	120,772.3	136,312.7	285,022.4
Leadership and Civic Capacity	56	5,901.3	2.4	2,325.6	8,229.4
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	460	24,113.5	277.5	17,383.0	41,774.0
Research and Technical Assistance	69	6,552.1	40.0	5,236.6	11,828.7
Total	2,443	\$384,111.2	\$409,092.1	\$770,070.8	\$1,563,274.1

MARYLAND

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	6	\$755.0	\$0.0	\$3,868.8	\$4,623.8
Community Development	5	845.6	950.0	2,802.8	4,598.4
Education and Job Training	9	477.1	0.0	741.9	1,219.0
Environment and Natural Resources	2	140.0	0.0	140.0	280.0
Health	1	49.3	0.0	55.7	105.0
Leadership and Civic Capacity	2	125.0	0.0	137.0	262.0
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	1	166.1	0.0	166.1	332.3
Research and Technical Assistance	1	52.5	0.0	52.5	105.0
Total	27	\$2,610.7	\$950.0	\$7,964.8	\$11,525.4

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Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	95	\$16,326.4	\$8,085.4	\$34,383.1	\$58,794.9
Child Development	12	5,131.7	3,259.6	2,287.9	10,679.2
Community Development	173	40,489.1	60,723.9	78,692.3	179,905.3
Education and Job Training	322	23,202.8	2,227.4	20,003.6	45,433.8
Environment and Natural Resources	16	3,639.7	2,674.4	2,518.2	8,832.3
Health	180	17,656.1	2,073.4	17,492.5	37,222.1
Housing	108	7,537.1	13,479.6	36,673.2	57,689.9
Leadership and Civic Capacity	10	332.5	0.0	227.6	560.1
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	58	4,648.3	725.7	4,103.9	9,478.0
Research and Technical Assistance	44	4,369.8	98.0	4,382.2	8,850.0
Total	1,018	\$123,333.5	\$93,347.4	\$200,764.7	\$417,445.6

MISSISSIPPI

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	9	\$2,004.7	\$0.0	\$5,739.2	\$7,743.9
Community Development	12	2,264.4	196.4	4,222.5	6,683.3
Education and Job Training	8	1,872.9	0.0	995.7	2,868.5
Environment and Natural Resources	1	40.0	0.0	44.2	84.2
Health	3	201.6	0.0	257.9	459.6
Leadership and Civic Capacity	2	138.0	0.0	42.5	180.5
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	6	373.1	0.0	124.7	497.8
Research and Technical Assistance	1	244.5	0.0	256.0	500.6
Total	42	\$7,139.2	\$196.4	\$11,682.8	\$19,018.4

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Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	141	\$27,076.3	\$10,304.3	\$73,452.6	\$110,833.2
Child Development	162	10,973.8	7,211.5	6,356.1	24,541.4
Community Development	451	69,603.9	55,367.8	119,342.0	244,313.6
Education and Job Training	276	48,123.9	9,848.6	25,266.0	83,238.5
Environment and Natural Resources	12	2,297.3	0.0	1,003.5	3,300.8
Health	188	20,696.8	5,435.4	16,295.0	42,427.3
Housing	46	1,953.7	6,659.9	825.5	9,439.1
Leadership and Civic Capacity	28	3,794.4	0.0	1,863.5	5,657.8
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	213	10,486.2	2,557.5	7,070.8	20,114.5
Research and Technical Assistance	48	6,737.1	280.0	5,252.5	12,269.6
Total	1,565	\$201,743.3	\$97,665.1	\$256,727.4	\$556,135.8

NEW YORK

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	2	\$145.8	\$0.0	\$148.6	\$294.4
Child Development	2	107.7	0.0	111.8	219.5
Community Development	4	506.9	4,640.6	6,168.3	11,315.9
Education and Job Training	6	504.7	0.0	951.2	1,455.9
Health	3	330.1	0.0	360.3	690.4
Leadership and Civic Capacity	1	56.6	0.0	56.8	113.4
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	3	787.0	0.0	787.0	1,574.0
Total	21	\$2,438.8	\$4,640.6	\$8,584.0	\$15,663.4

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	209	\$18,576.7	\$5,581.6	\$33,240.9	\$57,399.2
Child Development	306	17,554.1	3,160.4	12,818.6	33,533.1
Community Development	287	47,366.3	99,956.2	147,573.5	294,895.9
Education and Job Training	350	44,119.9	12,275.1	66,927.2	123,322.3
Environment and Natural Resources	15	2,808.3	0.0	364.0	3,172.3
Health	225	23,218.3	7,421.4	50,247.2	80,886.9
Housing	55	3,378.3	1,020.0	1,524.9	5,923.2
Leadership and Civic Capacity	35	1,837.9	1.8	1,452.4	3,292.1
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	158	15,070.1	722.1	12,073.1	27,865.3
Research and Technical Assistance	44	6,837.4	0.0	5,611.6	12,449.0
Total	1,684	\$180,767.3	\$130,138.7	\$331,833.4	\$642,739.3

NORTH CAROLINA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	5	\$825.3	\$347.5	\$804.7	\$1,977.5
Community Development	2	600.0	0.0	6,858.0	7,458.0
Education and Job Training	2	258.3	0.0	268.6	526.8
Health	1	10.1	0.0	6.7	16.8
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	6	499.0	0.0	483.4	982.4
Research and Technical Assistance	1	490.4	0.0	556.3	1,046.7
Total	17	\$2,683.0	\$347.5	\$8,977.6	\$12,008.1

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	126	\$20,076.9	\$4,241.8	\$59,134.2	\$83,452.9
Child Development	47	27,711.4	20,309.2	19,644.8	67,665.4
Community Development	375	60,918.2	64,716.9	145,143.2	270,778.4
Education and Job Training	210	43,440.0	8,072.4	34,521.1	86,033.5
Environment and Natural Resources	16	2,402.9	96.0	458.4	2,957.2
Health	218	30,685.6	20,391.4	45,856.1	96,933.1
Housing	136	6,637.2	41,416.4	10,346.2	58,399.9
Leadership and Civic Capacity	27	1,754.0	119.6	1,444.3	3,317.9
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	280	16,543.5	2,341.7	16,607.8	35,493.0
Research and Technical Assistance	60	13,026.6	125.0	11,606.3	24,757.8
Total	1,495	\$223,196.2	\$161,830.6	\$344,762.3	\$729,789.1

OHIO

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	7	\$1,383.6	\$6,971.6	\$15,555.4	\$23,910.6
Community Development	13	2,511.1	3,648.0	7,995.6	14,154.7
Education and Job Training	4	668.5	0.0	668.5	1,337.0
Health	3	568.5	0.0	1,283.6	1,852.1
Leadership and Civic Capacity	2	125.0	0.0	519.5	644.5
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	4	669.0	0.0	551.5	1,220.5
Research and Technical Assistance	1	125.0	0.0	125.0	250.0
Total	34	\$6,050.7	\$10,619.6	\$26,699.1	\$43,369.5

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	179	\$21,210.1	\$17,115.0	\$52,575.0	\$90,900.1
Child Development	268	22,701.2	7,233.1	13,433.7	43,367.9
Community Development	361	64,722.4	70,440.5	194,387.7	329,550.5
Education and Job Training	302	52,223.5	15,409.5	75,479.9	143,113.0
Environment and Natural Resources	26	4,189.7	55.3	1,608.1	5,853.1
Health	364	46,352.0	16,147.4	48,223.2	110,722.6
Housing	76	4,710.2	12,581.7	9,249.9	26,541.8
Leadership and Civic Capacity	45	2,530.8	289.7	2,589.4	5,409.8
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	174	15,446.3	1,613.5	14,146.8	31,206.6
Research and Technical Assistance	54	5,075.8	27.0	4,472.3	9,575.1
Total	1,849	\$239,161.8	\$140,912.6	\$416,166.1	\$796,240.5

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PENNSYLVANIA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Federal Funds	and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	14	\$2,932.6	\$383.4	\$6,131.9	\$9,447.8
Community Development	8	1,152.3	6,921.7	12,957.3	21,031.3
Education and Job Training	3	399.1	0.0	598.2	997.2
Environment and Natural Resources	4	460.0	0.0	596.0	1,056.0
Health	3	302.5	0.0	5,157.5	5,460.0
Leadership and Civic Capacity	2	434.5	0.0	434.5	869.1
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	7	683.0	0.0	697.9	1,380.9
Research and Technical Assistance	1	171.8	0.0	171.8	343.5
Total	42	\$6,535.70	\$7,305.10	\$26,745.00	\$40,585.80

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Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	505	\$112,221.5	\$50,398.5	\$175,861.5	\$338,481.6
Child Development	192	13,756.6	8,264.1	7,337.4	29,358.1
Community Development	396	88,012.7	381,951.8	264,511.5	734,476.0
Education and Job Training	336	65,904.8	47,336.2	250,454.0	363,695.1
Environment and Natural Resources	127	62,478.0	400.0	24,890.0	87,768.0
Health	384	54,114.4	63,297.8	223,420.1	340,832.2
Housing	158	8,028.2	44,432.2	5,265.3	57,725.6
Leadership and Civic Capacity	60	3,659.3	237.4	3,938.9	7,835.6
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	359	23,955.0	1,633.3	15,881.4	41,469.7
Research and Technical Assistance	69	10,808.5	270.0	10,831.0	21,909.5
Total	2,586	\$442,938.9	\$598,221.3	\$982,391.1	\$2,023,551.4

SOUTH CAROLINA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of	ARC	Other Federal	State and Local	Total
	Grants	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Business Development	5	\$1,790.0	\$0.0	\$12,078.2	\$13,868.2
Community Development	2	1,000.0	6,051.0	12,978.5	20,029.5
Education and Job Training	1	250.0	0.0	277.8	527.8
Environment and Natural Resources	1	250.0	0.0	659.0	909.0
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	1	173.0	0.0	173.0	346.0
Research and Technical Assistance	1	53.0	0.0	53.0	106.0
Total	11	\$3,516.0	\$6,051.0	\$26,219.4	\$35,786.4

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	88	\$22,443.6	\$3,514.0	\$50,684.2	\$76,641.7
Child Development	155	17,116.3	9,409.7	9,026.0	35,552.0
Community Development	243	53,703.5	39,722.3	103,630.0	197,055.8
Education and Job Training	460	54,883.7	11,098.9	58,960.9	124,943.5
Environment and Natural Resources	3	680.7	98.1	671.5	1,450.3
Health	362	41,344.3	17,186.6	54,441.7	112,972.6
Housing	5	291.6	0.0	0.0	291.6
Leadership and Civic Capacity	9	803.3	0.0	565.7	1,369.0
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	56	6,251.1	897.3	3,851.8	11,000.2
Research and Technical Assistance	46	2,011.7	0.0	1,261.8	3,273.4
Total	1,427	\$199,529.7	\$81,927.0	\$283,093.6	\$564,550.2

TENNESSEE

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	6	\$1,721.8	\$1,025.0	\$7,028.8	\$9,775.6
Child Development	1	100.0	0.0	2,630.0	2,730.0
Community Development	9	3,713.4	1,120.4	6,227.2	11,061.0
Education and Job Training	3	825.8	0.0	473.0	1,298.8
Environment and Natural Resources	1	258.3	0.0	70.1	328.4
Health	6	929.9	60.8	263.5	1,254.2
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	5	491.0	0.0	491.0	982.0
Research and Technical Assistance	2	272.5	0.0	272.5	545.0
Total	33	\$8,312.7	\$2,206.2	\$17,456.2	\$27,975.1

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	142	\$32,133.2	\$11,684.0	\$39,627.6	\$83,444.8
Child Development	146	14,149.0	17,659.2	17,054.3	48,862.5
Community Development	558	148,909.8	90,258.3	216,381.4	455,549.6
Education and Job Training	220	44,633.6	18,130.1	59,227.8	121,991.5
Environment and Natural Resources	19	3,145.4	194.5	251.3	3,591.1
Health	319	29,935.6	25,948.2	47,915.4	103,799.1
Housing	17	2,558.1	0.0	439.6	2,997.8
Leadership and Civic Capacity	15	1,301.6	0.0	644.5	1,946.1
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	238	15,478.5	1,133.6	10,767.0	27,379.1
Research and Technical Assistance	54	6,255.7	0.0	6,219.7	12,475.4
Total	1,728	\$298,500.5	\$165,008.0	\$398,528.6	\$862,037.1

VIRGINIA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
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Business Development	5	\$414.4	\$0.0	\$421.5	\$835.9
Child Development	1	100.0	0.0	150.0	250.0
Community Development	2	1,000.0	0.0	6,059.8	7,059.8
Education and Job Training	2	146.4	0.0	149.0	295.3
Health	2	290.0	0.0	1,748.3	2,038.3
Leadership and Civic Capacity	1	51.1	0.0	12.8	63.9
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	7	472.3	0.0	411.0	883.3
Research and Technical Assistance	1	258.0	0.0	258.0	516.0
Total	21	\$2,732.1	\$0.0	\$9,210.3	\$11,942.4

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	113	\$14,448.2	\$7,293.3	\$47,771.4	\$69,512.8
Child Development	50	5,797.7	157.0	2,313.8	8,268.5
Community Development	265	74,030.9	77,054.8	173,030.8	324,116.5
Education and Job Training	246	44,942.7	8,910.9	31,045.9	84,899.5
Environment and Natural Resources	20	3,601.8	2,630.2	2,318.7	8,550.6
Health	135	20,788.3	7,089.8	21,828.6	49,706.7
Housing	59	6,682.7	20,893.9	23,210.2	50,786.9
Leadership and Civic Capacity	19	1,105.7	100.0	419.1	1,624.8
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	296	15,112.9	4,334.0	12,365.4	31,812.3
Research and Technical Assistance	38	2,978.7	0.0	2,500.4	5,479.2
Total	1,241	\$189,489.5	\$128,464.0	\$316,804.3	\$634,757.9

WEST VIRGINIA

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	3	\$1,975.0	\$0.0	\$897.9	\$2,872.9
Community Development	3	3,500.0	4,509.0	7,967.0	15,976.0
Education and Job Training	2	550.0	0.0	789.6	1,339.6
Leadership and Civic Capacity	2	401.5	0.0	178.2	579.7
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	11	764.8	0.0	464.2	1,229.0
Research and Technical Assistance	1	350.0	0.0	350.0	700.0
Total	22	\$7,541.3	\$4,509.0	\$10,646.8	\$22,697.1

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of	ARC	Other Federal	State and Local	Total
	Grants	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Business Development	114	\$25,315.4	\$8,327.1	\$27,335.6	\$60,978.0
Child Development	148	17,155.0	9,051.5	9,101.6	35,308.1
Community Development	517	160,032.2	312,506.5	255,961.7	728,500.4
Education and Job Training	269	66,486.5	25,546.3	94,820.3	186,853.1
Environment and Natural Resources	21	4,699.3	1,897.1	1,958.6	8,554.9
Health	297	51,465.1	25,659.7	61,948.2	139,073.0
Housing	90	3,532.0	19,574.8	13,572.5	36,679.3
Leadership and Civic Capacity	40	4,465.4	12.0	2,355.5	6,832.9
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	490	22,785.0	19,465.8	31,588.5	73,839.3
Research and Technical Assistance	44	7,642.1	0.0	7,250.0	14,892.1
Total	2,030	\$363,578.0	\$422,040.9	\$505,892.3	\$1,291,511.2

COMMISSION DISCRETIONARY PROJECTS

Nonhighway Projects Approved Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

			Other	State	
	No. of	ARC	Federal	and Local	Total
	Grants	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds
Business Development	34	\$1,173.2	\$0.0	\$2,470.7	\$3,643.9
Child Development	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Community Development	1	25.0	0.0	0.0	25.0
Education and Job Training	11	856.2	190.0	226.6	1,272.8
Environment and Natural Resources	2	909.7	0.0	577.2	1,486.9
Health	22	735.7	0.0	585.7	1,321.4
Housing	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Leadership and Civic Capacity	12	525.1	0.0	52.1	577.2
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	1	45.0	0.0	0.0	45.0
Research and Technical Assistance	15	1,137.3	0.0	24.3	1,161.6
Total	98	\$5,407.1	\$190.0	\$3,936.6	\$9,533.7

Notes: Totals may not add because of rounding. Table does not include access road projects funded through the Highway Trust Fund.

Cumulative Nonhighway Projects Approved through Fiscal Year 2009

(in thousands of dollars)

	No. of Grants	ARC Funds	Other Federal Funds	State and Local Funds	Total Funds
Business Development	670	\$33,181.7	\$11,172.9	\$41,013.8	\$85,368.5
Child Development	125	11,868.8	1,592.5	999.0	14,460.3
Community Development	297	75,407.0	17,094.9	32,984.5	125,486.4
Education and Job Training	637	33,974.9	1,910.7	18,572.2	54,457.8
Environment and Natural Resources	139	16,305.1	969.6	2,858.0	20,132.7
Health	282	9,902.1	2,939.0	2,841.7	15,682.7
Housing	51	918.7	0.0	446.0	1,364.7
Leadership and Civic Capacity	251	9,423.9	243.2	4,212.9	13,880.0
Local Development District					
Planning and Administration	33	1,240.7	0.0	71.8	1,312.5
Research and Technical Assistance	740	24,251.0	477.3	2,483.8	27,212.1
Total	3,225	\$216,473.9	\$36,400.1	\$106,483.8	\$359,357.8

APPENDIX C: Appalachian Development Highway System Status and Funding

Appalachian Development Highway System and Local Access Roads Obligations Fiscal Year 2009

'	TEA-21/	TEA-21/SAFETEA-LU FUNDS*	*\		ARC FUNDS		
State	ADHS⊤	Local Access Roads	Total State and Local Match‡	ADHS	Local Access Roads	Total State and Local Match	Total Funds
Alabama	\$107,150,436	0\$	\$26,787,609	0\$	-\$229,826\$	-\$57,457\$	\$133,650,763
Georgia	373,207	0	93,302	0	0	0	466,509
Kentucky	66,841,095	0	16,710,274	-948	0	-24§	83,551,251
Maryland	0	932,566	233,142	0	0	0	1,165,708
Mississippi	11,245,601	806,335	3,012,984	0	0	0	15,064,920
New York	18,843,185	0	4,710,796	0	0	0	23,553,981
North Carolina	20,350,978	0	5,087,745	0	0	0	25,438,723
Ohio	468,704	-36,7978	107,977	0	0	0	539,884
Pennsylvania	46,217,572	1,814,796	12,008,092	-20,500§	-88	-5,127§	60,014,825
South Carolina	10,992,630	0	2,748,158	0	0	0	13,740,788
Tennessee	46,595,290	0	11,648,823	0	0	0	58,244,113
Virginia	8,991,618	-7,5398	2,246,020	128,363	0	32,091	11,390,553
West Virginia	37,601,776	0	9,400,444	-13,276§	0	-3,319§	46,985,625
Totals	\$375,672,092	\$3,509,361	\$94,795,363	\$94,493	-\$229,834 §	-\$33,835§	\$473,807,640

Source: Federal Highway Administration's Fiscal Management Information System. Note: Totals may not add because of rounding.

^{*} Includes funds from TEA-21 Extension Acts and SAFETEA-LU. † Appalachian Development Highway System funds from the Highway Trust Fund apportioned by ARC formula to the Appalachian states.

[‡] State and local funds assumed to be the required 20 percent match. § Represents a deobligation of federal funds.

Appalachian Development Highway System and Local Access Roads Cumulative Obligations Through Fiscal Year 2009

	TEA-21	TEA-21/SAFETEA-LU FUNDS*	*SC		ARC FUNDS		
State	ADHS†	Local Access Roads	Total State and Local Match‡	ADHS	Local Access Roads	Total State and Local Match	Total Funds
Alabama	\$506,793,460	80	\$126,698,365	\$337,462,447	\$28,454,074	\$122,332,664	\$1,121,741,009
Georgia	9,322,969	34,400	2,339,342	131,843,683	12,377,000	66,730,607	222,648,001
Kentucky	357,922,360	0	89,480,590	612,492,867	6,510,628	305,498,863	1,371,905,307
Maryland	18,204,898	7,068,078	6,318,244	155,328,866	5,765,288	176,340,611	369,025,985
Mississippi	48,523,251	5,444,461	13,491,928	155,748,309	39,662,022	79,691,343	342,561,314
New York	146,796,313	0	36,699,078	316,271,129	9,138,138	242,868,135	751,772,792
North Carolina	170,237,383	0	42,559,346	209,658,380	9,934,493	111,738,561	544,128,163
Ohio	161,590,572	6,112,502	41,925,769	166,155,601	12,108,978	99,004,990	486,898,412
Pennsylvania	1,040,350,914	7,251,215	261,900,532	639,078,896	34,419,468	312,478,787	2,295,479,812
South Carolina	30,250,154	0	7,562,539	22,439,561	17,251,630	14,870,134	92,374,018
Tennessee	214,661,110	225,000	53,721,528	435,145,041	21,825,000	194,840,496	920,418,175
Virginia	124,405,646	1,284,272	31,422,480	162,891,371	8,424,491	116,822,145	445,250,404
West Virginia	713,214,572	0	178,303,643	1,011,808,990	21,217,347	504,701,565	2,429,246,117
Totals	\$3,542,273,602	\$27,419,928	\$892,423,383	\$4,356,325,140	\$227,088,556	\$2,347,918,899	\$11,393,449,508

Source: Federal Highway Administration's Fiscal Management Information System.

Note: Totals may not add because of rounding.

^{*} Includes funds from TEA-21 Extension Acts and SAFETEA-LU. † Appalachian Development Highway System funds from the Highway Trust Fund apportioned by ARC formula to the Appalachian states. ‡ State and local funds assumed to be the required 20 percent match.

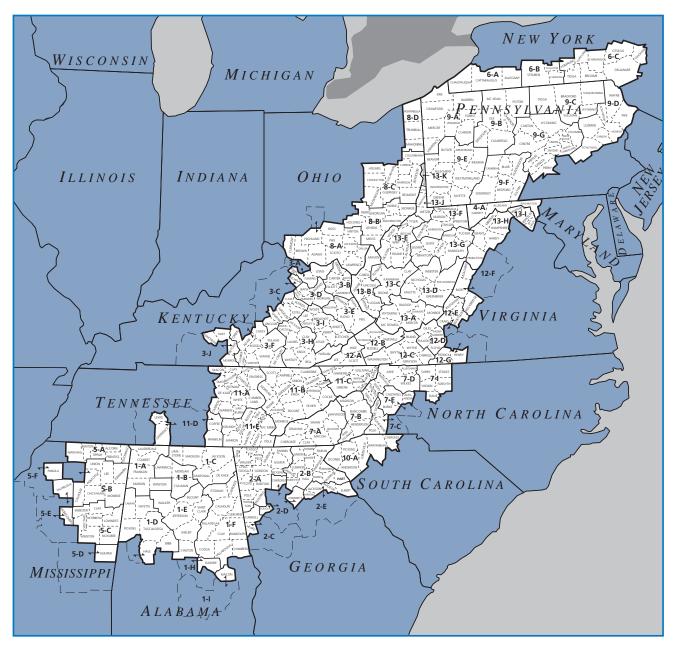
Status of Completion of the Appalachian Development Highway System (Miles) as of September 30, 2009

		MILE	S NOT OPEN TO	TRAFFIC	MILES OPEN T	O TRAFFIC
	Total Miles Eligible for ADHS Funding*	Location Study Needed or Under Way	Design and/or Right-of-Way Under Way	Construction Under Way	Remaining Stage Construction	Complete
Alabama	295.7	63.7	4.4	7.6	53.3	166.7
Georgia	132.5	20.5	11.1	0.0	0.0	100.9
Kentucky	426.3	8.2	13.1	9.8	0.0	395.2
Maryland	83.2	2.5	0.0	0.0	3.7	77.0
Mississippi	117.5	0.0	8.3	12.2	0.0	97.0
New York	222.0	0.0	5.5	3.6	1.3	211.6
North Carolina	204.3	8.3	9.8	6.6	4.2	175.4
Ohio	201.5	7.1	16.2	0.0	0.0	178.2
Pennsylvania	453.1	99.9	13.4	35.1	2.9	301.8
South Carolina	22.9	0.0	4.3	0.0	0.0	18.6
Tennessee	329.3	17.5	2.6	11.2	77.1	220.9
Virginia	192.2	15.6	14.3	1.6	0.0	160.7
West Virginia	409.6	30.2	19.0	21.5	0.9	338.0
System Totals	3,090.1	273.5	122.0	109.2	143.4	2,442.0

^{*} Congress authorized 3,090 miles for corridors approved as part of the Appalachian Development Highway System and eligible for construction under the Appalachian Development Highway System program. Final mileage on the corridors completed under the program will be within the authorized mileage.

APPENDIX D: Local Development Districts in the Appalachian Region as of September 30, 2009

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS IN THE APPALACHIAN REGION as of September 30, 2009



This map includes districts on the border of the Appalachian Region containing both Appalachian and non-Appalachian counties. The non-Appalachian counties are indicated by broken boundary lines.

ALABAMA

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Counties: Colbert, Franklin, Lauderdale, Marion,

Winston

1B/ North Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments

216 Jackson Street, SE Decatur, Alabama 35601

256-355-4515

email: neal.morrison@adss.alabama.gov

Web site: http://www.narcog.org
Counties: Cullman, Lawrence, Morgan

1C/ Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments

5075 Research Drive, NW Huntsville, Alabama 35805

256-830-0818

email: bob.culver@adss.alabama.gov Web site: http://www.tarcog.org

Counties: DeKalb, Jackson, Limestone, Madison,

Marshall

1D/ West Alabama Regional Commission

4200 Highway 69 North, Suite 1

P.O. Box 509

Northport, Alabama 35476-0509

205-333-2990

email: warc@adss.alabama.gov Web site: http://www.warc.info/

Counties: Bibb, Fayette, Hale, Lamar, Pickens,

Tuscaloosa, (Greene)

1E/ Regional Planning Commission of Greater Birmingham

1731 First Avenue North, Suite 200 Birmingham, Alabama 35203

205-251-8139

email: rmorris@rpcgb.org
Web site: http://www.rpcgb.org

Counties: Blount, Chilton, Jefferson, St. Clair, Shelby,

Walker

1F/ East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

1130 Quintard Ave., Suite 300

P.O. Box 2186

Anniston, Alabama 36202

256-237-6741

email: earpdc@adss.alabama.gov Web site: http://www.earpdc.org

Counties: Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Etowah, Randolph, Talladega,

Tallapoosa

1H/ Central Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission

430 South Court Street

Montgomery, Alabama 36104

334-262-4300

email: director@carpdc.com Web site: http://www.carpdc.com

Counties: Elmore, (Autauga, Montgomery)

11/ South Central Alabama Development Commission

5900 Carmichael Place

Montgomery, Alabama 36117

334-244-6903

email: tyson.howard@adss.alabama.gov Web site: http://www.scadc.state.al.us

Counties: Macon, (Bullock, Butler, Crenshaw,

Lowndes, Pike)

GEORGIA

2A/ Northwest Georgia Regional Commission

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Rome, Georgia 30162-1798

706-295-6485

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Web site: http://www.nwgrc.org

Counties: Bartow, Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade, Fannin, Floyd, Gilmer, Gordon, Haralson, Murray, Paulding,

Pickens, Polk, Walker, Whitfield

2B/ Georgia Mountains Regional Commission

P.O. Box 1720

Gainesville, Georgia 30503

770-538-2626

email: dlewis@gmrc.ga.gov Web site: http://www.gmrdc.gov

Counties: Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens,

Towns, Union, White

2C/ Three Rivers Regional Commission

120 N. Hill Street

Griffin, Georgia 30224-0818

678-692-0510

email: lboatwright@threeriversrc.com

Counties: Carroll, Heard, (Butts, Coweta, Meriwether,

Pike, Spalding, Troup, Union)

2D/ Atlanta Regional Commission

40 Courtland Street, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30303

404-463-3100

email: infocenter@atlantaregional.com Web site: http://www.atlantaregional.com

Counties: Cherokee, Douglas, Gwinnett, (Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Fayette, Fulton, Henry, Rockdale)

2E/ Northeast Georgia Regional Commission

305 Research Drive

Athens, Georgia 30605-2795

706-369-5650

email: jimdove@negrc.org
Web site: http://www.negrc.org

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Walton)

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3A/ Buffalo Trace Area Development District

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Maysville, Kentucky 41056

606-564-6894

email: mhardy@btadd.com Web site: http://www.btadd.com

Counties: Fleming, Lewis, Robertson, (Bracken,

Mason)

3B/ FIVCO Area Development District

32 Fivco Court

Grayson, Kentucky 41143

606-929-1366

email: mary@fivco.org

Web site: http://www.fivco.org

Counties: Boyd, Carter, Elliott, Greenup, Lawrence

3C/ Bluegrass Area Development District

699 Perimeter Drive

Lexington, Kentucky 40517

859-269-8021

email: bgadd@bgadd.org

Web site: http://www.bgadd.org

Counties: Clark, Estill, Garrard, Lincoln, Madison,

Nicholas, Powell, (Anderson, Bourbon, Boyle, Fayette,

Franklin, Harrison, Jessamine, Mercer, Scott,

Woodford)

3D/ Gateway Area Development District

110 Lake Park Drive

Morehead, Kentucky 40351

606-780-0090

email: GailK.Wright@ky.gov Web site: http://www.gwadd.org

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Rowan

3E/ Big Sandy Area Development District

110 Resource Court

Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

606-886-2374

email: terry.trimble@bigsandy.org Web site: http://www.bigsandy.org

Counties: Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Pike

3F/ Lake Cumberland Area Development District, Inc.

P.O. Box 1570

Russell Springs, Kentucky 42642

270-866-4200

email: donnad@lcadd.org
Web site: http://www.lcadd.org

Counties: Adair, Casey, Clinton, Cumberland, Green,

McCreary, Pulaski, Russell, Wayne, (Taylor)

3H/ Cumberland Valley Area Development District

P.O. Box 1740

London, Kentucky 40743-1740

606-864-7391

email: mpatrick@cvadd.org Web site: http://www.cvadd.org

Counties: Bell, Clay, Harlan, Jackson, Knox, Laurel,

Rockcastle, Whitley

3I/ Kentucky River Area Development District

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Hazard, Kentucky 41701-9545

606-436-3158

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Web site: http://www.kradd.org

Counties: Breathitt, Knott, Lee, Leslie, Letcher,

Owsley, Perry, Wolfe

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Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

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662-728-6248

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Tishomingo

5B/ Three Rivers Planning and Development District

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Pontotoc, Mississippi 38863

662-489-2415

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Web site: http://www.trpdd.com

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601-683-2007

email: mail@ecpdd.org

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5E/ North Central Planning and Development District

711 South Applegate

Winona, Mississippi 38967

662-283-2675

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Grenada, Holmes, Leflore)

5F/ North Delta Planning and Development District

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Batesville, Mississippi 38606-1488

662-561-4100

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Wilkes, Yancey

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13C/ Region 3—B-C-K-P Regional Intergovernmental Council

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