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The Board of Commissioners of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission would like to introduce ourselves to you and update you on our goals for the new year.

The Zachary Taylor Parkway and the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission were created by the Louisiana Legislature in 1992 and are governed by R.S. 48:1801, et seq. The Commission is a political subdivision of the state, funded solely through the legislative appropriation process and is organized to:

- (1) help procure funding for the completion of four-laning efforts
- (2) promote the development and improvement of the Zachary Taylor Parkway in an effort to encourage economic development and tourism in the parishes of Avoyelles, East Feliciana, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, St. Helena, Tangipahoa, Washington, and West Feliciana.
- (3) maintain the Zachary Taylor Parkway Military History Byways status

The Zachary Taylor Parkway traverses some 210 miles from Rapides Parish to I-59 in Poplarville, MS. The Zachary Taylor Parkway follows existing Highways 1 and 10 throughout the eight parishes. It is centered by the John James Audubon Bridge connecting the parishes of Pointe Coupee and West Feliciana.

Objectives of the Commission include:

- Increasing public awareness of the impact of infrastructure improvements
- Obtaining federal funds for accomplishing completion of corridor
- Enhancing economic development throughout the towns along the corridor
- Speaking at clubs, chambers, police juries
- Acting as a liaison with legislators and local government
- Working with LaDOTD to develop plans and programs
- Meeting with citizens throughout the region
- Informing public officials of the need, development and progress of the corridor

We would appreciate the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these objectives and to work with you on requesting a legislative appropriation in the upcoming legislative session to fund the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission, **in particular the consistent funding needed to maintain the Military History Byway.**

Thank you for your consideration and support of the Zachary Taylor Parkway Commission.