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### **“GOVERNOR JINDAL ANNOUNCES FINAL MILE FUNDING FOR I-49 NORTH”**

**Shreveport, LA, May 2, 2011** - Governor Bobby Jindal was at the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce today to announce funding for the final mile of I-49 North. Legislation being introduced today in the Louisiana legislature includes \$73 million in additional funding for the final segment of I-49 North. House Bill 2, Capital Outlay, also includes money for other projects in northwest Louisiana such as the Northwest Louisiana Crime Lab which will service 29 parishes.

Joining Governor Jindal for the announcement were Shreveport’s Mayor Cedric Glover, Caddo Parish Sheriff Steve Prator, Bossier Chamber President Tommy Clark, I-49 North Coalition Chairman Bob Gorman, Louisiana Secretary of DOTD Sherri LeBas and many others.

“I-49 North is such an important project, not only for northwest Louisiana but for the entire state of Louisiana,” said Bob Gorman. “This project will bring more funds to the state in terms of gasoline taxes and truck licenses as well as more jobs to our area.”

“Governor Jindal has worked tirelessly for the I-49 North project,” said Shreveport Chamber Chairman of the Board, Brian Bond via telephone while in Baton Rouge, “and we can’t thank him enough for this great news! This is certainly reason to celebrate!”

Governor Jindal expressed that we still need to pass HB 2 as well as HB 370 by Representative Jane Smith, which bonds out the unclaimed property monies that the Governor announced in January to fund the second to last segment.

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