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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN LONOKE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (1-9) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Lonoke County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock.

The purpose of the project is to relocate approximately one mile of Highway 13 on new location in the city of Carlisle. Graves and Associates, Inc. of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$3,829,891.83.

“Widening on Highway 13 will begin at the Interstate 40 eastbound exit ramp and continue southward on the existing location to the vicinity of Tenth Street,” stated Rosenbaum. “The roadway will then be constructed on new location to connect with South Bankhead Avenue in the vicinity of West Reid Street. It will continue southward to line up with Highway 13 South. Improvements include widening to two 12-foot travel lanes, adding a continuous left turn lane, and adding sidewalks at select locations,” stated Rosenbaum.

Rosenbaum said work could begin on the project in six to eight weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in mid-2010.

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