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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (4-16) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Jefferson County, according to Commission Vice-Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado.

The purpose of the first project is to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 365, White Hall Road and Colonial Park Drive in the city of White Hall. Township Builders, Inc. of Little Rock, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$148,779.

“This new signal will make this a safer intersection for motorists driving through this area of White Hall,” stated Murphy.

The second project will construct a new bridge on 11th Avenue in Pine Bluff. Southern State Construction of Hermitage, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$1,005,837.59.

“This new bridge will be built over Imbeau Bayou” added Murphy.

Murphy said work could begin on the projects in six to eight weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on the traffic signal in late 2009. The 11th Avenue bridge should be completed in early 2010.

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