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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN PIKE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (5-20) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Pike County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock and Pike County Judge Donald Baker.

The purpose of the project is to resurface 3.5 miles of County Road 45 (Bethel Road) and County Road 46 (Baker Road) near Glenwood. Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. of Hot Springs, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$363,795.70.

“This project will help us in keeping our county road system in the best condition possible,” stated Judge Baker.

Rosenbaum noted that the County Road project is funded through the State Aid Road Program established by the legislature and administered by the State Aid Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department. This program provides approximately \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist counties with projects of their choosing on the county road system.

Rosenbaum said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the fall of 2009.

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