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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN HOT SPRING COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (3-15) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Hot Spring County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock.

The purpose of the project is to upgrade traffic signals at four locations in the city of Malvern including Highway 270B and 3rd Street, Highway 270B and Highway 67, Highway 67 and Ash Street, and Highway 9 and 5th Street. Traffic & Lighting Systems, LLC of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was awarded the contract at \$360,962.48.

“Improvements at these four intersections will include upgraded traffic signals, new pavement markings and upgraded wheelchair ramps,” stated Rosenbaum.

The project is being funded with money provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The Act provided Arkansas with \$351 million in federal stimulus funds for roadway and bridge improvements throughout the state. Additional information about the ARRA can be found at www.recovery.gov. For more information about its impact on Arkansas, go to www.recovery.arkansas.gov. Information about specific road and bridge construction projects can be found by going to www.ArkansasHighways.com, and clicking on the ARRA logo and link in the lower right portion of the page.

Rosenbaum said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Work should be completed in late 2010.

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