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### **ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JACKSON COUNTY**

**LITTLE ROCK (6-2)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Jackson County, according to Commissioner Cliff Hoofman of North Little Rock and Jackson County Judge Kerry Lee Tharp.

The purpose of the first project is to resurface 1.2 miles of Highway 67, near Swifton. Delta Asphalt, Inc. of Paragould, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$279,898.37.

“This project will begin at the intersection with Highway 226 and continue northward,” stated Hoofman.

A second project will resurface one mile of Boyce Victory Road (County Road 74), east of Tuckerman. Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$144,286.44.

“Keeping our county road system in good condition is always a top priority,” stated Judge Tharp.

Hoofman 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.

Hoofman said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on Highway 67 in September of this year. Improvements to County Road 74 will be completed this summer.

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