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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JOHNSON COUNTY

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

The purpose of the first project is to resurface 3.6 miles of Highways 64 and 103, in Clarksville. Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, AR, was awarded the contract at \$1,194,940.44.

“This project will begin at the intersection with Highway 21 and continue westward to Stegall Road,” stated Hoofman.

A second project will resurface 3.6 miles of County Road 49, north of Lamar. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$204,952.45.

“This job extends from Highway 123 eastward,” stated Judge Jacobs.

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 in September on both projects.

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