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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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

The purpose of the first project is to resurface approximately four miles of Highway 27. Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$908,182.12.

“This project will begin at the Ouachita River and continue northward,” stated Hoofman.

A second project will reseal 6.75 miles of County Roads 12 and 17, near Black Springs, and County Roads 63, 69 and 73, near Sims. Montgomery County of Mt. Ida, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$149,562.88.

“Keeping our county roads in good condition is always a top priority,” stated Judge Black.

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 both in September of this year.

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