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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN PRAIRIE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-2) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Prairie County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock and Prairie County Judge Bob Childers.

The purpose of the first project is to resurface 3.5 miles of Highways 33 and 70, near DeValls Bluff. Cranford Construction Company of North Little Rock, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$507,308.62.

“This project will begin on Highway 70 in DeValls Bluff and continue southward on Highway 33 to the intersection with Highway 302,” stated Rosenbaum.

A second project will resurface approximately two miles of County Road 15, east of Crossroad. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$199,900.80.

“This project will begin at Highway 86 and continue westward,” stated Judge Childers.

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 projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on both jobs in September of this year.

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