

# INFORMATION RELEASE



## Office of the Director

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT  
P. O. Box 2261 – Little Rock, Arkansas Telephone (501) 569-2227

**Contact:**  
Randy Ort/David Nilles

**AHC-116**  
**August 17, 2010**

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

**LITTLE ROCK (8-17)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Baxter County, according to Commissioner Dick Trammel of Rogers.

The purpose of the project is to construct 2.3 miles of passing lanes on Highway 177, east of Salesville. Twin Lakes Quarrys, Inc. of Mountain Home, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$3,151,136.60.

“These improvements will be located on Highway 177 in the area south of Norfolk Lake,” stated Trammel. “The new passing lanes will be located between Highway 5 and the IZARD County line. The project will add one northbound and one southbound passing lane and make this a safer highway for motorists traveling in the area.”

Trammel said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the fall of 2011.

#####

090223