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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MISSISSIPPI COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (8-17) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Mississippi County, according to Commissioner John Ed Regenold of Armored and Mississippi County Judge Steve McGuire.

The purpose of the project is to resurface selected sections of 1.6 miles of County Road 253, near Blytheville. Delta Asphalt of Arkansas, Inc. of Paragould, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$230,252.23.

“This project will begin at Highway 18 and continue eastward to Highway 61,” stated Judge McGuire.

Regenold 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.

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

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