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

**LITTLE ROCK (8-17)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Union County, according to Commission Vice Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado and Union County Judge Bobby Edmonds.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately six miles of County Road 13, near Mount Holly. Jet Asphalt & Rock Company, Inc. of El Dorado, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$1,095,616.16.

“This project will begin at Highway 57 and continue northward to the Ouachita County line,” stated Judge Edmonds.

Murphy 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.

Murphy 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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