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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN COLUMBIA COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (9-29) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Columbia County, according to Commission Vice Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado.

The purpose of the project is to construct two passing lanes on Highway 79. Perritt & Vickers, Inc. of Magnolia, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$4,517,670.20.

“These improvements will include one northbound and one southbound passing lane,” stated Murphy. “They will be located between the city of Magnolia and the Ouachita County line.”

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

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