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

**LITTLE ROCK (9-29)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Garland County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock and Garland County Judge Larry Williams.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately one mile of Arkridge Road (County Road 40), near Hot Springs. Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. of Hot Springs, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$625,620.

“These improvements will begin at Carpenter Dam Road (Highway 128) and continue westward,” stated Judge Williams.

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 project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in early 2011.

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