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

**LITTLE ROCK (11-16)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Desha County, according to Commission Vice Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado.

The purpose of the project is to widen approximately one mile of Highway 54, in Dumas, to three lanes. Graves and Associates, Inc. of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$2,918,727.10.

“This widening project will begin at Waterman Street and continue westward for just under one mile,” stated Murphy. “Once completed, traffic flow on Highway 54 through this area will greatly improve.”

Murphy said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in early 2012.

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