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## ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN CLEVELAND COUNTY

**LITTLE ROCK** (7-20) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Cleveland County, according to Commission Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado and Cleveland County Judge Gary Spears.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately three miles of County Roads 3 and 33, near Orlando. C & F Construction Company, Inc. of Smackover, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$236,584.56.

"These improvements will begin at Highway 8 and continue northward to Highway 189," stated Judge Spears.

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 September of this year.

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