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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN INDEPENDENCE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (4-13) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Independence County, according to Commissioner John Burkhalter of Little Rock.

The first project will improve the intersection of Highway 122 and Highway 69, south of Newark. Asphalt Producers, LLC of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$421,031.12.

“The travel lanes on Highway 122 will be widened in order to construct concrete islands at the intersection,” stated Burkhalter.

“Improvements will also include flashing beacons and improvement of the turning movements at the intersection,” Burkhalter added.

The second project will resurface 2.25 miles of Highway 167, near Cave City. Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$440,499.21.

“These improvements will begin at Cave City and continue southward,” stated Burkhalter.

Burkhalter said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on Highway 167 in September of this year. Work on Highways 69 and 122 should be completed in the fall of this year.

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