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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (12-14) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Craighead County, according to Commission Vice Chairman John Ed Regenold of Armorel.

The purpose of the project is to construct the grading and structures on 1.8 miles of Highway 226, southwest of Jonesboro. Dumey Contracting, Inc. of Benton, Missouri, was awarded the contract at \$11,442,626.09.

“This Highway 226 project will be the first phase of a four-lane divided roadway on new location southwest of Jonesboro,” stated Regenold. “It will be approximately two miles in length and connect Highway 226 to Highway 49. An overpass over the Union Pacific railroad tracks is also included as part of the project. A second phase scheduled for 2013 will construct the base and surfacing for the roadway.”

Regenold said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion of this contract is expected in 2014.

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