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

**LITTLE ROCK (6-1)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Baxter County, according to Commissioner Dick Trammel of Rogers and Baxter County Judge Joe Bodenhamer.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately five miles of Old Military Road (County Road 55), south of Mountain Home and County Road 806, near Norfolk Lake. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$205,408.81.

“These improvements will provide safer roadways for motorists in these areas of Baxter County,” stated Judge Bodenhamer.

Trammel 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.

Trammel said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected late this summer.

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