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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN PIKE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-1) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Pike County, according to Commissioner Tom Schueck of Little Rock and Pike County Judge Donald Baker.

The first project will resurface approximately nine miles of Highway 70. Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. of Hot Springs, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$918,433.06.

“These improvements will be located in the vicinity of the city of Daisy,” stated Schueck.

The purpose of the second project is to reseal three miles of Coffman Drive (County Road 22), near Grandfield. Pike County of Murfreesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$80,465.05.

Schueck noted that the County Road projects are 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.

Schueck said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on both roadways at the end of September.

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