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

**LITTLE ROCK (6-1)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Randolph County, according to Commission Vice Chairman John Ed Regenold of Armored and Randolph County Judge David Jansen.

The first project will resurface approximately four miles of Highway 62, near Pocahontas. Atlas Asphalt Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$597,371.17.

“This resurfacing project will begin at Imboden, in Lawrence County, and continue eastward towards Pocahontas,” stated Regenold.

The purpose of the second project is to reseal approximately six miles of County Road 15, near Ravenden Springs. Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$129,410.77.

“This project is going to begin at Highway 93 and continue to the south,” stated Judge Jansen.

The third project will resurface one mile of Pyburn Road (County Road 22) near Pocahontas. Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$108,839.

“The Pyburn Road project will begin at the Pocahontas city limits and continue westward,” Judge Jansen added.

Regenold 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.

Regenold said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Work on Highway 62 will be completed in late October of this year. Completion is expected on County Road 15 in late September of this year. Improvements on Pyburn Road will be completed by mid-summer.

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