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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (2-8) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Montgomery County, according to Commissioner John Burkhalter of Little Rock and Montgomery County Judge Alvin Black.

The purpose of the project is to construct two box culverts on County Road 17, north of Black Springs. Silco Construction, Inc. of Waldron, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$680,451.76.

“These new culverts will be located over Hewing Creek and Lick Creek and make travel safer through these areas,” stated Judge Black.

Burkhalter 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.

Burkhalter said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in early 2013.

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