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

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

The purpose of the project is to resurface selected sections of approximately one-half mile of Russell Mountain Road (County Road 70), near the community of Russell. White County of Searcy, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$88,879.02.

“These improvements will allow for safer travel for motorists in this area of White County,” stated Judge Lincoln.

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 the spring of 2012.

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