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### **ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN CRAIGHEAD COUNTY**

**LITTLE ROCK (7-25)** -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Craighead County, according to Craighead County Judge Ed Hill.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 2.9 miles of selected sections of County Roads 61 and 250, near Lake City. Atlas Asphalt, Inc., of Batesville, was awarded the contract at \$314,537.93.

“The improvements on County Road 61 will begin at County Road 505 and continue north to County Road 60,” said Judge Hill. “The work on County Road 250 begins at Highway 18 and will continue southeastward to County Road 90.”

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.

Judge Hill said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the late summer of this year.

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