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

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

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 5.1 miles of selected sections of County Roads 25, 14, 6, 3, and 51 near Van Buren. Forsgren, Inc., of Fort Smith, was awarded the contract at \$762,483.32.

“The improvements on County Road 25 will begin at County Road 26 and continue westward for one mile,” said Judge Hall. “The work on County Road 14 begins north of County Road 448 and continues southward.”

Additional sections slated for improvements include County Road 6, where work will begin at Highway 162 and continue northward for one mile. Work on County Road 3 will begin at Highway 162 and continue southward, while improvements to County Road 51 will begin east of County Road 52 and continue eastward for approximately one mile.

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 Hall 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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