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

**LITTLE ROCK (7-25)** -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Newton County, according to Newton County Judge Warren Campbell.

The purpose of the project is to resurface one mile of County Road 20 near Jasper. Heavy Constructors of Arkansas, of Berryville, was awarded the contract at \$127,087.00.

“The improvements will begin at Highway 327 and continue northwestward,” said Judge Black.

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 Campbell said work could begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late summer of this year.

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