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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN LEE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (5-2) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Lee County, according to the Arkansas State Highway Commission and Lee County Judge Jim Keasler.

The purpose of the project is to resurface selected sections of two miles of County Road 15, near Moro. M & T Paving & Construction Company, Inc., was awarded the contract at \$300,307.98.

"These improvements will begin at Highway 79 and continue southward to Highway 78," Judge Keasler stated.

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 Keasler said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected this summer.

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