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

LITTLE ROCK (5-2) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Pike County, according to Pike County Judge Donald Baker.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 2.5 miles of County Road 11, east of Murfreesboro. Pike County of Murfreesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$164,999.99.

"These improvements will begin at Highway 26 and continue to County Road 13," stated Judge Baker.

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 Baker said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the fall of this year.

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