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

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

The purpose of the project is to reconstruct approximately 2.25 miles of County Roads 233 and 855, near Waldron. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$252,799.54.

"Keeping our county road system in good condition is always a top priority," stated Judge Forbes.

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 Forbes 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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