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

LITTLE ROCK (6-13) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Union County, according to Union County Judge Mike Loftin.

The purpose of the project is to resurface three miles and stripe 7.4 miles of County Road 51, west of El Dorado. Jet Asphalt & Rock Company, Inc. of El Dorado, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$586,313.73.

“These improvements will mean safer travel for motorists in this area of Union County,” stated Judge Loftin.

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

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