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

**LITTLE ROCK (3-21)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Polk County, according to Polk County Judge Brandon Ellison.

The purpose of the first project is to resurface 2.3 miles of County Road 61, near the community of Board Camp. Spa Construction Company, Inc. of Hot Springs, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$189,333.30.

“These improvements will begin at Highway 8 and extend southward,” stated Judge Ellison.

A second project will reseal 5.5 miles of County Road 1, south of Grannis and County Road 11, west of Wickes. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$283,172.44.

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

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