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

LITTLE ROCK (10-24) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Washington County, according to the Arkansas State Highway Commission.

The purpose of the first project is to widen three-quarters of a mile of Highway 112 in Fayetteville from two to four lanes, and install a raised median. Sweetser Construction, Inc., of Fayetteville, was awarded the contract at \$3,444,037.13.

The improvements will begin at the Highway 112 Spur and continue northward. New traffic signals will also be installed along Highway 112 at Sycamore Street, Deane Street and the Holly Street/Mount Comfort Road intersection.

The second project is a 200-foot slide repair on Highway 220 near Devil's Den State Park. Heavy Constructors of Arkansas, LLC, of Berryville, was awarded the contract at \$131,576.00. The repair will begin approximately three-tenths of a mile north of the Crawford County line, and extend northward.

Work on both projects could begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion of the Highway 112 widening is expected in early 2014. The Highway 220 slide repair should be complete in late 2012.

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