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

**LITTLE ROCK (9-12)** -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Prairie County, according to Prairie County Judge Mike Skarda.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately one mile of County Road 31 at Des Arc. James A. Rogers Excavating, Inc., of Alexander, was awarded the contract at \$104,970.00.

“These improvements will begin at the Des Arc city limits and continue westward,” said Judge Skarda.

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 Skarda said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late 2012.

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