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### **ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN ASHLEY COUNTY**

**LITTLE ROCK (4-23)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Ashley County, according to Ashley County Judge Dennis F. Holland.

The purpose of the first project is to reconstruct one mile of County Road 7 between Hamburg and Crossett. The work will extend from Highway 82, southward.

Salt Creek Paving & Construction of Benton, AR, was awarded the contract at \$172,214.50.

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.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete early this summer.

A second project is to install a traffic signal at the intersection of Highway 133 (S. Florida Street) and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Crossett.

Construction Management & Maintenance, Inc. of North Little Rock, AR was awarded the contract at \$192,600.00.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by early 2014.

A third project will resurface 5.2 miles of Highway 165 from the Louisiana state line to just north of Wilmot.

Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel of Pine Bluff was awarded the contract at \$1,949,154.14.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by this fall.

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