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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JOHNSON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (7-29) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved a bid for improvements to roadways in Johnson County, according to the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The purpose of the project is to resurface 1.1 miles of roadways in Lamar.

The first location will be on Nations Lane. The work will extend from Highway 123 (North Johnsonville Street), including the northern portion of North Cumberland Street.

A second location will be on Watroak Drive. The work will extend from Highway 64 to Cabin Creek Avenue.

A third location will be on the full length of Cherokee Drive, which connects with Watroak Drive.

A fourth location will be on Pittsburgh Road between East Main Street and the railroad tracks.

Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, AR was awarded the contract at \$322,906.22.

This project is being funded through the State Aid City Streets Program approved by lawmakers in 2011 and voters in 2012. This program provides \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist cities with projects selected by a nine-member panel of Arkansas mayors.

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

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