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### **ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN POPE COUNTY**

**LITTLE ROCK (4-22)** - The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved a bid for improvements to a roadway in Pope County, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The purpose of the project is to resurface 11 miles of Interstate 40 between Russellville and Atkins. It includes the rehabilitation of two bridges, guardrail, and cable median barrier. The work will extend from just west of Highway 331 in Russellville to Highway 105 (N. Church St.) in Atkins.

Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$6,710,021.77.

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

This project is part of the 2011 Interstate Rehabilitation Program that will improve 450 miles of Arkansas' Interstates in the coming years.

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