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

**LITTLE ROCK (9-22)** - The Arkansas State Highway Commission has approved a bid for improvements to roadways in Mississippi County, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The purpose of the project is to reconstruct 4.2 miles of Interstate 55 and raise one overpass east of Blytheville. The work will extend north from near Highway 18 to the Missouri State Line.

Delta Asphalt of Arkansas, Inc. of Paragould, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$25,362,155.61.

Construction is scheduled begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by early 2016.

This project is part of the 2011 Interstate Rehabilitation Program that will improve 455 miles of Arkansas' interstates in the coming years.

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