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### **ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JOHNSON AND POPE COUNTIES**

**JOHNSON AND POPE COUNTIES (12-11)** - The Arkansas State Highway Commission has approved a bid for improvements to a roadway in Johnson and Pope Counties, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The purpose of the project is to reconstruct tourist information center facilities for both I-40 eastbound and westbound lanes at Big Piney.

Crow Paving, Inc. of Morrilton was awarded the contract at \$3,595,187.55.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected mid-2017.

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