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## ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN HEMPSTEAD COUNTY

**LITTLE ROCK (1-9)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Hempstead County, according to Commission Chairman Carl Rosenbaum of Little Rock.

The purpose of the project is to widen Greenwood Street in Hope. J. R. Pope Company, Inc. of Texarkana, Texas, was awarded the contract at \$1,012,450.25.

"This project will reconstruct approximately one-half mile of Greenwood Street extending from Highway 29B eastward to Spruce Street," stated Rosenbaum. "The new roadway will feature wider travel lanes at 13-feet, as well as a new sidewalk on the north side of the street."

Rosenbaum said work could begin on the project in six to eight weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in early 2010.

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