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## ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN VAN BUREN COUNTY

**LITTLE ROCK** (2-27) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Van Buren County, according to Commissioner Cliff Hoofman of North Little Rock.

The purpose of the project is to reseal approximately seven miles of County Road 93 (Holly Mountain Road) and County Road 1750, both east of Clinton. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$181,503.16.

"This project will mean safer roadways for motorists in this area of Van Buren County," stated Hoofman.

Hoofman noted that the County Road project is funded through the State Aid Road Program established by the legislature and administered by the State Aid Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department. This program provides approximately \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist counties with projects of their choosing on the county road system.

Hoofman said work could begin on the project in six to eight weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the summer of 2009.

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