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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN STONE COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (5-20) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Stone County, according to Commissioner Cliff Hoofman of North Little Rock and Stone County Judge Stacey Avey.

The purpose of the project is to resurface 1.6 miles of County Road 87 at Big Springs, and County Road 29, south of Wilcox Memorial Field in Mountain View. Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Jonesboro, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$126,190.69.

“This project will mean safer travel for motorists in these areas of Stone County,” stated Judge Avey.

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 fall of 2009.

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