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

**LITTLE ROCK (3-15)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Yell County, according to Commissioner Cliff Hoofman of North Little Rock and Yell County Judge Brad Wear.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 2.5 miles of County Road 11, southeast of Danville. Silco Construction, Inc. of Waldron, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$1,346,455.73.

"This resurfacing will begin at Kingston and extend northward to Highway 28," stated Judge Wear.

The project is being funded with money provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) matched with State Aid Road Program funds and local funds. The Act provided Arkansas with \$351 million in federal stimulus funds for roadway and bridge improvements throughout the state. Additional information about the ARRA can be found at <u>www.recovery.gov</u>. For more information about its impact on Arkansas, go to <u>www.recovery.arkansas.gov</u>. Information about specific road and bridge construction projects can be found by going to <u>www.ArkansasHighways.com</u>, and clicking on the ARRA logo and link in the lower right portion of the page.

Hoofman said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Work should be completed in late 2011.

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