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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN POPE & YELL COUNTIES

LITTLE ROCK (4-13) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Pope and Yell Counties, according to Commissioner Cliff Hoofman of North Little Rock.

The purpose of the project is to resurface two miles of Highway 7, in the Russellville/Dardanelle area. Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$863,656.76.

"These improvements will begin at the intersection of Highway 7 and Highway 22 in Dardanelle (Union Street) and continue across the river into Russellville (S. Arkansas Avenue)," stated Hoofman.

Hoofman said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late summer of 2010.

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