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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-2) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Jefferson County, according to Commission Vice Chairman R. Madison Murphy of El Dorado.

The purpose of the first project is to resurface approximately four miles of Highway 65, near Pine Bluff. Redstone Construction Group, Inc. of Little Rock, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$731,647.30.

"This project will begin at Highway 425, just east of Pine Bluff, and extend eastward to the Union Pacific railroad overpass," stated Murphy.

A second project will resurface selected sections of seven miles of Blake Street and Dollarway Road (Highways 79B and 365), in Pine Bluff. Redstone Construction Group, Inc. of Little Rock, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$1,055,318.04.

"The second project will begin at the intersection of Blake Street and 6th Street, in Pine Bluff, and continue northward onto Dollarway Road," Murphy added. "It will continue on Dollarway Road northward to the intersection with Highway 104, at Samples."

Murphy said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on both in September of this year.

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