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

**LITTLE ROCK (6-2)** -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in White County, according to Commissioner Cliff Hoofman of North Little Rock and White County Judge Michael Lincoln.

The purpose of the first project is to resurface 6.4 miles of Highway 36, near Searcy. Delta Asphalt of Arkansas, Inc. of Paragould, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$767,689.30.

"This project will begin at the intersection with Highway 305, at Center Hill, and continue westward to Highway 310," stated Hoofman.

A second project will resurface one mile of Glenn Road (County Road 629), near Garner. White County of Searcy, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$159,076.13.

"This work will begin at Highway 13 and extend to County Road 626," stated Judge Lincoln.

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 projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on both projects in September of this year.

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