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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MISSISSIPPI COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (7-13) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Mississippi County, according to Commissioner John Ed Regenold of Armorel.

The purpose of the project is to widen approximately 2.5 miles of Highway 18 from two to five lanes, west of Dell. Delta Asphalt of Arkansas, Inc., was awarded the contract at \$8,626,637.25.

"This project will begin at the intersection with Highway 181, west of Dell, and continue westward," stated Regenold.

Regenold said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late 2011.

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