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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MADISON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (8-17) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Madison County, according to Commissioner Dick Trammel of Rogers and Madison County Judge Wes Fowler.

The purpose of the project is to resurface selected sections of five miles of County Road 12 near Hindsville; County Road 19 near Purdy; County Road 40 near Withrow Springs State Park; and County Road 159 near Aurora. Decco Contractors-Paving, Inc. of Rogers, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$517,243.90.

"Keeping our county road system in good shape is always a top priority," stated Judge Fowler.

Trammel 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.

Trammel said work could begin on the project in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in the fall of this year.

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