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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN CRITTENDEN COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (9-29) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Crittenden County, according to Commission John Ed Regenold of Armorel.

The purpose of the first project is to replace a bridge on Highway 131 over Fifteen Mile Bayou, near Edmonson. Robertson Contractors, Inc. of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, was awarded the contract at \$1,597,640.71.

A second project will replace a bridge on Highway 147 over Fifteen Mile Bayou, also near Edmonson. Manhattan Road & Bridge Company of Tulsa, Oklahoma, was awarded the contract at \$3,002,517.76.

"These projects will mean safer travel for motorists in this area of Crittenden County," Regenold added.

Regenold said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on both in the summer of 2011.

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