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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN COLUMBIA COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-13) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Columbia County, according to Columbia County Judge Larry Atkinson.

The purpose of the project is to reseal 6.7 miles of County Roads 52, 53 and 64, south of Mt. Vernon. C & F Construction Company, Inc. of Smackover, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$188,399.40.

“These improvements will mean safer travel for motorists in these areas of Columbia County,” stated Judge Atkinson.

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.

Judge Atkinson said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late summer of this year.

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