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

LITTLE ROCK (6-13) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Perry County, according to the Arkansas State Highway Commission and Perry County Judge Baylor House.

The first project calls for resurfacing approximately one mile of County Road 48, near Little Italy. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$74,275.47.

The improvements will begin at Highway 300, and extend eastward.

The second project will resurface approximately three miles of County Road 42, near Aplin. Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, Arkansas, was awarded the contract at \$113,746.

Improvements will begin at Highway 60 and extend to County Road 43.

The County Road projects are 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.

Work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected on both projects in the fall of 2012.

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