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### **ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN ASHLEY COUNTY**

**LITTLE ROCK (9-12)** -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for improvements to a roadway in Ashley County, according to Ashley County Judge Emory Austin.

The purpose of the project is to resurface approximately 2.1 miles of selected sections of County Road 58, west of Lake Village. APAC-Mississippi, Inc., of Jackson, Mississippi, was awarded the contract at \$295,317.79.

“These improvements will begin one mile west of Highway 165 and continue westward,” said Judge Austin.

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 Austin said work could begin on the projects in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late 2012.

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