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ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OPENS BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AREA HEADQUARTERS

LITTLE ROCK (9-12) -- The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department has opened bids for the construction of its new Jackson County Area Headquarters near Newport.

The project calls for constructing a 4,000-square-foot multi-purpose facility on 5.3 acres on Highway 384. Crabtree Contracting Company, of Newport, was awarded the contract at \$510,000.00.

The new Area Headquarters will feature offices for AHTD personnel, along with three 800 square-foot maintenance bays for vehicles and large equipment. High-efficiency lighting and insulation will be used throughout the facility, while energy-efficient LED lights will also be installed along the perimeter of the property.

Work could begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. Completion is expected in late 2013.

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