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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION OPENS BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN BAXTER COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (4-23) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission has opened bids for improvements to roadways in Baxter County, according to Baxter County Judge Mickey D. Pendergrass.

The purpose of the first project is to surface 2.8 miles of County Road 52 from Highway 341 north to County Road 387 east of Mountain Home.

Atlas Asphalt, Inc. of Batesville, AR was awarded the contract at \$161,139.13.

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.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by early this summer.

A second project will resurface 2.9 miles of Highway 5 from Norfork to Salesville.

Dilbeck Excavation, Inc. of Mountain Home, AR was awarded the contract at \$593,622.95.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by early fall.

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