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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN CRAIGHEAD COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (12-16) - The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved a bid for improvements to roadways in Craighead County, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The purpose of the project is to pave 1.8 miles of Highway 226, on new location west of Jonesboro. The new roadway will extend from existing Highway 226, one mile west of Craighead County Road 203, to Highway 49 just east of Gibson.

Asphalt Producers, LLC of Jonesboro, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$4,862,871.16.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by fall 2014.

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