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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN DESHA COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (7-29) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved a bid for improvements to roadways in Desha County, according to the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

The purpose of the project is to rehabilitate and resurface 0.8 mile of roadways in McGehee.

The first location will be performed on Thompson Street. The work will extend from Hemlock Street to Highway 278 (Holly Street).

A second location will be performed on North 5th Street. The work will extend from Willow Street to Highway 278 (Holly Street).

R. Thompson, Inc. of Hamburg, AR was awarded the contract at \$239,473.08.

This project is being funded through the State Aid City Streets Program approved by lawmakers in 2011 and voters in 2012. This program provides \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist cities with projects selected by a nine-member panel of Arkansas mayors.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project will be complete this fall.

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