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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN PRAIRIE COUNTY

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

The purpose of the project is to reconstruct and apply asphalt surface treatment to 5.8 miles of County Roads 10, 15, 25, and 31 in Prairie County.

The work on County Road 10 (Old Highway 11) will extend from Hooks Road to Bedner Road, south of Hazen.

The work on County Road 15 (Bell Road) will extend 1.5 miles westward from Highway 11. Also, 1.5 miles eastward from Highway 86, southeast of Des Arc.

The work on County Road 25 (East Jackson Street) will extend 1 mile westward from Highway 63, just south of Hazen.

The work on County Road 31 (W. Eoff Conder Road) will extend from just west of Highway 11 to just west of North Leisure Acres Road, north of Des Arc.

Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc. of Benton, AR was awarded the contract at \$235,344.87.

This 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 will be complete by this fall.

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The purpose of the project is to apply gravel to 1.9 miles of County Road 213 in Prairie County.

The work on County Road 213 (Fricker Road) will extend east from Highway 33 to Bardin Road. The work will then continue south of Bardin Road to Hampton Landing Road, south of DeValls Bluff.

1911 Construction Company, Inc. of Pine Bluff, AR was awarded the contract at \$206,311.21.

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