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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN JOHNSON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-10) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved bids for improvements to roadways in Johnson County, according highway officials and County Judge Mike Jacobs.

The purpose of the first project is to resurface 2.5 miles of County Road 145 and 30 in Johnson County.

The work on County Road 30 will be performed from just east of Oak Grove Cemetery Road to just west of Forest Service Road 4420. That's the equivalent of one mile. Additional paving will be performed on Highway 145 from 0.45 mile east of Melton Drive to 0.75 mile west of Melton Drive in the Ouachita National Forest.

Salt Creek Paving & Construction Company, Inc of Benton, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$449,212.40.

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.

A second project is to resurface 4.5 miles of Highway 64 (West Main Street), in Clarksville. The work will be performed from just north of Interstate 40 to Highway 109 (Sterlin Hurley Highway) southwest of Clarksville.

Forsgren, Inc. of Fort Smith, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$925,219.62.

Construction on both projects is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The projects should be complete by this fall.

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