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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN NEWTON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (6-10) -- The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved a bid for improvements to a roadway in Newton County.

The purpose of the project is to resurface 6 miles of Highway 7 in Newton County. The work will extend from just south of Will Jones Road, south of Jasper, to Elmwood Street in Jasper. Additional paving will extend north 4.6 miles from Asia Point Road, south of Jasper.

Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$1,098,996.76.

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

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