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## ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BIDS FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN YELL COUNTY

**LITTLE ROCK (6-10) --** The Arkansas State Highway Commission approved bids for improvements to roadways in Yell County, according to highway officials and County Judge Mark Thone.

The purpose of the project is first is to resurface 2.5 miles of County Road 43 (Old Booneville Road) in Yell County.

The work will be performed from Highway 27 to just east of Longview Lane, north of Danville.

Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$342,619.36.

Construction on this project should begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete this summer.

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 3.9 miles of Highway 27 from 03. mile south of Forest Service Road 796 to 0.7 mile north of Highway 314, just north of Onyx.

Blackstone Construction, LLC of Russellville, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$944,971.04.

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

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