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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN BAXTER COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (12-22) - The Arkansas State Highway Commission has approved a bid for improvements to a roadway in Baxter County, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials and County Judge Mickey Pendergrass.

The purpose of the project is to apply gravel on 1.6 miles of County Road 73 (Sugarloaf Road). The work will extend north from Push Mountain Road, west of Calico Rock.

Kesser International, Inc. of Little Rock, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$881,758.07.

Construction is scheduled to begin in two to four weeks, weather permitting. The project should be complete by fall of 2015.

This country 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. The program provides approximately \$20 million annually from the state motor fuels tax to assist counties with projects of their choosing in the county road system.

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