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ARKANSAS HIGHWAY COMMISSION APPROVES BID FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN NEWTON COUNTY

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

The purpose of the project is to construct northbound and southbound passing lanes on Highway 7, north of Jasper. The work will extend north from near Erbie Campground Rd. to near County Road 46, south of the Buffalo River.

L.E. Davis Construction, Inc. of Harrison, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$4,797,389.70.

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

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