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More Recovery Funds Awarded for State Road Improvements

(Lincoln, Neb.) Gov. Dave Heineman today announced the distribution of more than \$23 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds for upgrades to state and local roads. Two projects have been awarded from the June bid letting and three from the July bid letting, which included one local project.

This fourth phase of improvements includes:

<u>Project Location</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Contract Amount</u>
<i>June projects</i>			
US-34, Air Park to I-180, Lincoln	Lancaster	Pavers Companies	\$1,989,950
I-80, Missouri River–13th St., Omaha	Douglas	Hawkins Constr. Co.	\$16,068,402
<i>July projects</i>			
I-80, North Platte West	Lincoln	Iowa Erosion	\$1,692,945
N-23, Loomis to Holdrege	Phelps	Werner Construction	\$2,518,944
J St., West 10th – Norris Ave.	Red Willow	Paulsen Inc.	\$944,039

In addition, the next series of ARRA-related projects to be offered for bids by the Nebraska Department of Roads (NDOR) have been released with bid letting scheduled for August.

The next round of projects includes four Omaha projects:

<u>Project Location</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Improvement Work</u>
I-480 W.B./US-75 S.B. Interchange, Omaha	Douglas	Interchange
S.B. US-75 over 30th St. Exit, Omaha	Douglas	Bridge
S.B. US-75 over Burt & Cuming St., Omaha	Douglas	Bridge
W.B. Bridge over 24th St., Omaha	Douglas	Bridge

So far, \$108.9 million of the \$157.8 million received for state road and bridge improvements has been awarded, with 69 percent of the ARRA state transportation funding committed. NDOR continues to release new projects for bid every month until all state road ARRA funds have been awarded.