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# To Resurface Rohwer Road

## Assurance Received By Assoc. Of Commerce

At a meeting of the board of directors of the McGehee Association of Commerce Tuesday night, assurance was received by the body that the road connecting McGehee and Rohwer would be resurfaced, with work authorized to start immediately. This assurance was contained in letters from Senator John L. McClellan and Colonel Albert H. Burton of the Corps of Engineers, War Department.

The Association of Commerce has been actively working on this project for several months.

Col. Burton's letter follows:

January 29, 1943

Mr. W. A. Smith,  
Secretary, McGehee Association  
of Commerce,  
McGehee, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Smith:

Reference is made to your letter of January 19, 1943, urging the repair of Arkansas State Road No. 1 from McGehee Northeast to the Relocation Center, a distance of about 12 miles. You refer to the importance of this road and state that hauling operations in connection with the construction of the Relocation Center severely damaged the road which has become almost impassable during rainy weather.

I am pleased to inform you that the Secretary of War here today issued certification of the need of execution of Arkansas Project DA-WR-15 to the Federal Works Agency. This certification will permit the Public Roads Administration to proceed with work on this project, which includes provision for resurfacing the road in question.

For the Chief of Engineers:

Very respectfully yours,

Albert H. Burton,  
Colonel, Corps of Engineers,  
Assistant, Operations Branch,  
Construction Division.