PURPOSE: To define the authority and responsibilities of the County Board of Supervisors in the implementation of a State Aid Construction Project.

1. The Boards of Supervisors are the constitutional governing bodies of their respective Counties and have broad powers.

2. The Boards have jurisdiction over all County roads, including State Aid roads. The State Aid Enabling Act (Section 65-9-5) provides that "all powers of the State Aid Engineer herein provided are with reference to the expenditures of State Aid Funds and are not intended to interfere in any way with the constitutional jurisdiction of any Board of Supervisors. In order to obtain State Aid Funds, however, and whenever any State Aid Funds are being used, the provisions of this Act (Sections 65-9-1 to 65-9-31) shall have full force and effect".

3. The Boards' rights, responsibilities, and authority in connection with the State Aid Road program include, but are not limited to, the following:

   3.1. Employ a County Engineer to act for and on behalf of the County as a whole, who shall be a registered professional engineer, and such other competent technical assistants as may from time to time be deemed necessary by the Board.

   3.2. Designate its State Aid System and any modification thereof.

   3.3. Adopt annual construction programs.

   3.4. Acquire rights-of-way and provide for any utility removals and/or adjustments, both actions without cost to State Aid Funds.

   3.5. Advertise for bids.

   3.6. Award contracts and authorize the establishment of the project fund.

   3.7. Effect a final acceptance of completed projects.

   3.8. Perform regular and essential maintenance of all completed projects.