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A contract amounting to nearly $1.4 million has been awarded to Burgraff Construction Company of Idaho Falls, Idaho, to pave, drain, and surface slightly more than 16 miles of road and build two reinforced concrete bridges on the Duck Valley Indian Reservation in the village of Owyhee, Nevada Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson announced today.

The contract provides for the construction of 16.3 miles of highway, surfacing on a portion of state highway at and route 9 in the village of Owyhee, and the construction of two reinforced concrete bridges. The construction was requested by the Western Shoshone Tribe.

"Improvement of reservation roads is an important phase of economic development efforts carried on by the Bureau of Indian Affairs on Indian lands", Thompson said. "This road project will make possible better school bus service into rural areas and improve access for Indian farmers in the valley."