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Award of a $136,837.21 contract for grading, draining, and crushed-gravel surfacing of 11.6 miles of road on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in Shannon County, South Dakota, to Roy Kindt of Winner, South Dakota, was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

Roy Kindt was the low bidder. Five other bids were received, ranging from $140,927.37 to $161,914.18.

This project will complete the improvement of 38.4 miles of road from U. S. Highway 18 north to Wounded Knee, Porcupine, Sharps, and Rockyford on the Pine Ridge Reservation. The road when completed will provide all-weather transportation for 200 Indian families residing in the central section of the reservation.

The principal items of work under this contract are 350,000 cubic yards of unclassified excavation, 25,000 cubic yards of crushed-gravel surface course, and 4,300 linear feet of various sizes of culvert pipe.