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Award of a $64,322.48 contract for construction of 2.508 miles of bituminous paved highway on the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, Imperial County, California, to Basich Brothers Construction Company and N. L. Basich, South San Gabriel, California, was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

The Basichs were the low bidder. Seven other bids were received, ranging from $78,322.48 to $116,857.20.

The job is being undertaken as part of the Indian Bureau's broad program of bringing reservation roads up to approved standards so that they can be transferred to county highway systems. The new stretch of highway will round out a loop of roads serving the western part of the reservation and, upon completion, will be transferred to the Imperial County system. This will relieve the Bureau of all further road responsibilities on the Fort Yuma Reservation.

The project will involve approximately 31,400 cubic yards of borrow, 63,400 cubic yards of mixed special overhaul, 11,750 tons of crushed gravel base course, 5,200 tons of road mix aggregate, and 250 tons of cut-back asphalt.