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Award of a $162,934.45 contract for the improvement of about six miles of road on the Navajo Indian Reservation at Ganado, Ariz., was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

The project will provide the last link of bituminous surfacing on the eastern half of Navajo Route 3 which runs across the big reservation connecting U. S. Highway 666 on the east with U. S. Highway 89 on the west. It will also connect with a recently completed concrete bridge across Ganado Wash.

The work involves regrading of roadways to a standard comparable with Navajo Route 3 in general and 5.959 miles of base course and bituminous surfacing.

The successful bidder was Flagstaff Paving and Equipment Company, Flagstaff, Ariz. Thirteen other bids were received ranging from $167,227.18 to $256,682.30.