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Award of a $67,275 contract for construction of three bridges on the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation, Dewey County, South Dakota, was announced today by the Department of the Interior.

The contract involves construction of concrete deck bridges over Beaver Creek, No Mouth Creek, and Swift Bird Creek on a road presently under construction from U. S. Highway 212 northwesterly to Promise to replace an existing road which will be flooded by the Oahe Reservoir. This replacement road on which the bridge construction will take place will directly serve 30 Indian families who have relocated from the Oahe reservoir area. It will also be used for school bus travel and by residents of the eastern part of the Cheyenne River Reservation for travel to Mobridge and other communities north of the reservation.

The successful bidder was Dahl and Hollaway Contractors of Brookings, South Dakota. Six other bids were received ranging from $69,000 to $99,000.