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KDOT to host open house for U.S. 56 reconstruction project in Douglas County

The Kansas Department of Transportation will host an open house for the U.S. 56 reconstruction project in Douglas County on Thursday, May 23. The public is invited to attend the meeting anytime between 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Baldwin City High School, located at 415 Eisenhower Road in Baldwin City.

The open house will allow attendees to review the proposed project improvements, provide input and speak one-on-one with project staff. There will be no formal presentation and attendees can come and go at any time during the open house.

The U.S. 56 reconstruction project will enhance safety and travel on the 3.5-mile corridor between the U.S. 59 interchange in Douglas County and Baldwin City. KDOT will improve the roadway's profile and sight distance, provide increased locations for passing opportunities, and widen the roadway shoulders to 10 feet.

This project is in the Final Plan Development phase. Construction is tentatively planned to begin in Spring 2026.

Anyone who requires special assistance or accommodation to attend the meeting should contact Kate Craft at Kate.Craft@ks.gov.

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