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Bridge Replacements Will Detour K-196 Highway in Butler County

Starting the week of February 27th, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) will begin to upgrade/replace Dry Creek Bridge, Whitewater River Bridge, and Diamond Creek on K-196 in Butler County. The bridges are located between Northwest Diamond Road/K-196 Intersection and Northwest Tawakoni Road/K-196 Intersection between the City of Potwin and the City of Whitewater.

Through traffic will be affected by the bridge replacement project with the closure of K-196 and will be routed on an Official State Detour directing traffic through K-254 to I-135 instead of K-196. Message boards will be established on K-196 Highway on February 13th and warn traffic of the upcoming detour and traffic delays beginning the week of February 27th. The bridge replacement project is scheduled to be completed and reopen the highway to unrestricted traffic by late November 2017, depending on delays due to adverse weather conditions.

King Construction Company from Hesston, Kansas is the prime contractor for this \$2,726,000 project, which is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature. For more information about T-WORKS projects and funding visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks. Highway construction project locations and road condition information can be viewed at the <http://511.ksdot.org> website, or can also be accessed by telephone by dialing 511.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. Persons with questions about this road work or other KDOT projects can call South Central Kansas Public Affairs Manager, Zach Oswald, at 620-663-3361 or 1-877-550-5368 (Toll free).

NOTE: An electronic copy of a map with K-196 closure and Official State Detour directing traffic through K-254 to I-135 is attached to this release.

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