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I-235 Highway Closure and Detour Rescheduled for May 2

Weather predictions for this weekend have prompted the rescheduling of the placement of 12 steel bridge beams over I-235 at 13th Street between Central Avenue and Zoo Boulevard. If the scheduled work is completed as planned, the closure will begin at 7 p.m. on Friday evening, May 2 and the two-mile section of I-235 should reopen on Sunday night, May 4.

A detour will direct interstate traffic to West Street using Central and Zoo Boulevard. All northbound traffic will exit at Central, travel 1½ mile to West Street, travel north then turn left onto Zoo Boulevard and return to I-235 via the northbound ramp. Southbound traffic will be directed using the same city streets.

The Kansas Department of Transportation highway interchange project adds a ramp from eastbound 13th Street east of Ridge Road to southbound I-235 and a ramp from northbound I-235 to westbound 13th Street. The project is expected to reduce traffic congestion at the I-235 and Zoo Boulevard interchange and will add another route for crossing the Wichita – Valley Center Floodway.

Dondlinger & Sons Construction Co. of Wichita is the lead contractor on the \$23,111,124.58 project. It should be completed by late November.

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