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Ramp from westbound U.S. 50 to southbound I-135 to stay open

The ramp from westbound U.S. 50 to southbound I-135 at Newton will not be closed. However, traffic on the ramp will be narrowed and controlled by flaggers during daytime hours starting Monday, June 13.

Motorists should expect delays of up to 15 minutes.

There will be a width restriction of 11 feet.

The ramp is expected to reopen at 7 p.m. Friday, June 17.

The changes are part of a continuing ramp-pavement patching project on I-135 ramps at First Street and Broadway in Newton and on U.S. 50/I-135 interchanges on the south and north sides of Newton.

The Kansas Department of Transportation project is expected to end around late July. Only one ramp will be closed at a time. A single lane closure may be needed on sections of I-135 and U.S. 50. Motorists will be directed to drive at a reduced speed.

KDOT will continue to provide updates on when each ramp will close as the project progresses.

Vogts-Parga Construction, of Newton, is the primary contractor for the \$1,179,492 project.

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