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Most highways in Pratt County closed due to dangerous weather

Dangerous winter weather has closed most highways in Pratt County – with the exception of U.S. 54 from Pratt east to Cunningham.

Even on the section of U.S. 54 that remains open east of Pratt, motorists should avoid travel if possible because of the conditions and time it will take crews to eventually clear the highway.

Because of low visibility caused by blowing snow creating “whiteout” conditions, the Kansas Department of Transportation had already closed all state-maintained highways in much of south central Kansas: in Barton, Edwards, Kiowa, Pawnee, Reno, Rice and Rush counties and in much of Stafford County.

Also added to the closings list late Monday night was U.S. 50 west of Newton in Harvey County and K-89 in Harvey County.

In Stafford County, the closings are from U.S. 281 to the west, including U.S. 281.

The closings in south central Kansas began around 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 8. It’s not clear when the highways can be reopened. KDOT also has closed numerous highways due to the storm in southwest, northwest and north central Kansas.

Go to kandrive.gov for updates on highway conditions across Kansas.

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