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Southbound lanes of I-135 south of Newton to be detoured Sunday

NEWTON – The southbound lanes for I-135 will be closed on Sunday, April 27 south of the US 50/K-15 interchange in Newton to facilitate repair work on the SE 24th Street bridge over I-135. The closure will begin at about 8 a.m. on Sunday and will last about four hours. A signed detour will route traffic from I-135 to US-50 to K-15 to South Kansas Avenue to SE 36th Street then back to I-135. Oversized loads will not be able to navigate the detour, so over length or over width trucks will need to use an alternate route during this closure time period. Northbound I-135 traffic will be unaffected by this bridge work.

The contractor, Wildcat Construction, will be doing demolition and emergency repairs to the SE 24th Street bridge, which was struck by a semi-truck earlier this month. The Kansas Department of Transportation will handle all traffic control.

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, Martin Miller, at 620-663-3361 or 1-877-550-5368 (Toll free).

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