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U.S. 160 mill and resurfacing to start July 21

Monday, July 21, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to begin a mill and overlay project on U.S. 160 in Elk County. The project starts at the Cowley-Elk county line and continues east for 33½ miles, ending at the Elk-Montgomery county line.

The contractor will work from west to east. The road work consists of a 3-inch mill and 2-inch asphalt overlay from the Cowley County line east to Longton, and a 1-inch mill and ½-inch overlay from Longton east to the Montgomery County line. Through the city of Moline the highway will receive a 1½-inch mill and 1½-inch overlay.

Flaggers and a pilot car will guide one-lane traffic through the work zone during daylight hours Monday through Friday. Some work on Saturdays is also expected. Expect delays of 15 minutes or less at the work zone.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$3.8 million to Shilling Construction of Manhattan. The entire project should be finished by late September, weather permitting. Luke Middleton, KDOT Independence Area Engineer, reminds drivers to obey the signs and flaggers, slow down and "Give 'Em a Brake!" at the work zone. The preservation project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. Those with questions may contact Middleton at (620) 331-3760, or Priscilla Petersen, 1-877-550-5368. For more information concerning T-WORKS projects visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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