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U.S. 169 resurfacing projects to begin in late September

Late in the week of September 22-26, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects work to start on two deep mill and overlay projects in Allen and Anderson counties. The section of U.S. 169 covered by both projects begins at the U.S. 169/54 junction at Iola and extends north for 18½ miles to the community of Welda.

The southern portion of the project, from U.S. 54 north to one mile north of the K-58 junction, consists of a 4-inch mill and 7-inch asphalt overlay. The northern portion, from one mile north of K-58 north to Welda, includes a 3-inch mill and 3-inch overlay plus guardrail installation at two locations.

KDOT awarded the construction contracts totaling \$8.85 million to Bettis Asphalt & Construction of Topeka. The U.S. 169 projects will remain active until late this autumn, when the road work will be suspended over the winter months and resume in the spring of 2015.

The contractor will start at the south end of the project and work north. Flaggers and a pilot car will guide one-lane traffic through the work zone during daylight hours, with delays of 15 minutes or less expected.

Donna Schmit, construction engineer with the KDOT Garnett Area Office, reminds drivers to use extra caution in the work zone, reduce their speed and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” The preservation projects are part of the T-WORKS transportation program. Those with questions may contact Schmit at (785) 448-5446, or Priscilla Petersen, 1-

877-550-5368. For more information concerning T-WORKS projects visit the website,
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