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U.S. 169 to open south of Chanute on Dec. 8

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to open U.S. 169 from 35th Street at Chanute south to 130th Street around 8 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 8.

The highway reopening south of Chanute marks the end of the first phase of the 13-mile U.S. 169 pavement reconstruction project in Neosho and Allen counties.

On Tuesday, Dec. 14, the contractor plans to move north and close U.S. 169 between K-39 and Plummer Avenue. The state route detour for the second phase will be signed on U.S. 54, U.S. 75, and K-39.

Next summer, after work is completed between K-39 and Plummer, U.S. 169 will close for reconstruction from Plummer north to 1.7 miles north of the Allen County line. Weather permitting, the highway should be open to traffic by mid-November 2022.

KDOT awarded the \$32.6 million construction contract to Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc., of Kansas City, Mo. Persons with questions may contact Geryd Erbele, (620) 577-7314, or Priscilla Petersen, (620) 902-6433. For updated information about U.S. 169 project and other KDOT projects, go to www.kandrive.org.

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