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K-31 and K-131 projects to begin Aug. 2

Two highway improvement projects in Osage and Coffey counties are scheduled to begin on Monday, Aug. 2, weather permitting, according to the Kansas Department of Transportation.

K-31 will be restricted to one lane in Osage County for a mill and overlay project. The work will cover approximately 7.5 miles, from just west of the K-31/U.S. 75 junction to Main Street in Melvern, then south to I-35. Traffic will be directed by a pilot car, flaggers, signs and cones.

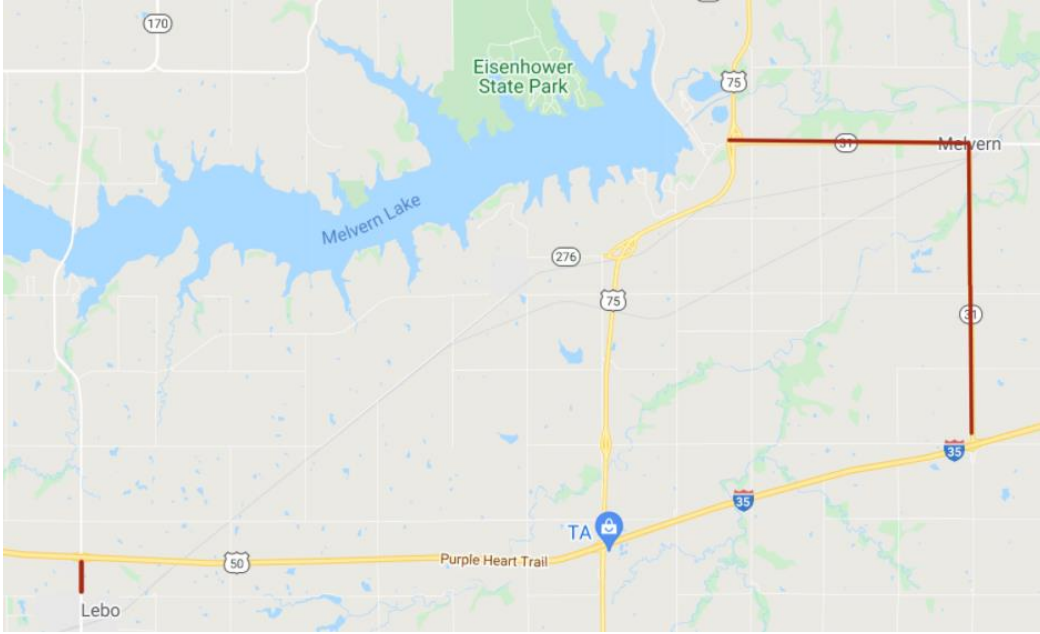
K-131 in Coffey County will also be restricted to one lane for an overlay project. Work will begin at the northern city limit of Lebo and extend north .5 mile to the K-131/I-35 junction. A pilot car, flaggers, signs and cones will direct traffic through the work zone.

Both projects will have a 10-foot lane width restriction through the work zones. Drivers on either route should plan for delays of up to 15 minutes.

Work will take place Monday through Saturday, during daylight hours. Both projects are expected to be complete by late October.

Killough Construction, Inc., of Ottawa is the contractor on the combined \$797,000 projects.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. To stay aware of all road construction projects across Kansas, go to www.kandrive.org or call 5-1-1.



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