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KDOT to begin U.S. 166 bridge replacement project

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to begin a U.S. 166 bridge replacement project on Monday, July 8, weather permitting. The bridge is the South Kansas & Oklahoma (SKOL) Railroad overpass located west of the interchange at the west junction of U.S. 166/U.S. 75.

The new overpass will be constructed on an alternate alignment north of the existing bridge. Signals will control one-lane traffic through the work zone on the bridge, with driver delays of 15 minutes or less. There is a driving lane width restriction of 12 feet. Trucks carrying oversize loads should follow the signed state detour route on U.S. 75, U.S. 160 and K-99. Ramps on the west side of the interchange will be closed to traffic at times during later stages of the project.

KDOT awarded the \$3.4 million construction contract to B & B Bridge Company of St. Paul. This bridge replacement is expected to be finished by summer 2020, weather permitting. Persons with questions may contact Darrin Petrowsky at KDOT-Independence, (620) 577-7312, or Priscilla Petersen at KDOT-Chanute, (620) 902-6433.

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