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## **U.S. 169 resurfacing work starts next week in Miami County**

The week of March 28 the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to begin a mill and overlay project on U.S. 169 in Miami County.

The road work starts at Crescent Hill Road south of the K-7 junction and continues northeast for 11 miles, ending at Baptiste Drive in Paola. Project activity on the four-lane highway section includes milling 2¼ inches off the roadway, followed by the application of a 3-inch asphalt overlay. The spur route K-279 and the concrete exit ramps along the project will also be resurfaced.

North- and southbound U.S. 169 traffic will be reduced to one lane on an alternating basis for the duration of the project, which KDOT expects to complete this summer. The speed limit will be reduced through the work zone.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$5.3 million to Chester Bross Construction of Hannibal, Mo. Donna Schmit, area engineer at the KDOT Garnett office, reminds drivers to use extra caution in the work zone, reduce their speed and "Give 'Em a Brake!" The preservation project is 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, [www.ksdot.org/tworks](http://www.ksdot.org/tworks).

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