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KDOT conducting pavement strength tests

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to conduct pavement strength tests in Gray, Haskell and Meade counties, beginning Monday, September 8. All testing should be completed by the end of the week.

The test sections include:

K-144, from the K-144/US83/160 junction in Haskell County to the K-144/US56 junction in Gray County;

U.S. 56, from the Haskell/Gray county line to the Gray/Ford county line;

K-23, from the K-23/US-56 junction to the Gray/Meade county line;

and K-98 in Meade County, from the K-98/K-23 junction through Fowler to the K-98/US-56 junction.

The testing crew will be using a pilot car operation to control traffic through the pavement test sections. The Kansas DOT urges drivers to be alert, pay attention to all work zone warning signs, slow down when approaching a work zone and be prepared to stop.

KDOT conducts these pavement tests annually on different highway segments, using a Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD), a device equipped with a series of weights that checks the strength of asphalt pavement.

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