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KDOT testing pavement on US-50

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to conduct pavement strength tests beginning Monday, September 29, on U.S. 50 in Kearny and Hamilton Counties. The testing crew plans to begin at the U.S. 50/K-25 junction in Lakin and work west to the state line. If time permits, the crew will also conduct pavement strength tests on K-27 through Stanton County. All testing should be completed by the end of the week.

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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