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Resurfacing project underway on U.S. 81 in Ottawa County

The Kansas Department of Transportation has begun work to resurface about nine miles of northbound U.S. 81 and about three miles of southbound U.S. 81 in Ottawa County.

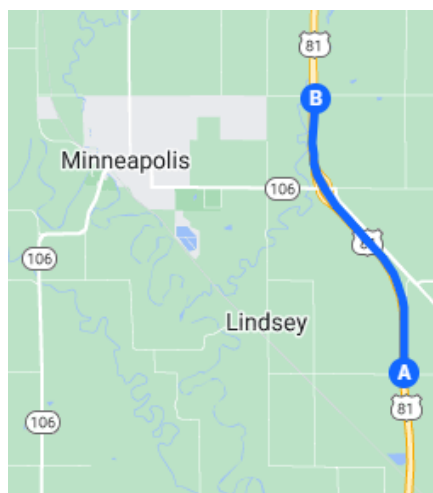
Work on northbound U.S. 81 will begin about 2 miles south of K-106 and continue north to about seven miles north of K-106. Work on southbound U.S. 81 will begin about two miles south of K-106 and continue north to about one mile north of K-106. (See attached maps.)

Traffic will be reduced to one 16-foot lane at a reduced speed through the work zone. Drivers should expect minimal delays, not exceeding five minutes.

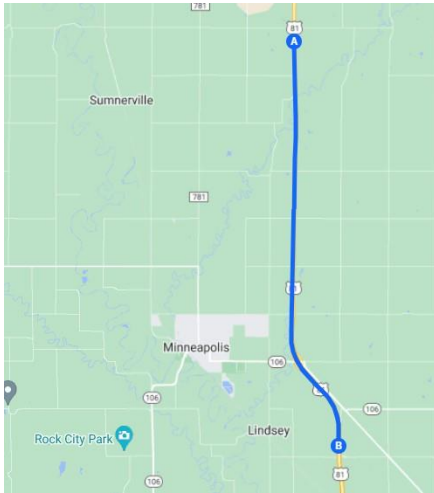
APAC-Kansas Inc. of Hutchinson is the prime contractor for this \$8.9 million project which is scheduled for completion in September, weather permitting.

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.

Southbound U.S. 81:



Northbound U.S. 81:



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