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## **KDOT announces furlough effects on operations**

During the period of staff furloughs, the Kansas Department of Transportation will maintain many of its usual public services.

- **Roadside maintenance and operations** – Reduced KDOT field crews will be available for traffic control needed to shut down roads in emergency situations, such as flooding or traffic crashes. Routine mowing operations will be suspended. Crews will only remove dead animals from the road if they pose a safety hazard.
- **Traveler information services** – Information provided on the [KanDrive website](#), including highway closures, road conditions, camera views, weather information and more, will be accessible. KC Scout and WICHway traffic management centers will continue normal operations. The 511 traveler information phone line also will be in operation.
- **Construction projects** – There will be no stoppage of construction projects now underway.
- **KDOT offices** – Headquarters and district offices will be staffed by a skeleton crew of workers during normal business hours.
- **Telephone lines** – Limited staff will be available to answer telephone calls to primary phone lines at KDOT headquarters and district offices throughout the state.

- **Truck permits** – The online K-TRIPS truck permitting system will be in operation.
- **Rest areas** – Highway rest areas will be open.
- **Social media** – Postings to some of KDOT’s social media accounts will be limited.

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