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K-7 resurfacing in Crawford and Bourbon counties to start August 20

On Monday, Aug. 20, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects to begin a project to resurface K-7 with a chip seal in Crawford and Bourbon counties. The roadwork will start at Girard and continue north and east for approximately 22 miles, ending at the junction with U.S. 69.

The project will smooth the road and fill surface defects that can shorten pavement life. Workers will spread a thin layer of asphalt over the pavement and then coat it with a layer of rock chips that is pressed into place with heavy rollers. A pilot car operation will guide one-lane traffic through the work zone; expect delays of 15 minutes or less during daylight hours when the project is active.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$607,570 Vance Brothers, Inc., of Kansas City, Mo. Weather permitting, the project should be finished in 20 days. Jerod Kelley, KDOT Iola Area Construction Engineer, reminds drivers to reduce their speed, obey the signs and flaggers, and "Give 'Em a Brake!" at the work zone. Persons with questions concerning the project may contact Kelley at (620) 365-2161 or KDOT Southeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager Priscilla Petersen at 1-877-550-5368. The project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. For additional information concerning T-WORKS visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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