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### **Bridge Repair Work Begins on US-77 in Riley County**

On **Monday, July 6**, a repair project began on the US-77 bridge located 1.31 miles west of the west US-77/US-24 junction Creek in Riley County. Crews will work daily, Monday through Friday, during daylight hours. Some occasional weekend work may also occur.

Traffic will be directed through the project by traffic signals that will be located at each end of the bridge. One lane of traffic will be carried across the bridge and traffic will have a full lane width to travel across the bridge. Drivers should expect minor delays and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

Resurfacing the bridge deck will smooth the pavement and make it more resistant to damage from de-icing salts. Crews will first complete repair work on the bridge pavement. Then workers will apply an overlay of concrete mixed with silica fume, a byproduct of making silicon from quartz on the bridge deck. Also, new pavement markings will be applied to the entire resurfaced bridge deck.

Reese Construction Co., Inc. is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$150,903. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is early October 2009.

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and "Give 'Em a Brake!" when approaching and driving through project work zones. For more information on this resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Jerry Haug, Wamego Construction Engineer, at (785) 456-2353.

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