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CANCELLED! Public Open House & Corridor Workshop Scheduled for US-36 Access Management Plan

Due to the forecasted winter weather advisory, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), along with the City of Seneca and Nemaha County, have cancelled the Public Open House and Corridor Workshop for the US-36 Access Management Plan project scheduled for this evening, Monday, February 8 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Seneca Public Library, 606 Main Street in Seneca. The Public Open House and Corridor Workshop will be rescheduled at a later date in February 2010.

At the open house, attendees will view and provide input on the draft recommendations for US-36 plan. During the workshop portion, attendees will participate in a hands-on activity where they can provide comments and concerns on the draft recommendations.

The general public, business owners, local stakeholders, and anyone interested in the future of the US-36 Corridor are invited to attend the evening event and provide their input on the draft recommendations for the US-36 plan. Project team members including KDOT, the consultant, and city and county staff will be on hand to discuss and answer questions regarding the draft recommendations. Attendees can drop by at anytime on Monday evening between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. to participate in the open house and workshop activities.

KDOT, in cooperation with the City of Seneca and Nemaha County, are developing an Access Management Plan for a three-mile stretch of US-36 from approximately one mile west of the K-178 intersection through the City of Seneca to the L Road intersection in Nemaha County. The plan partners are working with the project consultant, Professional Engineering Consultants (PEC), Topeka, to

complete the plan. The plan will identify a long-term conceptual strategy to help preserve efficient traffic flow along US-36 while providing reasonable access to adjacent properties and businesses.

At the public open house held in early December 2009, attendees including residents, businesses, and local stakeholders provided valuable input and concerns along the three-mile US-36 corridor. Also in early December, stakeholder interviews were conducted with businesses along the corridor to gather their input and concerns as well. The information gathered at the public open house and stakeholder interviews was evaluated for inclusion in the draft recommendations for the US-36 Access Management Plan.

If you require a sign-language interpreter or other communication aids at the meeting, please call Kimberly Qualls, KDOT Public Affairs Manager at (785) 296-3881 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. For more information regarding the US-36 Access Management Plan and/or the Public Corridor Workshop, please contact Kimberly Qualls, KDOT Public Affairs Manager at (785) 640-9340.

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