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K-268 Bridge Replacement Project to Begin in Osage County

On **Monday, August 5**, weather permitting, a replacement project will begin on the K-268 Bridge over the abandoned Missouri Pacific Railroad in Osage County. The K-268 Bridge is located just east of the K-368 and K-268 intersection, approximately 4.77 miles east of the U.S. 75 intersection. Project work includes the removal of the existing bridge over the abandoned Missouri Pacific Railroad and replacement with a rigid frame box structure for pedestrian use on the Rails to Trails Route. Project work will take place during daylight hours Monday through Friday with some occasional Saturdays.

Beginning on **Monday, August 5**, eastbound and westbound K-268 will be closed to all through traffic just east of K-368 to K-68 throughout the project duration. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will utilize a 14.5-mile detour via U.S. 75 to K-68 to K-268. Drivers should expect delays due to the marked detour route and must use alternate routes throughout the project duration.

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 the project work zone.

Ebert Construction Co. (Wamego, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge replacement project with a total contract cost of \$855,529. **The scheduled completion date for the bridge replacement project is early November 2013, weather permitting.**

This project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May 2010. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at: <http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/>.

For more information on this bridge replacement project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Nathan Anstey, Construction Manager, at (620) 342-5402. (KDOT Project #268-70 KA-2077-01)

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