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K-63 Bridge Replacement Project to Begin in Nemaha County

On **Monday, March 3**, a replacement project will begin on the K-63 bridge located approximately 2 miles north of U.S. 36 in Nemaha County. Crews will replace the existing 153-foot by 26-foot wide structure with a 180-foot by 36-foot reinforced concrete haunch slab structure. Work will take place daily Monday through Friday during daylight hours throughout the project duration.

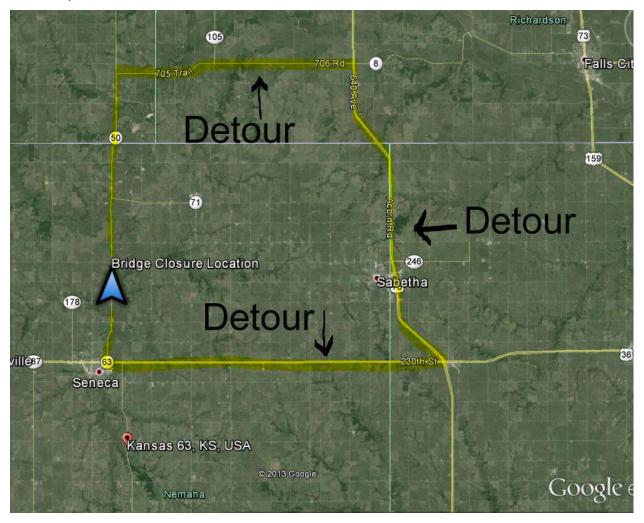
Starting on **Monday, March 3,** crews will close <u>northbound and southbound K-63</u> <u>over the bridge</u> to all through traffic. Traffic will utilize a marked state detour route via K-63 to U.S. 75 (in Kansas and Nebraska) to N-8 (in Nebraska) to N-50 (in Nebraska) back to K-63. See below for the state detour route map. In addition, crews will add stop signs at the K-178/St. Benedict Road and 176th Road intersection, making it a four-way stop movement for all traffic throughout the bridge closure duration.

Drivers should expect minor delays and must use the marked detour route 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.

Reece Construction Co. (Scandia, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge replacement project with a total contract cost of \$954,124. **Project work is scheduled to be completed in early September 2014, 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 questions or additional information on this bridge replacement project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Kevin Palic, Construction Manager, at (785) 336-2183. (KDOT Project #63-66 KA 2074-01)



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