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K-68 Resurfacing Project to Begin in Osage County

On **Thursday, June 2**, a resurfacing project will begin on an 11.2- mile stretch of K-68 from the US-75 junction east to the K-268 junction in Osage County. Crews will work daily, Monday through Friday with an occasional Saturday during daylight hours.

Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via flaggers and signage. Drivers should expect delays of up to 15 minutes maximum. When drivers enter the project work zone on K-68 from adjacent roadways, they must not enter onto either highway until they are directed by the flaggers. There will be a 10-foot lane width restriction throughout the project during daylight work hours.

The resurfacing project will smooth the road and fill cracks that can shorten pavement life. Workers will coat the road surface with a thin layer of specially-modified asphalt. New pavement markings will be applied to the entire resurfaced roadway.

Blevins Asphalt Construction Company Inc. (Mt. Vernon, MO) is the primary contractor on this \$227,698 resurfacing project. The scheduled completion date for the resurfacing project is Friday, June 10, 2011, weather permitting.

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. For more information on this resurfacing project (*KDOT Project #68-70-KA-1683-01*), please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Earl Bosak, Osage City Area Engineer, at (785) 528-3128.

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