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K-99 Resurfacing Project Begins in Wabaunsee County

On **Friday, September 6**, a resurfacing project began on a 12.6-mile stretch of K-99 from north city limits of Alma north to the Wabaunsee/Pottawatomie County line (south city limits of Wamego). On the four-mile stretch of K-99 from the I-70 interchange south to Alma, project work includes a 1.5-inch surface mill and 1.5-inch asphalt overlay on mainline lanes. On the six-mile portion of K-99 from I-70 the interchange north to K-18, project work includes a 3.5-inch surface mill and 1.5-inch asphalt overlay on mainline lanes, plus the addition of 2-foot paved shoulders. The remaining portion of K-99 between K-18 and the south city limits of Wamego will receive a 1.5-inch surface mill and 1.5-inch asphalt overlay on mainline lanes. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work. The work will be coordinated so that all lanes will be opened to traffic by one-half before sunset.

Beginning on **Friday, September 6**, northbound and southbound K-99 will be reduced to one open lane for both directions in several mile increments, along with intermittent closures of adjacent cross roads during the project work hours throughout the project duration. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via a pilot car and flagger operation. Drivers should expect delays of up to 15 minutes maximum and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

There will be a 12-foot lane width restriction through the project work zone during working hours throughout the project duration. No large structures or superloads will be allowed through the project work zone. Uneven lane signs will be used when needed to guide traffic through the project.

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.

Schilling Construction (Manhattan, KS) is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$1.390 million. **Overall project work is scheduled to be completed in mid-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 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. (KDOT Project # 99-99 KA 2896-01)

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