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## Crews widen area of U.S. 50 to a four-lane expressway

Crews have begun a project to widen U.S. 50 bridges and lengthen passing lanes, west of the Emporia city limits on from mile marker 342 to 343, according to the Kansas Department of Transportation.

Two-way traffic will be maintained, but drivers should expect a reduced speed limit of 50 mph. Road E5 north and south and Road F north will be closed at times during construction. All business and house entrances will remain open but may include limited access.

Work includes widening a bridge, replacing existing pavement, extending existing passing lanes, as well as other fencing, signage and pavement markings.

Koss Construction Company of Topeka is the primary contractor on the \$7.8 million project. Weather permitting, the project is expected to be complete Nov. 12, 2021.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. To stay aware of all road construction projects across Kansas go to [www.kandrive.org](http://www.kandrive.org) or call 5-1-1. Drive safely and always wear your seat belt.



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