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K-99 realignment continues in Wabaunsee County

Crews will begin the next phase of a highway realignment project on K-99 in Wabaunsee County on Friday, Oct. 15, weather permitting, according to the Kansas Department of Transportation. The project starts two miles north of I-70 and ends just south of K-18, from mile marker 166 to mile marker 171.

During this phase near mile marker 168, drivers will use a shoofly detour for about a quarter mile to transition to the new highway and then back onto the existing highway. Traffic will remain on existing K-99 everywhere else. This shift is necessary to construct the new highway in the locations where it crosses the current highway.

Signing, barricades, cones and temporary pavement marking will be used to alert traffic of the detour area. This configuration will likely be in place through the winter. Speed will also be reduced to 35 mph through the entire project. Motorists should expect minimal delays.

Ebert Construction Co. of Wamego is the contractor on the \$12.6 million project, which is expected to be completed by the summer of 2022.

For additional road condition details, check KDOT's updated traveler information website, www.Kandrive.org. KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a work zone. Drive safely and always wear your seat belt.



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