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29th Street & Fairlawn Road Improvement Project Now Completed

Construction work on the 29th Street and Fairlawn Road intersection improvement project in Topeka will be completed **late evening, Thursday, November 4**. There is some cleanup and finishing work yet to be completed which will not impact traffic. There will still be traffic impacts at the 29th Street and Fairlawn Road intersection due to an adjacent pavement repair project that is underway by the City of Topeka, which is scheduled to be completed in early December 2010, weather permitting.

This two-year intersection improvement project included the reconstruction of the 29th Street and Fairlawn Road intersection along with improvements to the adjoining I-470 entrance/exit ramps. Construction improvements for 2009 included complete reconstruction of the 29th Street to westbound I-470 entrance ramp, and construction of a new Connector Road that will carry two new designated lanes of traffic from eastbound 29th Street to southbound Fairlawn Road and from the westbound I-470 exit ramp to 29th Street. Construction improvements for 2010 included the addition of a new dedicated right turn lane on the westbound I-470 to Fairlawn Road exit ramp, widening of Fairlawn Road to the east, complete reconstruction of the intersection, and the installation of additional traffic signals at the I-470 ramps to 29th Street and Fairlawn Road.

Graybeal Construction Co. Inc, is the primary contractor on this \$2.1 million intersection improvement project. The 29th Street and Fairlawn Road intersection improvement project is a cooperative effort, funded in part by the KDOT, the City of Topeka, and Shawnee County.

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 intersection improvement project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Steve Baalman, Field Engineering Administrator, at (785) 296-2291.

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