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K-4 Bridge Replacement Project to Begin in Shawnee County

On **Monday, April 28**, a project will begin to replace the Blacksmith Creek Bridge located on K-4 between Hays Road and Hodges Road in Shawnee County. Project work includes the replacement of the existing 30-foot wide (2 12-foot lanes and 3-foot shoulders) structure with a new 40-foot wide (2 12-foot lanes and 8-foot shoulders) structure. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work.

Beginning on **Wednesday, April 30, after morning rush hour**, weather permitting, eastbound and westbound K-4 will be CLOSED to all through traffic from just east of Hays Road to just west of Hodges Road throughout the project duration. Local traffic only will be allowed for westbound K-4 traffic at the intersection of K-4 and Auburn Road and for eastbound traffic at Glick Road. There will be a marked 6.5-mile detour: traffic will detour via K-4 to Glick Road then north to the T-intersection at SW 13th Street, then right (east) to Valencia Road, then north to I-70 and then east to the K-4/Auburn Road exit. See detour map below.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the full roadway closure. Drivers should expect delays and must use alternate routes during the roadway closure.

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.

King Construction Company, Inc. (Hesston, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge replacement project with a total contract cost of \$1.241 million. **The scheduled completion date for the project is late October 2014, 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 bridge replacement project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Tom Dow, Construction Manager, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #4-89 KA-2089-01)

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K-4 Marked Detour Route Map:

