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TRAFFIC ALERT – UPDATE!

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For Friday-Monday, August 3-6 in Shawnee County

K-4/Oakland Expressway

EXPECT DELAYS! Eastbound US-24 to southbound (westbound) K-4 ramp will be closed for concrete polymer overlay work beginning Friday, August 3 at 7:00 p.m. and will remain closed 24/7 round the clock, reopening to all traffic at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 6. This same weekend-long ramp closure will occur every weekend for the next four consecutive weekends.

Eastbound and westbound (runs northbound and southbound) K-4 over the Kansas River Bridge (NE Sherman Road to US-24) will be reduced to one lane for concrete polymer overlay work, 24/7 round the clock, beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 3 and reopening to all traffic at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, August 6.

Advance message boards will alert drivers to the lane and ramp closures. A marked detour will be provided for the ramp closure. Traffic will detour via eastbound US-24 to NE Sherman Road back onto westbound US-24 to southbound K-4. Traffic over the bridge will be directed via **portable traffic signals** located at either end of the bridge.

Drivers should expect major delays during peak travel times and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible. For the ramp closure, drivers will need to use marked detour. Updated traffic information for this resurfacing project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp.

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. Wildcat Concrete Services (Wichita, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge project with a total contract cost of \$1.49 million. The scheduled completion date for the entire bridge project is early October 2012, weather permitting. (KDOT Project #4-89 KA 2726-01)

This information is available in alternative accessible formats. To obtain an alternative format, contact KDOT Transportation Information, Eisenhower Building, 700 SW Harrison, 2nd Floor West, Topeka, Kan., 66603-3754, or (785) 296-3585 (Voice)/Hearing Impaired - 711.

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