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## Old U.S. 59 Bridge Replacement Project to Begin in Douglas County

On **Wednesday, May 8, weather permitting,** a replacement project will begin on an Old U.S. 59 Bridge located less than a mile north of Pleasant Gove Hill in Douglas County. Project work includes bridge replacement, grading and surfacing work. Work will take place primarily Monday-Friday during daylight hours with some occasional Saturday work.

Beginning on **Wednesday, May 8**, northbound and southbound E 1300

Road from N 1000 Road to N 650 Road will be closed to all through traffic throughout the project duration. No marked detour will be provided. Advance message boards will alert traffic to the roadway closure. (See aerial map below for project location.)

Drivers should expect minor delays and must use alternate routes throughout the duration of the project. Updated traffic information for this 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.

Bryan Ohlmeier Construction Co. (Paola, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge replacement project with a total contract cost of \$333,000. **The** scheduled completion date for the bridge replacement project is mid- to late August 2013, 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: <a href="http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/">http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/</a>.

For more information on this bridge replacement project please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Nathan Jeffries, Construction Manager, at (785) 842-0299. (KDOT Project # 59-23 K-6813-01)

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