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Resurfacing Work Scheduled for US-24 in Jefferson & Shawnee Counties

Weather permitting, on **Monday, June 15**, a resurfacing project will begin on US-24 from the Muddy Creek Bridge in Jefferson County west to the Kansas Avenue intersection in Shawnee County. Resurfacing work will take place daily, Monday through Saturday, during daylight hours.

Varying lane closures will take place throughout the duration of project. Crews will start with the eastbound lanes on US-24 and then move to the westbound lanes. Traffic will be directed through the work zone via signage. Drivers may encounter minor delays and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

Workers will begin the recycle process which includes milling away the top two inches of pavement then reapplying two inches of new asphalt over the roadway surface. The resurfacing project will smooth the road and fill cracks that can shorten pavement life. Following the completion of the overlay, permanent pavement markings will be placed on the resurfaced roadway.

Hamm Construction Inc. is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$2,037,875. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is mid-July 2009.

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 resurfacing 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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