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For Thursday, May 31-Late November 2012 in Lawrence/Douglas County – UPDATE!

K-10/23rd Street

EXPECT MAJOR DELAYS! On Thursday, May 31 after morning rush hour, crews will begin work to move eastbound and westbound K-10/23rd Street traffic to the new one-way shooflys located on both the north and south sides of the existing bridge. Two lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction on the shooflys respectively; westbound traffic will travel on the north shoofly, eastbound traffic will travel on the south shoofly. (See maps below for shoofly locations.)

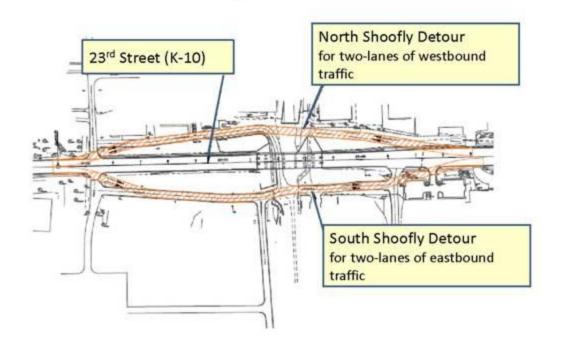
During the day tomorrow, Thursday, May 31, K-10/23rd Street traffic will be switched onto the new shooflys so the existing bridge can be demolished. Bridge demolition work will take place over the next two to three weeks. An excavator will remove the existing bridge structure.

There will be a 25 mph posted speed limit on both shooflys throughout the project duration. Advance message boards will alert drivers to the traffic impacts. Drivers should expect major delays during the majority of the day tomorrow as crews switch the traffic to the one-way shoofly roadways. Updated traffic information for the K-10/23rd Street bridge replacement project can be viewed online: www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp.

This traffic switch will remain in place until late November 2012, weather permitting, when the new bridge is scheduled to be completed and opened to traffic.

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. (KDOT T-WORKS Project #10-23 KA 0685-01)

 Two-lanes of traffic will be maintained in each direction during construction.





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