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I-70 overlay project begins Saturday in Topeka

An overlay project on eastbound and westbound I-70 in Topeka is scheduled to begin Saturday, Sept. 18, weather permitting. The work will cover approximately two miles, from MacVicar Avenue to 1st Avenue.

According to the Kansas Department of Transportation, one lane in each direction will be closed while work is occurring. All lanes will be open when crews are not present. Work will take place at the following times:

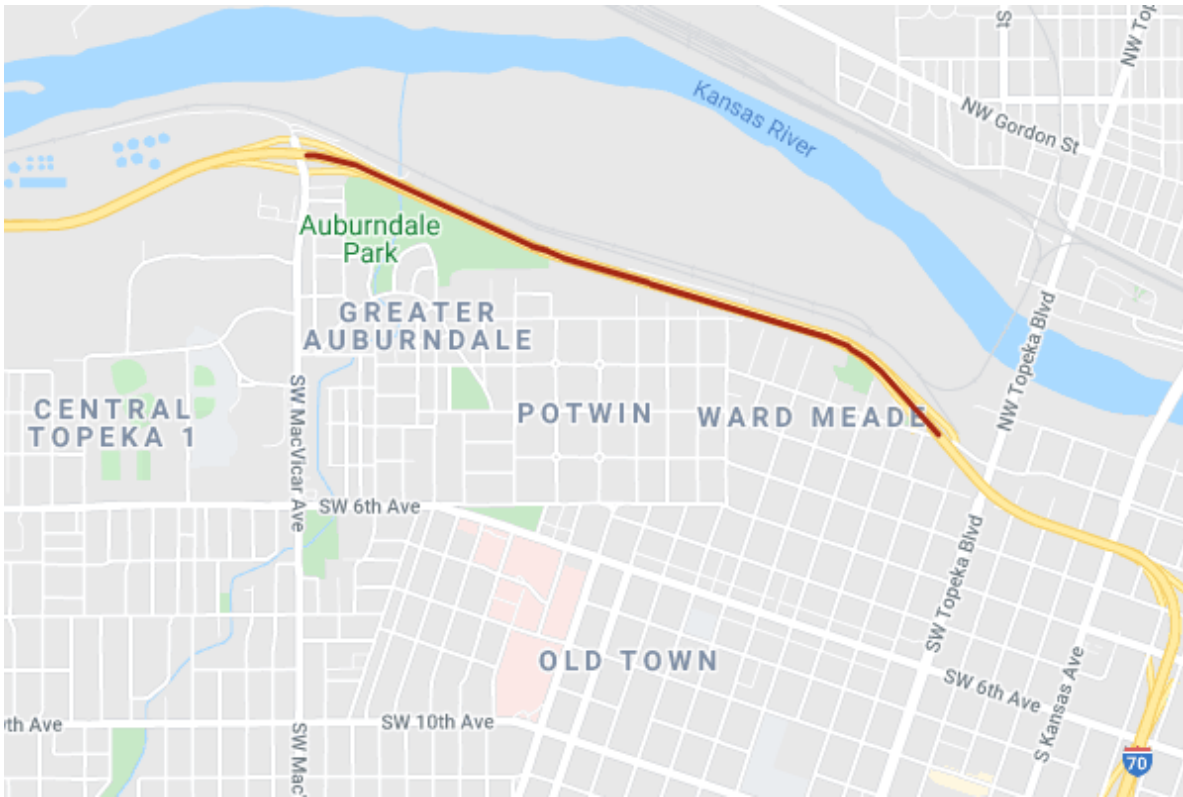
- Saturday, Sept. 18, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Sunday, Sept. 19, from 6 a.m. to Monday, Sept. 20, at 6 a.m.
- Monday through Friday, from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., weekly until project is complete.

The MacVicar Avenue and 1st Avenue ramps will remain open, however, traffic may be shifted outside of the driving lanes at times.

The speed limit will be reduced to 55 mph through the work zone, which will be marked by barricades, arrow boards, signs and cones. Drivers should be prepared for slow-moving traffic through the area and use extra caution. The project is expected to be complete by late October.

Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc., of Topeka is the contractor on the \$1.7 million project.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. To stay aware of all road construction projects across Kansas, go to www.kandrive.org or call 5-1-1.



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