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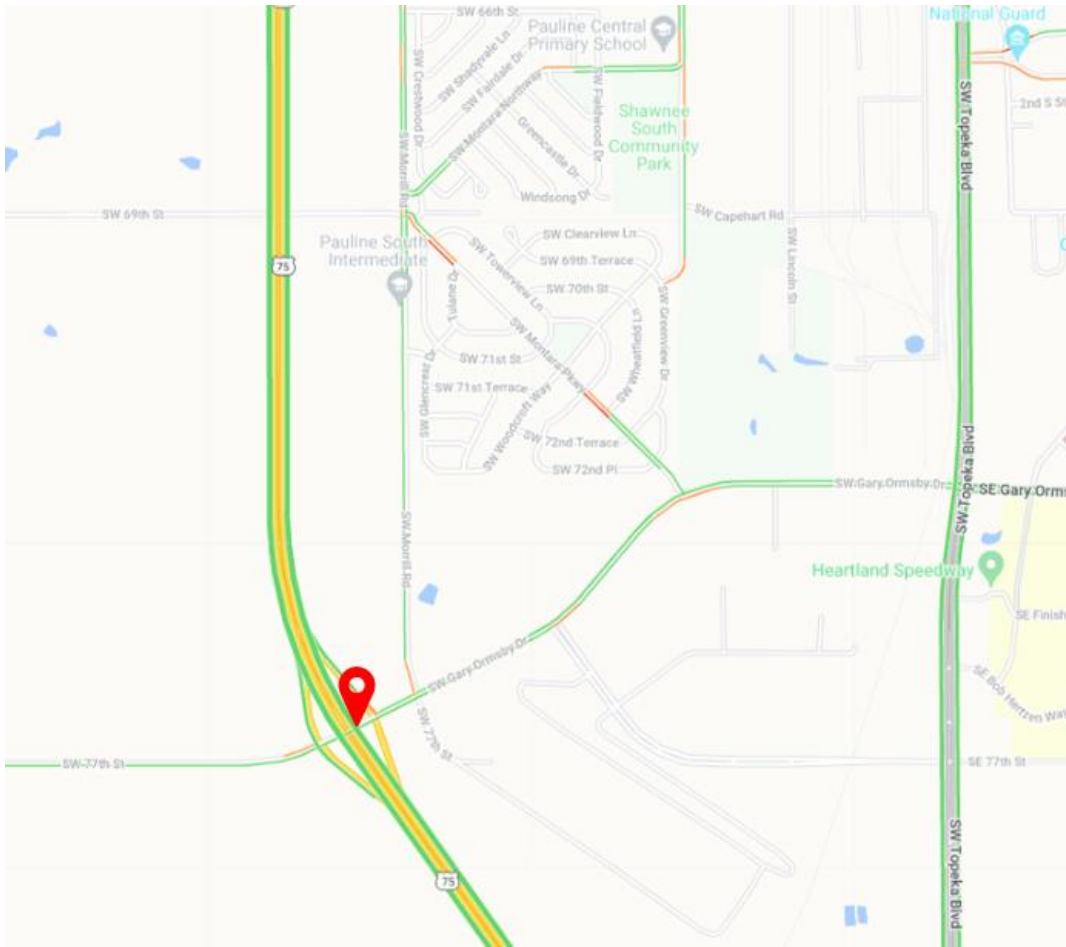
U.S. 75 bridge repair project starting in Shawnee County

Repair work on a northbound U.S. 75 bridge in Shawnee County will begin Monday, April 18, weather permitting. Work will require a lane reduction on the bridge and closure of Southwest 77th Street under the bridge.

According to the Kansas Department of Transportation, the bridge is located south of Topeka, near Pauline. There will be no posted detours for through traffic on Southwest 77th Street. Those drivers will need to use alternate routes and should add up to 15 minutes to their travel schedules. All U.S. 75 on- and off-ramps will remain open.

Work will take place Monday through Friday during daylight hours. Closures will be in place for the duration of the project, which is expected to be complete by late July. Wildcat Construction Co., Inc., of Topeka, is the contractor on the \$280,000 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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