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Eastbound I-70 closure planned in Topeka

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to close eastbound I-70 through downtown Topeka this weekend for pavement patching work on the Polk-Quincy Viaduct.

Conditions permitting, eastbound I-70 will be closed from Topeka Boulevard to S.E. 8th Street **beginning at 11 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 8**. The closure is expected to be in place until work is complete on Saturday, Dec. 9.


The 1st Street exit will be the last open exit for eastbound motorists. Through traffic will follow signed detours and be routed south to I-470, or north to U.S. 75 to U.S. 24 to K-4. Or drivers can use the local street detour: 1st Street to Topeka Boulevard to 10th Avenue to the I-70 on-ramp.

Westbound I-70 traffic will remain open, but still reduced to one lane.

Additional I-70 closures may occur if further patching work is needed on the viaduct. If necessary, KDOT will work with the City of Topeka to schedule the closure and provide information when available.

Both directions of I-70 will stay reduced to one lane until construction of the viaduct's replacement is complete. The Polk-Quincy Viaduct project is scheduled to begin in early 2025. More information about the project can be found at www.polkquincy.org.

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 highway construction projects across Kansas, go to www.kandrive.org or call 5-1-1.



**Eastbound I-70/
Polk-Quincy Viaduct
closure
Dec. 8 and 9
11 p.m. until complete**

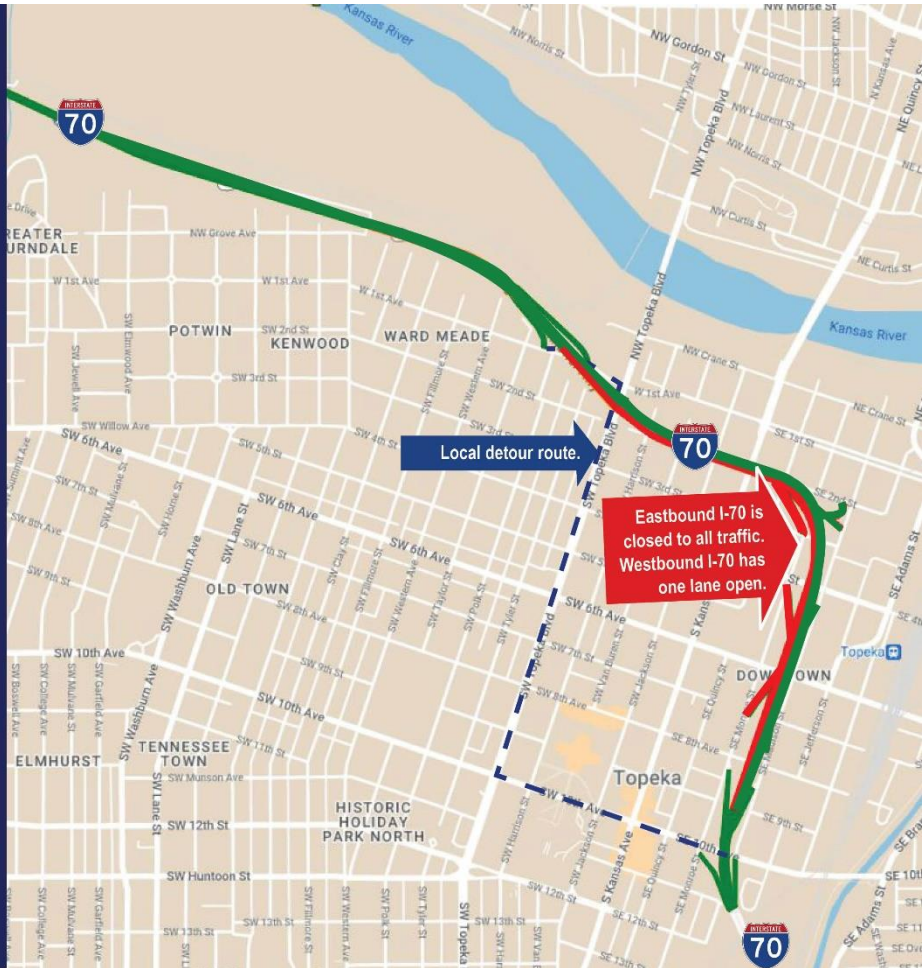
Eastbound I-70 closed to all traffic from Topeka Blvd. to 8th St.

Through traffic can use local street detour or alternate highway routes.

Westbound I-70 open, reduced to one lane.

Please visit www.polkquincy.org for project information.





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