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### Update on U.S. 56 bridge progress in Rice County

Despite rain delays, work is progressing on a new bridge spanning the Little Arkansas River overflow on U.S. 56 near Little River, in Rice County.

Depending on the weather, the new bridge could be open to traffic around late April.

Some of the remaining work includes grading, asphalt placement, guardrail installation and erosion control.

In the meantime, one-lane traffic at the work zone continues to be controlled by traffic signals.

The \$1.2 million project is replacing a box culvert that dates to around 1925.

The work is being overseen by the Kansas Department of Transportation, and Reece Construction is the main contractor.

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