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Almost \$2.2 million resurfacing on U.S. 281 in Barton, Stafford

Starting around April 27, crews will resurface almost 14 miles of U.S. 281 in Barton and Stafford counties in a combined project totaling almost \$2.2 million.

The entire work involves two sections of U.S. 281 that will be resurfaced:

In Barton County, from the Stafford/Barton County line to the south city limits of Great Bend. The length is about 6.6 miles.

In Stafford County, from the K-19 junction to the Stafford/Barton County line. The length is about 7 miles.

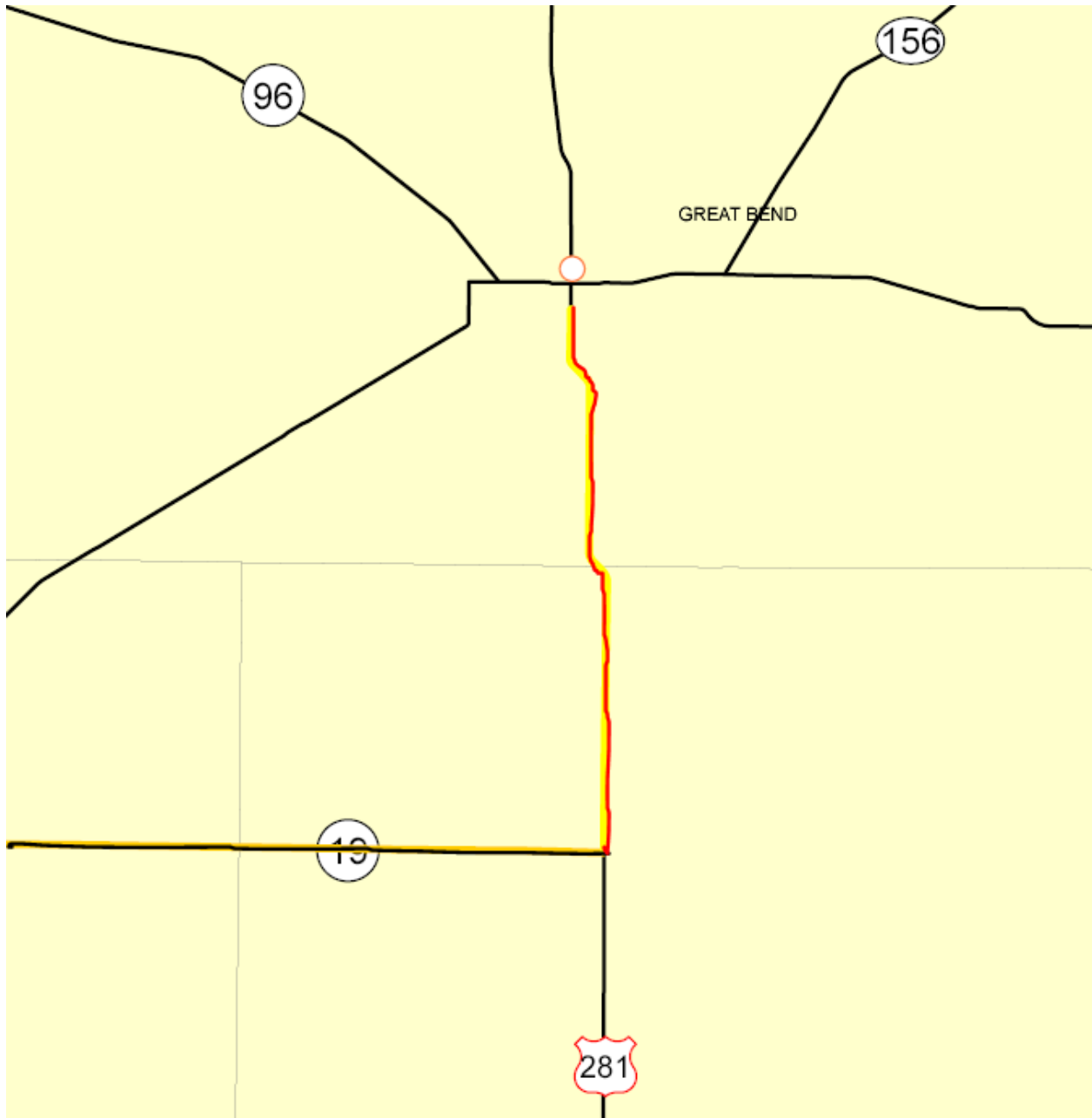
The project is expected to be completed around mid-June, depending on the weather.

During the work, motorists should expect delays of up to 15 minutes. Motorists should be prepared to stop for flaggers and a pilot car.

The Kansas Department of Transportation is overseeing the project.

Venture Corp., of Great Bend, is the primary contractor for the \$1,074,716 project in Barton County and the \$1,107,980 project in Stafford County.

Please see map below.



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