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ITS Expansion Project Underway in Johnson County

On **Monday, August 13**, a project began to expand the Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) in the Kansas City Metro area on a portion of I-35 from 127th Street to Sunflower Road in southern Johnson County. Project work includes the installation of 13 cameras, 11 vehicle detectors (used to determine speeds of moving traffic) and two dynamic message boards. The dynamic message boards will be located on northbound I-35 at Moonlight Road and on southbound I-35 at Northview Road (near 129th Street). Work will take place during daylight hours (7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

The majority of the project work will take place beyond the shoulders on the highway right of way along I-35. There will only be occasional lane and shoulder closures. Drivers should expect minimal delays throughout the project duration. Updated daily traffic information for this project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and "Give 'Em a Brake!" when approaching and driving through the project work zone.

Capital Electric Line Builders (Riverside, MO) is the primary contractor on this \$1.234 million ITS project. **The ITS project is scheduled to be completed by spring 2013, weather permitting.**

This project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May 2010. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at:

<http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/>.

For more information on this project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Howard Lubliner, Field Engineering Administrator, at (913) 764-4525. (*KDOT Project #35-46 N 0542-01*)

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