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US-69 Resurfacing Project to Begin in Johnson County

On **Monday, July 9**, a resurfacing project will begin on an 8.5-mile stretch of northbound and southbound US-69 from 135th Street to the Johnson/Miami County line, along with adjacent ramp closures. Project work includes milling away the existing asphalt pavement, followed by the application of a new 5.5" asphalt overlay, and the addition of all new pavement markings on the resurfaced portions of US-69. Work will take place during the overnight hours, Monday through Thursday, with some occasional Sunday work. Work north of 151st Street will take place between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. and work south of 151st Street will take place between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Beginning on **Monday, July 9 at 6:00 p.m.**, northbound and southbound US-69 will be reduced to one lane, primarily with only one direction being reduced to one lane at a time in varying segments between 135th Street and the Johnson/Miami County line. Short-term closures (2-3 hours maximum) will occur on all adjacent ramps except for the northbound US-69 to 199th Street exit ramp which will close for a longer, overnight period of time. No marked detours will be provided during the ramp closures. We will provide advance notification under separate cover for the northbound US-69 to 199th Street exit ramp closure.

Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via signage and cones. There will be a posted speed limit of 55 mph and a 15-foot lane width restriction through the project work zone during working hours throughout the project duration.

Advance message boards will alert drivers to the lane and ramp closures. Drivers should expect major delays during the peak hours and should use alternate routes, if possible. Updated daily traffic information for this resurfacing project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

APAC Kansas (Kansas City, MO) is the primary contractor on this \$1.018 million resurfacing project. **The resurfacing project is scheduled to be completed by early August 2012, 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/>.

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. For more information on this resurfacing 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 #69-46 KA 2448-01*)

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