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Intersection improvements underway at U.S. 73 (K-7)/Parallel Parkway in Wyandotte County

Traffic control has been placed to prepare for an intersection improvement project at U.S. 73 (K-7) and Parallel Parkway in Wyandotte County. Work began Sept. 19.

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) project includes grading and concrete resurfacing for the installation of a Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT) at the intersection of U.S. 73 (K-7) and Parallel Parkway. The RCUT design will restrict left turns at the intersection and direct traffic to the U-turn.

Work will take place daily, Monday through Saturday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lane closures are scheduled on U.S. 73 (K-7) from approximately one-half mile north of Parallel Parkway to approximately one-half mile south. Crossovers will be built to carry traffic head-to-head through the work zone.

Impacts to traffic are as follows:

Phase 1 (September – November 2022): lane and shoulder closures during work hours; single lane to be opened at all times;

Phase 2 (March – July 2023): single lane traffic will cross over to travel head-to-head on the existing southbound lanes;

Phase 3 (July – December 2023): single lane traffic will cross over to travel head-to-head on newly constructed northbound lanes;

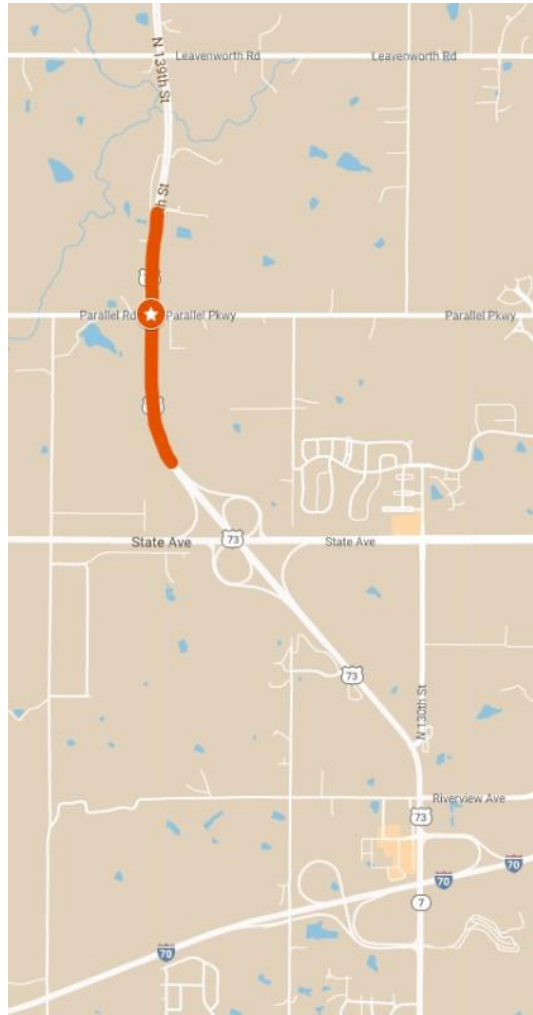
Phase 4 (December 2023): lane and shoulder closures during work hours; single lane to be opened at all times.

Traffic will be controlled using portable lane closures, portable message signs, arrow boards, signage and traffic cones.

Miles Excavating, of Basehor, is the contractor for the \$11.1 million project, which is scheduled to be completed in December 2023. Project work will shut down in November for the winter and resume in March 2023.

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 all road construction projects across Kansas go to www.kandrive.org or call 5-1-1. Drive safely and always wear your seat belt.

Map below shows project location marked in orange.



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