

EN ROUTE TO FRIDAY

Jan. 29,
2021

The road to staying connected

New KDOT intranet will help employees stay connected

NEW INTRANET SITE IS HERE!

Features include:
Latest News and Announcements • Job Openings
Quick Links • Division/Bureau and District Homepages
And so much more!

Requisition	Working Title	Location
192614	EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	SHAWNEE SUBAREA
192691	ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN SERIES	OLATHE CONSTRUCTION
192692	ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN SERIES	LAMAR
192898	ENGINEERING ASSOCIATE SERIES	PRATT
192631	EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	ALMA SUBAREA
192809	EQUIPMENT OPERATOR	KINGMAN
192956	ENGINEERING ASSOCIATE SERIES	GARNETT
192694	ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN SERIES	BONNER SPRINGS CONSTRUCTION

Big changes have arrived for the first time since 2015 to the KDOT intranet. The new design allows for streamlined menus, clear navigation and responsive layout for all platforms.

Some new features include:

- **Features Section** – Includes information to assist employees navigating the new intranet as well as a video link. Future features will be updated with timely information.
- **Highlighting “Latest News and Announcements”** – It is now easier to find the latest employee communications and view publications like En Route to Friday and Translines.

- **Job Openings** – For employees looking for the most current job openings. Jobs are displayed in real time and provide openings from across the state.
- **Quick Links** – Employees can access key links at the bottom of each page for helpful navigation around the intranet.

The existing intranet homepage bookmarked on your browser should still work. However, other intranet bookmarks may need to be changed.

Want to see the new intranet site in action? Check out this video [here](#):

For more information, contact Stephanie Green at stephanie.a.green@ks.gov

New IKE website helps keep Kansans informed

THE EISENHOWER LEGACY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

The new IKE Program website is now live!
Visit www.ksdot.org/IKE for updates and
information about the program.



Earlier this week, the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation (IKE) Program website went live.

This site is the new go-to source for information about the IKE program.

The new site will be valuable both internally and externally to help provide consistent, accurate and

up-to-date information about the new program. New updates and improvements are expected as the IKE program is delivered.

Feel free to explore the new website and learn how KDOT continues to keep Kansas moving. Check out the new site [here](http://www.ksdot.org/IKE).

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2021
Annual Report

KDOT is committed to keeping Kansas moving and sharing our progress. The 2021 Annual Report is now available to download!

36 pages of content



2020 
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



Patching and Paving Projects

Three new road patches and paving projects are in progress in Johnson County.

Turned Diagonal Interchange

The new 4000 E. 10th Street interchange in Johnson County is now open to traffic.

Asphalt Resurfacing

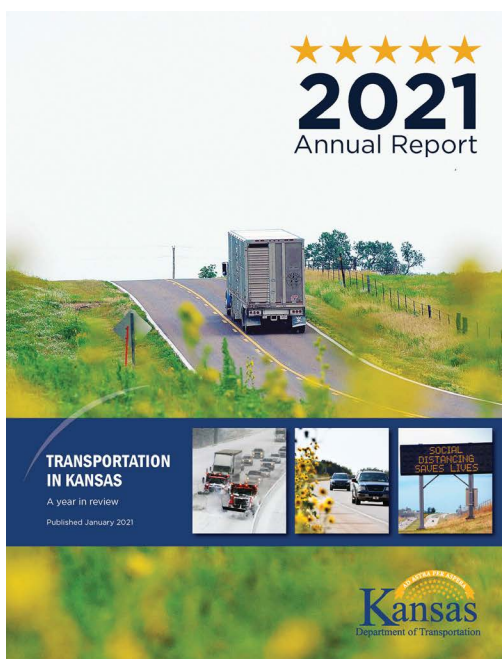
Asphalt resurfacing projects are underway in Johnson County.

2020 accomplishments • Performance measures
Project highlights • Program updates • Key stats
And more can be read here: <https://bit.ly/3sZaNNO>

2021 Annual Report now available

Another important resource, KDOT's 2021 Annual Report is now available to download

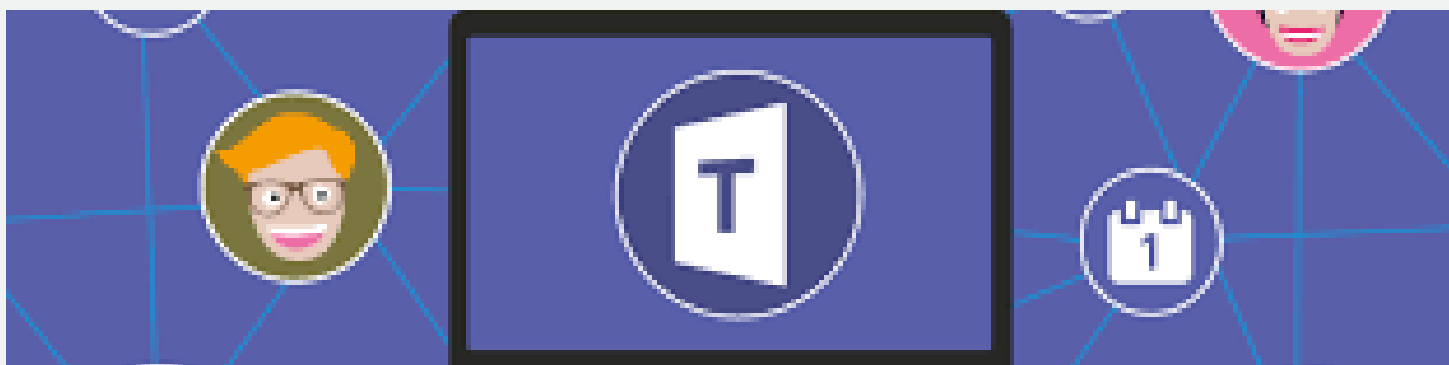
You can view it [here](https://www.ksdot.org/Annual-Report).



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Tech tip: Teams Meeting recording location changes



Microsoft has changed the storage location for new Teams Meeting recordings.

The recordings will be stored on and retrieved from OneDrive and SharePoint instead of Microsoft Stream.

For Teams meetings, the recording is stored in a folder named Recordings located at the top level of the OneDrive for Business that belongs to the person who started the meeting recording.

For Channel meetings, the recording is stored in the Teams site documentation library in a folder named Recordings.

Some benefits of using OneDrive and SharePoint:

- Easy-to-set permissions and sharing
- Share recordings with guests (external users)
Meeting recordings will be available faster
- Provide OneDrive for Business and SharePoint shared file links
- Improved transcript quality and speaker attribution

For a more comprehensive view of the changes, watch this [video](#).

For more information, contact the EBIT Service Desk at **(785) 296-4999** or EBITSM@ks.gov.

Facemask use: The right fit could save your life



Masks only work if you wear them right.



Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Journal of American Medical Association (JAMA), and Duke University.

provide a greater level of protection than those with a looser weave. If it is possible to see through the material, the thread count is too low.

The best cloth masks have three layers of varying fabrics. Varying fabrics means a layer of woven cotton not less than 250-thread count and non-woven materials like nylon, polypropylene, polyester neoprene, or chiffon fabrics. The nonwoven synthetic blends should be on the outside of the mask; cotton may be used for the inner layer. A cloth mask made of two layers of non-woven hybrid fabrics with an inner layer of a cotton provides a filtration level equal to a three-ply disposable mask.

Here is a helpful video – [High speed camera captures how different types of face masks work](#)

The most important thing to consider when choosing or making a face mask is how it fits. Improperly fitting masks with gaps and leakage can decrease filtration efficiency by more than 60%. Another way to help make sure a mask is effective is the way in which a mask is worn.

Masks must completely cover both the nose and mouth for best effectiveness.

Sometimes the most comfortable masks are not the best at blocking expelled particles. Woven cotton materials with a high thread count

Keep Kansas moving and “keep on keeping on”



District Two, Area Two Superintendent Doug Newquist

Heavy snowfall impacted much of north central Kansas on Jan. 25, with reports of up to 9 inches in the community of Jewell. KDOT crews in this area, as well as all across the state, worked hard to improve road conditions. District Two, Area Two Superintendent Doug Newquist shared the following message about his team:

“I know that anyone who deals in this every day understands that our trucks only run around 25 miles per hour, and we have a minimal number of trucks for approximately 125 miles of highway per Subarea, so it takes a while to cover routes and the team can’t be everywhere at the same time.

“Sometimes it is overwhelming to the KDOT worker who just cleared the road only to have another flurry or snow shower come through and cover all their hard work. Our plow drivers take their job seriously and they push on to keep the traveling public as safe as they can on their route. They take it personally when they hear of someone who slid off the road, or worse yet, got hurt on their route and wonder if more could have been done to prevent this.

“KDOT employees are proud and have big hearts, they know that this is the job they signed up for, so they forge on knowing that’s their job. Most of the travelling public understands our situation. We are very grateful for any kudos and compliments that we get, and we try to brush off the negative. Keep up the good work guys! Keep on keeping on!”

KDOT KUDOS

I just want to take a moment to thank the on-the-ground men and women of @KDOTHQ for getting their snow under control on I-70. Y’all are helping people get home safe every day and I salute all of y’all. - *Twitter User*

**Transportation
in Kansas:
Keeping families
connected for
160 years.**



Happy Birthday, Kansas!

Kansas Day: Jan. 29, 2021