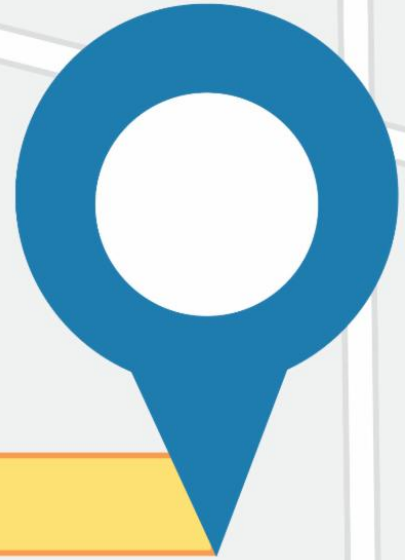


Thursday May 21, 2020

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Happy Thursday!



## **IKE projects selected for project development pipeline**

Governor Laura Kelly joined Secretary Lorenz on May 14 to announce 40 highway modernization and expansion projects that will move into the development pipeline.

Visit [www.ksdot.org/ike/](http://www.ksdot.org/ike/) to see which projects were selected and learn more about the IKE program. Click below to watch the announcement that was broadcast online.



## Microsoft Teams to replace SKYPE

Teleworking is more important than ever and it will continue to have lasting value beyond the COVID-19 outbreak. KDOT is committed to providing the right tools to help employees stay productive and connected even when they need to work apart.

Microsoft Teams was built for today's workforce who thrive in office environments. Many agencies are seeing the real benefits this new software offers. Teams provides employees with an open, digital workspace that makes work integrated, visible and accessible for everyone, even when working remotely.



With Microsoft Teams on your computer or mobile device, you can:

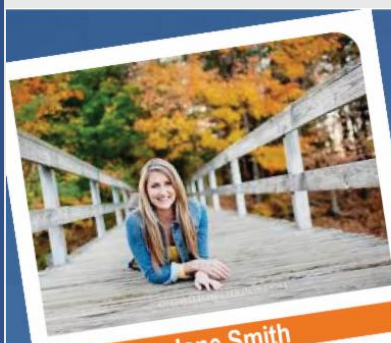
- Pull together a team and work together using chat instead of email, have a voice conversation or video meeting, and use channels instead of file folders to keep your projects moving;
- Create a shared workspace where you and your team can securely edit files at the same time and see likes, mentions and replies;
- Track the progress of a work plan as well as individual tasks;
- Customize your projects by adding meeting notes, shared files and deadlines.

**Microsoft will no longer be supporting its Skype application as of July 2021.** As a result, KDOT plans to move all personnel to Teams by the end of 2020. Teams should be installed on your computer, but if it's not, please contact the ServiceDesk at [EBITSM@ks.gov](mailto:EBITSM@ks.gov)

To help you get started, the state's IT Central Office is hosting Teams training sessions. Please click on the attachment for more information on dates and

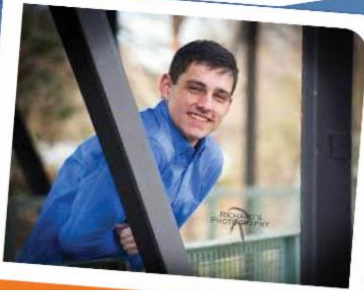
times – training dates are filling up quickly! Links to helpful Microsoft training videos as well as FAQs, can be found at the bottom of KDOT’s home intranet **page**, located under IT Services News and Update Note: you must be logged into the VPN in order for this link to work.

If you have any difficulties with Teams, contact the Service Desk at **[EBITSM@ks.gov](mailto:EBITSM@ks.gov)**



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## GRADUATION

may look a little different right now.

But we can still celebrate their  
achievements.

Let us feature your grad! Send their photo, along with their name, school, degree (if applicable) and city to us by Friday, May 29 and we will feature them in KDOT newsletters.

Want your grad featured? Send their photo, school and location to **[mallory.goeke@ks.gov](mailto:mallory.goeke@ks.gov)** and we will feature them in various newsletters this summer!

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Check out this MythBusters clip on how easy it is to spread germs. Spoiler alert: It's super easy so remember to wash your hands often.



Take care of yourselves and have a safe Memorial Day!