# **Social Media Comment Policy**

These sites are provided as a public service by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT). They are intended to provide a place where those interested in state transportation issues can meet and interact. All users are required to comply with the following Comment Policy:

### All posts and comments are subject to review

KDOT reserves the right to accept, reject, or remove any post or comment at KDOT's sole discretion, including, but not limited to, those that contain personal attacks, obscenity, vulgarity, profanity, impersonations or off-topic links.

# •All posts should be topical

Public comments should be limited to comments related to the posted topic. These sites are not the proper place to express opinions or beliefs not directly related to that topic.

### All posts should be civil

Obscene, profane, racist or sexually explicit language is prohibited. Likewise, harassing, defamatory or threatening comments are prohibited.

### All commenters are subject to being blocked

If a commenter repeatedly does not follow the policies above, KDOT's Communications Division, with input from the Communications Director, reserves the right review all posts made and block a commenter from one or all KDOT social media platforms.

### No soliciting

Postings for commercial purposes are prohibited.

# ●Comments do not constitute legal notice to KDOT

Communications made in the comment section will in no way constitute a legal or official notice to KDOT or any official or employee of KDOT for any purpose. As one example, a post or comment that asks KDOT to provide public records will not be considered a public record request under the Kansas Open Records Act. Comments specific to a KDOT project or program should be submitted directly to that project or program.

#### No illegal activity

Postings that suggest, incite or encourage illegal activity are prohibited.

#### Respect copyright

Do not post copyrighted material without providing credit for the author and a link to or citation of the original publication source.

### Report problems

Report postings that may be inappropriate or technical problems to <a href="mailto:KDOT#PublicInfo@ks.gov">KDOT#PublicInfo@ks.gov</a>. Problem reports should not be posted in the comment section.

### Policy changes

This policy is subject to amendment or modification at any time so that its continued use is consistent with its intended purpose as a limited forum.

Questions or concerns regarding the comment policy should be directed to <a href="mailto:KDOT#PublicInfo@ks.gov">KDOT#PublicInfo@ks.gov</a>.