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## **K-61 Bridge Closing Outside City of Arlington**

Starting October 31st, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) will begin a bridge replacement project on K-61 Highway in Reno County. The bridge carrying K-61 Highway over the North Fork Ninnescah River is located just northeast of the City of Arlington.

Both lanes will be closed to through traffic and a planned state detour will begin October 31st. Southbound K-61 traffic shall be directed to the west US-50/K-61 junction traffic will continue on westbound US-50 to southbound Sego Road at US-50/ Sego Road junction. Detour ends at the K-61/Sego Road junction in City of Arlington. Northbound K-61 traffic in City of Arlington shall be routed north on Sego Road at the K-61/Sego Road junction and then east on US-50. Detour ends at west US-50/K-61 junction. Drivers can expect delays of less than 30 minutes. All loads over 12' of total width should seek alternative routes. This preservation project is scheduled to be completed in May 2017, depending on delays caused by adverse weather conditions.

Bridges Inc., Newton, Kansas is the prime contractor for this \$1,878,000 project, which is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature. For more information about T-WORKS projects and funding visit the website, [www.ksdot.org/tworks](http://www.ksdot.org/tworks). Highway construction project locations and road

condition information can be viewed at the <http://511.ksdot.org> website, or can also be accessed by telephone by dialing 511.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. Persons with questions about this road work or other KDOT projects can call South Central Kansas Public Affairs Manager, Zach Oswald, at 620-663-3361 or 1-877-550-5368 (Toll free).

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