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## Construction planned on U.S. 36 in Decatur County

The Kansas Department of Transportation expects to begin work the week of September 5 on a project to resurface a portion of U.S. 36 in Decatur County. The project will cover an 18-mile stretch of road from near the U.S. 36 and 83 junction in Oberlin to the Norton/Decatur county line.

Project work includes a 3-inch mill, followed by application of a 3 1/2-inch inlay and 1 1/2-inch overlay of new asphalt material to improve roadway conditions and extend pavement life. Traffic in the construction zone will be reduced to one lane and controlled by flaggers and a pilot car operation during daylight hours. Minor delays, not exceeding 15 minutes should be expected. KDOT urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs and "Give 'em a Brake!" when approaching and driving through work zones. Work is expected to be completed by the end of October, weather permitting.

Venture Corporation of Great Bend is the primary contractor on the project, with a total contract cost of approximately \$5.8 million. The project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas legislature in May 2010. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at <http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWORKS>.

For more information on this project, contact KDOT area engineer Eric Oelschlager at 785-626-3258 or [erico@ksdot.org](mailto:erico@ksdot.org).

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