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**Field survey starting on U.S. 281 bridge in Smith County**

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to begin a field survey for a proposed bridge improvement project on U.S. 281 in Smith County the week of Oct. 3.

Crews will be surveying the White Rock Creek bridge located approximately 5 miles north of Lebanon. Activities will include the use of survey instruments on the ground to determine locations of existing features within the survey corridor. KDOT expects work to be complete in early November.

Property owners or tenants will be contacted for permission to enter private property if access is needed. Kara LaRiviere, land survey manager, will oversee the survey for KDOT. Persons with questions may contact KDOT public affairs manager Lisa Mussman at 785-874-8107 or [lisa.mussman@ks.gov](mailto:lisa.mussman@ks.gov).

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