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Road construction projects set to begin in Ellis County

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to start work on Friday, June 9, on the first of three road construction projects in Ellis County.

The first project is a mill and inlay on K-247 in Ellis from 3rd Street to the north side of the I-70 junction at Exit 145. After completion on K-247, construction will move to the U.S. 183 bypass near Hays. Crews will resurface approximately 5 miles starting at the U.S. 183 junction in the south city limits of Hays and ending at the I-70 junction at Exit 157. The final project will be a mill and overlay on approximately 12 miles of U.S. 183 from the Rush County line north to the U.S. 183 bypass junction.

Traffic will be directed through the work zones by flaggers and a pilot car operation. Drivers should anticipate delays of 15 minutes or less and are reminded to slow down and stay alert for construction crews.

KDOT expects the projects to be completed in August, conditions permitting.

Venture Corporation of Great Bend is the primary contractor with a combined project cost of approximately \$7.3 million. For more information, contact KDOT area construction engineer Mitchel Johnson at 785-261-6132 or mitchel.johnson@ks.gov.

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