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Media invited to work zone safety event

The need for safety in work zones will be highlighted at a National Work Zone Awareness Week event at the Kansas Department of Transportation's Area Four office in Topeka.

Time: 10 a.m., Thursday, April 10

Location: KDOT Area Four office, northwest corner of I-70/Gage Blvd.

Speakers: Carl Wolf and Rick Looper, KDOT employees who have worked on the highways more than 20 years each; and **Kansas Highway Patrol Col. Ernest Garcia**. **KDOT Secretary Mike King** will emcee.

Following the event, media will have the opportunity to visit a work zone for an up-close opportunity to see what it's like – transportation and vests will be provided. Contact Kim Stich at the event if you're interested.

National Work Zone Safety Awareness Week, April 7-11, brings to light the dangers associated with driving in road construction and maintenance zones. For more information, go to the Go Orange page on KDOT's website, www.ksdot.org.

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