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Photo control targets placed along U.S. 69

Starting Monday, March 12, and continuing for several weeks, a survey team working for the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) will place aerial targets along sections of U.S. 69 in Crawford and Bourbon counties. The targets will be placed along U.S. 69 north of Arma, continuing north to Fort Scott.

The photo control targets are being placed in preparation for aerial photography of the corridor. The aerial photos will be used in future mapping that will support the design to expand U.S. 69 to a four-lane upgradeable expressway. KDOT is taking the aerial photos in March before the spring foliage obscures various features of the corridor.

Some of the aerial targets will be placed on private property. A survey crew member will first contact property owners and/or tenants prior to entry. John Lilak, L.S., of the consultant firm TranSystems will be in charge of the team placing the targets. The actual field survey for U.S. 69 will begin in about three weeks.

The expansion of U.S. 69 to a four-lane upgradeable expressway from north of Arma to the four-lane section south of Fort Scott is funded under the T-WORKS statewide transportation program. T-WORKS funding of \$47 million has been allocated for the construction of the U.S. 69 expansion, which is scheduled to begin in July 2017. For more information about T-WORKS visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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