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K-8 in Smith County will Be resurfaced soon

On approximately June 24, a road construction project to resurface K-8 in Smith County is set to begin.

The project begins at the U.S. 36/K-8 junction (west of Athol) and extends north 16 miles to the Nebraska State Line.

The scope includes a 1-inch mill and 1-1/2 inch HMA (Hot Mix Asphalt) overlay of new material.

During construction flaggers and a pilot car operation will guide one-lane traffic through the work zone during daylight hours. Delays of 15 minutes or less should be expected through the construction time frame. The public should plan their travels accordingly. KDOT urges drivers to pay attention to the signs and workers within a construction zone. Slow down and “Give ‘Em A Brake!”

KDOT awarded the construction contract - totaling \$1,320,906 - to APAC Kansas Inc., of Hays.

The only subcontractor on the job is Dustrol Inc., of Towanda, who will perform the milling.

This highway project is funded by T-WORKS, the Transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May of 2010; and designed to create jobs, preserve highway infrastructure, and spur economic development opportunities across the state.

Weather permitting, the work should be complete by mid-July.

For questions concerning this project, please contact KDOT Area One Construction Engineer Jim Riener at (785) 543-2163 or jriener@ksdot.org in

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