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Plans being made to Resurface U.S. 281/K-18 in Russell County

Next week, a job to repave a section of U.S. 281/K-18 in Russell County is scheduled to begin.

The job will begin at the at the west junction of K-18 and continue on U.S. 281 Highway to the east junction of K-18.

The scope includes first milling 2.5 inches of existing pavement and then inlaying a 1.5-inch lift of asphalt. "After this is completed, an additional 1.5-inch lift of asphalt will be laid to complete the paving operation," said KDOT Construction Engineer Nick Rogers, of the Hays construction office.

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. Pay attention to the signs and workers within a construction zone, and "Give 'Em A Brake!"

KDOT awarded the construction contract - totaling approximately \$1,498,908 - to APAC Kansas, Inc. of Hutchinson.

Dustrol, Inc., of Towanda, will be performing the milling. KDOT will perform the permanent striping operation on this project.

This repaving 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, this construction job will be complete by mid-November.

For questions concerning this project, please contact KDOT Area Three Construction Engineer Nicholas Rogers at (785) or nrogers@ksdot.org; or KDOT Northwest Kansas Public Affairs Manager Kristen Brands at (785) 877-3315 or kristenb@ksdot.org in Norton.

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