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## **US-56 project through Stevens, Seward and Haskell counties starts**

The Kansas Department of Transportation expects a resurfacing project on U.S. 56 through Stevens, Seward and Haskell counties to begin by Wednesday, August 28, weather permitting. The project runs from the end of the full width paved shoulders on U.S. 56, northeast of Hugoton, to the Haskell-Gray county line, a distance of 41 miles.

During construction, traffic will be limited to one lane through the work zone, guided by a pilot car. Drivers can expect delays of 15 minutes or less. The Kansas DOT urges drivers to be alert, pay attention to all work zone warning signs, slow down when approaching a work zone and be prepared to stop.

The contractor, J & R Sand Co., Inc., of Liberal, plans to begin at the east city limits of Sublette, work eastward to the Haskell-Gray County line and then work back to the west. KDOT expects work on this project to be completed by early November, depending on weather. This project has a contract cost of about \$5.8 million.

If you have questions on this project, you can call Greg Adams, Construction Engineer, at 620-624-4451 or Kirk Hutchinson, KDOT Southwest Public Affairs Manager, at 1-877-550-5368 (toll free).

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