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PLEASE NOTE UPDATED START DATE: The I-35 bridge replacement start date has been moved to Wednesday, March 6, conditions permitting.

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I-35 bridge replacement to begin next week in Emporia

A Kansas Department of Transportation bridge replacement project is scheduled to begin in Emporia on **Wednesday, March 6**, conditions permitting. The structure is located on the southbound lanes of I-35 over Lincoln Street.

Initial work will consist of constructing temporary crossovers between northbound and southbound I-35. The inside lanes of I-35 will be closed during this time.

The crossovers are expected to be complete in April. Lanes on southbound I-35 will then close, and northbound I-35 will carry one-lane traffic in each direction through the area. Lincoln Street under I-35 will also close to all traffic for the remainder of the project.

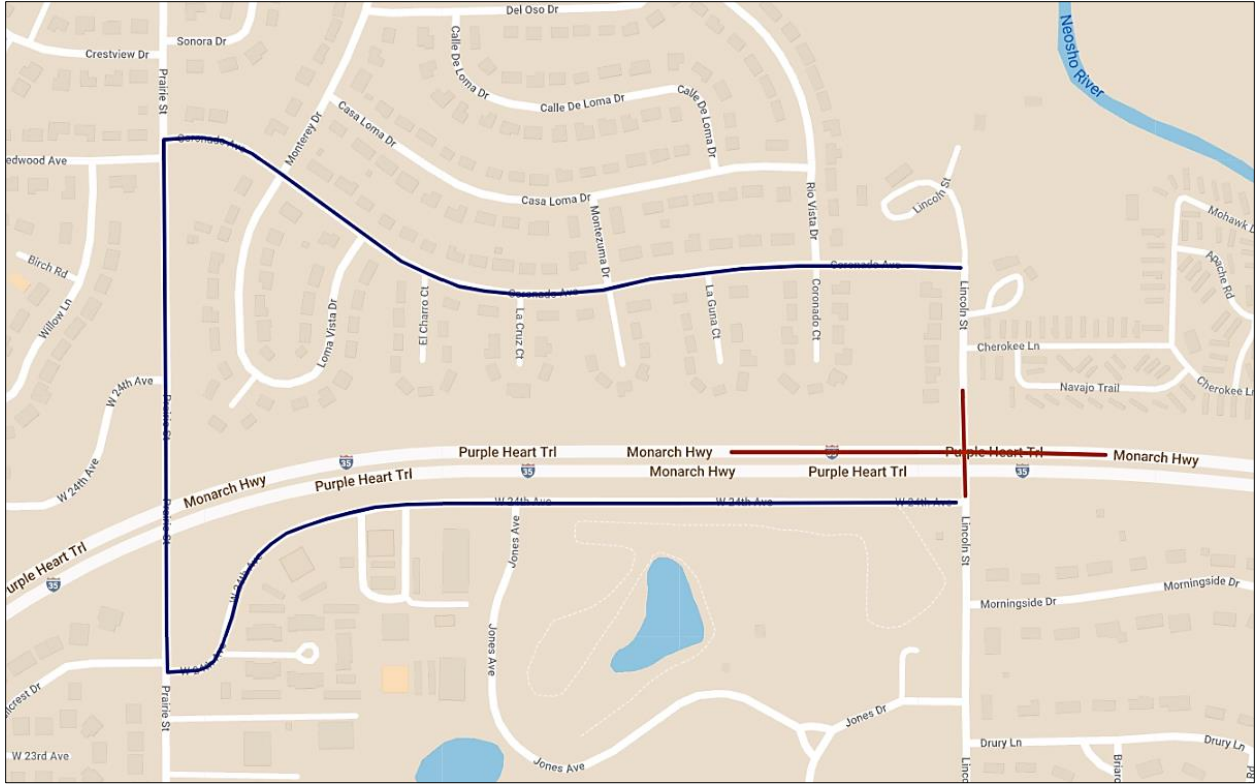
Motorists on Lincoln Street can follow the marked detour on W. 24th Avenue, Prairie Street and Coronado Avenue, or use alternate routes.

Work will take place Monday through Friday during daylight hours and is scheduled to be complete in August 2025.

King Construction Co., of Hesston, is the prime contractor on the \$4.3 million project.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. To stay aware of highway construction projects across Kansas, go to www.KanDrive.gov or call 5-1-1.

Map below shows work area in red and marked detour route in blue:



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