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U.S. 24 Bridge Repair & Resurfacing Project to Begin in Jefferson County

On **Monday**, **June 2**, a project will begin to repair and overlay the bridges located on the 4-lane portion of U.S. 24 over Elm Creek and over Prairie Creek approximately 3.5 and 4.5 miles east of the Shawnee/Jefferson County line in Jefferson County. Project work includes concrete patching on the bridge decks followed by a polymer overlay and new pavement markings. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday.

Beginning early morning on **Monday, June 2**, crews will begin setting traffic control and sometime later that day <u>eastbound and westbound U.S. 24 will be reduced to one lane over the Prairie Creek bridges</u> for patching work to repair exposed potholes and damaged concrete. Once patching work is completed in one lane, the traffic will be switched to the other lane on the bridge while the remaining patching work is completed.

There will be a cure period between the deck patching and the polymer overlay work of approximately 28 days, which at that time traffic control will be removed from the project and reinstalled before the polymer overlay work begins. There will be a 50 mph posted speed limit and a 14-foot lane width restriction

during working hours through the project work zone throughout the project duration.

Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via cones and signage. Drivers should expect only minor delays throughout the project duration.

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and "Give 'Em a Brake!" when approaching and driving through the project work zone.

Mill Valley Construction, Inc. (Shawnee Mission, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge repair project with a total contract cost of \$137,335. **The** scheduled completion date for the bridge repair project is late October 2014, weather permitting.

This project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May 2010. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at: http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/.

For more information on this project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Tom Dow, Construction Manager, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #04-44 KA-3185-01)

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