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## TRAFFIC ALERT

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## U.S. 24 & Menoken Road Interchange

EXPECT DELAYS! 24/7 ROADWAY CLOSURES: Eastbound and westbound U.S. 24 left lanes from U.S. 75 west to Menoken Road in Topeka (Shawnee County) will be CLOSED for crossover construction work in the median, 24/7 round the clock, beginning after morning rush hour around 9:00 a.m. on Monday, February 24 and will reopen to unrestricted traffic sometime during the week of March 10-14. Weather permitting. Once the construction work on the median crossover is completed, eastbound and westbound U.S. 24 traffic between U.S. 75 and Menoken Road will be shifted onto the existing westbound lanes, placed side by side with one lane each direction and will remain in this traffic configuration until fall 2014, weather permitting.

Traffic will be directed through the project work zone on U.S. 24 via signage and cones. There will be a 50 mph posted speed limit through the project work zone on U.S. 24 throughout the project duration. Drivers should expect delays and must allow extra time for their daily commutes.

EXPECT DELAYS! 24/7 ROADWAY CLOSURES: Northbound and southbound Menoken Road from south of U.S. 24 to Union Pacific Railroad Tracks in Topeka (Shawnee County) will be CLOSED for paving and entrance operation work, 24/7 round the clock, beginning after morning rush hour around 9:00 a.m. on Monday, February 24 and will reopen to unrestricted traffic sometime during the week of March 10-14, weather permitting. No marked detour. Traffic wishing to utilize Menoken Road south of U.S. 24 must take U.S. 75 south to westbound Lower Silver Lake Road back to northbound Menoken Road. Advance message boards will alert drivers to the Menoken Road roadway closure.

\*\*As a reminder, northbound and southbound Menoken Road from U.S. 24 north to NW 25th Street is still **CLOSED** to all traffic for reconstruction and widening work on Menoken Road north of U.S. 24. This portion of Menoken Road closed in early July 2013.

Updated daily traffic information for this project can be viewed online 24/7 round the clock at: www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp.

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.

The scheduled completion date for the entire U.S. 24 & Menoken Road Interchange Project is Fall 2014, weather permitting. (KDOT Project #24-89 KA 7431-01)

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