

Traffic Alert - **UDPATE!**

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For **Tuesday, March 20-Mid-November 2012** in Manhattan/Riley County

SPECIAL NOTE: In the event of rain on early Tuesday morning, March 20, all project related closures listed below will be rescheduled to begin on Wednesday morning, March 21 instead.

K-18

On **Tuesday, March 20**, eastbound and westbound K-18 traffic will be head to head in the existing eastbound K-18 lanes from Ogden east to Seth Child Road in Manhattan. **K-18 traffic will remain in this configuration until mid-November 2012.** **NOTE:** **Scenic Drive traffic will now only have right in, right out access to K-18; all left turns will be prohibited at the interchange.**

All of these varying lane closures are needed to prepare for the closure of K-18 at Miller Parkway and Davis Drive which will also begin on **Tuesday, March 20**. **K-18 access to and from Miller Parkway and Davis Drive will be CLOSED beginning Tuesday, March 20. Miller Parkway will reopen in November 2012 via use of the westbound ramps with right in, right out movements only. Davis Drive will reopen in Fall 2013, when the new interchange is completed.**

NEW! Beginning Tuesday, March 20, traffic patterns will change for drivers traveling to and from the Manhattan Regional Airport. Traffic exiting the Manhattan Regional Airport to eastbound/westbound K-18 will now follow a marked detour via existing K-18 to the K-114 intersection. These traffic movements will be place until mid-November 2012. Please click here to see an aerial map for all related traffic movements to and from K-18 to the Manhattan Regional Airport: <http://www.ksdot.org/topekaMetro/pdf/K-18%20and%20Manhattan%20Regional%20Airport%20Traffic%20Impacts%20March%202012%20.pdf>.

Drivers should expect delays during peak travel times and should use alternate routes if possible. Updated traffic information for this project is available at:

<http://www.ksdot.org/topekaMetro/projectstudyNEKS.asp>.

These closures are for construction work on the overall improvement project that will reconstruct a seven-mile stretch of K-18 from Manhattan to Ogden to a freeway when completed. There are three construction phases included in the overall K-18 improvement project.

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