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# UPDATE! US-24 Reconstruction Project Begins in Jefferson County

On **Monday, June 18**, a pavement reconstruction project will begin on a 5.3-mile section of US-24 from **just west of the Muddy Creek bridge in Grantville to just east of the K-237 junction in Jefferson County**. Project work includes removal and replacement of pavement, shoulder work, and the addition of a right turn lane at Clark Road. Work will take place during daylight hours Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work.

The week of **Monday-Friday, June 18-22**, eastbound and westbound US-24 traffic will have varying lane closures in preparation for the closure of the eastbound US-24 lanes on Monday, June 25. Beginning on **Monday, June 25**, the eastbound lanes of US-24 will be closed and eastbound and westbound traffic will be carried on the westbound lanes (side by side) with one lane in each direction. Eastbound US-24 traffic will be carried to and from the westbound lanes via a crossover installed just east of Barton Road in Grantville. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via signage and cones. There will be a posted speed limit of 55 mph and a 12-foot lane width restriction through the project work zone during working hours.

Drivers should expect minor delays during peak travel times. Updated traffic information for this project can be viewed at: [www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp).

Ideker, Inc. (St. Joseph, MO) is the primary contractor on this pavement reconstruction project with a total contract cost of \$8.157 million. **The scheduled completion date for the pavement reconstruction project is early July 2012, 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/>.

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. For more information on this pavement reconstruction project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Mary Files, Construction Manager, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #24-44 KA 2404-01)

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