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I-470 Multiple Bridge Overlay Project to Begin in Topeka – UPDATE!

On Friday, May 31, weather permitting, a project will begin to overlay multiple bridge decks along I-470 from 25th Street to I-70 in Topeka (Shawnee County). Project work includes patching and then overlay of the decks on the following bridges: 1) SW 25th Street Bridge over I-470; 2) SW 17th Bridge over I-470; 3) northbound and southbound I-470 Bridges over Wanamaker Road; and 4) westbound I-70 to southbound I-470 flyover ramp. Crews will complete work during seven consecutive weekends (excluding holidays and weather delays) beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening and reopening to unrestricted traffic by 6:00 a.m. the following Monday morning. (*The project start date has been rescheduled from Friday, May 10 to Friday, May 31.*)

Beginning on Friday, May 31 at 7:00 p.m., crews will begin work by patching potholes on the I-470 bridge decks. Work will take place on all the I-470 bridges during this first weekend, so there will be varying lane closures or short-term closures of the entire bridge(s). Advance separate notification will be sent out via traffic alert before each weekend's planned closures.

Advance message boards will alert drivers to the lane and ramp closures. Signage and cones will direct drivers through the project work zone. Drivers

should expect some delays during peak travel times. Updated traffic information for this multiple bridge overlay project can be viewed online: 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.

PBX Corporation & Subsidiary (Sapulpa, OK) is the primary contractor on this multiple bridge overlay project with a total contract cost of \$407,302. The scheduled completion date for the multiple bridge overlay project is late July 2013, 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 multiple bridge overlay 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 #470-89 KA 2717-01)

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