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US-75 Resurfacing Project to Begin in Shawnee County – UPDATE!

On **Wednesday, September 19**, a resurfacing project will begin on a 2.75-mile stretch of US-75 from the Soldier Creek Bridge (north of US-24) to I-70 in Shawnee County. Project work includes spray patching for pavement repair and a 3-inch asphalt overlay followed by all new pavement markings. The resurfacing project will smooth the road and fill surface defects that can shorten pavement life. **(Due to scheduling conflicts, the project start date has been moved from Tuesday, September 11 to Wednesday, September 19.)**

Work will take place during specified hours, Monday through Sunday. Northbound US-75 will be reduced to one lane from 7:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. the following day and all northbound lanes will be open to unrestricted traffic from 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. each day. Southbound US-75 will be reduced to one lane from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m. the following day and all southbound lanes will be open to unrestricted traffic from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. each day.

On **Wednesday-Friday, September 19-21**, northbound and southbound will have varying lane closures as crews complete spray patch work on pothole areas via a mobile operation. Then beginning on **Monday, September 24**, northbound and/or southbound will be reduced to one lane for overlay work. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via message boards, cones and signage. There will be a posted speed limit of 55 mph and a 14-foot lane width restriction through the project work zone

during working hours. Updated traffic information for this resurfacing project can be viewed online 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.

Bettis Asphalt and Construction Inc. (Topeka, KS) is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$3.584 million. **The scheduled completion date for the project is mid-November 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/>.

For more information on this resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Kevin Kellerman, Construction Engineer, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #75-89 KA 2669-01)

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