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## Eastbound I-70 closure planned this weekend in Topeka

The Kansas Department of Transportation plans to close eastbound I-70 through downtown Topeka this weekend for pavement patching work on the Polk-Quincy Viaduct.

Weather permitting, eastbound I-70 will be closed to traffic from Topeka Boulevard to S.E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street beginning at 4 a.m. on Saturday, June 24. The closure will be in place until work is complete, or no later than 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, June 25.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Street exit will be the last open exit for eastbound motorists. Through traffic will follow signed detours and be routed south to I-470, or north to U.S. 75 to U.S. 24 to K-4. Or drivers can use the local street detour: 1<sup>st</sup> Street to Topeka Boulevard to 6<sup>th</sup> Street to Monroe Street to the 8<sup>th</sup> Street I-70 on-ramp.

Westbound I-70 traffic will remain open, but still reduced to one lane.

Additional I-70 closures are expected in the coming months, as more pavement patching is needed on the viaduct. KDOT is working with the City of Topeka to schedule the closures and will provide information when available.

Both directions of I-70 will stay reduced to one lane until construction of the viaduct's replacement is complete. The Polk-Quincy Viaduct project is scheduled to begin in early 2025. More information about the project can be found at [www.polkquincy.org](http://www.polkquincy.org).

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert and obey the warning signs when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. To stay aware of highway construction projects across Kansas, go to [www.kandrive.org](http://www.kandrive.org) or call 5-1-1.



## Eastbound I-70/ Polk-Quincy Viaduct closure

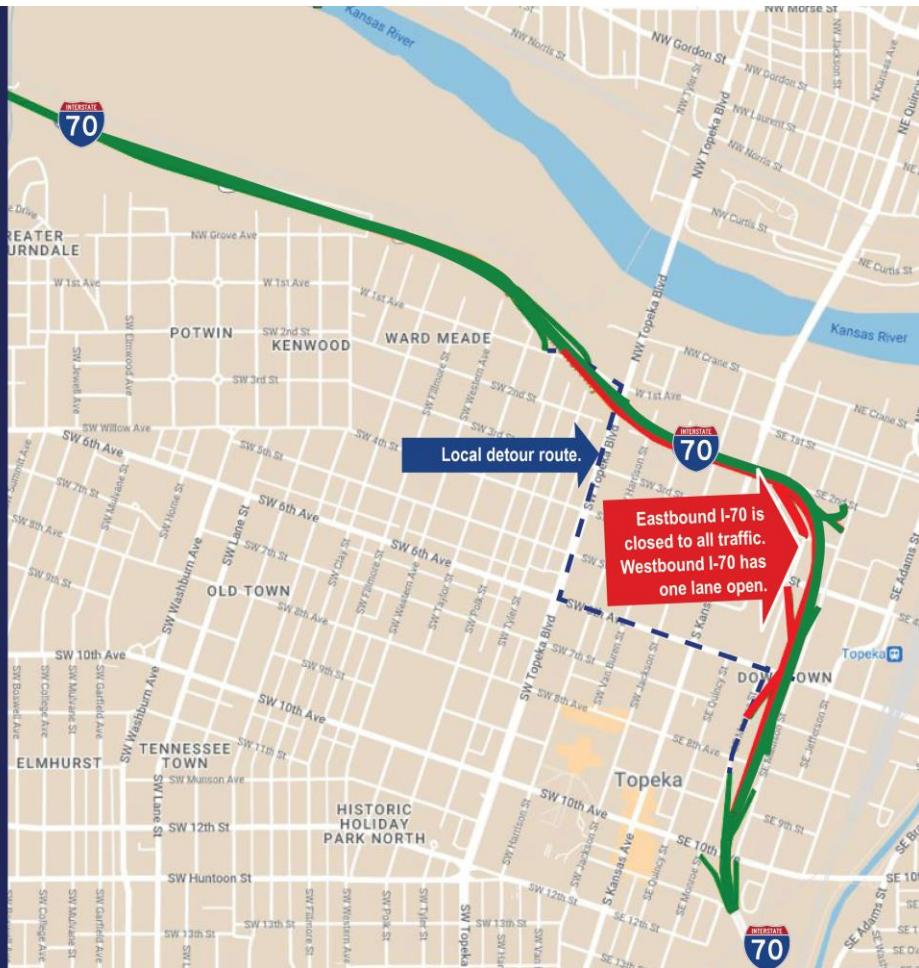
**June 24 and 25**  
4 a.m. until complete

Eastbound I-70 closed to all traffic from Topeka Blvd. to S.E. 8th St.

Through traffic can use local street detour or alternate highway routes.

Westbound I-70 open, reduced to one lane.

Please visit  
[www.polkquincy.org](http://www.polkquincy.org)  
for project information.



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