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I-470 bridge project scheduled in Topeka

The Kansas Department of Transportation will be closing an I-470 bridge in west Topeka for a bridge replacement project.

On Tuesday, Feb. 27, at approximately 7 p.m., the northbound I-470 bridge to westbound I-70 will close for reconstruction. It is expected to remain closed until early December, conditions permitting.

Motorists can follow the marked detour to eastbound I-70 and Wanamaker Road, or use alternate routes.

Demolition of the existing I-470 bridge deck will require I-70 in the project area to fully close for one weekend in the coming weeks. Information will be provided in advance.

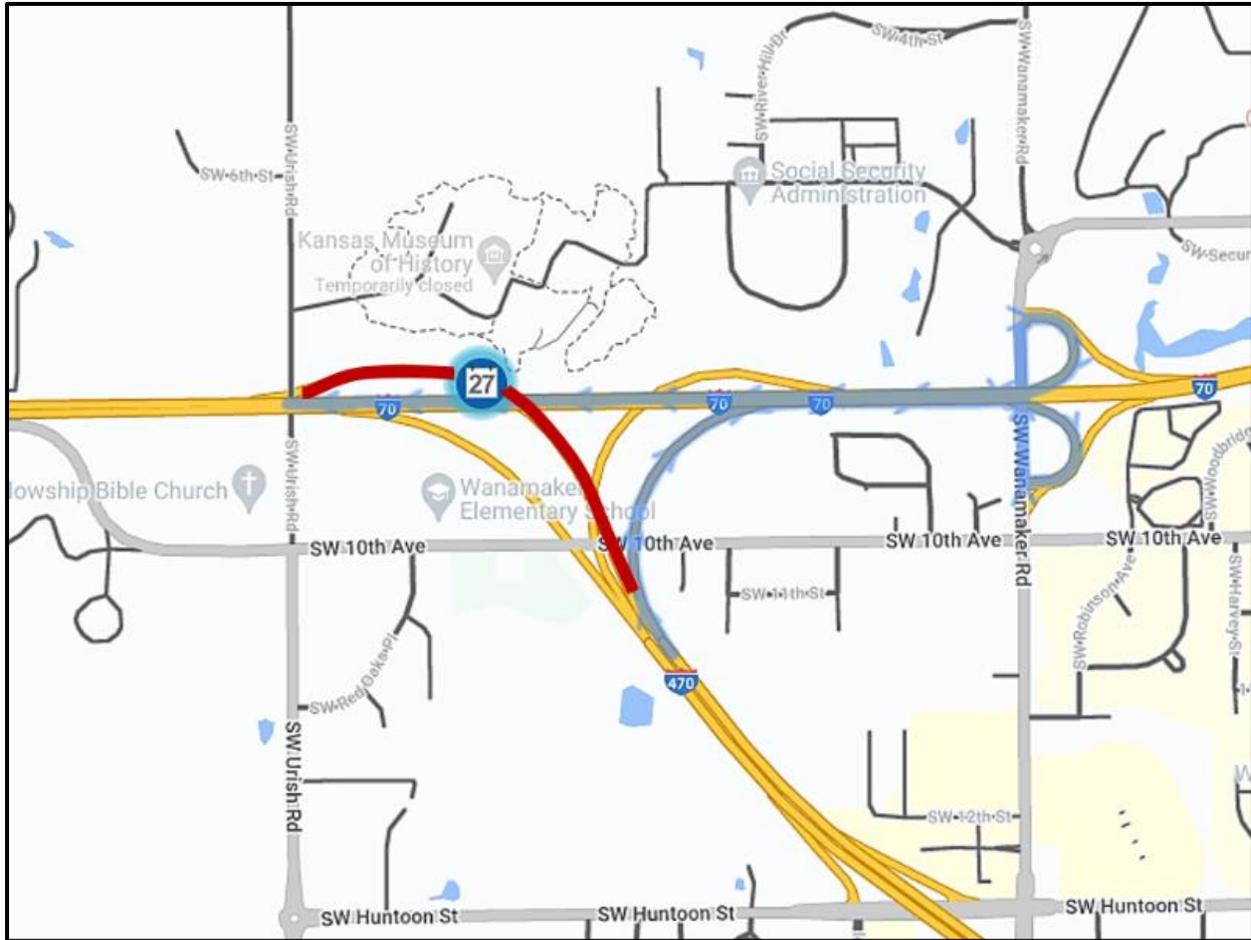
Temporary lane reductions on I-70 are also likely to occur at times during construction.

Work will take place during daytime hours Monday through Friday, and Saturdays as needed.

A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc., of Atlantic, Iowa, is the \$7.7 million project's prime contractor.

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.gov or call 5-1-1.

Map below shows closure area in red and marked detour route in blue:



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