An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects **Week of May 31, 2021**

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KDOT maintenance projects affecting traffic

- Drain cleaning is planned on **NB & SB I-135 from 1st St. to 17th St. Expect left lane closures, 9 am until 3 pm each day**. ***Continuing***
- On **Wednesday from 9 am until 3 pm, the two left lanes of WB US 54 from Dugan to ½ mile west of Ridge Road will be closed** for an inspection of the pavement. ***NEW***

KDOT construction projects affecting traffic

1. **Bridge repairs on WB K-96 at Ridge Road *NEW PROJECT***

Beginning **June 7**, two bridges will be repaired on WB K-96 at Ridge Road. Single lane traffic for one mile will be necessary.

- *The **Ridge Road on ramp to WB K-96 will close on Monday, June 7 until October**. **NEW***

2. **Pavement repairs on K-96 from I-135 to Greenwich Road**

This pavement patching and asphalt overlay project began in September 2020, was suspended for the winter and resumed on April 25. Normal work week is Sunday – Thursday nights, 7 pm until 6 am (daytime work often begins on Sundays at 1 pm).

- *Pavement overlays will require a* ***single lane closure and, at times, an adjacent ramp closing****. Work continues on* ***both eastbound and westbound*** *K-96.* ***Continuing***

3. **Bridge repairs on NB I-135, U.S. 54 to 17th St.**

This year-long bridge repair project includes deck patching, expansion joint repair or replacement, repair under the bridge, a new layer of polymer overlay, and striping. Expect multiple lane closures and ramp closures at times. Traffic impacts began in June 2020**.** Normal work week for the project is Friday evening through Wednesday morning.

- ***No work early this week.***
- *Lane and ramp* ***closures will resume Friday night at 7 pm.*** *The* ***right lane of NB I-135 will be closed from Central Ave. to 17th St****. Ramps closed:* ***Central On Ramp, 8th/9th Exit, and 13th St. On Ramp. All closures until Wednesday 6 am.*** ***NEW***

4. ***Green Project****: I-235 from N. Meridian to N. Broadway*

Construction began on March 11, 2019. See the Green Project Fact Sheet for more details on the phasing and the features of the project. Project website at www.235green.org.

- ***The two Broadway ramps to and from SB I-235 are closed*** *until late 2021.*
- ***Work zone speed limit*** *is* ***50 mph*** *for both directions of I-235.*
- ***NB I-235 and EB K-96 are reduced to one lane each as they merge east of Meridian.*** *Expect some congestion during high traffic situations.*
- ***The N. Broadway On Ramp to NB I-235 is CLOSED*** *until NB traffic is moved onto the newly constructed lanes and bridges (probably late 2021)*
- ***Old Lawrence Road is closed under I-235.*** *Access to homes and businesses north of I-235 is available via 45th St. North and from N. Broadway. There is no access from 37th St. North.*

5. ***Gold Project Phase 2A****: North Junction – I-135, I-235, K-96 & K-254*

Construction began on April 5, 2021. Three-year project that replaces the I-135 ramps to SB I-235/WB K-96. Project website at www.135gold.org.

- *On **Thursday, 9 am until 3 pm, the right lane of NB I-135 will close from 37th St. to 45th St. Plus, the NB I-135 exits to EB K-254 and to SB I-235** will close until 3 pm. Concrete barrier placement.* ***NEW***
- *A **long-term 11' width restriction on the two lanes of SB I-135, 53rd St. to south of the I-235/K-254**, is in effect (along with a **50 mph work zone speed limit**).*
- ***Single lane traffic on SB I-135**, 53rd St. to south of the North Junction **may occur each day this week, 9 am – 3 pm,** for nearby dirt work in the median.* ***Continuing***

6. **Bridge Replacements** on I-235 near S. West St.

A two-year, two bridge replacement project over rail tracks west of West St. on both directions of I-235. Project boundaries are from S. Meridian to south of the I-235/K-42 interchange. After a winter shutdown, **work resumed on March 8** and is scheduled to finish in December.

- ***Traffic will be single lane for each direction on the north side of the interstate** until the project is completed in December.*
- ***The West St. Exit from SB I-235 is closed** until the project is finished (December).*
- ***The West St. to SB I-235 On Ramp is closed** until the project is completed. Traffic from West St. can **detour** onto NB I-235 to K-42 to SB I-235.*

7. **WICHway Camera & Message Board installations** (15 locations)

Phase 5 of WICHway installations began on March 22. Some work will require lane or shoulder closures but most of the early work will have little impact to traffic.

- **Right lane daytime closures are possible this week at various locations** for camera pole deliveries. These will be about one hour each during the 9 am – 3 pm time slot.

8. Pavement repair on **US 54 from Garden Plain to 119th St. West**

Pavement repair **west of Goddard is daytime work with single lane closures**. East of Goddard, pavement repair began at night May 10, 7 pm until 6 am.

- ***Weather permitting, night work continues east of Goddard****. Watch for a* ***lane closure from 7 pm until 6 am*** *on weeknights.* ***Continuing***

9. Pavement repair on **US 54 at Ridge Road and in Goddard** ***NEW PROJECT***

Asphalt pavement repair at Ridge Road and in Goddard **will begin the week of June 14.** Work schedule is planned to begin **Friday nights at 7 pm through the weekends.** More details will be available soon.

Other projects affecting highway traffic

1) **Kansas Turnpike Authority project on E. Kellogg** Media Contact: Jeri Biehler 316/652-2728.

The East Kellogg project from **Greenwich Road to the K-96 interchange** began Sept. 19, 2016. Completion is planned for the 3rd quarter of 2021. A website for the East Kellogg project is at www.E54ict.com.

- ***On Tuesday,*** *for bridge drain work on* ***US 54 from east of Zelta to the K-96 junction, the right lane of EB US 54 will be closed until 3:30 pm. Closure on Wednesday is possible*** *to complete the work.* ***Corrected***

- *Also on* ***Tuesday, WB US 54 from the K-96 junction to east of Zelta will be closed, until 3:30 pm,*** *for bridge drain work.* ***Closure on Wednesday is possible*** *(beginning after morning drive time) to complete the work.* ***Corrected***

- *Work continues on* ***new ramps to the KTA,*** *east of Zelta.*

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