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K-7 Resurfacing Project Set to Begin in Wyandotte County

On Monday, June 4, a resurfacing project will begin on a 3.5-mile stretch of northbound and southbound K-7 from the Kansas River bridge north to just past Elizabeth Street (north of the I-70/Kansas Turnpike) in Wyandotte County. Project work includes the milling away of one-inch of existing pavement followed by the application of a one-inch overlay of new asphalt, along with new pavement markings on the resurfaced stretch of K-7. Crews will complete work during the overnight hours between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., Monday through Friday (except for work around the K-7 and I-70/Kansas Turnpike interchange which won't begin until 7:00 p.m.)

Beginning on **Monday**, **June 4 at 6:00 p.m.**, northbound and southbound K-7 will be reduced to one lane in both directions. During the project, one of the two left turn lanes from the I-70/Kansas Turnpike to southbound K-7 will be closed for resurfacing work. Also there will be short durations (5-10 minutes) of flagging through the intersections at I-70/Kansas Turnpike and Kansas Avenue, and ramp closures at Nettleton Avenue and K-32. Marked detours will be provided for the ramp closures. Advance notification will be provided under separate cover for these project-related closures. There will be a 50 mph posted speed limit through the project work zone and traffic will be restricted to a 12-foot lane width restriction through the work zone during the duration of the project.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the lane and ramp closures. Updated traffic information for this resurfacing project can be viewed online:

<u>www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp</u>. Drivers should expect some delays, especially during peak morning/evening rush hours, and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

APAC Kansas City (Kansas City, MO) is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$780,000. **The scheduled completion date for the entire project is mid-July 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/.

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. For more information on this resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Amy Pope, Construction Manger, Bonner Springs at (913) 721-2754. (KDOT Project #7-105 KA 2670-01)

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