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KDOT to Host Public Open House for I-435 & Roe Avenue Interchange Project

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is hosting a construction public open house for the I-435 and Roe Avenue Diverging Diamond Interchange Project in Overland Park. The public is invited to attend the open house style meeting on **Thursday, March 27, 2014, anytime between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.** at the Indian Woods Middle School Cafeteria, 9700 Woodson Drive, Overland Park, KS 66213 (Map link: http://goo.gl/maps/sEDF0).

At the open house, participants can learn about the construction plans, schedule and potential traffic impacts for the interchange project. KDOT, consultant and contractor staff members will be available to answer questions. There will be no formal presentations.

The Roe Avenue Bridge over I-435 was built in 1970, and due to its age, has been identified for replacement as part of KDOT's T-WORKS transportation program. Bridge and roadway design have been completed and construction will begin this April. In order to complete construction as quickly as possible, the Roe Avenue Bridge will be closed to through traffic while the interchange improvements are made. The project is scheduled to be completed in 4-5 months, weather permitting.

Clarkson Construction Company (Kansas City, MO) was awarded the \$9.5 million contract to construct a new diverging diamond interchange at I-435 and Roe

Avenue. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at: http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/.

If you have questions or will require special assistance at the open house, please contact Kimberly Qualls, KDOT Public Affairs Manager at (785) 296-0192 at least one week in advance of the public open house. (KDOT Project #435-46 KA 2100-01).

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