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Westbound K-10 Over Mill Creek Bridge Repair Project to Begin in Johnson County

On **Monday, September 10,** a repair project will begin on the westbound K-10 Bridge over Mill Creek in Johnson County. Project work includes: expansion joint repairs, pavement patching, mill and overlay on the bridge deck on the westbound bridge, and painting work on the eastbound bridge. Work will take place daily, Monday through Friday during daylight hours.

Beginning on **Monday, September 10,** westbound K-10 will be reduced to one 12-foot lane (only one lane will be closed) from approximately a half-mile east and west on either side of the Mill Creek Bridge, 24/7 round the clock, throughout the project duration. Traffic will be directed through the project via concrete barrier and signage. A 60 mph speed limit will be posted through the project work zone.

Also, beginning on **Monday, September 10**, the <u>Ridgeview Road to westbound K-10</u> <u>entrance ramp</u> will be closed and will remain closed throughout the project duration. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour east on K-10 to Renner Road then utilize the interchange ramps to head back to westbound K-10.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the lane and ramp closures. Updated traffic information for this repair project can be viewed online: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp. Drivers should expect some delays, especially during peak morning/evening rush hours, and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

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.

Comanche Construction Inc. (Shawnee Mission, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge repair project with a total contract cost of \$370,000. **The scheduled completion date** for the entire project is mid-December 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/.

For more information on this bridge repair project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Amy Pope, Construction Engineer, Bonner Springs at (913) 721-2754. (KDOT Project #10-46 KA 2787-01)

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