



## An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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Current KDOT projects affecting traffic:

### 1. Two **Bridge Repairs on SB I-135**

Work began June 5 on two southbound I-135 bridges over railroad tracks near 29<sup>th</sup> Street North. The 29<sup>th</sup> St. Entrance Ramp to SB I-135 will close for the duration of the project (until December).

- *The 29<sup>th</sup> St. Ramp to SB I-135 is closed*
- *The Right Lane of SB I-135 is closed*
- *Work zone speed limit has been reduced to 50 mph*

### 2. Five **Bridge Replacements on I-235**

Work began March 21, 2016 and was suspended November 11 for the winter. Work resumed on February 20, 2017 to replace the NB I-235 bridges over the Wichita-Valley Center Floodway and the Big Arkansas River plus the 25<sup>th</sup> Street bridge over I-235.

- *25<sup>th</sup> Street access to and from I-235 is closed until November.*
- *I-235 traffic is single lane, head-to-head on the west side of I-235.*

### 3. **Red Project: I-235/US 54 Interchange**

The first phase of the Kellogg/I-235 Interchange rebuild (dubbed the Red Project) began on November 10, 2015. Improvements, current traffic impacts and upcoming project activities can be seen at [www.235red.org](http://www.235red.org). Completion is planned for the Summer of 2019.

- *The WB US 54 Ramp to SB I-235 is closed until October.*

- **The EB US 54 Ramp to NB I-235 is closed until October.**
- **The EB US 54 Exit Ramp to West Street CLOSED May 8 (until late 2017).**
- **Traffic on WB & EB US 54 is reduced to two lanes in each direction from Hoover to West streets.**
- **The intersection of Hoover and Douglas is closed until December for reconstruction of the intersection.**
- **Concrete barrier wall has been placed on NB I-235 from US 54 to Central Ave. starting the construction of an auxiliary lane.**
- **Traffic on Maple St. under I-235 has returned to two lanes in each direction. When bridge work resumes (late summer) it will again be reduced to one lane in each direction.**
- **US 54 from Hoover to West Street (under I-235), is reduced to two lanes in each direction (until October).**
- **The SB I-235 Ramp to WB US 54 is closed until late summer 2017 as two bridges are constructed over the Wichita – Valley Center Floodway. The bridges are part of two ramps: NB I-235 to WB US 54 and SB I-235 to WB US 54. An official detour is marked using SB I-235 to EB US 54 to Edwards then to the WB US 54 Ramp.**
- **Elder Street is closed at Maple.**

#### **City of Wichita project on East Kellogg**

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The reconstruction of Webb Road and the construction of the north frontage road on US 54 are the major work items on the **US 54 and Webb Road** project on Wichita's east side. The City of Wichita is administering the project. A website for both pieces of the East Kellogg project is at [www.E54ict.com](http://www.E54ict.com).

- **No left turns are allowed at the US 54/Webb Road intersection.**
- **WB US 54 access to the Kansas Turnpike (KTA) Toll Plaza 50 has changed. Drivers will need to exit at Rock Road and use the new south frontage road along US 54 to access the KTA.**
- **EB US 54 access to the Kansas Turnpike (KTA) has changed and drivers are directed to detour onto K-96 at the east end of the construction area.**
- **Speed limits are reduced on US 54 to 40 mph and 30 mph on Webb Rd. An 11' lane width restriction and a 15' vertical restriction is in place through the construction zone.**

#### **Kansas Turnpike Authority project on E. Kellogg**

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The East Kellogg project from Greenwich Road to the K-96 interchange began Sept. 19, 2016. A website for both pieces of the East Kellogg project is at [www.E54ict.com](http://www.E54ict.com).

- ***The 40 mph US 54 work zone speed limit has been extended to east of the K-96 interchange. An 11' lane width restriction and a 15' vertical restriction is in place through the construction zone.***
- ***On February 20, the EB K-96 Ramp to WB US 54 closed (until November 2021) for the construction of two bridges over the KTA, a new ramp to WB US 54 and the completion of the US 54 freeway.***

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