



An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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KDOT construction projects affecting traffic

1. **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 Monday the 8th, the NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 will be closed from 9 am until 3 pm to crane bridge beams into place. Suggested detour for access to SB I-235: North on I-135 to 61st St. then left then left again onto SB I-135 to SB I-235.***
- ***On Tuesday the 9th, the NB I-135 Exit to EB I-254 will be closed from 9 am until 11 am to move a crane across the highway.***
- ***On Wednesday the 10th, the NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 will be closed from 9 am until 3 pm plus WB K-254 traffic will not be able to continue onto SB I-235 but must exit onto NB I-135 or SB I-135. This is to set concrete safety barrier for a slightly different traffic configuration.***
- ***On Thursday the 11th, NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 will be closed from 9 am until 3 pm to offload bridge beams. NEW***
- ***On Friday the 12th of August, 9 am until 3 pm, the right lane of SB I-135, north of WB K-254 as it transitions to SB I-235, will be CLOSED to set concrete safety barrier. NEW***

- *On Friday the 12th of August, at 7 pm, NB I-135 will be CLOSED at the Exit to EB K-254 for bridge beam placement over NB I-135 traffic lanes. All NB I-135 will exit to EB K-254. Detour will be to 45th & Hillside exit then use WB K-254 to NB I-135. **NEW Weekend Closure***
- *On Tuesday the 16th from 9 am until 3 pm, NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 (and WB K-254) will be closed to set concrete safety barrier. **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).*

2. Pavement patching on K-96, east of Webb Road to U.S. 54

Repairs to driving surface and ramps of K-96 from east of Webb Road to U.S. 54. This **night work project** is scheduled for **Sunday – Friday nights, 7 pm – 6 am although earlier start times are expected on Sundays**. Traffic control (lane and ramp closures) will be removed each day by 6 am. A one-week closure of the EB US 54 exit to WB K-96 will occur but the date has not been set.

- *No work until the evening of Wednesday the 10th.*
- *On Sunday the 14th, the EB U.S. 54 Exit to WB K-96 will be closed at noon until as late as 6 am on Monday for pavement repairs on the ramp. **NEW***

3. Guardrail replacement on the NB I-235 Exit to NB I-135/EB K-254 and NB I-235 to SB I-135 began on April 30.

- *Barrier wall was installed on April 30 and a 12' width limit on the NB I-235 exit to NB I-135 and to EB K-254 is in place.*

4. Highway striping on U.S. 54, West St. to I-135; I-135, 53rd St. N. to Harvey County; and U.S. 81, at South Junction ramps began in June. This project will have day and night work plus ramps will be closed for restriping.

- *Night work continues on NB & SB I-135 from 53rd St. N. to 77th St. N. Expect lane and possibly ramp closures between 7 pm and 6 am. **Continuing***

5. Repair of two bridges on EB K-96 at Ridge Road began May 2. Planned completion is in September. Expect single lane traffic for one mile west of Ridge Road.

- *The left lane is closed near Ridge Road.*

- ***On Thursday night the 11th, from 10 pm until about 1 am, traffic will be switched onto the left lane and work will begin on the right lane of the bridges.***
NEW
- ***A 12' width restriction is in place.***

6. Repair of the WB U.S. 54 bridge at the K-251 junction (far western Sedgwick County), began on May 2. **Single lane traffic for each direction of U.S. 54** for one mile will be in place until completion (November). **The 383rd St. On Ramp to WB U.S. 54 will be closed** for the duration of the project (with a marked detour in place).

- ***Single lane traffic for each direction of U.S. 54, with crossovers, is now in place.***
- ***The 383rd St. On Ramp to WB U.S. 54 is closed.***

7. Construction of right turn lanes on EB & WB K-254 at Rock Road began May 9. **Completion should be in late September.**

- ***No access to or from Rock Road at K-254 is allowed.***

8. A Field survey on U.S. 54 near I-235 for a proposed bridge replacement over the M.S. "Mitch" Mitchell Floodway **will begin Aug. 15**. Because of the high traffic numbers, survey work that restricts traffic or closes a lane is likely to take place in the evening or overnight hours. ***NEW***

9. WICHway Camera & Message Board installations (15 locations)

Phase 5 of WICHway installations has been suspended. Some work will require lane or shoulder closures but most of the work will have little impact to traffic.

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