



## An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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### KDOT maintenance projects affecting traffic

**On Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am until 3 pm, the SB I-135 Exit to EB K-254 will be closed** for pavement repairs. A back-up date of Thursday is planned if wet weather prevents the maintenance. **NEW**

### 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](http://www.135gold.org).*

- ***A weekend closure is planned for June 10 – 12, on SB I-235 at the North Junction to install bridge beams over traffic lanes. The closure will begin at 7 pm on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> and end by 6 pm on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>. SB I-135 traffic will be detoured onto SB I-235 to Broadway to NB I-235 to SB I-135. NEW***
- ***Part of the weekend closure on June 10 – 12, NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 and WB K-254 to SB I-235 will be closed to install bridge beams over SB I-135 traffic lanes. The closure will begin at 7 pm on Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> and end by 6 pm on Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup>. NEW***

- A long-term **11' width restriction on the two lanes of SB I-135, 53<sup>rd</sup> St. to south of the I-235/K-254**, is in effect (along with a **50-mph work zone speed limit**).

## 2. 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.

## 3. Guardrail repair or replacement on **K-96, east of I-135**

Installation of new or repair of old guardrail on K-96 from I-135 to east of Webb Road **began Jan. 31**. Expect some daytime right lane closures occasionally when barrier wall is installed at five of the 26 locations. Most of the work will be adjacent to the highway and will not affect normal traffic flow.

## 4. 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**. *Work began on the EB K-96 on March 13*. 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. This project may require daily updates.

- *Work is expected to resume this week on EB and WB K-96 near Greenwich Road, weather permitting.*

## 5. **Guardrail replacement on the NB I-235 Exit to NB I-135/EB K-254** began on April 30. A **12' width limit** is in place.

- **Barrier wall** was installed on April 30 and a **12' width limit on the ramp to NB I-135 and to EB K-254** is in place.
- **Two other weekend closures will be necessary later** – one to move the barrier wall when work switches to the other side of the ramp and a final closure to remove the barrier wall.

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

- **The left lane is closed near Ridge Road.**
- **A 12' width restriction is in place.**

7. 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 **383<sup>rd</sup> St. On Ramp to WB U.S. 54 will be closed** for the duration of the project (with a marked detour in place).

- *The left lane of EB and WB U.S. 54 is closed for the construction of crossovers. **Continuing***
- *The 383<sup>rd</sup> St. On Ramp to WB U.S. 54 is closed. **NEW***

8. Highway striping on **U.S. 54, West St. to I-135; I-135, 53<sup>rd</sup> St. N. to Harvey County; and U.S. 81, at South Junction ramps** will begin in June. This project will have day and night work plus ramps will be closed for restriping. **NEW PROJECT starts Monday, June 6**

- *Work will begin on Monday on NB & SB I-135 from 77<sup>th</sup> St. N. to 125<sup>th</sup> St. N. Expect lane and possibly ramp closures from 7 am until 8 pm. **NEW***

9. Construction of **right turn lanes on EB & WB K-254 at Rock Road** began **May 9**.

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

10. A **City of Wichita project to repair the crosswalks at the bottom of four U.S. 54 ramps at Meridian will begin in early June**. Approximately one-week closures are likely (two ramps at a time). **NEW PROJECT**

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