



An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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KDOT maintenance projects effecting traffic

- On **Tuesday, Nov. 14, 9 am until as late as 3 pm, the right lane of EB K-254 at 45th St. will be closed** for bridge deck repair. The exit to 45th St. will remain open. **NEW**
- On **Thursday the 16th, 9 am until 3 pm, the right lane on NB I-135 at the 85th St. North will be closed** for bridge deck repair. **The NB I-135 On Ramp from 85th St. will also be closed.** **NEW**

KDOT construction projects effecting traffic

1. Gold Project Phase 2A: North Junction – I-135, I-235, K-96 & K-254

Construction began on April 5, 2021. This project replaces the I-135 ramps to SB I-235/WB K-96 should be finished in late 2023. Project website at www.135Gold.com.

- No traffic restrictions.

2. Gold Project Phase 2B: North Junction to I-135/K-96 Interchange on I-135 and K96

Construction began Feb. 6, 2023 with completion currently slated for late 2026. This phase includes a direct link for EB K-96 (from NB I-235) to EB K-96 at the junction on I-135, and new ramps for K-96 onto I-135.

- **Planned for the weekend of Nov. 18 & 19, ½ day closures on SB I-135 (Saturday) and NB I-135 (Sunday) will occur to remove forms from an overhead bridge. *NEW***
- **On Saturday, Nov. 18, 6:30 am until 2 pm, SB I-135 will be closed from south of I-235 to 29th St. All SB I-135 traffic north of I-235 will be diverted onto SB I-235. Any traffic onto SB I-135 from NB I-235 will be detoured onto EB K-96 to Hillside to WB K-96 to SB I-135. Traffic on WB K-96 will not be allowed to travel west of Hillside and will need to use an alternate route to reach I-135. *NEW***
- **On Sunday the 19th, from 6:30 am until 2 pm, NB I-135 will be closed from 29th St. to the K-96 junction. All NB I-135 traffic will exit to EB K-96 and can return to NB I-135 after exiting at Hillside, turning onto WB K-96 and using the exit to NB I-135. Traffic on WB K-96 will not be allowed to travel west of Hillside and will need to use an alternate route to reach I-135. *NEW***
- **A long-term **11' width restriction on the two lanes of SB I-135**, south of the I-235/K-254 overpass, is in effect (along with a 50-mph work zone speed limit).**
- **A long-term closure of the Hydraulic Exit to EB K-96 began on March 27, 2023 for the reconstruction of the EB K-96 bridge over the UP RR. *Ramp Closed***
- ****SB I-135 Exit to EB K-96 has an 11' width restriction**. Started March 8, 2023. *Long-term Width Restriction***
- **A long-term closure of SB I-135 Exit Ramp to 29th St. began on March 8. *Ramp Closed***

3. K-96, East of Webb Road to US 54. *Project Completed*

A 4" asphalt overlay on both directions of K-96 from just west of Greenwich Road to U.S. 54 began on Sunday, August 13. **Night work** with single lane and adjacent ramp closures will occur on **Sundays, 1 pm – 6 am, Mondays – Fridays, 7 pm – 6 am.**

4. Concrete pavement patching on I-235 from the South Junction with I-135 to N. Meridian began April 23. Work hours are Sundays 1 pm – 6 am, Mondays – Thursdays 7 pm – 6 am.

5. A City of Goddard project to construction a US 54 RCUT (Restricted Crossing U-Turn Intersection) <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/publications/research/safety/09059/> began Sept.

5. The new intersection of US 54 at Crown Drive/Barber St. includes turn lanes and traffic signalization.

- ***Expect single lane traffic for both directions of US 54 through the east side of Goddard.***

6. A Sedgwick County bridge repair project on Zoo Blvd. over the Mitch Mitchell Floodway began Sept. 11. Two lane traffic for both directions on the bridge will be maintained during the early phases of construction.

7. Traffic signal replacement on K-15 at 31st St. South began on Oct. 23. The project has been delayed by supply chain issues and will resume in December. Traffic on K-15 and on 31st will be stopped briefly when work over driving lanes occurs.

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