



## 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. This project replaces the I-135 ramps to SB I-235/WB K-96 should be finished in late 2023. Project website at <u>www.135Gold.com</u>.

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

Construction began Feb. 6, 2023 with completion by September 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 WB K-96 onto I-135.

- Barrier wall has been placed on the right side of NB I-235 from N. Broadway to the ramp onto SB I-135 for construction on a new K-96 exit ramp to EB K-96 and 29<sup>th</sup> St. NEW
- A long-term closure of the Hydraulic Exit to EB K-96 began on March 27 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 29<sup>th</sup> St. began on March 8.
Ramp Closed

#### 3. Bridge repair on WB US 54 just west of I-235.

One lane will close during the project plus on weekends, the bridge will be reduced to one lane. This project began on Monday, Aug. 14.

- The closure of the right lane of WB US 54 over the Mitch Mitchell Floodway occurred on Tuesday the 15th. The traffic taper stretches back to West St. 11' width restriction.
- **The WB US 54 Ramp to SB I-235** (loop ramp) closure began on Aug. 15 (until project completion).
- West St. On Ramp to WB US 54 closed Aug. 14. The turn from West St. and the frontage road serving businesses on the north side of Kellogg will remain open just the slip ramp onto WB US 54 closes. A detour from West St. to WB US 54 is in place (uses EB US 54 to Edwards to WB US 54).
- Weekend work (two lanes closed) occurred Aug. 25 27. The next weekend lane reduction is planned for the Sept. 8 – 10. Back to one lane closed by 6 am Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>. NEW

### 4. K-96, East of Webb Road to US 54.

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**.

5. 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.

6. Concrete pavement patching on K-15 from just north of MacArthur Road to the Derby city limit continues, weather permitting. Work hours are Sundays 1 pm – 6 am, Mondays – Thursdays 7 pm – 6 am.

**7.** A City of Wichita project on WB & EB US 54 from 119<sup>th</sup> St. W. to Maize Rd. began Aug. 21. Single lane traffic on Kellogg for this pavement repair project. Concrete

patching on the westbound lanes, mill and asphalt overlay on the eastbound lanes. *NEW with congestion* 

Projects coming soon:

- A Sedgwick County bridge repair project on Zoo Blvd. over the Mitch Mitchell Floodway is scheduled to begin Sept. 11. *NEW start date*
- Bridge repair on US 54 near Garden Plain begins Sept. 5.
- I-235 pavement marking.

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