



## 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.com](http://www.135Gold.com).

- **On Tuesday the 28th, from 9 am until 3 pm:**
  - **NB I-135 from 37<sup>th</sup> St. to 45<sup>th</sup> St., will close one lane to remove barrier wall. **NEW****
  - **SB I-135 from 45<sup>th</sup> to 37<sup>th</sup>, will be reduced to single lane traffic to remove barrier wall. **NEW****
  - **NB I-235 Exit to NB I-135 will be closed for bridge work. **NEW****
- **On Wednesday, March 1, 9 am – 3 pm:**
  - **NB I-135 from 37<sup>th</sup> St. to 45<sup>th</sup> St., will close one lane traffic to finish removing barrier wall. **NEW****
  - **SB I-135 from 45<sup>th</sup> to 37<sup>th</sup>, will be reduced to single lane traffic to finish removing barrier wall. **NEW****
- **On Thursday the 2nd, 9 am until 3 pm,**

- **NB I-235 Exit to NB I-135 will be closed, 9 am until 3 pm, for bridge work over the ramp. NEW**
- **SB I-135 from 37<sup>th</sup> St. to 45<sup>th</sup> St., will be reduced to one lane traffic. NEW**
- **On Friday the 3rd, the NB I-235 Exit to NB I-135 will be closed, 9 am until 3 pm, for guardrail work. NEW**
- **On Saturday, March 4, 7 am until 6 pm, NB I-135 will be closed at the North Junction and all northbound traffic will exit to EB K-254 then flaggers will direct them onto WB K-254 to NB I-135. NEW**
- **On Dec. 7, the WB K-254 Exit to SB I-135 CLOSED to construct the lane extension for this ramp onto SB I-135. The ramp is expected to open by March 15, weather dependent. WB K-254 traffic can continue onto SB I-235 to Broadway to NB I-235 to SB I-135. RAMP CLOSURE**
- **A 13'9" height restriction on SB I-135 under SB I-235 is in effect.**
- **An 11' width restriction has been posted on WB K-254 to SB I-235.**
- **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

Construction began Feb. 6 and impacts to traffic began the week of Feb. 13. This phase includes a direct link from 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.

- **On Wednesday, March 1 (and possibly the 2<sup>nd</sup> also), the 29<sup>th</sup> St. Entrance Ramp onto SB I-135 PLUS one lane of SB I-135 will be CLOSED, 9 am – 3 pm, to install concrete barrier walls. NEW**
- **In early March, a long-term closure of SB I-135 Exit Ramp to 29<sup>th</sup> St. Coming Soon**
- **In late March, a long-term closure of the Hydraulic Exit to EB K-96. Coming Soon**

3. Repair of the **WB U.S. 54 bridge at the K-251 junction** (far western Sedgwick County), began on May 2, 2022 and has been **suspended for the winter**. Bridge painting and permanent pavement markings will be completed in the spring.

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