



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.

- ***On Wednesday the 14th, the right lane of NB I-135 from 37th St. to 45th St. will be closed, 9 am until 3 pm, for demolition work on the old loop ramp for NB I-135 to SB I-235. **NEW*****
- ***The new NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 /WB K-96 is open and in use. Drivers need to watch for the ramp since it is before the old loop ramp. **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. **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.

- ***Planned for the weekend of July 8 and 9, bridge beams for the new WB K-96 flyover exit to SB I-135 will be placed and will require weekend closures on I-135. On Saturday the 8th, all lanes of SB I-135 will be closed. On Sunday the 9th, all lanes of NB I-135 will be closed. Detours will be used. **NEW*****

- **Delayed until later in the summer, the SB I-135 Exit to EB K-96 will be closed on multiple days with little advance notice.** A bridge over the UP railroad is to be replaced and half of the current bridge must be removed first. The UP RR will probably allow a six-hour window for the work but they will not give much notice of the days the work can be done. **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 29th St. began on March 8. Ramp Closed**

3. An asphalt mill and overlay project on K-254 from Hydraulic Ave. to the Butler County line began April 17. Work began in the right lane on EB K-254 with asphalt milling then asphalt overlay the entire length of the project. Then the crew will work west on the WB lanes from the county line back to Hydraulic. Next, back to the east then the westbound lane. Permanent pavement markings will complete the project.

- **Expect daily shoulder closures and some ramp closures on K-254. Continuing**

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.**

- **Night work will progress Sundays 1 pm – 6 am, and Monday through Thursday nights, 7 pm – 6 am, with single lane traffic on I-235 plus adjacent ramp closures. Continuing**

5. Concrete pavement patching on K-15 from just north of MacArthur Road to the Derby city limit will begin this week, weather permitting. Work hours will be **Sundays 1 pm – 6 am, Mondays – Thursdays 7 pm – 6 am.**

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