



## An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

Week of Sept. 11, 2023

Contacts: Tom Hein, mobile 316-217-0356 [tom.hein@ks.gov](mailto:tom.hein@ks.gov) vacation  
Tracy Statton, mobile 316-217-0355 [tracy.statton@ks.gov](mailto:tracy.statton@ks.gov)

Links: KDOT [www.ksdot.gov](http://www.ksdot.gov)

KanDrive: [www.KanDrive.org](http://www.KanDrive.org)

Wichita KDOT: [www.WichitaKDOT.org](http://www.WichitaKDOT.org)

WICHway: [www.WICHway.org](http://www.WICHway.org)

North Junction: [www.135Gold.com](http://www.135Gold.com)

Twitter & Facebook: WichitaKDOT

East Kellogg: [www.eastkellogg.ksdot.gov](http://www.eastkellogg.ksdot.gov)

K-96 Improvements: [www.k96improvements.ksdot.gov](http://www.k96improvements.ksdot.gov)

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

- 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).

#### 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.**
- **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 be closed during the project plus on weekends, the bridge will be reduced to one lane (two lanes closed). This project began on Monday, Aug. 14.

- ***The lane closure has been changed to the left lane of WB US 54 over the Mitch Mitchell Floodway. The traffic taper stretches back to West St. An 11' width restriction is in place. NEW traffic alignment***
- ***The WB US 54 Ramp to SB I-235 (loop ramp) is open. NEW***
- ***West St. On Ramp to WB US 54 is open. 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. **11' Width Restriction**

**8. Bridge repair on US 54 near Garden Plain (383<sup>rd</sup> St. W. over US 54) begins Sept.**  
**5. NEW Project**

9. 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. **NEW Project**

10. A Sedgwick County **bridge repair project on Zoo Blvd. over the Mitch Mitchell Floodway begins Sept. 11. NEW Project**

Unsubscribe from this email list by emailing [tom.hein@ks.gov](mailto:tom.hein@ks.gov) (put Unsubscribe in the Subject line).