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U.S. 169 resurfacing project in Miami County set to begin September 4

Tuesday, Sept. 4, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects to begin a resurfacing project on 11 miles of U.S. 169 in Miami County. The project starts approximately one mile south of the K-7 junction and continues northeast to end at the Baptiste Drive interchange at Paola.

The contractor will patch the concrete pavement and then resurface the entire roadway an ultra-thin asphalt bonded overlay. Traffic on the four-lane section of U.S. 169 will be reduced to one lane on the north- and southbound sections depending on the location of the work zone. The speed limit will be 60 miles per hour.

Whenever the project is active on the two-lane section at the south end, one-lane traffic will be directed through the work zone by flaggers and a pilot car. Motorists can expect delays of 15 minutes or less.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$1.9 million to Superior Bowen Asphalt Co., Kansas City, Mo. Weather permitting, the project should be finished in November. David Baldrige, construction engineer at the Garnett KDOT office, reminds drivers to obey the flaggers, reduce speed, and "Give 'Em a Brake!" at the work zone.

The preservation project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. Those with questions concerning the road work may contact Baldrige at (785) 448-5446, or KDOT Southeast District Public Affairs Manager Priscilla Petersen, 1-877-550-5368. For more information concerning T-WORKS projects visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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