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## **Switzer Road to Close as US-69 & I-435 Interchange Area Improvement Project Set to Begin**

Weather permitting, **on Monday, July 18**, Switzer Road will close from College Boulevard to Indian Creek as work is set to begin on the US-69 & I-435 improvement project in Overland Park (Johnson County). This closure is needed so that crews can begin realignment work (including grading and asphalt paving) on this portion of Switzer Road.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the roadway closure. A marked detour will be provided. Drivers will need to use alternate routes during the roadway closure. Updated daily traffic information for this project can be viewed online at: [www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp).

Planned improvements on this project will add auxiliary lanes to I-435 between US-69 and Quivira Road. These improvements will help address congestion at the I-435 and US-69 interchange. Project work includes: construction of southbound collector-distributor road network along US-69 between 103rd Street and 119th Street, widening work on eastbound and westbound I-435, and construction of collector-distributor road network along I-435 between I-35 and US-69. Interchange improvements will be completed at I-435 & Quivira Road, I-435 & US-69, US-69 & College Boulevard, and US-69 & 119th Street.

This phase of the US-69 & I-435 improvements in Johnson County is part of KDOT's T-WORKS program and the selection of this project was announced in February 2011. US-69 is a top priority for the City of Overland Park and they will contribute \$8 million toward project construction. The estimated construction cost for the project is \$102 million with an estimated

economic impact, or benefit of \$779 million. Clarkson Construction is the primary contractor on this improvement project.

The Switzer Road closure will be in place through mid-November 2011, and the entire project is scheduled to be completed in late 2013, weather permitting.

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” when approaching and driving through the project work zone. For more information on this improvement project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Ruben Noguera, Field Engineering Administrator, at (913) 764-4525.

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