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I-635 Lane Closures Scheduled for KC Scout Work in Wyandotte County

Weather permitting, on **Thursday, July 17 and Friday, July 18**, northbound and then southbound I-635 between Swartz Drive and Metropolitan Road will be reduced to one lane for KC Scout sign installation work. **Northbound I-635** will be reduced to one lane at **7:00 p.m., Thursday, July 17, and will reopen to all traffic at 12:00 a.m. on Friday, July 18.** **Southbound I-635** will be reduced to one lane at **7:00 p.m., Friday, July 18, and will reopen to all traffic at 12:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 19.**

Also, during the overnight lane closures all traffic may be stopped for a period of 5-10 minutes, so crews can place the overhead KC Scout message board in place. During the temporary lane closures, drivers should expect delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible. Updated daily lane/ramp closure information for this KC Scout installation project can be viewed online at:

www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

This utility work is part of an installation project that began in July 2007 which includes the addition of new cameras and message boards along I-635. The Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) enhancement project includes the addition of 12 cameras and two message boards that will become part of the Kansas City (KC) Scout traffic management system. The installation project work will take place along I-635 from I-35 to State Avenue.

Custom Lighting Services (CLS) is the primary contractor for this installation project with a total contract cost of \$3 million. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is mid-summer 2008.

For more information on this installation project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager at (785) 640-9340. For more information on the KC Scout traffic management system, please visit KC Scout online at www.kcscout.com.

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