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Lane Closures Scheduled for Metcalf Avenue at I-435 in Johnson County

Weather permitting, on **Tuesday, May 27**, painting work will begin on the I-435 Bridges over Metcalf Avenue in Johnson County. On **Tuesday, May 27, at 9:00 a.m.**, the two right lanes on northbound Metcalf Avenue will close for seven consecutive days (including weekend days), followed by the closure of the two left lanes on northbound Metcalf Avenue for another seven consecutive days. Once work on the northbound lanes is completed, then the two left lanes on southbound Metcalf Avenue will be closed for seven consecutive days (including weekend days), followed by the closure of the two right lanes on southbound Metcalf Avenue for another seven consecutive days. All lane closures will take place on Metcalf Avenue between 105th Street and 110th Street.

No left-hand turns from Metcalf Avenue to westbound I-435 will be allowed during the northbound lane closures (scheduled for approximately 14 consecutive days). Once the northbound lanes are reopened, no left-hand turns from Metcalf Avenue to eastbound I-435 will be allowed during the southbound lane closures (scheduled for approximately 14 days). A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour on 103rd Street to Nall Avenue or US-69 and/or College Boulevard to Nall Avenue or US-69.

Advance message boards will alert drivers to the lane closures. Drivers should expect major delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible. Updated daily lane/ramp closure information for this painting project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

This work is part of the Focus435 four-year, \$127 million construction project that includes improvements to US-69, I-435, and Antioch Road in Johnson County. Clarkson Construction Company is the primary contractor on the Focus435 construction project. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is fall 2008.

This information can be made available in alternative accessible formats upon request.
For information about obtaining an alternative format, contact the Bureau of Transportation Information,
700 SW Harrison St., 2nd Fl West, Topeka, KS 66603-3754 or phone 785-296-3585 (Voice) (TTY).

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 project, please visit the Focus435 website at: www.focus435.com or contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340.

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