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Ramp/Lane Closures Scheduled for K-7 & US-24/40 Interchange in Wyandotte County

Weather permitting, on Thursday, March 13, all ramps at the K-7 and US-24/40 interchange will close so that construction on the new K-7 and US-24/40 interchange in Wyandotte County can begin. All ramps will be closed beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 13 and will be closed throughout the duration of the project.

In addition, weather permitting, on Saturday, March 15, US-24/40 (State Avenue) will be closed from 130th Street to 142nd Street for demolition work on part of the existing K-7 bridge. US-24/40 (State Avenue) will close from 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 15, and will reopen to all traffic at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 16.

Marked detours will be provided for all traffic during the ramp and lane closures. Message boards will alert traffic to these ramp and lane closures.

Updated daily lane and ramp closure information for this interchange project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp. Drivers should expect minor delays during the project and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

The existing cloverleaf interchange will be replaced with a new partial cloverleaf or folded diamond interchange and the addition of auxiliary lanes on K-7 and US-24/40. The lane addition will provide traffic with acceleration and deceleration lanes for the new interchange on- and off-ramps. When completed, the new interchange will provide for a safer and more efficient driving experience for the traveling public.

APAC Kansas, Inc. is the primary contractor for this project with a total contract cost of \$35,739,978. The scheduled completion date for the entire interchange project is early winter 2008.

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 work zones. For questions or additional information on this interchange project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 296-3881, or Jim Wetterberg, Bonner Springs Construction Engineer, at (785) 721-2754.

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