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### **Repair Work Scheduled for 79th Street Bridge Over I-435 in Johnson County**

Weather permitting, beginning on **Monday, July 7 at 9:00 a.m.**, a repair project will begin on the 79th Street Bridge over I-435 in Johnson County. The 79th Street Bridge will be closed to all traffic, including pedestrian, bicycle and motorist, during the duration of the bridge repair project.

Repair work includes complete replacement of the eastern end of the bridge's abutment, deck and approach pavement. Work will take place daily during daylight hours throughout the project duration.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the bridge closure. A marked local detour will be provided. Traffic will detour on Renner Boulevard to 87th Street to Lackman Road then back to 79th Street.

Comanche Construction Company is the primary contractor on this bridge repair project with a total contract cost of \$340,000. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is early fall 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 the project work zone. For questions or additional information on this bridge repair project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Jason Van Nice, Lawrence Construction Engineer, at (785) 842-0299.

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