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### **Southbound US-69 Lane & Ramp Closures Scheduled in Johnson County (September 22-26)**

Weather permitting, beginning **on Monday, September 22**, southbound US-69 will be **closed** between 103rd Street and I-435 for bridge girder installation work for the new southbound US-69 to eastbound I-435 flyover ramp. The ramps from westbound I-435 to southbound US-69 and from 103rd Street to southbound US-69 will be closed. The ramp movement from southbound US-69 to eastbound I-435 will remain open. All lane/ramp closures will **begin at 9:00 p.m. on Monday, September 22 and will reopen at 5:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 23; and will then repeat daily through 5:00 a.m. on Friday, September 26.** (See news release #08-375 for additional related closure information.)

Advance message boards will alert drivers to the closures. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour on southbound I-35 to eastbound I-435 to southbound US-69. Drivers should expect delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible. Updated daily lane/ramp closure information for this project can be viewed online at: [www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp).

Clarkson Construction Company is the primary contractor on this four-year, \$127 million construction project. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is 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 work zone. For more information on this project, please visit the Focus435 website at: [www.focus435.com](http://www.focus435.com), or 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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