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Southbound US-69 to Close for Ramp Bridge Construction in Johnson County

CANCELLED – Due to project scheduling concerns, this bridge ramp closure has been postponed until a later date. A news release will be sent when the new closure dates are finalized.

Weather permitting, beginning on Monday, March 10 at 10:00 p.m., southbound US-69 from I-435 to 95th Street will close for bridge girder erection for the southbound US-69 to eastbound I-435 bridge ramp. Southbound US-69 will be closed from Monday, March 10 at 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 11; Tuesday, March 11 at 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 12; Wednesday, March 12, from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Thursday, March 13; and Thursday, March 13, from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Friday, March 14. Then on Friday, March 14 at 10:00 p.m., southbound US-69 will close at 10:00 p.m. and reopen to all traffic on Saturday, March 15 at 8:00 a.m.

A marked detour will be provided for US-69 traffic. Drivers should expect major delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible. The latest updated daily lane closure information for the Focus435 project can be viewed online at: 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. For questions or additional information, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 296-3881 or Ruben Noguera, Field Engineering Administrator, at (913) 764-4525.

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