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Southbound US-69 to Westbound I-435 Ramp Now Open in Johnson County

On **Wednesday, April 23**, the Kansas Department of Transportation opened the newly constructed southbound US-69 to westbound I-435 ramp in Johnson County. The ramp was closed for construction improvements at the I-435 and US-69 interchange. Weather permitting, on **Friday, April 25**, the ramp from 103rd Street to southbound US-69 will be opened to all traffic as well.

These changes are 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.

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) 296-3881 or Ruben Noguera, Field Engineering Administrator, at (913) 764-4525.

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