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TRAFFIC ALERTS - Greater KC Metro Area Road Projects for September 12-15, 2008

PLEASE NOTE: Due to computer maintenance this weekend, KDOT's web sites will be unavailable. The ONLY way to access road closure information this weekend will be to call the 511 system. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Please do not hesitate to contact Kimberly Qualls at any time during the weekend (24/7) at (785) 640-9340 for road closure updates.

Below you will find a quick summary of the Greater Kansas City Metro road projects that will occur during the weekend of September 12-15, 2008. For more information on these road work projects, please click on this link: <http://www.ksdot.org/kcMetro/press.asp>, where you will find news releases detailing each project and the associated traffic impacts.

I-35 & I-435 Interchange Closures Scheduled for this Weekend in Johnson County (September 12-15)

Weather permitting, on **Friday, September 12 at 7:00 p.m.**, lane closures on I-35 will take place for a repair project at the I-35 and I-435 interchange in Johnson County. Southbound I-35 will be reduced to one lane from Pflumm Road to 119th Street. All interchange ramps will remain open during the weekend. **All lane closures will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 12, and will reopen to all traffic at 5:00 a.m. on Monday, September 15.** Advance message boards will alert drivers to the lane closures. During the lane closures, drivers should expect **major delays** and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

Southbound US-69 at 103rd Street Lane & Ramp Closures Scheduled in Johnson County (September 12-15)

Weather permitting, on **Friday, September 12**, all lanes of southbound US-69 at 103rd Street will close for bridge girder installation for the new southbound US-69 to eastbound I-435 flyover ramp. The ramps from westbound I-435 to southbound US-69, 103rd Street to southbound US-69, and from southbound US-69 to eastbound I-435 will also be closed. All lane and ramp closures will **close beginning at 10:00 p.m. on Friday, September 12, and will reopen to all traffic at 5:00 a.m. on**

This information can be made available in alternative accessible formats upon request.

For information about obtaining an alternative format, contact the Bureau of Transportation Information, 700 SW Harrison St., 2nd Fl West, Topeka, KS 66603-3754 or phone 785-296-3585 (Voice) (TTY).

Monday, September 15. In the event of rain, the lane/ramp closures will not start until the rain has stopped. Advance message boards will alert drivers to when the closures will occur, even in the event of rain. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour on southbound I-35 to eastbound I-435 to southbound US-69. Drivers should expect **major delays** and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

I-35 Ramp Closures at 18th Street Expressway Scheduled this Weekend for Resurfacing Work in Johnson/Wyandotte County (September 13-15)

Weather permitting, beginning on **Saturday, September 13**, the ramps from 18th Street Expressway to both northbound and southbound I-35 will close for resurfacing work. **Beginning on Saturday morning (or after the forecasted rain ends), September 13, the southbound I-35 to 18th Street Expressway ramp will close for approximately 15 hours for repair work.** Once the southbound ramp is completed, then the **northbound I-35 to 18th Street Expressway ramp will close.** If the rain should continue through Sunday, these ramp closures will not occur this weekend. Advance message boards will alert drivers to the ramp closures. No marked detours will be provided. During the ramp closure, drivers should expect minor delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

I-70 & 18th Street Expressway Ramp Closures Scheduled for this Weekend in Wyandotte County (September 13)

Weather permitting, on **Saturday, September 13**, intermittent ramp closures are scheduled at the I-70 and 18th Street interchange in Wyandotte County for pavement repair work. The ramps from westbound I-70 to northbound and southbound 18th Street, from northbound and southbound 18th Street to westbound I-70, from eastbound I-70 to northbound and southbound 18th Street, and from northbound and southbound 18th Street to eastbound I-70 will close **beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 13, and will reopen to all traffic at 6:00 p.m. the same day.** All ramps will not close at any one given time; the ramp closures will be staggered. Advance message boards will alert drivers to the ramp closures. No marked detours will be provided. During the ramp closures, drivers should expect minor delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

I-435 & K-5/Leavenworth Road Ramp Closures Scheduled for this weekend in Wyandotte County (September 14-15)

Weather permitting, on **Sunday, September 14**, intermittent ramp closures are scheduled at the I-435 and K-5/Leavenworth Road interchange in Wyandotte County for resurfacing work. The ramps from westbound K-5/Leavenworth Road to northbound and southbound I-435, and from northbound and southbound I-435 to eastbound and westbound K-5/Leavenworth Road will close **beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 14, and will reopen to all traffic at 6:00 a.m. on Monday, September 15.** All ramps will not close at any one given time; the ramp closures will be staggered. Advance message boards will alert drivers to the ramp closures. Marked detours will be provided. During the ramp closure, drivers should expect minor delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

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