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US-69 & College Boulevard Ramp Closures Scheduled for August 8-10

Weather permitting, beginning at **3:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 8**, the entrance ramp from eastbound and westbound College Boulevard to southbound US-69 and the eastbound College Boulevard entrance ramp to northbound US-69 will be closed for ongoing resurfacing work. **The ramps will close at 3:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 8, and will reopen to all traffic at 5:30 a.m. on Monday, August 10.** No marked detours will be provided during the ramp closures.

Crews will complete project work on night and/or weekends only. One open lane of traffic will be maintained on both northbound and southbound US-69 during the duration of the project. Advance message boards will alert traffic to the lane and ramp closures for the project. Drivers should expect major delays and are advised to use alternate routes. Updated daily lane and ramp closure information for the US-69 resurfacing project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

The resurfacing project, which began in mid-July, includes concrete pavement patching and asphalt overlay work on both northbound and southbound US-69 from 127th Street to College Boulevard. Crews will first patch the concrete pavement. Then, workers will coat the road surface with a 3-inch layer of specially-modified asphalt. The resurfacing project will strengthen the pavement and fill surface defects that can shorten the pavement life. Permanent pavement markings will be applied to the resurfaced US-69 roadway.

APAC Construction Company is the primary contractor on this \$3.1 million resurfacing project. The US-69 resurfacing project is scheduled to be completed in September 2009.

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 resurfacing project, please 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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