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KDOT to start Bourbon County crack seal and chip seal project on May 27

On Tuesday, May 27, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to begin a project to seal cracks and place a chip seal on sections of two state highways in Bourbon County.

The project includes 1½ miles of K-7 from the Linn-Bourbon county line south to the east junction of K-31/K-7, and approximately seven miles of K-31 from the K-31/K-7 junction east to U.S.69.

The contractor will start crack sealing operations at the Linn-Bourbon county line and work south and east. On K-7, flaggers and a pilot car will guide one-lane traffic through the work zone during daylight hours. Expect delays of 15 minutes or less at the work zone.

The section of K-31 between K-7 and U.S.69 is already closed for a bridge replacement project and will remain closed during the crack sealing and resurfacing work. Traffic is following a signed detour on K-7, K-52 and U.S.69.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$295,537 to Blevins Asphalt Construction, Mt. Vernon, Mo. The road work should be finished by late August, weather permitting. Donna Schmit, construction engineer with the KDOT Garnett Area Office, reminds drivers to obey the signs and flaggers, slow down and "Give 'Em a Brake!" at the work zone. The preservation project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. Those with questions may contact Schmit at (785) 448-5446, or

Priscilla Petersen, 1-877-550-5368. For more information concerning T-WORKS projects visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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