Rodney Coles retires from KDOT

Rodney Coles, an Equipment Operator Senior at the Altamont subarea office, is retiring from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) after 39 years of dedicated service to the agency. Co-workers, family and friends joined Coles to celebrate his career and wish him well during a coffee on Friday, Dec. 1, at the Altamont KDOT office.

Coles began his KDOT career in November 1978 as an Equipment Operator at Altamont. He has maintained highways, posted guardrail and signs, mowed right-of-way and cleared snow and ice from the state highway system in the area. Coles has worked with six different supervisors through the years, and was promoted to his current position of EO Senior.

He plans to travel, spend time with his grandchildren in Texas, and enjoy life in retirement. Coles has a son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Jennifer Coles, and two grandchildren. He resides in Parsons.

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