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U.S. 59 bridge replacement project set to begin

Wednesday, May 20, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects to begin a project that will replace the bridge over Pottawatomie Creek on U.S. 59 in Anderson County. The bridge is located approximately three miles north of the north K-31 junction at Garnett.

The new bridge, which will have a 44-foot roadway, is being constructed on an offset highway alignment west of the existing bridge. Traffic will continue to use the existing bridge and should not be significantly affected during most of the project activity.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of $5.2 million to B&B Bridge Company, LLC, of St. Paul, Kan. The project is expected to be finished and the new bridge open to traffic by the summer of 2016.

This preservation project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. Those with questions may contact KDOT Garnett Area Construction Engineer Donna Schmit at (785) 448-5446, or Southeast District Public Affairs Manager Priscilla Petersen, 1-877-550-5368. For more information concerning T-WORKS projects visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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