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UPDATE: U.S. 75 road work in Coffey County to start this week

Wednesday, June 24, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects to begin a 17-mile mill and resurfacing project on U.S. 75 from the Osage County line south to Burlington.

The location of the project's initial phase has changed. Starting at the Osage-Coffey county line and continuing south to Burlington, the contractor will first mill and then place an asphalt overlay on the roadway. Flaggers and a pilot car will direct one-lane traffic through the work zone. Traveler delays of 15 minutes or less can be expected during daylight hours.

In mid-July the project activity is expected to move to U.S. 75 inside the city of Burlington. The contractor will replace the concrete pavement at the intersection of U.S. 75 and Neosho Street. At that location traffic will be reduced to one lane through the work zone with a temporary traffic signal. After completing the Neosho Street intersection, the contractor will move north of Hudson Street to mill, patch and resurface the roadway. Traffic will be reduced to one lane on this section as well.

Once the work is completed inside the Burlington city limits, the contractor will resume the mill and overlay on U.S. 75 north of Burlington. **The driving lane will have a width restriction of 11 feet through the entire project.** Weather permitting, the road work should be finished by early October. KDOT awarded the construction contract of approximately \$6 million to Chester Bross Construction of Hannibal, Mo.

Donna Schmit, construction engineer at the Garnett KDOT office, reminds drivers to remain alert and obey the signs, flaggers and signals on the project. Those with questions may contact Schmit at (785) 448-5446 or Priscilla Petersen at 1-877-550-5368.

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