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I-70 resurfacing project to start next week

The Kansas Department of Transportation expects to begin work next week on a project to resurface a 15-mile portion of I-70 in the eastern half of Ellis County.

Project work will consist of a mill and overlay on both the east and westbound lanes of the interstate beginning at exit 159 at Hays and ending at the Russell County line. Traffic will be reduced to one lane at times with lowered speeds through the work zone. Minor delays, not exceeding 5 minutes, should be anticipated. KDOT reminds motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs and "Give 'em a Brake!" when approaching and driving through work zones.

Work is expected to be completed by the end of December, weather permitting. Venture Corporation is the primary contractor for the project with a total contract cost of \$7.8 million.

For more information on the project, contact KDOT area construction engineer Nick Rogers at 785-625-9718 or <u>nick.rogers@ks.gov</u>.

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