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**KDOT employees celebrate service anniversaries**

The Kansas Department of Transportation expresses its appreciation for employees celebrating state years-of-service anniversaries in January. KDOT is proud to acknowledge them for the long-term dedication they have provided to the state of Kansas.

Gary Mutschelknaus, Assistant to the Director of Engineering and Design, **Tecumseh**, is celebrating 40 years of service.

Those celebrating 30 years of service include: James Brennan, Chief Geotech Engineer, **Kansas City**; and David Johnson, Refrigeration and AC Service Technician Senior, **Buffalo**.

Those celebrating 20 years of service include: Martin Schmiedeler, Equipment Operator, **Topeka**; and Mark Ummel, State Auditor II, **Burlingame**.

Those celebrating 10 years of service include: Thomas Allen, Right-of-Way Property Appraiser I, **Topeka**; Robert Bartron, Engineering Technician Senior, **Topeka**; Todd Bowers, Equipment Operator, **Westmoreland**; Timmothy Brown, Applications Developer II, **Topeka**; Randall Dutton, Equipment Operator Trainee, **Valley Falls**; Darrin Heuertz, Equipment Operator, **Valley Falls**; James Johnson, Equipment Operator, **West Mineral**; Todd Kenyon, Equipment Operator Senior, **Bogue**; LeeAnn Patterson, Right-of-Way Property Appraiser II, **Topeka**; Kevin Rodriguez, Equipment Operator Senior, **Columbus**; Brandyn Schwartz, Accountant V, **Paxico**; and Denis Smith, Equipment Operator Senior, **Manhattan**.

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