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Depperschmidt selected as KDOT Chief of Right of Way

Chad Depperschmidt has been selected as the new Chief of the Bureau of Right of Way for the Kansas Department of Transportation.

He graduated from Kansas State University and worked at the Johnson County Appraiser's office following college. Depperschmidt has spent the last 16 years as the Budget Director as the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks. He was the head of land acquisitions for properties that encouraged tourism, served as the legislative liaison for the agency and managed the engineering crew as well as building maintenance.

Depperschmidt said while the two agencies have different missions, the offices both focus on teamwork to take care of the land. He is excited for the new challenges and experiences at KDOT and is currently working on getting his certified general appraisal license.

"Buying the land has always interested me, and now I look forward to learning about the relocation part where we help people find a place and start with new opportunities," he said.

Depperschmidt has a son and a daughter and enjoys hunting, fishing and golfing. He resides in Topeka.

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