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Update: I-70 open to traffic in Kansas, motorists still urged to use extra caution

As of about 5:40 p.m., the Kansas Department of Transportation opened both directions of I-70 in Kansas.

Numerous highways in western and south central Kansas were closed for several hours today due to high winds, low visibility from blowing dust, downed power lines and crashes blocking the roadways.

All highways have now been opened traffic, but motorists should continue to use extra caution and avoid travel if possible. Some winds and blowing dust are expected to continue into the evening.

KDOT encourages travelers to "know before you go." For up-to-date information on road closures and road conditions, visit www.kandrive.org, or call 511 in Kansas or 866-511-5368 outside Kansas.

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