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Floberg to retire from KDOT after 34 years

During his 34-year career at the Kansas Department of Transportation, Mike Floberg has served in several divisions in the agency where he's been involved in developing new tools, techniques and information systems that continue to benefit the traveling public.

He started at KDOT in 1988 in Bridge Design and assisted with developing the thinner "diaper," or mat, placed under bridge joints that helps catch and push water and trash to the outside of the structure. Floberg also implemented the first fiberglass drain scupper that catches water coming through a bridge joint from the deck. While in Bridge Management, he helped the unit switch to digital photos for inspections.

In 1998, he served in the Intelligent Transportation Systems unit and was part of the team that planned and deployed KC Scout and also helped secure funding to implement WICHway. After a year in the field and several years as the Transportation Safety and Technology Bureau Chief, he was named the Director of Innovative Technologies.

Floberg said he went into civil engineering because it's so diversified, which is one of several reasons he has enjoyed working at KDOT. "I don't think I could have worked anywhere else that would have given me the opportunities that I've gotten here," he said. "There have been a lot of people that have helped me get to where I am today, and I cannot thank them enough."

His last day at the office is Sept. 19. He then plans to do a lot of home projects and spend time with his wife, Coleen, four children, three grandchildren and two step-grandchildren. He also wants to travel around the country with his wife as well as watch the grandchildren play sports.

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