Field surveys underway on US-54

Field survey work has begun on US-54 from Liberal to the Seward – Meade county line as part of the design process for future four-lane improvements. Survey activities will include the use of survey instruments on the ground to determine the locations of existing features within the survey corridor. A member of the survey crews will contact property owners or tenants for permission before entering private property.

This section of US-54 is divided into two projects—the first, from the junction of US-54 and US-83 at Liberal, extends northeast 9.5 miles on US-54 and is funded for construction. A second segment, from the end point of planned construction to the county line, is currently funded only for preliminary engineering work. The Kansas Department of Transportation expects the survey work to take approximately eight months to complete. Professional Engineer Consultants, P.A., of Wichita is in charge of this survey work.

The four-lane expansion project on US-54 was announced last spring as part of the T-WORKS program. KDOT estimates that construction on this four-lane improvement could begin by 2018.

If you have questions on the survey work or this T-WORKS expansion project on US-54, you may contact Chuck Oldaker, Ulysses Area Engineer, at 620-356-1531; or Kirk Hutchinson, Southwest District Public Affairs Manager, toll free, at 1-877-550-KDOT (5368).

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