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KDOT traveler information map to be tested again

The Kansas Department of Transportation will once again be conducting a live simulation test on the 511 map (511.ksdot.org) until approximately 10 p.m. tonight. As in previous tests, fake winter road conditions will appear on the site during the test period.

Impacts to users during this test will be the same as other days this week. Travelers will still be able to see real construction/incident information; however, this information may not display as the stress point of information is approached. Users may turn off the snow and ice condition colors by un-checking “Roadway Weather Conditions” in the legend on the left side of the map. The real highway information will be available in the “Driving Conditions List” link at the top of the map and will be listed separately from the simulated snow and ice conditions.

The weather information won’t be updated on the 511 phone system while testing. The last reported conditions prior to the test period will be reported throughout the test period. Travelers who call the 511 system will be informed of the test and reporting of road conditions during the test by an introductory message. Current road work activities and incidents will be reported on 511 as these reports won’t be affected by the test. Travelers can access the 511 phone system by calling 5-1-1 from anywhere in Kansas or 1-866-KDOT (5368) from anywhere in the U.S.

KDOT apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause; however, the testing is necessary to test new enhancements to the site and for reliable service during winter inclement weather.

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