KDOT launches KanDrive, a one-stop shop for roadway information and weather along the road

Online information gateway connects Kansas travelers to helpful information for planning safer, better travel statewide

How are road conditions east of Topeka on I-70? Is there a traffic accident slowing my evening commute? Where are work zones on Kansas highways? These are some of the questions that drivers can find answers to, thanks to KanDrive (www.KanDrive.org).

KanDrive, operated by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), connects travelers to helpful, relevant information to plan safe, enjoyable journeys in Kansas. Site features include:

- An interactive map of Kansas roads, work zones, traffic incidents and surface-related weather conditions. (http://511.ksdot.org)
- Snapshots from more than 30 closed-circuit cameras along I-70 between Topeka and Colorado and along other highways in the state, as well as camera views from the KC Scout system.
- Important messages displayed on roadside dynamic message signs that advise travelers of key weather-related driving issues, traffic accidents, work zones, and AMBER Alerts.
- Links to related helpful transportation resources, including KC Scout; the future Wichita Traffic Management Center (TMC); state, county and city travel maps; links to neighboring states’
travel information, Kansas Turnpike information and resources on preparing for winter travel, rest area locations, Scenic Byways and more.

“KDOT created KanDrive to increase awareness among travelers, commuters and truck drivers of our intelligent transportation services, especially the roadside cameras, message signs and 511 system,” said Barb Blue, KDOT spokeswoman. “KanDrive reflects KDOT’s commitment to using technology to benefit the safety, convenience and awareness of motorists in the state of Kansas.”

KanDrive is a portal that displays information from KDOT’s traveler information technology, including highway cameras, dynamic message signs, traffic management centers and 511 phone, online and mobile (http://511mm.ksdot.org). It will also include Wi-Fi connections and kiosks planned for some rest areas and state parks.

KDOT offers services such as those available through KanDrive to help travelers make informed travel decisions. For everyone’s safety, KDOT encourages drivers to plan their trips before they go and not to use your cell phone or personal access devices while driving.

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