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Kansas ranks high in national transportation report

The Kansas Department of Transportation has been recognized as maintaining the fifth best state-owned road and highway system in the nation, according to a California research foundation.

The Reason Foundation recognized KDOT following a study that measured the performance of state-owned roads and highways in 12 different categories.

“Kansas’ ranking reflects the investment by taxpayers in two multibillion highway construction programs,” said Jerry Younger, KDOT Deputy Secretary for Engineering and State Transportation Engineer. “It goes to show what a well-funded, fiscally responsible transportation program will do for your system.”

Kansas was ranked first in the national study in two categories – rural interstates and urban interstates with miles in poor condition. Kansas has no miles in either category that rated poor.

Reason Foundation’s 17th annual report identified the best and worst transportation
systems based on measures related to cost-effectiveness, maintenance and administrative costs, congestion, traffic fatalities, and road and bridge surface conditions.

It is the second straight year that Kansas has rated in the top five nationally.

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