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Work on US-281 Bridge in Barton County set to begin

Starting around Wednesday, May 15, the Kansas Department of Transportation will begin a bridge replacement project on the US-281 Highway bridge over the City of Great Bend diversion channel at the north city limits of Great Bend on US-281.

This bridge replacement project is scheduled to be completed by the end of March 2014, depending on delays due to adverse weather conditions.

During construction the bridge will be limited to one lane with traffic through the work zone controlled by traffic signals, so drivers can expect delays at this location. There will be a 12 foot width restriction in the work zone, so vehicles with widths wider than 12 feet will need to use an alternate route. Highway construction project locations and road condition information can be viewed at the <http://511.ksdot.org> website, or can also be accessed by telephone by dialing 511.

King Construction Co., Inc. from Hesston is the prime contractor for this \$1,063,298 project, which is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May 2010. For more information about T-WORKS projects and funding visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

KDOT urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” when approaching and driving through a highway work zone. Persons with questions about the road work or other KDOT projects can call South Central Kansas Public Affairs Manager, Martin Miller, at 620-663-3361 or 1-877-550-5368 (Toll free).

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