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## **K-237 & U.S. 24 Resurfacing Project to Begin in Jefferson County**

On **Monday, July 8**, weather permitting, a resurfacing project will begin on K-237 from the U.S. 24 intersection north to Perry State Park and on U.S. 24 .5-miles either side of the Thompsonville Road intersection (Jefferson County). Project work on K-237 includes the milling away of 3-inches of existing pavement followed by a 2-inch asphalt overlay. Project work on U.S. 24 at the Thompsonville Road intersection includes the milling away of 1.5-inches of existing pavement followed by a 1.5-inch asphalt overlay. All new pavement markings will be added following the resurfacing work. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work.

Beginning on **Monday, July 8**, northbound and southbound K-237 at the U.S. 24 intersection will be reduced to one lane for both directions along with intermittent closures of adjacent cross roads during the project work hours. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via a three flagger operation. Once resurfacing work is completed at the intersection, traffic will then be directed through the project works zone via a pilot car operation during daylight hours only. Drivers should expect delays of up to 15 minutes maximum and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible. Crews will complete work on K-237 first then move to the U.S. 24 portion of the project.

Drivers should expect some delays during peak travel times. Updated traffic information for this project can be viewed online: [www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp).

Bettis Asphalt and Construction, Inc. (Topeka, KS) is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$454,586. **The scheduled completion date for the entire project is late July 2013, weather permitting.**

The Kansas Department of Transportation urges all motorists to be alert, obey the warning signs, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” when approaching and driving through the project work zone.

This project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May 2010. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at: <http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/>.

For more information on this resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Bill Heptig, Field Engineering Administrator, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #44 KA 2893-01)

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