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K-63 Resurfacing Project Begins in Pottawatomie County

On **Friday, June 8**, a resurfacing project began on a 27-mile stretch of K-63 from the Pottawatomie/Nemaha County line south to the K-63/US-24 junction in St. Mary's. Project work includes hot in place recycle of 2-inches of asphalt pavement followed by a chip seal. The resurfacing project will smooth the road and fill surface defects that can shorten pavement life. For the chip seal, workers will spread a thin layer of asphalt over the pavement then coat it with a layer of rock chips that is pressed into place with heavy rollers. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work.

Beginning on **Friday, June 8**, northbound and southbound K-63 traffic will be reduced to one lane for both directions along with intermittent closures of adjacent cross roads during the project work hours for resurfacing work. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via a pilot car and flagger operation. There will be a posted speed limit of 45 mph and an 11-foot width restriction through the project work zone during working hours. Drivers should expect delays of up to 15 minutes maximum and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

Dustrol Inc. (Towanda, KS) is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of \$2.346 million. **The scheduled completion date for the entire resurfacing project is late August 2012, weather permitting.**

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/>.

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. For more information on this resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Mary Files, Construction Manager, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #63-075 KA 2441-01)

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