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# **U.S. 24 Guardrail Improvement Project to Begin in Riley County**

On **Monday, March 10**, a guardrail improvement project will begin on a .5-mile stretch of U.S. 24 approximately one mile northwest of the K-113 and U.S. 24 intersection in Riley County. Project work includes the removal of the existing guard cable fence, grading work and installation of new guardrail. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday.

Beginning on **Monday, March 10**, the westbound U.S. 24 right lane and eastbound U.S. 24 outside shoulder will be closed through the project work zone, 24/7 round the clock, throughout the project duration. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via cones and signage. Drivers should expect minimal traffic impacts throughout the project duration. See aerial maps below for project location area.

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.

J and J Contractors, Inc. (Iola, KS) is the primary contractor on this guardrail improvement project with a total contract cost of \$143,245. **Overall project work is scheduled to be completed in mid- to late April 2014, 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/>.

For more information on this guardrail improvement project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Jerry Haug, Wamego Construction Engineer, at (785) 456-2353. (KDOT Project #24-81 KA 3572-01)

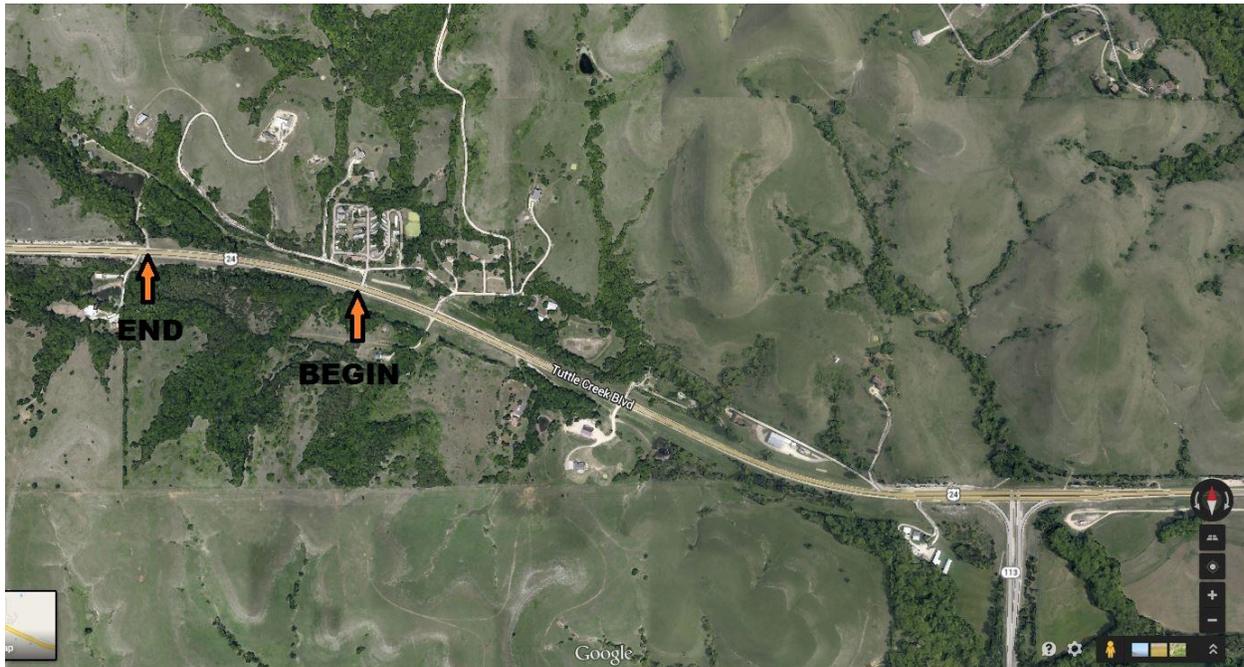
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### Aerial Map of Project Area (showing K-113 intersection)



**Aerial Map of Project Area Up-close**

