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I-470 Multi-Bridge Concrete Overlay Project to Begin in Topeka

On Friday, September 6, a resurfacing project will begin to overlay four bridges on I-470 spanning Shunganunga Creek and 37th Street in Topeka (Shawnee County). Project work includes patching on the bridge deck followed by a multi-layer concrete polymer overlay. Crews will work during consecutive weekends beginning at approximately 6:30 p.m. on Friday and finishing at 6:30 a.m. the following Monday morning.

Beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, September 6 through 6:30 a.m. on Monday, September 10, northbound and southbound I-470 right lanes over both sets of bridges will be reduced to one lane and the 29th Street to westbound I-470 entrance ramp will be closed (no marked detour) for resurfacing work during this first weekend. In addition, the northbound U.S. 75 to westbound I-470 ramp will be closed each weekend. Northbound U.S. 75 traffic will detour west on Southwest 42nd Street to Southwest Burlingame Road then back north to access westbound I-470 ramp. Additional project closures for the following weekends will be sent in advance under separate cover.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the lane and ramp closures. Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via signage and cones. There will be an 11-foot lane width restriction both directions on northbound and southbound I-470 during the weekend long closures. Traffic should expect delays during the
weekend closures and may wish to take alternate local routes to avoid delays during their weekend commutes.

Updated traffic information for this project can be viewed online: www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp.

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.

Truesdell Corporation Midwest (Jefferson City, MO) is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of $248,248. The scheduled completion date for the bridge resurfacing project is late September 2013, 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 bridge resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Tom Dow, Construction Manager, at (785) 296-3986. (KDOT Project #470-089 KA 2806-01)

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