

Northeast District Office  
121 S.W. 21st Street  
Topeka, KS 66612-1429



phone: 785-296-3881  
fax: 785-296-3720  
[www.ksdot.org](http://www.ksdot.org)

Deb Miller, Secretary

Department of Transportation

Sam Brownback, Governor

Kansas Department of Transportation News Release

May 5, 2011

011-035-01

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

News Contact: Kimberly Qualls, (785) 640-9340 or [kqualls@ksdot.org](mailto:kqualls@ksdot.org)  
Steve Baalman, (785) 296-2291 or [steveb@ksdot.org](mailto:steveb@ksdot.org)

## **I-70 Pavement Repair Project Begins in Shawnee County**

Weather permitting, on **Friday, May 6**, weekend closures for a concrete pavement repair project will begin on a 5-mile stretch of eastbound and westbound I-70 from Danbury Lane to the Adams Street interchange in Topeka/Shawnee County. Work will take place primarily during weekend closures and/or overnight closures during the week.

Varying lane closures will occur throughout the duration of the project with one lane of traffic to remain open in each direction on eastbound and westbound I-70. The lane closures will be in place round the clock (24/7) during the weekend with lane closures beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening and reopening to all traffic at 6:30 a.m. the following Monday morning. Overnight closures during the weekdays will occur beginning at 6:00 p.m. and will reopen to all traffic at 6:30 a.m. the following morning. The through ramps between I-70 and US-75 will remain open, but will be restricted in width to allow for pavement repair work on half of the ramp at a time. There will be a 12-foot width restriction and a reduced speed limit of 50 mph through the project work zone.

Drivers may encounter minor delays and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible. Updated traffic information for this pavement repair project can be viewed online at: [www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp).

Crews will first remove the damaged areas of concrete and then fill the patched areas back in with new concrete pavement as well as complete joint sealing work as needed. New pavement markings will be applied to the repaired areas.

Iowa Erosion Control, Inc. (Victor, IA) is the primary contractor on this pavement repair project with a total contract cost of \$2.766 million. The project started in late April 2011 with a scheduled completion date for the entire project in late October 2011.

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 pavement repair project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Steve Baalman, Field Engineering Administrator, at (785) 296-2291. (*KDOT Project #70-89 KA 1834-01*)

###

This information is available in alternative accessible formats. To obtain an alternative format, contact KDOT Transportation Information, Eisenhower Building, 700 SW Harrison, 2nd Floor West, Topeka, Kan., 66603-3754, or (785) 296-3585 (Voice)/Hearing Impaired - 711.