K-4 Resurfacing Project to Begin in Shawnee & Wabaunsee Counties

On Monday, September 13, a resurfacing project will begin on K-4 from Auburn Road west to the north city limits of Eskridge in Shawnee and Wabaunsee Counties. Resurfacing work will take place daily, Monday through Friday, during daylight hours with some occasional Saturdays.

Flaggers will coordinate with pilot cars to guide traffic through the project. Drivers should expect some minor delays of up to 15 minutes, including possible start and stop traffic, and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible. When drivers enter the project work zone on K-4 from adjacent roadways, they must not enter onto K-4 until they are able to follow in behind the pilot car. There will be an 11-foot lane width restriction through the project work zone.

The resurfacing project will smooth the road and fill surface defects that can shorten pavement life. 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. New pavement markings will also be applied to the resurfaced roadway.

Vance Brothers Inc. is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of $599,782. The scheduled completion date for the resurfacing project is late September 2010.

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 Steve Baalman, Field Engineer Administrator, at (785) 296-3986.