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Old U.S. 59 Bridge Replacement Project to Begin in Douglas County

On **Wednesday, May 8, weather permitting**, a replacement project will begin on an Old U.S. 59 Bridge located less than a mile north of Pleasant Gove Hill in Douglas County. Project work includes bridge replacement, grading and surfacing work. Work will take place primarily Monday-Friday during daylight hours with some occasional Saturday work.

Beginning on **Wednesday, May 8**, **northbound and southbound E 1300 Road from N 1000 Road to N 650 Road** will be closed to all through traffic throughout the project duration. No marked detour will be provided. Advance message boards will alert traffic to the roadway closure. *(See aerial map below for project location.)*

Drivers should expect minor delays and must use alternate routes throughout the duration of the project. Updated traffic information for this project can be viewed online at: [www.ksdot.org/topekanet/metro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/topekanet/metro/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.
Bryan Ohlmeier Construction Co. (Paola, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge replacement project with a total contract cost of $333,000. The scheduled completion date for the bridge replacement project is mid- to late August 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 replacement project please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Nathan Jeffries, Construction Manager, at (785) 842-0299. (KDOT Project # 59-23 K-6813-01)

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