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Pavement Repair Project to Resume on I-70 & I-470 in Shawnee County

Weather permitting, on **Tuesday, April 27 at 6:00 p.m.**, a concrete pavement repair project will resume on I-70 and I-470 in Topeka (Shawnee County). Repair work will first begin on eastbound I-70 extending from 3.3 miles just west of Urish Road to Danbury Lane and also from just east of Carnahan Avenue to the Kansas Turnpike Authority east toll booth plaza. Work will take place daily, Monday through Saturday between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; no work will take place on Sunday.

Lane closures will occur throughout the duration of the project with one lane of traffic to remain open in each direction on I-70 and I-470. Interchange ramps along I-70 and I-470 may be closed for short durations to complete work on the ramps. Advance message boards will alert traffic to all lane and ramp closures. **There will be a posted 50 mph speed limit through the work zone when crews are working on the I-70 project.** 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.

Crews will first remove the damaged areas of concrete and then fill the patched areas back in with new concrete pavement. New pavement markings will be applied to the repaired areas.

Chester Bross Construction Company (Palmyra, MO) is the primary contractor on this repair project with a total contract cost of \$4,877,148. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is early October 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 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. ###

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.