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US-75 Cable Median Barrier Project Completion Delayed in Shawnee County

Weather permitting, on Monday, April 11, a cable median barrier installation project will begin on US-75 between Soldier Creek and Northwest 35th Street in Shawnee County. Crews will install the cable median barrier plus make modifications to the beam guard fence on the adjacent bridges.

Beginning on Monday, April 11, northbound and southbound US-75 left lanes will be closed from Northwest 25th Street to north of Northwest 35th Street throughout the project duration. Traffic will be carried through the project work zone with work occurring in the median only. There will be a lane width restriction of 16-foot throughout the project duration. Drivers may encounter minor delays and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

Updated traffic impacts for this installation project can be viewed at: www.ksdot.org/topekametro/laneclose.asp.

Double D Construction (Lamar, CO) is the primary contractor on this $235,000 cable median barrier installation project. The revised scheduled completion date for the cable median barrier project is now late June 2011. Due to ongoing rainy weather, the project completion has been delayed from early June to late June 2011, weather permitting.

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 cable median barrier installation project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Steve Baalman, Field Engineering Administrator, at (785) 296-2291. ###