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US-56 Resurfacing Project Set to Begin in Douglas County

On **Tuesday, August 23**, a resurfacing project will begin on an 11-mile stretch of US-56 from the Douglas/Osage County line east to the US-59 junction in Douglas County. Crews will work daily, Monday through Friday with an occasional Saturday during daylight hours.

Traffic will be directed through the project work zone via flaggers and signage. Drivers should expect delays of up to 15 minutes maximum. When drivers enter the project work zone on US-56 from adjacent roadways, they must not enter onto either highway until they are directed by the flaggers. There will be a 12-foot lane width restriction throughout the project during daylight work hours. Speed limits will also be restricted throughout the project work zone.

The resurfacing project will smooth the road and fill cracks that can shorten pavement life. Workers will mill away the top two inches of pavement then apply a two-inch asphalt overlay that uses some of the material recycled from the milling process. New pavement markings will be applied to the entire resurfaced roadway.

Dustrol, Inc. is the primary contractor on this \$1.217 million resurfacing project. The scheduled completion date for the entire resurfacing project is mid-September 2011, 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/.

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 Earl Bosak, Osage City Area Engineer, at (785) 528-3128. (KDOT Project # 56-23 KA-2310-01)

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