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US-75 Bridge Repair Project Set to Begin in Shawnee County

Weather permitting, on **Monday, October 18 at 7:00 a.m.**, a repair project will begin on the northbound and southbound US-75 bridges spanning 46th Street in north Topeka (Shawnee County). The project will include varying lane closures on both bridges to complete needed concrete pavement repair work on the bridge deck and bridge approaches. Work will take place Monday through Friday, during daylight hours.

Beginning on Monday, October 18, the left lane on both northbound and southbound US-75 will be reduced to one lane over the 46th Street bridges. The southbound right lane will be closed **after morning rush hour on Monday, October 18**. Northbound right lane will be closed **before rush hour on Monday, October 18**. When repair work on the left lanes is completed, then the right lanes over both bridges will be closed. All ramps at the interchange will remain open throughout the project duration. Advance message boards will alert drivers to the lane closures. Traffic will be channeled through the project work zone via signage and orange cones.

A posted speed limit of 55 mph will be enforced throughout the project work zone. There will be a 12-foot width restriction on the bridge with no other restrictions for height or weight. Drivers should expect minor delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

Wildcat Concrete Services of Topeka is the primary contractor on this \$216, 690 bridge repair project. The scheduled completion date for the repair project is early November 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 bridge ramp repair project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 296-3881, or Steve Baalman, Field Engineering Administrator, at (785) 296-2291.

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