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## **I-435 Bridge Joint Replacement Project Begins in Wyandotte County**

On **Monday, March 10**, a joint replacement project began for the Riverview Road Bridge over I-435 and the southbound I-435 Bridge over Wolcott Road in Kansas City (Wyandotte County). Project work includes the replacement of the bridge joints on both structures. Work will take place during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work.

Beginning on **Monday, March 10**, the Riverview Avenue Bridge over I-435 was CLOSED to all traffic, 24/7 round the clock, for joint replacement work. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour via 102nd Street and 98th Street to Kansas Avenue to cross back over I-435. Project work on this bridge is scheduled to be completed by **late March 2014**.

Beginning at **9:00 a.m. on Monday, March 18 thru mid-April 2014**, southbound I-435 over the Wolcott Road Bridge will be reduced to ONE OPEN LANE (just north of K-5), 24/7 round the clock. Then sometime in **mid-April 2014**, southbound I-435 over the Wolcott Road Bridge will be reduced to TWO OPEN LANES (one additional lane will be reopened) throughout the duration of the project.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the southbound I-435 lane closures. Traffic will be directed via signs and cones through the project work zone. There will be a 60 mph posted speed limit through the project work zone throughout the duration of the project. Drivers should expect minor delays during peak commute times.

Updated traffic information for this bridge joint replacement project can be viewed online: [www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/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.

PCI (St. Paul, Minnesota) is the primary contractor on this bridge joint replacement project with a total contract cost of \$289,000. **The scheduled completion date for the entire project is early June 2014, 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/>.

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