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## **I-435 Over Kansas River Bridge Repair Project to Begin in Wyandotte/Johnson County**

On **Monday, July 16**, repair and overlay work will begin on the northbound I-435 bridge over the Kansas River at the Wyandotte/Johnson County line. Project work includes pavement patching and polymer overlay on the bridge deck. Work will take place daily, Monday through Friday during daylight hours.

Beginning on **Monday, July 16 at 8:00 a.m.**, northbound I-435 will be reduced to two 11-foot lanes (only one lane will be closed) from approximately a half-mile south of the bridge and over the bridge itself, 24/7 round the clock, throughout the project duration. Traffic will be directed through the project via concrete barrier and signage. A 60 mph speed limit will be posted through the project work zone.

Also, beginning on **Monday, July 16**, the Holiday Drive to northbound I-435 ramp will be closed and will remain closed throughout the project duration. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour south on I-435 to Johnson Drive, exit at the interchange, and then head back north on I-435.

**Special note:** The bridge repair project which began on Thursday, July 5, on the northbound I-435 bridge over K-32 will impact this northbound I-435 over Kansas River bridge project. Once this bridge project begins on July 16, northbound I 435 will be reduced to two open lanes between the two projects from Holiday Drive to K-32, approximately less than one mile. Drivers should expect some delays, especially during peak morning/evening rush hours, and are encouraged to use alternate routes, if possible.

Advance message boards will alert traffic to the lane and ramp closures. Updated traffic information for this bridge project can be viewed online: [www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp](http://www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp).

Comanche Construction Inc. (Shawnee Mission, KS) is the primary contractor on this bridge repair project with a total contract cost of \$504,000. **The scheduled completion date for the entire project is mid-September 2012, 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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