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I-435 to I-35 Ramps to Briefly Close for Inspection Work in Johnson County

Weather permitting, on Friday, December 28, the I-435 to I-35 flyover ramps will close for short-term bridge inspection work. The westbound I-435 to southbound I-35 flyover ramp will close at 9:30 a.m. and reopen to all traffic at 11:00 a.m. Then the eastbound I-435 to northbound I-35 flyover ramp will close at 11:30 a.m. and reopen at 1:00 p.m.

There will be no marked detours. During the temporary ramp closures, drivers should expect major delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

Bridge inspection crews will complete a maintenance inspection underneath the bridge deck. Due to the height of the bridge, a special vehicle known as a “snooper” truck will be set up on top of the bridge deck for the inspection work. The snooper truck has a long extended arm which will reach down, around and under, allowing the bridge crew to complete a hands-on inspection underneath the bridge deck.

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 work zone. For questions or additional information, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 296-3881 or Ruben Noguera, Field Engineering Administrator, at (913) 764-4525.

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