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KDOT to Host Second Public Open House for I-35 SW Johnson County Interchange Project

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is hosting a public open house for the I-35 SW Johnson County Interchange project on Thursday, April 29 in Edgerton. The public is invited to stop by the open house style meeting anytime between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Mildale Farm, 35250 West 199th Street in Edgerton.

At the open house, participants can review project information and view the preferred location for a proposed future interchange on I-35 between the cities of Gardner and Edgerton in Johnson County. The new interchange location project is being undertaken to look at ways to safely and efficiently accommodate additional traffic that will be generated by the proposed BNSF Railroad Intermodal Facility and Logistics Park and other future development. KDOT staff along with project team members will be on hand to answer questions and discuss issues or concerns.

In October 2009, a public open house was held to provide participants with the opportunity to learn about the project, review several alternatives for the proposed interchange, and provide input on the project alternatives. KDOT and project team members have now narrowed the previous alternative locations to a preferred interchange location which will be presented at the April 29th Public Open House.

The purpose of the I-35 SW Johnson County Project is to define a new interchange location on I-35 that will provide access to the future BNSF Intermodal Facility, Logistics Park and warehouse facilities, as well as other future development. Expected completion date for the interchange project is early 2011. KDOT is undertaking this project in partnership with the Federal Highway Administration

(FHWA), the Cities of Edgerton and Gardner, Johnson County and the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC).

For more information on the I-35 SW Johnson County Interchange project, please visit the project Web site at <http://i35swjohnsoncointerchange.ksdot.org>. If you require a sign-language interpreter or other communication aids at the meeting, please call Kimberly Qualls, KDOT Public Affairs Manager at (785) 296-3881 at least one week in advance of the meeting.

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