



**For Northeast Kansas
As of 10:00 a.m. CST
Monday, November 16, 2009**

Current Weather Forecast:

Northeast Kansas, including Topeka Metro Area

Today: Rain and snow, becoming all snow after noon. High near 36. North wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%. Total daytime snow accumulation of 1 to 3 inches possible.

Tonight: Snow. Low around 32. North wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 90%. New snow accumulation of 1 to 2 inches possible.

Winter Weather Advisory

A winter weather advisory remains in effect until 6 am CST Tuesday, November 17 for the following counties: REPUBLIC-CLOUD-CLAY-JEFFERSON-OTTA WA-DICKINSON-GEARY-MORRIS-WABAUNSEE-SHAWNEE.

Light to moderate snow will gradually spread to the southeast as temperatures cool to near the freezing mark. Snow will begin to accumulate on grassy surfaces first and could accumulate on roadways as the day progresses Monday. 3 to 6 inches of snow is likely along the US-81 corridor north of Minneapolis...with 2 to 6 inches possible from Dickinson and Morris counties into the Topeka area.

Periods of snow will cause some travel difficulties. Be prepared for snow covered roads and limited visibilities...and use caution while driving.

Greater Kansas City Metro Area

Today: Occasional rain before noon, then occasional rain and snow. High near 36. North wind between 11 and 13 mph. Chance of precipitation is 100%. Total daytime snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

Tonight: Rain and snow likely before midnight, then a chance of rain. Cloudy, with a low around 33. North northwest wind around 14 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%. New snow accumulation of less than a half inch possible.

There is no winter weather advisory in effect at this time.

Current Road Conditions

For daytime commutes, drivers should use caution, allow plenty of driving time, and be sure to turn on their headlights, and turn off their cruise control. Drivers should also provide for a safe distance or cushion between themselves and vehicles ahead of them.

We also want to remind drivers to stay a safe distance back from KDOT snow plows, and if they should pass the snow plows, to be extra careful and allow plenty of room as the trucks do travel slower than surrounding traffic.

See below for current road conditions throughout all northeast Kansas counties.

COUNTY/METRO AREA	CURRENT ROAD CONDITION
KC Metro Area (Johnson/Leavenworth/Wyandotte Counties)	Normal Seasonal Conditions
Topeka Metro Area (Shawnee County)	Wet/Slush to Partly Snowpacked/Ice
Atchison County	Mostly Snowpacked/Ice
Brown County	Mostly Snowpacked/Ice
Doniphan County	Mostly Snowpacked/Ice
Douglas County	Normal Seasonal Conditions
Jackson County	Normal Seasonal Conditions
Jefferson County	Normal Seasonal Conditions
Lyon County	Normal Seasonal Conditions
Marshall County	Wet/Slush Completely Snowpacked/Ice
Nemaha County	Mostly Snowpacked/Ice

Osage County	Wet/Slush
Pottawatomie County	Partly to Mostly Snowpacked/Ice
Riley County	Wet/Slush
Wabaunsee County	Spots to Partly Snowpacked/Ice

Current Road Closures

No road closures to report at this time.

UPDATED ROAD CONDITIONS (via phone or online 24/7)

Updated Kansas road conditions are at your fingertips. Simply by calling 511 from any phone (landline or cellular), or by clicking on the following link: <http://511.ksdot.org>, drivers can obtain updated all of Kansas road conditions at **anytime, day or night.**

Additional weather-related information can be found online at <http://www.ksdot.org/offTransInfo/511Info/511traffictravel.asp>. This KDOT website link includes informational brochures on 511 Winter Storm Survival, Managing Snow and Ice on Kansas Highways, and Safe Winter Driving Tips. Drivers...“If the weather is bad, remember with ICE AND SNOW, Take it Slow, or just don’t go.”

MEDIA OUTLETS

For more information and/or to schedule an interview (live/pre-recorded), you can reach me 24/7 on my cell phone at (785) 640-9340 (early morning/overnight, evenings, and weekends included).

Thanks for your continued support! Be safe...remember...don’t text & drive!

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