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Northbound US-69 to Close for 103rd Street Bridge Construction

Weather permitting, beginning on Thursday, October 18 at 10:00 p.m., northbound US-69 from I-435 to 95th Street will close for bridge girder erection for the 103rd Street Bridge. Northbound US-69 will be closed Thursday, October 18, from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Friday, October 19.

A marked detour will be provided for US-69 traffic. Drivers should expect major delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible. The latest updated daily lane closure information for the Focus435 project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp.

Clarkson Construction Company is the primary contractor on this four-year, $127 million construction project. The scheduled completion date for the entire project is fall 2008.

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 more information on this project, please visit the Focus435 website at: www.focus435.com. 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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