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Resurfacing Project to Begin on K-5 in Wyandotte County

Weather permitting, on Wednesday, June 3, a resurfacing project will begin on K-5 from the K-5/I-435 interchange to Wolcott Road in Wyandotte County. Crews will work during daylight hours, Monday through Friday, with some occasional Saturday work.  (This project has been rescheduled from the original start date of Tuesday, June 2, due to scheduling conflicts.)

Traffic will be directed through the work zone via a flagging operation.  Overall, drivers should expect minor delays, though there may be longer delays when crews are working near the K-5/I-435 interchange ramps.  Drivers are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.  Updated daily lane/ramp closure information for this resurfacing project can be viewed online at: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclsoe.asp.

Workers will mill away the top inch of pavement then apply a 1.5-inch layer of asphalt over the existing pavement which will smooth the road and fill cracks that can shorten pavement life.  Once the asphalt overlay is complete, workers will then replace the permanent pavement markings on the resurfaced roadway.

O’Donnell and Sons is the primary contractor on this resurfacing project with a total contract cost of $187,000.  The scheduled completion date for the entire project is mid-June 2009.

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 project work zone.  For questions or additional information on this resurfacing project, please contact Kimberly Qualls, Northeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager, at (785) 640-9340, or Amy Pope, Bonner Springs Construction Engineer, at (913) 721-2754.

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