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Southbound US-69 Weekend Lane & Ramp Closures Scheduled in Johnson County

Weather permitting, on Friday, March 28, all lanes on southbound US-69, the entrance ramp from 87th Street to southbound US-69 and from 95th Street to southbound US-69, and the entrance ramp from westbound I-435 to southbound US-69 will be closed in Johnson County for bridge installation work. All lanes on southbound US-69 will be closed from I-35 to I-435.

All lane and ramps will close on Friday, March 28 at 10:00 p.m. and will reopen to all traffic on Monday, March 31 at 5:00 a.m. Message boards will be posted on Monday, March 24 to alert drivers to these lane and ramp closures.

A marked detour will be provided during the lane and ramp closures. Drivers should expect 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, or 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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