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US-69 to Close for 103rd Street Bridge Removal this Weekend

Weather permitting, beginning on Friday, August 24, at 10:00 p.m., both northbound and southbound US-69 from I-435 to 95th Street will close for the removal of the 103rd Street Bridge. US-69 will be closed from Friday, August 24, from 10:00 p.m. through Saturday, August 25, at 8:00 a.m., and Saturday, August 25, from 10:00 p.m. through Sunday, August 26, at 10:00 a.m.

Then again on Monday, August 27, Tuesday, August 28, and Wednesday, August 22, from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., both northbound and southbound US-69 between I-435 and 95th Street will also be closed for the 103rd Street Bridge removal.

A marked detour will be provided for US-69 traffic. Drivers should expect major delays and are advised to use alternate routes, if possible.

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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