

EN ROUTE TO FRIDAY

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The road to staying connected

KDOT celebrates 50th Anniversary of I-70 with sign unveiling ceremony in northwest Kansas



Secretary Lorenz is joined by Senator Rick Billinger, Mary Eisenhower and KDWPT Secretary Brad Loveless to unveil new 50th Anniversary signage on I-70.

New signs celebrating the 50th anniversary of the completion of I-70 will greet travelers entering Kansas from Colorado.

Secretary Lorenz was joined by Senator Rick Billinger, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism Secretary Brad Loveless and Dwight D. Eisenhower's granddaughter, Mary Eisenhower to unveil the new signs. The ceremony took place Aug. 20 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the completion of I-70 and unveiled new signage that will greet travelers as they travel across Kansas.

This important 424 miles of highway stretches from Kansas City to the Colorado border and is one of the

most important freight corridors in our country.

Each day around \$600 billion in goods travels across Kansas on our interstate system.

"The open road is part of our national identity," Lorenz said. "We have built them, and they have shaped us."

"In the last 20-years the people of Kansas have invested around \$1.1 billion in I-70's expansion, repair, and maintenance," Lorenz said.

"That is why the passage of the Eisenhower Legacy Transportation Program was so important, and why its successful implementation will be essential to the growth of Kansas."

*"Today is a great day.
A day to celebrate and remember. A
day to dedicate ourselves to the work
that is to come."
— Secretary Julie Lorenz*

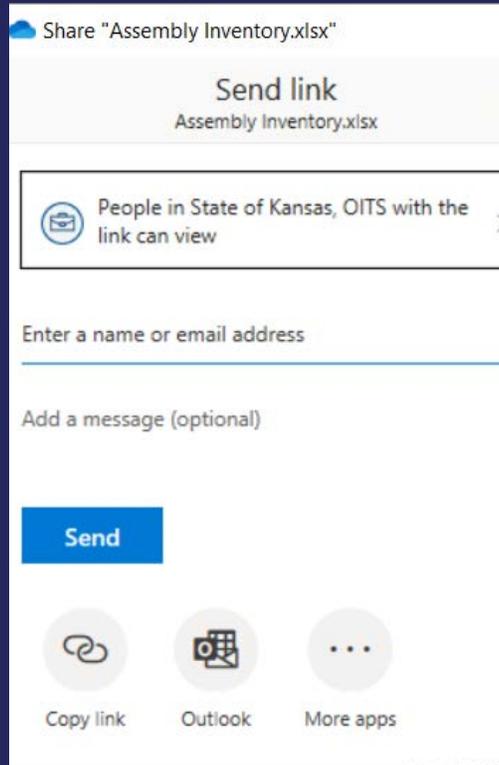
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Teamwork in north central Kansas gets the job done



Teamwork and KDOT are two words that go well together, and it is not hard to find examples across the agency.

This was the case earlier this month in north central Kansas when workers came together from several crews across the district to complete pavement repair.

Equipment operators and supervisors from the

District Specials Crew, Salina Subarea, Lindsborg Subarea and Council Grove Subarea worked together to begin pavement repair on the K-4 just north of Lindsborg.

After preparing the roadway for a new pavement, the roadway received a new asphalt overlay, which was completed on Tuesday, Aug. 4.

Cedar Bluff bridge opens to traffic



The new bridge at the Cedar Bluff reservoir on K-147 in Trego County is now open to traffic. The bridge was closed in June 2019 because of safety concerns.

Construction on the bridge replacement project began in early February. The original structure was built in the early 1950s.

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