



An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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KDOT maintenance projects affecting traffic

- **Right lane and exit to Greenwich on WB K-96 will be closed, 9 am until 3 pm, on Wednesday** for pavement repairs and maintenance. **NEW**

KDOT construction projects affecting traffic

1. **Pavement repairs on K-96 from I-135 to Greenwich Road**

This pavement patching and asphalt overlay project began in September 2020, was suspended for the winter and resumed on April 25. Normal work week is Sunday – Thursday nights, 7 pm until 6 am (daytime work often begins on Sundays at 1 pm) .

- *Pavement patching will require a **single lane closure and, at times, an adjacent ramp closing**. Work continues on **both eastbound and westbound K-96**. **Continuing***

2. **Bridge repairs on NB I-135, U.S. 54 to 17th St.**

This year-long bridge repair project includes deck patching, expansion joint repair or replacement, repair under the bridge, a new layer of polymer overlay, and striping. Expect multiple lane closures and ramp closures at times. Traffic impacts began in June 2020. Normal work week for the project is Friday evening through Wednesday morning.

- **Lane and ramp closures will resume at 7 pm on Friday, May 14 with the closure of the left & center lanes plus these ramps: EB & WB US 54 ramps to NB I-135, the 1st St. Exit and the 2nd St. On Ramp. On Monday morning before 6 am, the closure will switch to the right lane with the same ramps (this could change if work is completed on those ramps). **NEW****

3. **Green Project: I-235 from N. Meridian to N. Broadway**

Construction began on March 11, 2019. See the [Green Project Fact Sheet](#) for more details on the phasing and the features of the project. Project website at www.235green.org.

- **The two Broadway ramps to and from SB I-235 are closed until late 2021.**
- **Work zone speed limit is 50 mph for both directions of I-235.**
- **NB I-235 and EB K-96 are reduced to one lane each as they merge east of Meridian. Expect some congestion during high traffic situations.**
- **The N. Broadway On Ramp to NB I-235 is CLOSED until NB traffic is moved onto the newly constructed lanes and bridges (probably late 2021)**
- **Old Lawrence Road is closed under I-235. Access to homes and businesses north of I-235 is available via 45th St. North and from N. Broadway. There is no access from 37th St. North.**

4. **Gold Project Phase 2A: North Junction – I-135, I-235, K-96 & K-254**

Construction began on April 5, 2021. Three-year project that replaces the I-135 ramps to SB I-235/WB K-96. Project website at www.135gold.org.

- **On Wednesday, 9 am until 3 pm, two ramps on NB I-135 will be closed for lane re-alignment: NB I-135 Exit to SB I-235 and the Exit to EB K-254. **NEW****

- ***A long-term 11' width restriction on the two lanes of SB I-135, 53rd St. to south of the I-235/K-254, is in effect (along with a 50 mph work zone speed limit).***
- ***Single lane traffic on SB I-135, 53rd St. to south of the North Junction may occur each day this week, 9 am – 3 pm, for nearby dirt work in the median.***
Continuing

5. Bridge Replacements on I-235 near S. West St.

A two-year, two bridge replacement project over rail tracks west of West St. on both directions of I-235. Project boundaries are from S. Meridian to south of the I-235/K-42 interchange. After a winter shutdown, **work resumed on March 8** and is scheduled to finish in December.

- ***Traffic will be single lane for each direction on the north side of the interstate until the project is completed in December.***
- ***The West St. Exit from SB I-235 is closed until the project is finished (December).***
- ***The West St. to SB I-235 On Ramp is closed until the project is completed. Traffic from West St. can detour onto NB I-235 to K-42 to SB I-235.***

6. WICHway Camera & Message Board installations (15 locations)

Phase 5 of WICHway installations began on March 22. Some work will require lane or shoulder closures but most of the early work will have no impact to traffic.

- ***A Wednesday right lane closure will occur on K-96 over the Arkansas River, west of I-235, 9 am until 3 pm. NEW***

7. Pavement repair on US 54 from Garden Plain to 119th St. West

Pavement repair west of Goddard is daytime work with single lane closures. East of Goddard, pavement will be repaired at night beginning May 10, 7 pm until 6 am.

- ***Night work begins this week, east of Goddard. Watch for a lane closure from 7 pm until 6 am on weeknights. NEW***

Other projects affecting highway traffic

1) Kansas Turnpike Authority project on E. Kellogg
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The East Kellogg project from **Greenwich Road to the K-96 interchange** began Sept. 19, 2016. A website for the East Kellogg project is at www.E54ict.com.

- ***US 54 lanes between K-96 and Zelta are open.***
- ***Work continues on new ramps to and from the KTA..***

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