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Riverview Avenue Bridge Replacement Project Set to Begin in Wyandotte County

On **Monday, March 18**, a replacement project will begin on the Riverview Avenue Bridge spanning over I-70 in Wyandotte County. This is the first part of the ten-phase K-7 and I-70 Interchange Project. Project work includes replacement of the existing bridge along with the realignment of a section of Riverview Avenue and 122nd Street to accommodate the new longer bridge. Work will take place Monday through Saturday, between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. daily.

Beginning on **Monday, March 18**, Riverview Avenue will be closed between 126th Street and 118th Street, and 122nd Street will be closed at Kansas Avenue. These closures will remain in effect until the new alignments of Riverview Avenue and 122nd Street are completed which is scheduled for early June 2013, weather permitting. At that time, Riverview Avenue will reopen from 118th Street to 122nd Street, but will remain closed from 122nd Street to 126th Street for the duration of the project. A marked detour will be provided. Traffic will detour via 126th Street to State Avenue to 118th Street back to Riverview Avenue.

Access to Sunflower Hills Golf Course will remain open during the project duration. For golf course access, drivers will continue on Riverview Avenue to Tom Lally Drive.

Eastbound and westbound I-70 traffic will remain in two lanes each direction, except for periodic lane closures. Traffic will be directed via signs, cones, impact attenuators and concrete safety barrier through the project work zone. Advance message boards will alert traffic to the lane closures.

Updated traffic information for this bridge replacement project can be viewed online: www.ksdot.org/kcmetro/laneclose.asp. Drivers should expect minimal delays and must use alternate routes during the bridge closure.

Phillips Grading and Construction, Inc. (Columbia, MO) is the primary contractor on this bridge replacement project with a total contract cost of \$4.233 million. **The scheduled completion date for the entire project is mid-November 2013, weather permitting.**

This project is funded by T-WORKS, the transportation program passed by the Kansas Legislature in May 2010. Find out more about this and other T-WORKS projects at: <http://kdotapp.ksdot.org/TWorks/>.

For more information on the K-7 and I-70 Interchange project, visit the project website at: www.k7andi70interchange.org.

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