



## An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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### KDOT construction projects affecting traffic

#### KDOT Current Projects

- Update:** Southbound I-135 from the K-254 interchange to just past the K-96 interchange will be **closed starting at 5 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 28.** Northbound I-135 motorists will be required to exit onto eastbound K-96. The closures are necessary for girder erection and are **expected to be completed by the late evening of Sunday, Sept. 29.** Detours will direct drivers to take alternate routes.
- New:** Northbound I-135 from 2nd Street to 17th Street will have the **left and center lanes** closed beginning **Friday, Sept. 27.** The two-lane closure will occur **until 5 a.m. Monday**, at which time the center lane will reopen to commuters.
- Central Street on-ramp and the 8th/9th Street off-ramp of northbound I-135** will be **closed beginning Thursday, Sept. 19, at 9 a.m.** Cones will be set up to include the acceleration and deceleration lanes between the two ramps. Ramps will remain closed until the work is completed.
- Entrance ramp from E 13th Street of northbound I-135** closed **starting July 23.** The rehabilitation project involves patching. The entrance ramp is scheduled to remain **closed through September.**
- The East 77th Street bridge over I-135** will be **closed** for maintenance **starting Monday, Sept. 9.** It is estimated reconstruction will **conclude in November.**

6. Eastbound and westbound K-96 from Maize to I-235 will have intermittent lane closures **starting Wednesday, Sept. 11**. It is estimated reconstruction will conclude in early November.
7. Northbound I-235 to westbound K-96 will be closed for reconstruction **starting Monday, Sept. 16**. The work is expected to be **completed in early October**.
8. Northbound and southbound Eisenhower Airport Parkway will have the **center and right lanes** closed for maintenance starting **Tuesday, Aug. 13**, according to the Kansas Department of Transportation. It is estimated that the project will be **completed by October**.
9. Exit 7B ramp to E 9th Street N of northbound I-135 will close **starting Wednesday, August 21**. The rehabilitation project will involve patching.
10. Northbound I-135 from 2nd Street to 17th Street will **have the left lane closed** beginning **Sunday, August 25**. The rehabilitation project will involve patching. Maintenance is set to **conclude in early November**.
11. **According to the Kansas Turnpike Authority**, Toll booth decommissioning began on July 1. KTA crews have been **removing toll booths and canopies** for contractors to complete **demolition and lane reconfiguration**. Contract work will **begin** at these toll plazas **in August** and is expected to be **completed by the end of the year, weather permitting**.  
For additional information please visit [Kansas Turnpike Authority \(ksturnpike.com\)](http://ksturnpike.com).
12. Eastbound U.S. 54 from Hillside Street to Webb Road will have the **left and center lane** closed starting on **Sunday, August 4**. The work will generally occur from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. **Sunday through Thursday**. **When work is not occurring, the center lane will be reopened to the public**. Maintenance is set to **conclude in late December**.
13. Eastbound U.S. 54 to I-135 northbound will have a **ramp closure starting on Tuesday, July 23**. The rehabilitation project will involve milling, patching and a concrete overlay being placed on each side consecutively. Maintenance is set to **conclude in October**.
14. Westbound/eastbound U.S. 400 between 159<sup>th</sup> Street and Prairie Creek Road is conducting a **geological field survey** starting **Monday, June 17**. The study will gather information needed for the proposed East Kellogg Expansion Project and expected to be **completed by early December**.
15. N East 45th street bridge over I-135 will have the **westbound lane** closed beginning **Monday, June 17**. Maintenance is set to **conclude in early October**.
16. Westbound/eastbound U.S. 400 between K-96 and S Andover Road is conducting a **geological field survey**. The study will gather information needed

for the proposed East Kellogg Expansion Project and is expected to be **completed by August.**

### KDOT Multi-year Projects

1. **Update:** A Sedgwick County **bridge repair project on Zoo Boulevard over the Mitch Mitchell Floodway construction has been completed.**
2. **Gold Project Phase 2B: North Junction to I-135/K-96 Interchange on I-135 and K-96** Construction began Feb. 6, 2023, with completion currently slated for late 2026. This phase includes a direct link for eastbound K-96 from northbound I-235 and southbound I-135, new westbound K-96 ramps to I-135 and other new ramps at K-96 and I-135 interchange.
  - *A long-term 11-foot width restriction on the two lanes of southbound I-135, south of the I-235/K-254 overpass, is in effect (along with a 50-mph work zone speed limit).*
  - *Southbound I-135 exit to eastbound K-96 has an 11-foot width restriction. Started March 8, 2023. Long-term Width Restriction*
3. Concrete pavement patching on **I-235 from the South Junction with I-135 to N. Meridian** began **April 23**. Work hours are **Sundays 1 p.m. to 6 a.m. Mondays – Thursdays 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.**
4. **K-96 Improvements Project, upgrading the K-96 corridor between I-135 and I-35.**

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