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## **Project manager consultant hired for Gateway project**

The Johnson County Gateway project that will provide congestion relief at the I-435/I-35/K-10 interchange was advanced this week when HNTB Corp. was selected to be the project manager consultant.

As project manager consultant, HNTB will serve as KDOT's agent and assist in the hiring of the design-build team.

Design-build is a new construction approach in Kansas in which a team is hired under a single contract to handle both the design and construction of a project. Under the 2010 transportation program T-WORKS, the Kansas Legislature authorized KDOT to contract for one demonstration design-build project.

The I-435/I-35/K-10 interchange is one of the most congested interchanges in the state. The \$250 million design-build project will reduce congestion and potential accidents. Today, 230,000 vehicles drive through the interchange daily. That number is projected to increase to 380,000 by 2040.

HNTB is a national architecture, civil engineering consulting and construction management firm that has an office in Overland Park.

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