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U.S. 169 preservation project expected to begin this week

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects to begin a microsurfacing project on U.S. 169 this Thursday, July 7, weather permitting. The project includes resurfacing the driving lanes and shoulders, followed by the placement of new pavement markings. The road work starts at the Labette-Montgomery county line and continues north for nine miles, ending at the south city limits of Thayer.

Flaggers and a pilot car operation will direct one-lane traffic through the work zone during between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. weekdays and occasionally on Saturdays. U.S. 169 traffic will experience delays of 15 minutes or less at the work zone, and side road traffic can expect delays of 10 minutes or less. The road work should be completed by the end of July, weather permitting.

KDOT awarded Vance Bros. Inc., Kansas City, Mo., the construction contract of \$738,837. Darrin Petrowsky, area engineer at the KDOT Independence office, reminds drivers to obey the signs and flaggers, reduce speed, and use extra caution in the work zone. Persons with questions concerning the project may contact Petrowsky at (620) 331-3760 or Priscilla Petersen at 1-877-550-5368. This preservation project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. For additional information concerning T-WORKS visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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