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## **U.S. 169 to close for rail crossing replacement**

The week of November 14-19 the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) will close U.S. 169 to through traffic from the east U.S. 169/U.S. 166 junction at Coffeyville north to the south junction of U.S. 169/U.S. 160.

The South Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad (SKOL) plans to replace its crossing north of Liberty. KDOT will close the highway when the crossing project begins on Monday, Nov. 14. The closure will remain in effect for six days, weather permitting. The signed detour route for U.S. 169 through traffic uses U.S. 166, U.S. 75 and U.S. 160. Local traffic should seek alternate routes.

Variable message boards have been posted along U.S. 169 to alert the traveling public to the closure. Persons with questions may contact Marcus Leck at KDOT-Independence, (620) 331-3760, or Priscilla Petersen at KDOT-Chanute, 1-877-550-5368.

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