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Three-county K-31 resurfacing project starts next week

The week of April 3, weather permitting, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) expects to begin a highway resurfacing project on K-31 through Anderson, Coffey and Osage counties. The road work will begin at the north junction of U.S. 59/K-31 at Garnett and continue northwest for 30 miles, ending at the east I-35/K-31 junction. The project also includes resurfacing on K-31 through the cities of Harris and Waverly.

This project had been delayed from the original starting date of November 2016.

Project activity includes a 2-inch mill and 1½-inch asphalt overlay from Garnett to Waverly, and a 3½-inch mill and 1½-inch overlay from Waverly north to I-35. A pilot car and flaggers will direct one-lane traffic through the work zone, with delays of 15 minutes or less during daylight hours Monday through Friday. The work should be completed in approximately one month, weather permitting.

KDOT awarded the \$3.1 million construction contract to Shilling Construction Co., Inc., of Manhattan. Troy Howard, construction engineer at the KDOT Garnett office, reminds drivers to watch for the signs and flaggers, slow down and "Give 'Em a Brake!" at the work zone. Persons with questions may contact Howard at (785) 448-5446, or Priscilla Petersen, KDOT Southeast District public affairs manager, at (620) 902-6433.

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