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KDOT conducting pavement strength tests across several counties

During the next two weeks the Kansas Department of Transportation plans to conduct pavement strength tests on several highways across southwest Kansas.

Beginning Tuesday, June 23, the testing crew will conduct pavement strength tests on U.S. 56 through Haskell County; U.S. 160, from the U.S 83/160 junction in Seward County to the U.S. 54/160 junction at Plains; and U.S. 54 through Meade County, if time permits.

Beginning, Tuesday, June 29, the crew will conduct tests on K-25, from the Grant/Kearny County line to Lakin, and on K-27 from Johnson City to the Stanton/Morton County line.

The testing crew will be using a pilot car operation to control traffic through the pavement test sections. The Kansas DOT urges drivers to be alert, pay attention to all work zone warning signs, slow down when approaching a work zone and be prepared to stop.

KDOT conducts these pavement tests annually on different highway segments, using a Falling Weight Deflectometer (FWD), a device equipped with a series of weights that checks the strength of asphalt pavement.

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