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### **Sec. King to Announce US-56 & Mohawk Road/I135 Interchange projects in McPherson County**

Tuesday morning, April 19, 2016, at the McPherson Museum, 1111 E Kansas Ave, Transportation Secretary Mike King will announce two projects improving the primary access into the city of McPherson and enhance truck access to the industrial area north of the city. These projects are a part of the efficient and safe freight transportation network of which I-135 is a major part.

Speakers joining the Secretary will be Mayor Tom Brown, County Commissioner Ron Loomis, Senator Rick Wilbourn and Representative Les Mason. The public is invited.

The US-56 project currently underway involves the replacement of US-56 from the I-135 Interchange west to Eby St. The purpose of the project is to replace the 4-lane pavement, including shoulders and replacement of grass median with concrete pavement. This project will include bridge rehabilitations, review of crash wall requirements at railroad bridge piers, hike/bike trail, sidewalk and installation of conduit and light pole footings for a city lighting system.

The I-135/Mohawk Road Interchange will provide access to the expanding McPherson Industrial area giving semi-truck traffic a more direct route bypassing local city streets.

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