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### **511 Map Experiencing Technical Difficulties**

The online 511 Traveler Information Map ([511.ksdot.org](http://511.ksdot.org)) from the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) is experiencing technical difficulties. The underlying map appears on the screen but the road condition colors and work zone icons appear only after a long wait. KDOT staff is aware of the situation and is working to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

Current road condition information is available by calling 511 anytime from any phone in Kansas or 1-866-511-KDOT (5368) from anywhere in the U.S. 511 provides road condition information for the Kansas Turnpike and any Interstate, U.S. or state highway in Kansas and Nebraska. Phone numbers for road conditions in states surrounding Kansas are also provided. The information is free from a landline phone; however, for cellular phone users, cell minutes may apply but there should be no roaming fee.

The 511 phone system is designed to handle very high call volumes. Still, some callers may experience delays getting through to the system due to high traffic on phone company circuits or adverse weather conditions that may affect cell phone calls.

The following roads are closed in southwest Kansas as of 12:55 p.m. CDT:

US-83, from Garden City to Oklahoma/Kansas state line.

US-56, from Rolla to Oklahoma/Kansas state line; and from Sublette to Dodge City.

US-54, from Kansas/Oklahoma state line to Pratt.

US-400, from Dodge City to Mullinville (then US-54/400 to Pratt).

US-283, from Dodge City to Oklahoma/Kansas state line.

US-183 in Clark County.

US-160 from US-83 in Seward County to US-183 in Clark County.

K-23, from K-156 junction in Finney County to Oklahoma/Kansas state line.

K-25 from US-56, south to Oklahoma/Kansas state line, in Stevens County.

K-34 from Bucklin to Sitka.

K-94 in Ford and Clark counties.

K-98 from Fowler to K-23 in Meade County.

Most closures are due to extremely poor visibility, coupled with blowing and drifting snow.

For everyone's safety, please do not call 511 while driving and remember to wear your seat belts while traveling.

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This information can be made available in alternative accessible formats upon request.

For information about obtaining an alternative format, contact the Bureau of Transportation Information, 700 SW Harrison St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Fl West, Topeka, KS 66603-3754 or phone 785-296-3585 (Voice)/Hearing Impaired – 711.