



An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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Wichita KDOT: www.WichitaKDOT.org

WICHway: www.WICHway.org

I-235/US 54 Project: www.235red.org

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KDOT Maintenance:

On Tuesday, **Nov. 29 from 9 am until 4 pm**, the **WB K-96 Exit Ramp to 53rd St. N.** (near City of Maize) will be closed for asphalt patching and repairs.

Current KDOT projects affecting traffic:

1. **Red Project:** I-235/US 54 Interchange

The first phase of the Kellogg/I-235 Interchange rebuild (dubbed the Red Project) began on November 10, 2015. Improvements, current traffic impacts and upcoming project activities can be seen at www.235red.org. Completion is planned for the Summer of 2019.

- **Planned for Saturday, Dec. 3, West St. at US 54 will be CLOSED (7 am – 7 pm) to install three bridge beams over West St. traffic lanes.** Posted detours will be used. SB West St. traffic will be able to access the ramp to WB US 54. **NEW**
- **The SB I-235 Ramp to WB US 54 is closed until late summer 2017 as two bridges are constructed over the Wichita – Valley Center Floodway.** The bridges are part of two ramps: NB I-235 to WB US 54 and SB I-235 to WB US 54. An official detour is marked using SB I-235 to K-42 then NB on I-235 to the WB US 54 Ramp.
- **Elder Street is closed at Maple for a number of months** as part of Elder is reconstructed.
- **Traffic on West St., from Irving to Taft, is reduced to a single lane for each direction.**
- **Three lanes are in place for both eastbound and westbound US 54 but they are reduced to a 10' width each at 50 mph.**
- **The West St. entrance ramp to EB US 54 is CLOSED.** New ramp is being constructed.

- **Bridge work at I-235 & Maple continues with *traffic on Maple reduced to a single lane in each direction.***

2. Five **Bridge Replacements on I-235**

Work began March 21 and ended November 11 on the replacement of SB I-235 bridges over the Wichita-Valley Center Floodway and the Big Arkansas River. **All lanes and bridges are open for the winter.** Three nearby bridges will be replaced in 2017.

3. **I-235 concrete patching – entire length**

Concrete patching began on Sept. 12, 2016 and has been **suspended for the winter *NEW.***

- ***Temporary pavement striping will be applied this week.***

4. **K-15 concrete patching, 71st St. South to the KTA Bridge** (south of 31st St. S.)

Concrete patching began Friday, Oct. 14. Daytime and nighttime work will occur but not during high traffic periods (6 am – 9 am on NB; 3 pm – 6 pm on SB).

- ***Updates posted on Twitter (@WichitaKDOT) as available.***
- ***Day work continues on NB K-15 north of 71st St. S. AFTER 9 am***
- ***Night work continues on SB K-15 from 6 pm until as late as 3 pm***

5. **U.S. 54 concrete patching from the City of Goddard to Rock Road**

Patching on concrete sections of U.S. 54 has been completed. ***NEW***

City of Wichita project on East Kellogg

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As utility work wraps up, the reconstruction of Webb Road and the construction of the north frontage road on US 54 are the major work items on the **US 54 and Webb Road** project on Wichita's east side. The City of Wichita is administering the project.

- ***No left turns are allowed at the US 54/Webb Road intersection.***
- ***A U-turn (with traffic signal) ½ mile east of Webb Road on EB US 54 is in operation.***
- ***WB US 54 access to the Kansas Turnpike (KTA) Toll Plaza 50 will change on Nov. 28. Drivers will need to exit at Rock Road and enter onto EB US 54 to access the KTA. *NEW****
- ***The demolition of the KTA bridge over US 54 at Toll Plaza 50 is planned for Friday, Dec. 2 at 10 pm until 5 am on Monday the 5th. *NEW****
- ***Speed limits are reduced on US 54 to 40 mph and 30 mph on Webb Rd.***

Kansas Turnpike Authority project on E. Kellogg Media Contact: Glen Scott 316/652-2672

The East Kellogg project from Greenwich Road to the K-96 interchange began Sept. 19, 2016. A website for both pieces of the East Kellogg project is at www.E54ict.com.

- ***The 40 mph US 54 work zone speed limit has been extended to east of the K-96 interchange.***
- ***The Left Lane of EB US 54 from Zelta to the K-96 Interchange will be closed Monday, Nov. 28 through Saturday, Dec. 3. **NEW*****

City of Wichita Pawnee Street project

Work on **Pawnee under I-135** is affecting KDOT ramps on the **SB I-135 side**. Pawnee is closed under I-135.

- ***The SB I-135 Ramp to Pawnee allows right turns only onto Pawnee.***
- ***The Pawnee Entrance Ramp to SB I-135 is CLOSED until December.***