



An Update on Wichita's Highway Projects

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Current KDOT construction projects affecting traffic:

1. **K-96 at I-235** Interchange

Repairs to two EB K-96 bridges over I-235I began August 6. Concrete patching and other repairs are also being made on EB & WB K-96 from the Big Ark River to just west of Seneca plus the eight ramps in the interchange.

- ***Wednesday am through Friday, the SB I-235/WB K-96 Exit Ramp to Meridian will be closed for pavement patching. NEW***
- ***Thursday – Saturday, the Meridian Entrance Ramp to WB K-96 will close for pavement patching. NEW***
- ***Single lane traffic on EB K-96 from the Big Ark River bridge to Meridian Ave.***
- ***The EB K-96 Exit Ramp to Meridian St. is CLOSED for bridge repairs until November. The detour for EB K-96 to Meridian is: Exit to SB I-235, exit at 25th St., turn left onto 25th St. then turn left onto NB I-235 then exit to Meridian. RAMP CLOSURE WITH DETOUR***

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

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

- ***A full closure of US 54 under I-235 & I-235 over US 54 is planned for the weekend of October 19-22 to replace the bridge approaches over the Wichita – Valley Center Floodway EB & WB US 54 bridges, remove bridge construction forms over US 54 & I-235 lanes of traffic, mill and overlay asphalt pavement, and other***

construction. **Detours** will use the outside diamond-shaped ramps on U.S. 54 and on I-235. **Closures begin at 7 pm on Friday and will be re-opened by 6 am on Monday.** Also closed: **West St. Ramp to WB US 54 and NB I-235/SB I-235/EB US 54 Exits to West Street.** **THIS WEEKEND**

- **Detours for Weekend Closure:**
 - **EB U.S. 54 traffic** will be routed onto SB I-235 to K-42 to NB I-235 to EB U.S. 54.
 - **WB U.S. 54 traffic** will be routed onto NB I-235 to Central Avenue to SB I-235 to WB U.S. 54.
 - **NB I-235** will exit to EB U.S. 54, exit at Edwards Street then use WB U.S. 54 to NB I-235.
 - **SB traffic on I-235** will exit to WB U.S. 54 to Dugan to EB U.S. 54 to SB I-235.
- **WB US 54 Ramp to NB I-235 is open.**
- **EB US 54 Ramp to NB I-235 could re-open next week.**
- **Beginning Oct. 21, the left lane of EB & WB US 54 east of West Street will be closed for approximately one week for median concrete barrier repair.** **NEW**
- **Weather permitting, beginning Oct. 22, lane closures during the day (9 am until 3 pm) and overnight lane closures (two lanes closed after 9 pm until 6 am) could occur on EB & WB US 54 for asphalt pavement mill and overlay.** **NEW**
- **Weather permitting, scheduled for Oct. 24 – 27, the EB US 54 Ramp to SB I-235 could CLOSE for asphalt pavement replacement and other repairs.** **TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED**
- **These ramps are closed and have marked detours: EB US 54 Ramp to NB I-235 and NB I-235 Ramp to WB US 54.**

3. SB I-135 at 29th St.

Repairs to the expansion joint on SB I-135 at 29th St. will be completed on the weekend of October 19 – 21 with single lane traffic on SB I-135 and the ramp from 29th to SB I-135 closed. **THIS WEEKEND**

Other projects affecting highway traffic

1) **City of Wichita project at 45th & N. Hillside**
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The complete closure (for reconstruction) of the 45th Street North and N. Hillside intersection began on May 21. The project is expected to finish in late fall.

- *Intersection closed May 21.*
- *The **EB K-254 Ramp to 45th/Hillside** is open for traffic onto **WB 45th Street** and for traffic onto **SB Hillside**.*
- *The **WB K-254 Ramp to 45th/Hillside** will remain open but traffic must go north on Hillside.*
- *Access to the Wichita Metro office of KDOT will be via a temporary entrance north of the closed intersection. Access from N. Hillside only.*

2) **City of Wichita project on East Kellogg** Media Contact: Gary Janzen, 316/268-4450

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. A website for both pieces of the East Kellogg project is at www.E54ict.com.

- ***No left turns are allowed at the US 54/Webb Road intersection.***
- ***WB US 54 access to the Kansas Turnpike (KTA) Toll Plaza 50 has changed.** From Rock Road, use the south frontage road along US 54 to access the KTA.*
- ***EB US 54 access to the Kansas Turnpike (KTA) has changed** and drivers are directed to detour onto K-96 at the east end of the construction area.*
- ***Speed limits are reduced on US 54 to 40 mph** and 30 mph on Webb Rd. **An 11' lane width restriction and a 15' vertical restriction** is in place through the construction zone.*

3) **Kansas Turnpike Authority project on E. Kellogg** Media Contact: Jeri Biehler 316/652-2728

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. **An 11' lane width restriction and a 15' vertical restriction** is in place through the construction zone.*
- ***The EB K-96 Ramp to WB US 54 is closed (until November 2021)** for the construction of two bridges over the KTA, a new ramp to WB US 54 and the completion of the US 54 freeway.*
- ***Greenwich traffic has been moved to new pavement** with further restrictions to shopping center access from Greenwich.*

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