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Photo control targets placed along U.S. 166

Starting Monday, March 12, and continuing for around three weeks, a survey team working for the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) will place aerial targets along a section of U.S. 166 in Cherokee County. The targets will be placed along U.S. 166 east of Baxter Springs, continuing east to the Kansas-Missouri state line.

The photo control targets are being placed in preparation for aerial photography of the corridor. The aerial photos will be used in future mapping that will support the design of improvements on U.S. 166. A study to assess potential improvements to the highway is expected to be complete in several months. KDOT is taking the aerial photos in March before the spring foliage obscures various features of the corridor.

Some of the aerial targets will be placed on private property. A survey crew member will first contact property owners and/or tenants prior to entry. Andrew Riddle, L.S., of the consultant firm George Butler and Associates, will be in charge of the team placing the targets. **The field survey for U.S. 166 will not begin until early summer.**

The U.S. 166 improvements are funded under the T-WORKS statewide transportation program approved by the Legislature in 2010. T-WORKS funding of \$38 million has been allocated for the improvements. For more information about T-WORKS visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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