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Section of K-31 in Anderson County to close next week for bridge replacement

On Monday, Dec. 9, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to begin a project that will replace the bridge over Kenoma Creek on K-31 in Anderson County. The bridge is located approximately seven miles southeast of the Anderson-Coffey county line.

The bridge is being reconstructed on the current highway alignment. KDOT expects to remove the existing bridge and close the work zone to through traffic by Wednesday, Dec. 11. The work zone on K-31 will remain closed for the duration of the project.

Westbound K-31 traffic will follow the signed detour on state routes: from the K-31/U.S.59 junction at Garnett proceed north to the U.S.59/I-35 junction at Ottawa, then proceed west on I-35 to the I-35/K-31 junction. Eastbound traffic will take the detour in the opposite direction. The project should be finished by the summer of 2014, weather permitting.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$646,391 to King Construction Company of Hesston, Kan. This preservation project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. Those with questions may contact KDOT Garnett Area Construction Engineer David Baldrige at (785) 448-5446, or KDOT Southeast District

Public Affairs Manager Priscilla Petersen, 1-877-550-5368. For more information concerning T-WORKS projects visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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