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Chip seal project starts on K-39 between U.S. 75 and U.S. 169

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) has started a project to resurface 10½ miles of K-39 with a chip seal between the U.S.75 and U.S.169 junctions.

The project will smooth the road and fill surface defects that can shorten pavement life. Workers will spread a thin layer of asphalt over the pavement and then coat it with a layer of rock chips that is pressed into place with heavy rollers. A pilot car operation will guide one-lane traffic through the work zone; expect delays of 15 minutes or less during daylight hours.

KDOT awarded the construction contract of \$352,521 to Vance Brothers, Inc., of Kansas City, Mo. The project should be finished less than one week, weather permitting. Jerod Kelley, KDOT Iola Area Construction Engineer, reminds drivers to reduce their speed, obey the signs and flaggers, and “Give ‘Em a Brake!” at the work zone. Persons with questions concerning the project may contact Kelley at (620) 365-2161 or KDOT Southeast Kansas Public Affairs Manager Priscilla Petersen at 1-877-550-5368. The project is funded under the T-WORKS transportation program. For additional information concerning T-WORKS visit the website, www.ksdot.org/tworks.

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