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KTA awards Southern Terminal contract in August

WELLINGTON, Kan. – The Kansas Turnpike Authority announces a bid has been approved and a contract awarded on an upcoming Turnpike construction project.

Contract #7290 – Construction of open road tolling lanes at the existing Southern Terminal Toll Plaza (Sumner County) located at mile marker 17 I-35/KTA was awarded to Venture Corporation, Great Bend, KS for \$15,265,817.43.

This project is the third of three mainline toll plazas being converted to open road tolling as identified in the [2015 Long Term Needs Study](#). Construction will begin September 17, 2018, with the new highway speed lanes scheduled to open mid-November 2019 and final completion in March 2020.

Construction details will be available closer to the start date on <http://www.ksturnpike.com> with impacts to traffic posted on <http://www.kandrive.org/>. Construction updates on this and other projects are published monthly in KTA's electronic newsletter. Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/2l4h37y>

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About KTA:

For more than 60 years, the Kansas Turnpike Authority (KTA) maintains 236 miles of user-fee supported roadway from the Oklahoma border to Kansas City. KTA doesn't receive state or federal tax funds. Instead, toll revenue pays for preservation and modernization of the Turnpike system. With the [current long-term plan](#), KTA has outlined 44 projects to enhance safety and the customer experience over the next decade. KTA's mission is to provide safe, economical, high-quality transportation service to its customers.

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