



June 2022 Construction Report

This report provides information about active construction projects on the Kansas Turnpike. Each project update is listed below and is prepared near the 20th of the month. **Completion dates listed are weather permitting.**

I encourage travelers to drive with caution in work zones and to check for traffic impacts at [KanDrive](#), subscribe to KTA alerts, follow the Kansas Turnpike on Twitter, and watch for information on the KTA's digital message boards.

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Pavement Resurfacing – Oklahoma Border to Wellington

Location: MM 0-13 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Resurface roadway from MM 0 at OK border to south of Wellington

Contracted: [Koss Construction Co., Topeka, KS for \\$8,071,641.60.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: June 1, 2022

Scheduled Completion: November 2022

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments:

Milling and asphalt paving continues from MM 0 at the Oklahoma border to MM 13 in both directions.

Bridge Rehabilitation – Ninnescah River near Belle Plaine

Location: MM 26 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Rehabilitate north and southbound mainline bridge over the Ninnescah River

Contracted: [A.M. Cohron & Sons, Inc., Atlantic, IA, for \\$2,030,925.50](#)

Scheduled Start Date: June 1, 2022

Scheduled Completion: September 2023

Traffic Impacts: Single lane traffic

Latest Developments:

Work to rehabilitate the north and southbound mainline bridges over the Ninnescah River are expected to begin early July, weather permitting, with single lane traffic.

Cashless Tolling Zones – Sumner & Sedgwick Counties

Location: MM 21-50 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Construct five cashless tolling zones for the change to cashless tolling in 2024

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., Wichita, KS for \\$6,471,475.32](#)

Scheduled Start Date: June 9, 2021

Scheduled Completion: July 2022

Traffic Impacts: Periodic lane closures

Latest Developments:

New overhead gantries were placed earlier this month at MM 39 with rolling roadblocks, in addition to the ones at MM 47 and 50 set in May. The remaining overhead gantries will be installed in July, weather and schedule permitting. The new gantries will house overhead tolling equipment for cashless tolling in 2024.

Pavement Resurfacing – Belle Plaine to Wichita

Location: MM 26.8-50.8 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Resurface roadway and interchanges from Belle Plaine area to Wichita

Contracted: [Cornjeo & Sons LLC, Wichita, KS for \\$11,351,469.90](#)

Scheduled Start Date: April 19, 2021

Scheduled Completion: October 2022

Traffic Impacts: Periodic lane closures

Latest Developments:

Roadway striping is underway of recently paved surfaces, and shoulder work continues. Plaza 50 (Webb Rd.) was resurfaced earlier this month, and milling and paving of plazas 33 (Mulvane), 39 (Haysville/Derby) are underway. The project is anticipated to be complete mid-July, weather permitting.

Multiple Bridges Redeck & Widening – South Wichita

Location: MM 41-44 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Cody Vandevord

Project Overview: Redeck and widen bridges at MM 41.1, 42.4, and 43.8 with new cashless tolling site at MM 43

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Co., Wichita, KS for \\$9,179,847.53](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 14, 2022

Scheduled Completion: November 2023

Traffic Impacts: Single lane traffic, 60 MPH speed reduction, 12ft width restriction

Latest Developments:

Existing girders have been raised, and new girders have been erected at MM 41.437 (55th Street). Crew are working to set forms for the new bridge deck. At MM 42.445 (Hydraulic Street) & 42.850 (47th Street), local traffic has been reduced to one lane in each direction. Crews have begun foundation work for the bridge widening, which will continue over the next month and consist of excavation, pile driving, forming and placing concrete for the footings, columns and abutments.

Bridge Removal near Andover

Location: MM 55 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Remove overhead bridge and conduct Main Street improvements in Andover

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., Wichita, KS for \\$370,069.90.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: April 2022

Scheduled Completion: November 2022

Traffic Impacts: Single lane traffic

Latest Developments:

Bridge girders have been removed at MM 55 and crews continue working on pier demolition. Crews also continue working on Andover Main Street north of the Kansas Turnpike.

Cashless Tolling Zones – Andover to Emporia

Location: MM 56-123 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Construct five cashless tolling zones for the change to cashless tolling in 2024

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., Wichita, KS for \\$6,643,086.81.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 14, 2022

Scheduled Completion: July 2023

Traffic Impacts: Single lane traffic, 65 MPH speed reduction, 12-foot width restriction

Latest Developments:

Northbound work is complete at MM 56.4, 73.4 and 86. Work continues southbound at those three locations. The single direction locations, MM 60 southbound and MM 68 northbound are continuing ground work with new concrete and footings for the overhead gantries. The work for the cashless toll zone at MM 95.8 will begin following the completion of box culvert extensions.

Bridge Redeck & Raise near El Dorado

Location: MM 61 and 69 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Cody Vandevord, Mark Roberts, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Redeck and increase vertical clearance of two overhead bridges

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company Inc., Wichita, KS for \\$1,779,289.74](#)

Scheduled Start Date: June 21, 2021

Scheduled Completion: November 2022

Traffic Impacts: Single lane traffic, 65 MPH speed reduction, 14ft width restriction

Latest Developments:

At MM 69 (Purity Springs Rd), the new bridge deck and mainline median pier protection has been poured. Crews are working on exterior pier protection and bridge railing, then move to finish the pier protection, bridge railing, and grading.

Bridge Raising/Elevation Project – Lyon, Chase & Osage Counties

Location: MM 105-151 on I-35 & I-335/KTA

Project Manager: Luke Coltrane, P.E.

Project Overview: [Increase vertical clearance](#) of various bridges crossing over the turnpike

Contracted: [Burns & McDonnell, Kansas City, MO for \\$8,957,861](#)

Scheduled Start Date: [June 1, 2021](#)

Scheduled Completion: October 2022

Traffic Impacts: Periodic lane closures with 12-foot width restriction

Latest Developments:

The bridges at MM 161.03 and 156.55 are complete. Work continues at three bridges, mile markers 154.9, MM 153.12 and MM 145.67. The first two bridges have been lifted and crews continue on earthwork and pier protection. The bridge at MM 145.67 is expected to be raised later this month. Other bridges in 2022 include: MM 131.23 and MM 139.61.

Bridge Redeck & Raise near Topeka

Location: MM 171-173 on I-335/KTA

Project Manager: Shannon Moore, P.E., Nathan Anstey, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Redeck and increase vertical clearance of two overhead bridges and drainage improvements at MM 172

Contracted: [Wildcat Construction Co. Inc. & Subsidiaries, Wichita, KS for \\$2,810,460.15](#)

Scheduled Start Date: [June 14, 2021](#)

Scheduled Completion: September 2022

Traffic Impacts: Periodic lane closures

Latest Developments:

Crews continue forming the deck of the bridge at 172.477 (69th Street) and will tie reinforcing steel into the forms. A new deck is expected to be poured in early-July, weather permitting. Work is also expected to begin for the centerline pier protection.

Cashless Tolling Zones – I-70/KTA Area

Location: MM 187-211 on I-70/KTA

Project Manager: Luke Coltrane, P.E., Josh Coffin, Project Coordinator

Project Overview: Construct five cashless tolling zones for the change to cashless tolling in 2024

Contracted: [Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc., Topeka, KS, for \\$9,992,345.92.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: April 2022

Scheduled Completion: October 2023

Traffic Impacts: Shoulder closures, 55 MPH speed reduction, 12-foot width restriction

Latest Developments:

Work on the third section of cashless toll zones continues at MM 200.6 and MM 202.4. Crews completed asphalt on the outside shoulders at MM 200.6 and have shifted traffic to the outside lanes in order to remove barrier wall and pave asphalt on the median. At MM 202.4, dirt work for widening has been completed on the eastbound side, and crews will soon lay asphalt on the outside shoulder and begin excavation on the westbound side.

Maintenance projects, system wide

The KTA maintenance crews work hard to ensure a smooth ride for customers. You may encounter them performing routine maintenance along the 236-mile roadway. These less time-intensive projects normally do not cause traffic delays and are communicated only through social media and roadway signage. However, travelers should drive cautiously in all work zones.