



## July 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 20<sup>th</sup> 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 4 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:* Fall 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 in September, 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 will be placed at MM 36, 30 and 21 throughout the remainder of the summer with rolling roadblocks, in addition to the ones at MM 39, 47 and 50 set earlier this summer. The new gantries will house overhead tolling equipment for cashless tolling in 2024.

## **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 44.437 42.445, and 42.850 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:***

A new bridge deck has been poured at MM 41.437 (55<sup>th</sup> Street). Crews are working to backfill abutments and cast in place the outside barrier. At MM 42.445 (Hydraulic Street) & 42.850 (47<sup>th</sup> Street), crews have completed the first phase of foundation work and are working on phase two foundations.

## **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:***

Ground work has been completed at MM 56, 73 and 86, and work is near completion at MM 60 southbound with crews finishing up electrical work. Work at MM 68 northbound in the passing lane construction is complete with crews moving to work on the outside shoulder and new concrete in the driving lane. Ground work has started at MM 95 southbound and MM 122 northbound.

## **Bridge Redeck & Raise near El Dorado**

*Location:* MM 61 and 69 on I-35/KTA; MM 61 completed in 2021

*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:***

Work will soon be finished with the mainline pier protection. Over the next month, crews will be working to complete guardrail, asphalt approaches, seeding, and fencing. Weather permitting, the project is scheduled to be completed by mid-August.

## **Bridge Painting – Flint Hills Area**

*Location:* MM 99 to MM 170 on I-35 & I-335/KTA

*Project Manager:* Kristina Ericksen, P.E.

*Project Overview:* Paint eight bridges to protect and preserve their structural steel

*Contracted:* [Lindner Painting, Inc., Lincoln, NB, for \\$413,300.](#)

*Scheduled Start Date:* July 2022

*Scheduled Completion:* November 2022

*Traffic Impacts:* Periodic lane closures

***Latest Developments:***

Painting to protect and preserve bridges at eight locations began on July 18. The contractor started at the southern-most bridge at MM 99.590 the moving northbound to MM 101.730, 102.260, 148.590, 158.963, 169.627, then finally back south at MM 122.590, Work at each location is anticipated to take around 10 days, weather permitting.

## **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 bridge was lifted at MM 145.67 and work continues at two more bridges, MM 154.9 and MM 153.12. Work at bridge 131.23 is expected to begin later this month, weather permitting. The remaining bridge at MM 139.61 will follow.

## **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:***

A new bridge deck was poured earlier this month at MM 172.447 and crews are finishing up handrail and centerline protection work. Work continues on dirt fill at 172.1 box extension and extending the pipe at MM 172.6. The bridge at MM 172.447 continues with dirt work, building pier protection and stripping forms.

## **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, 55-65 MPH speed reduction, 12-foot width restriction

***Latest Developments:***

Work on the third section of cashless toll zones continues at MM 202.4, MM 200.6, and MM 191 (eastbound only) where crews are working to install gantry footings, remove pavement, install conduit and pour pavement and median wall. Work has also begun at MM 187 (westbound only) with dirt work for temporary widening.

## **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.