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Idaho Road bridge resurfacing will begin July 7

On Monday, July 7, 2008, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) plans to start a project a project to patch and resurface the deck of a bridge over I-35 in the Homewood vicinity, approximately eight miles east of the Osage-Franklin county line. The bridge is located on Idaho Road.

KDOT awarded Beachner Construction Company, Inc., of St. Paul, Kan., the project contract of approximately \$310,000. The work involves patching and resurfacing the bridge deck to smooth the pavement and make it more resistant to damage from de-icing salts. Workers will use an overlay of concrete mixed with silica fume, a byproduct of making silicon from quartz.

Two-way traffic will be maintained on the bridge during most of the project, although traffic will be reduced to one lane for patching operations. The bridge work is expected to be complete in September.

Drivers are reminded to exercise caution and "Give 'Em a Brake!" as they travel through the work zone. For more information contact KDOT Garnett Area Construction Engineer Brian Schafer at (785) 448-5446, or Priscilla Petersen, Southeast District Public Affairs Manager, toll free at 1-877-550-5368.

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