



February 2024 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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Guardrail Improvements – Okla. Border to South Wichita

*Contract #:*7917

Location: MM 0-42, I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Cody Vandevord, P.E., Mark Roberts

Project Overview: Guardrail improvements, extensions of culverts, concrete barrier pier protection and aggregate slope protection.

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., for \\$8,587,785.54](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 20, 2023

Scheduled Completion: November 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments: Project will resume Spring 2024.

Port of Entry Ramp Improvements – Okla./Kan. Border

*Contract #:*7920

Location: MM 1.7, I-35/KTA

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

Project Overview: The length of the acceleration and deceleration lanes at the Port of Entry/commercial northbound ramp are being extended.

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., for \\$879,024.05](#)

Scheduled Start Date: October 2023

Scheduled Completion: July 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments: Project will resume Spring 2024.

Bridge Rehabilitation and Raising – US 166

*Contract #:*8011

Location: MM 4, I-35/KTA

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

Project Overview: Bridge raise, to increase overhead vertical clearance, on Kansas Turnpike, with bridge deck overlay and approach enhancements.

Contracted: [Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc. for \\$3,848,340.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 2024

Scheduled Completion: November 2025

Traffic Impacts: Long term local traffic detours planned due to closure of US 166, starting late March. Lane closures expected to begin mid-April.

Latest Developments:

Bridge Redeck and Widen – 150th Street South

Contract #:8008

Location: MM 5, I-35/KTA (150th St. S.)

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

Project Overview: Bridge redeck and widening of north and southbound bridges. Northbound will be completed in 2024. Southbound will follow in 2025.

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., for \\$4,049,731.56](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 2024

Scheduled Completion: December 2025

Traffic Impacts: Lane closures expected to begin in late March.

Latest Developments:

Drainage Improvement – Slate Creek

Contract #:7730

Location: MM 15, I-35/KTA

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

Project Overview: Drainage improvements for Slate Creek

Contracted: [Alan's Excavating, Inc., Augusta, KS, for \\$684,283](#)

Scheduled Start Date: November 2023

Scheduled Completion: March 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments: The levee and dike construction and fencing installation wrapped up mid-February completing project.

Toll Plaza Demolitions – Southern Terminal to K-15

Contract #:8002

Location: Toll Plazas along I-35/KTA at MM 17, 19, 32/33, 39, and 45

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

Project Overview: Demolition and lane reconfiguration at noted existing Toll Plazas

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., for \\$2,602,168.20](#)

Scheduled Start Date: Summer 2024

Scheduled Completion: November 2025

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments:

Waterline Improvement – Sumner County

Contract #:8044

Location: MM 19 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Glen Scott, P.E., Mark Roberts, Brain Boatright, KTA Utility Superintendent

Project Overview: Water main rehabilitation from Seneca Street to the Turnpike, along U.S. 160.

Contracted: [Mies Construction, Inc., Wichita, Kansas, for the bid amount of \\$250,026.00](#)

Scheduled Start Date: Spring 2024

Scheduled Completion: Summer 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments:

Bridge Rehabilitation and Raising – 95th Street

Contract #:7531

Location: MM 36 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Cody Vandevord, P.E., Mark Roberts

Project Overview: Bridge redeck and raising, to increase overhead vertical clearance, of local road over Kansas Turnpike.

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Co., for the bid amount of \\$1,596,874.35](#)

Scheduled Start Date: Spring 2024

Scheduled Completion: Summer 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time. Long term local traffic detours planned due to closure of 95th Street, starting in March. Lane closures expected with start of construction.

Latest Developments:

Toll Plaza Demolition – South Wichita

Contract #:8074

Location: MM 42, I-35/KTA

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

Project Overview: Demolition and lane reconfiguration at noted existing Toll Plazas.

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Co., Wichita, KS, for the bid amount of \\$2,562,265.49](#)

Scheduled Start Date: July 2024

Scheduled Completion: October 2025

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments:

Toll Plaza Demolitions – East Kellogg to Emporia

Contract #:8003

Location: Toll Plazas along I-35/KTA at MM 50, 53B, 71, 76, 92, and 127

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

Project Overview: Demolition and lane reconfiguration at noted existing Toll Plazas

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., for \\$4,351,788.40](#)

Scheduled Start Date: July 2024

Scheduled Completion: November 2025

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments:

High Friction Surfacing – Flint Hills

Contract #:7922

Location: MM 103 & 105 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Kristina Eichkorn, P.E., Mark Roberts

Project Overview: Addition of high-friction surfacing

Contracted: [Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC, Plover, Wisconsin, for the bid amount of \\$534,321.04.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: Spring 2024

Scheduled Completion: May 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments: Work is projected to begin late April, schedule permitting.

Cattle Pens Reconstruction

Contract #:8072

Location: MM 110 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Kristina Eichkorn, P.E., Mark Roberts

Project Overview: Replacement of post, fence, gates, and reset of existing gates and fence.

Contracted: Wilfab for the bid amount of \$139,169.66

Scheduled Start Date: February 2024

Scheduled Completion: March 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments: Old structures have been removed and process to install new has begun, as weather permits.

Bridge Redecking and Widening – Cottonwood River Flood Span

Contract #: 7801

Location: MM 125 on I-35/KTA

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

Project Overview: Southbound bridge will be redecked and widened and northbound bridge will be rehabilitated.

Contracted: [A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc., Atlantic, Iowa, for \\$10,301,482.39.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: Spring 2023

Scheduled Completion: November 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments: Work will resume Spring 2024.

Drainage Improvements and Pavement Repairs—Emporia to Admire

*Contract #:*7936

Location: MM 141 – 145 on I-35/KTA

Project Manager: Luke Coltrane, P.E., Nathan Anstey, Josh Coffin

Project Overview: Replacing existing culvert with two new bridges to improve drainage and repairing pavement on north and southbound lanes.

Contracted: [Bettis Asphalt & Construction, Inc., Topeka, KS, for \\$7,702,861.31](#)

Scheduled Start Date: April 2023

Scheduled Completion: December 2024

Traffic Impacts: Expect single-lane closures on I-335/KTA at MM 142. Lane closures are expected for northbound right-lane traffic. Speed limits reduced to 65 MPH.

Latest Developments: Work will resume March 2024.

Bridge Redecking and Widening – Soldier Creek

Contract #: 7921

Location: MM 155 on I-335/KTA

Project Manager: Shannon Moore, P.E.

Project Overview: Soldier Creek Bridges (north and southbound), located south of Topeka, will be re-decked and widened.

Contracted: [A.M. Cohron & Son, Inc., Atlantic, Iowa, for \\$3,993,664.35.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 2023

Scheduled Completion: November 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments: Project will resume Spring 2024.

Toll Plaza Demolitions – Lecompton to Eastern Terminal

*Contract #:*8005

Location: Toll Plazas along I-70/KTA at MM 197N, 197S, 202, 204, 212, and 217

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

Project Overview: Demolition and lane reconfiguration at noted existing Toll Plazas

Contracted: [King's Construction for the bid amount of \\$2,773,770.](#)

Scheduled Start Date: Summer 2024

Scheduled Completion: November 2025

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments:

Pipe Extension & Slope Repair

*Contract #:*8073

Location: MM 202, I-70/KTA

Project Manager: Luke Coltrane, P.E.

Project Overview: Pipe extension and slope repair

Contracted: King's Construction Co., Inc for the bid amount of \$77,778

Scheduled Start Date: Spring 2024

Scheduled Completion: July 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time.

Latest Developments: Westbound work is complete. Eastbound earthwork has been completed. Work will continue through early Spring.

Drainage Detention – Leavenworth Co.

*Contract #:*7909

Location: MM 214.2 on I-70/KTA

Project Manager: Luke Coltrane, P.E.

Project Overview: Drainage detention and improvements

Contracted: [Dondlinger & Sons Construction Company, Inc., Wichita, KS, for the bid amount of \\$268,581.15](#)

Scheduled Start Date: February 2024

Scheduled Completion: April 2024

Traffic Impacts: None at this time

Latest Developments: Off-road work will begin as weather allow end of February into early March.

Cashless Tolling Signage

*Contract #:*7881

Location: MM 0-224

Project Manager: Kristina Eichkorn, P.E., Mark Roberts, Josh Coffin

Project Overview: Installation of Cashless Tolling signage along the turnpike

Contracted: [Collins and Hermann, Inc., St. Louis, MO, for the bid amount of \\$2,606,800](#)

Scheduled Start Date: March 2023

Scheduled Completion: July 2024

Traffic Impacts: During installations, single, lane, intermittent lane closures are expected.

Latest Developments: Work will resume May 2024.

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.

2024 Completed Projects