



Headlines

[I-470 Repairs Underway](#)

It certainly isn't something you see every day. But on July 17, MoDOT crews on the Interstate I-470 interchange watched as a crack grew quickly into one large hole. Even though it lies in a critical east/west interchange, MoDOT crews immediately closed the roadway to keep drivers out of harm's way. [Learn more about the repair schedule.](#)



[Minor Roads Project in Full Swing](#)

MoDOT is moving through an aggressive minor roads project that will improve more than 340 miles of less-traveled roads, including outer roads, minor roads, and low-volume routes. On July 19, the department put the pedal to the asphalt and began the first phase of the minor road improvements with resurfacing more than 78 miles of roads in Henry, Johnson, Lafayette and Ray County. [See which routes are affected.](#)

[KCATA continues to provide enhanced North Oak service after kcICON is complete](#)

There is good news for Northland drivers who "get themselves free" by using enhanced bus services to avoid Interstate 29/35 Connections "kcICON" project construction through July 2011. The Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) will continue to offer the expanded North Oak service after interstate work is complete. [Read more.](#)

[Route 45: Construction is Moving Forward](#)

The Route 45 Corridor is officially under construction. Making this corridor safer for drivers is an important issue at MoDOT. The department will add a lane in each direction, giving vehicles the option to go around stalled vehicles with no chance for a head on collision with opposing traffic. The design for the new roadway is also safer than the existing road. [Which other projects will affect you?](#)



[From Dirt to Drivers: Watch the Route 13 "East Loop" Project As It Unfolds](#)

It is rare to see a road built from scratch but that's exactly what residents near Warrensburg can see thanks to a birds-eye web cam. Two cameras are poised to snap continuous pictures of the project for the next few months. In the past few weeks, web viewers can watch the roundabout at Route DD is take shape! [See the progress for yourself.](#)



[Cruisin.... Ribbon Cutting. Classic Car Cruise Celebrate North Cass Parkway](#)

A parade of classic cars christened the new interchange at 187th and Route 71 on July 28, and heralded the opening of the North Cass Parkway. The new interchanges will alleviate traffic congestion at the Route 71 and Route 58 interchange, currently the busiest crossroads in Cass County, by providing quick, attractive alternatives. [Learn more about this project.](#)

[Safe & Sound Sweeping the State. Replacing Bridges Quickly and Efficiently](#)

As the Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program enters the second year of the five-year project, more residents will see the signs in District 4. This program uses a delicate balance of construction and timing to move through county by county to make the best use of materials and man-power by taking care of bridges close together. [Read more about this innovative program.](#)

[Barrel Bob's Wild Ride](#)

Where in the world is Barrel Bob? That was the question District 4 was asking in July. What was intended as a fun, but informative safety campaign, ended with an act of vandalism. [Read about Bob's Big Adventure.](#)



Heart of America Bridge will have bike and pedestrian lanes

Top Projects

Cass: North Cass Parkway interchange at about 187th Street will open July 28. MoDOT will improve 22 miles of minor roads and outer roads with a smoother driving surface.

Clay: The Heart of America Bridge, which connects Downtown Kansas City with North Kansas City via Route 9, is under construction. MoDOT switched traffic to new pavement along I-35 between the Clinton County line and Fishing River just south of Kearney.

Henry: In Henry County, MoDOT will improve about 60 miles of minor roads with a smoother driving surface. Residents will also see many bridge projects over the next few years as part of the Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program.

Jackson: MoDOT will reconfigure and reconstruct interchange at Route 150 in Grandview and Kansas City. The \$47 million project is nearing a halfway mark. The half diamond interchange at Blue Parkway in Lee's Summit is on time and on budget to end this summer.

Johnson: Construction of two-lane roadway from just north of Route 50 to just north of Route Y and new interchange at Route 50 near Warrensburg. This project, begun in February 2009, will be completed by the end of 2010.

Lafayette: Route 13: Comprised of two projects (the Loop and the Gap) this project is on schedule. Check out the progress on the new web cam. MoDOT will also fix several bridges in the area as part of the Safe & Sound initiative.

Platte: MoDOT will also begin work on widening Route 45 between Route 9 and Route K through the city of Parkville.

Ray: On Route 10 two bridges are scheduled to be replaced as part of MoDOT's Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program in 2010.

Upcoming Events

Ribbon Cutting for the Route 45 and K Roundabout in Platte County
Aug. 2, 2010 at Noon at Union Chapel between the roundabouts
Platte City, Mo.

Voice in Transportation Road Show
Aug. 20-22 at Parkville River Days
Parkville, Mo.

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