

MoDOT Minute – Dec. 22

Hi. This is Sally Oxenhandler with your MoDOT Minute.

Looking back on 2009, MoDOT Director Pete Rahn says it was a phenomenal year for transportation in Missouri. Rahn said traffic deaths on Missouri highways have dropped the past four years in a row. In addition, the agency has delivered major projects, such as the new I-64 in St. Louis, on time and within budget. The result? Eighty-six percent of major highways are now in good condition, compared to 47 percent just five years ago. Also on MoDOT's list of accomplishments is fixing 121 of the state's worst bridges. To see the full list of 2009 achievements, visit www.modot.org.

MoDOT is working to implement a plan that will increase freight travel on Missouri waterways. The department is overseeing three task forces charged with coordinating a market assessment for the Missouri River corridor and examining ways to improve port infrastructure and river management.

That's been your MoDOT Minute. Remember to check back every Tuesday for new information.