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The Missouri State Highways and Transportation Commission has awarded a design-build contract to KTU Constructors to replace 554 bridges across the state. The bridges will be replaced as part of MoDOT's Safe & Sound Program, the largest bridge improvement program in Missouri history. When the project is complete in October of 2014, Missourians will be driving across 802 new bridges. For more information, including an interactive map visit [modot.org/safeandsound](http://modot.org/safeandsound).

MoDOT Director Pete Rahn has called upon Gov. Jay Nixon to veto a bill that would repeal the state law requiring motorcyclists to wear helmets. Rahn cited a survey that shows 84 percent of Missourians support the state's current mandatory helmet law. In addition, federal statistics show 42 lives were saved in Missouri in 2007 because of motorcycle helmet use.

That's been your MoDOT Minute. Check back every Tuesday for new information.