

MoDOT Minute – Sept. 15

Hi. This is Sally Oxenhandler with your MoDOT Minute.

The Federal Highway Administration has approved MoDOT's plan to rebuild Interstate 70 with lanes that would separate cars from trucks. The agency recently completed a study of truck-only lanes on I-70 that shows the concept will improve safety, reduce congestion and allow for better freight movement. While there is no funding currently available for the project, the federal clearance positions MoDOT to move forward if money becomes available. In the meantime, the department has applied for a federal grant to improve 30 miles of I-70 in Cooper and Saline counties using the dedicated truck-lane concept.

This is Child Passenger Safety Week and a reminder that Missouri law requires all children under eight to be in an appropriate child safety seat or booster seat unless they weigh at least 80 pounds or are four feet nine inches tall. For more information, visit www.savemolives.com.

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