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North and southbound Route 69 at BNSF Railroad

Clay County

What's the Problem?

The bridges on north and southbound Route 69 north of Liberty are old and in poor condition. The northbound bridge was built in 1933, and the southbound followed 20 years later. Both carry more than 15,000 vehicles per day.

What's the Solution?

The existing bridges will be replaced with new structures thanks to the Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program to replace or rehabilitate 802 bridges statewide.

What Impact Will That Have on My Travel?

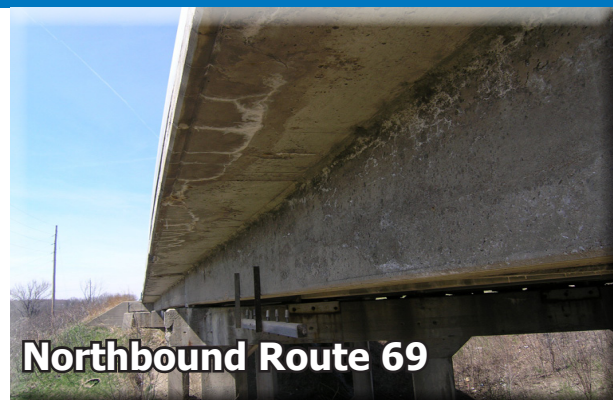
During construction, traffic will be placed into a head-to-head configuration to move around each bridge closure. Traffic will cross into the opposite lanes at East Heartland Drive and just south of Chandler Road. This will limit access to Route 69 for traffic using those side roads. (See back for a detailed explanation about traffic configuration).

What's the Time Frame?

Work is expected to get underway by April 2. Each bridge will take approximately 48 days to complete. All work is expected to be done by early August. Crews are mobilizing quickly to finish the Safe & Sound program in Clay County; however, the schedule could move due to extreme weather conditions, contractor flexibility and other extenuating circumstances.

For more information visit

www.modot.org/kansascity/safesound.htm



Northbound Route 69



Southbound Route 69



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Traffic Configuration:

To minimize impact to the more than 15,000 motorists driving through the area, MoDOT will use the existing intersection at East Heartland Drive and construct a crossover south of Chandler Road to allow north and southbound Route 69 traffic to bypass the bridge closure. Motorists will be placed into a head-to-head traffic configuration, limiting access to Route 69 for traffic using the East Heartland Drive and Chandler Road intersections.

Northbound Bridge Closure: Northbound traffic will be reduced to a single lane and sent into southbound lanes at the signal located on East Heartland Drive. This will place north and southbound traffic into a head-to-head traffic configuration on southbound Route 69. All northbound traffic will cross back over at a newly constructed bypass near Chandler Road.

During this time, traffic using East Heartland Drive will have limited access. Vehicles traveling north on Route 69 will be allowed to enter East Heartland Drive to reach the industrial park; however, southbound Route 69 traffic will need to find an alternate entrance. All traffic exiting the industrial park using East Heartland will have full access to both north and southbound Route 69, but could experience long wait times to gain access onto the highway. Motorists are encouraged to seek alternate routes.

Southbound Bridge Closure: Southbound traffic will be reduced to a single lane and sent into northbound lanes using a newly constructed crossover near Chandler Road. This will place traffic into a head-to-head traffic configuration on northbound Route 69, crossing back at East Heartland Drive.

During this time, traffic using East Heartland Drive will have limited access. Vehicles will be allowed right in and right out movements only, but will have full access using Route 33 and Route B.

During the bridgework, the speed limit will be lowered to allow traffic to move safely through the area. This will impact traffic in the area especially during peak travel times.

Other Clay County Bridges:

To date, six of the 10 bridges in Clay County have been completed. This year, MoDOT will replace the remaining four bridges, including these. The remaining are currently under construction.

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