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Weekly Report to Commissioners

Department Reports on Non-Routine Activities

Roads and Bridges

- Bridge N-19.0 replacement is under contract with procurement of materials already beginning. Construction is expected to begin in November. Nickel Road between 180 and 190 Roads will be closed to all but local traffic for several months. Two more bridges are being evaluated for replacement this winter. Bridge 6-T.5, the Beaver Creek crossing .5 miles south of the intersection of Timber and 60 Roads, and Bridge Q-4.1, 1.1 miles east of Courtland on Queen Road.
- Asphalt repairs have been made to 10 Road northwest of Republic, 220 Road between US36 and Munden, Fir Road between Jewell County and US81, 100 Road south of Scandia, 50 Road, south of Kackley, and 180 Road, south of KS-148. We will continue on 260 Road south of Cuba during the next few weeks, then 290 Road south of KS-148 before returning to Munden and Narka pavement sections before the end of the season. Crews will be making repairs to several city streets in Narka next week to prepare for a sealing project next month.
- The recycling trailer that we ordered for the City of Belleville may take as long as we originally predicted. The supplier keeps pushing the completion date a few more days each week.

Noxious Weeds

- **Under the Kansas Noxious Weed Law (K.S.A. 2-1314 et seq.), any person who owns or supervises land in Kansas has a legal duty to control and eradicate all plants declared noxious weeds on that land.**

Solid Waste

- The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) has approved a plan to incorporate about 1,500 railroad ties into cover material for the County's Construction Debris Landfill.

  The Railroad ties have been staged in a pile that was unacceptable to KDHE for a decade or more. The Railroad ties are not in a condition that will allow them to be salvaged for any useful purpose, so they will be crushed and mixed with soil in a way that meets KDHE's requirements. This material will be used to cover other construction debris as the active cell is filled.

Community Concerns

ID	Description	Notes/Progress/Resolution	Status
Administration			
132	170 Road .0-.8 mile south of US-36; road & drainage improvements are needed.	Investigating solutions and impacts on adjacent properties	Open
45	Norway Lane; drainage improvements are needed.	KDOT is preparing a scope of work to improve KS-148 that passes through the community of Norway. This should significantly Improve drainage in the area. We have requested an update from the Area Engineer with KDOT.	Open
Construction			
136	Queen Road .75 mile east of 30 Road on the north side; the Ditch needs cleaned of Brush and trees for .25 mile to 40 Road.		Open
137	150 Road .17 mile north of US-36, on the west side of the road; a driveway needs improved.	Extend culvert 10ft on the south side, regrade to remove eyebrow at the entrance.	Open
138	Fir Road .67 mile east of 220 Road; a culvert under the road needs replaced.	A 36"x40' CMP needs replaced	Open
139	180 Road and Marble Road intersection; a sight obstruction was reported on the NW corner	Investigating	Open
153	Elm Road .51 miles east of 230 Road; A crossroad culvert needs replaced.	A 36"x40' CMP is rusted out and needs replaced.	Open
156	Shady Road .25 miles west of 290 Road on the south side; Landowner requesting trees and brush be removed for new fence installation.	Landowner requested the county wait until mid-July to perform the work. All trees and old fence will be pushed into a pile on the landowners' property at his request.	Open
157	Cedar Road .29 miles west of 240 Road; Crossroad culvert needs replaced.	Replace with 48"x40' CMP	Open
159	230 Road .5 miles south of Queen Road; Possible damaged crossroad culvert.	Investigating	Open
162	Granite Road .25 miles east of 130 Road a crossroad culvert is reported to be damaged.	New 24"x40' CMP needed.	Open
163	Fir Road .15 miles west of 240 Road; a Box Culvert needs replaced.	Investigating prices on a Train Car.	Open
164	Birch Road .37 miles west of 100 Road; Landowner has requested crossroad culvert be replaced.	Investigating	Open
165	30 Road .25 miles south of Granite Road on the west side; Landowner requesting Trees and Brush be removed from right of way to improve line of sight.	Investigating	Open
166	250 Road .25 miles north of Lincoln Road on the east side; Landowner requesting a new driveway be installed for a new home being built.	Completed	Closed
167	Timber Road between 140 Road and 160 Road; Landowner requesting trees and brush be ground back off of right of way.	Investigating	Open
169	Xavier Road .02 Miles East of 70 Road Crossroad Culvert needs replaced and the road lifted.	Investigating	Open
170	60 Road .5 Miles South Of Timber Road Bridge Needs Replaced Going Across Beaver Creek.	Materials for a replacement are in our yard, we are seeking quotes pile driving and setting beams	Open
171	100 Road and Penn Road Landowner requesting Trees and Brush be ground off of right of way.	City of Scandia requesting trees be ground off County right of way at the entrance to the city well. (Investigating)	New
172	Lincoln Road .8 miles east of 300 Road on the south side; Trees and Brush requested to be removed.	Investigating	New

Community Concerns, *continued*

Description	Notes/Progress/Resolution	Status
280 Road .5 miles south of Diamond Road on the west side; A request for trees and brush be removed.	Investigating	New
110 Road .01 miles north of Nickel Road; a crossroad culvert is requested.	Install New 24"x40' CMP	New
270 Road .25 miles north of Birch Road; Damaged wooden planks reported.	After Investigation 4 / 12' wooden planks need to be replaced due to decay.	New
70 Road between US36 and Queen Road; Drainage improvements are needed on both sides of the Road	60% Completed overall. Drainage improvements will continue after harvest.	Open
Maintenance		
160 Road .75 miles north of Diamond Road on the west side; Ditch needs cleaned.	Landowner requesting the ditch be cleaned for .25 miles to install new fence, also place Rip-Rap around the Box Culvert to prevent scouring.	Open
Lincoln Road .4 miles east of 170 Road on the north side; Landowner is requesting ditch be cleaned.	(Investigating) Landowner states excess dirt or silt can be wasted in his field if it can be completed before he plants.	Open
20 Road .75 mile north of US. 36 hwy on the east side of the road; Landowner requesting ditch be cleaned out.	Investigating	Open
30 Road improvements are needed to restore the crown in the roadway between Highway 36 and Fir Road.	4 miles have been completed.	Open
60 Road between Elm and Ash Roads needs the shoulders pulled and fortified with rock and econo-base then finished with gravel.		Open

Upcoming Events

1. Annual Report on High Banks Wind Energy/NextEra Agreement compliance issues.
2. Right-of-Way vacations for a portion of Seapo Trail in Section 21 of Grant Township and for the SW corner of Section 35 in Liberty Township (old Marble/US81 intersection ROW) are being prepared for Commission consideration.