

## Stakeholder Newsletter #1:

### Upcoming Demolition — Westbound Lewis & Clark Viaduct

After more than 5 years of planning and design, reconstruction of the Westbound Lewis & Clark Viaduct will begin. In preparation for the reconstruction, demolition of the Lewis & Clark Viaduct westbound lanes will happen in two stages: the demolition of the river span and the demolition of the viaduct sections. Demolition is currently scheduled for early March; please watch for updates that will include a specific date and time. You can watch the demolition on KDOT’s Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/KSDOTHQ](http://www.facebook.com/KSDOTHQ).

### Bridge Removal and Demolition Area



### Maintenance of Traffic

Westbound I-70 will be closed from the Broadway interchange in Kansas City, Missouri westward to the connections in downtown Kansas City, Kansas for the duration of the construction period.

To facilitate traffic operations using the Central Avenue Exit from I-670 and detour to Kansas City, Kansas:

- A second exit lane will be added to the 3rd St./James St. Exit Ramp from I-70
- Temporary Signals will be added to two intersections, as shown

### Central Avenue Detour Details



### Upcoming Activities

**Road Closures:** February 2018

**Bridge Demolition:** March 2018

**Completion Date:** Spring 2020



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## Meet the Project Team

With a reputation for building some of the world's most challenging bridge, marine and complex structure projects, American Bridge was selected to complete the \$64-million reconstruction of the westbound portion of the Lewis & Clark Viaduct. American Bridge has more than 115 years of bridge construction experience, including the recent Fairfax Bridge replacement project.



# American Bridge

"Every decision made and action taken will be consistent with the achievement of a zero-incident workplace," says Mike Smith, American Bridge's Field Engineer. "The unique and challenging part of this project is safely completing the work in an area where other structures and stakeholders are located. To be able to provide a completed product within those parameters, safely and effectively moving traffic to alternate routes during construction, will be of the utmost importance."

### NEED MORE INFORMATION OR HAVE QUESTIONS?



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## Lewis and Clark Viaduct I-70 westbound closure

Work will soon begin on a portion of the Lewis and Clark Viaduct. Closures for the reconstruction of the I-70 westbound bridge are scheduled to take place on **Feb. 2 at 10 p.m.** Temporary closures to install traffic control equipment may take place leading up to the two-year westbound closures.

Westbound I-70 will be closed from the Broadway interchange in Kansas City, Missouri westward to the connections in downtown Kansas City, Kansas for the duration of the two-year construction period. The main detour route will use I-670 westbound and the secondary route will use I-35 southbound. **To detour to Kansas City, Kansas, please use the Central Avenue Exit from I-670.** To facilitate traffic operations using the Central Avenue Exit:

- A second lane will be added to the 3<sup>rd</sup> St./James St. Exit Ramp from I-70.
- Temporary signals will be added to two intersections.

In preparation for the reconstruction, demolition of the Lewis & Clark Viaduct westbound lanes is tentatively scheduled for early March, a date and time are yet to be determined. The public will be able to watch the demolition on KDOT's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/KSDOTHQ](http://www.facebook.com/KSDOTHQ).

While it is not anticipated that traffic control will change once the project begins, please continue to check the Kansas City Metro lane closures on the KDOT website for more details.

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