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Weekly Report to Commissioners

Department Reports on Non-Routine Activities

Roads and Bridges

- 60 Road between Diamond and Birch Roads is closed to all but local traffic. 60 Road is being re-constructed to improve drainage and the hardness of the road surface. A detour is available using 80 Road from Birch & Fir Roads. The project should be roughed in and compacted by late Thursday March 19 and ready to receive surface improvements beginning March 23. The Road will be open again by the 26th of March.
- About 2 yards of concrete were poured on Thursday for the sidewalk on the south side of the driveway at the Health Department. This project will continue for the next week until the sidewalk along G Street in front of the County EMS and Health Department is complete. Thank you, City of Belleville, for covering the material expenses for the Concrete.
- Cold mix asphalt patching potholes will continue throughout the county as weather permits.
- KU's Technical Training Center will conduct an on-site Gravel Road and Street Maintenance Class for Republic County Motor Grader Operators. This class will be held on April 1 & 2. The training will include a day in a classroom setting and a day in the field. We expect this class to introduce some industry practices that will be helpful to our operations. The Class will also facilitate discussions about development of an operating guide for Republic County that will help new employees gain proficiency more efficiently and achieve a more uniform product between our 10 motor grader districts. We have invited an operator employed by the City of Belleville to attend as well.



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 to 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 are expecting details and a schedule by the summer of 2026.	Open
Construction			
119	130 RD .55 West of Zeal RD South side; Trees/Brush need removed;	Utilities have been located. Landowner agrees to tree pile placement on his property.	Open
52	70 Road between US36 and Queen Road; Drainage improvements are needed on both sides of the Road	60% Completed overall. Drainage improvements will continue as soon as soil conditions allow.	Open
Maintenance			
50	30 Road improvements are needed to restore the crown in the roadway between Highway 36 and Fir Road.	4 miles have been completed.	Open
53	60 Road between Elm and Ash Roads needs the shoulders pulled and fortified with rock and econo-base then finished with gravel.	Elm to Diamond reconstruction of 60 Road is 60% complete.	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.
3. The County Attorney is preparing a quit claim deed for the transfer of the Poor Farm Cemetery to the Republic County Historical Society.
4. New R&B Shop Proposal.