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Weekly Report to Commissioners

Department Reports on Non-Routine Activities

Roads and Bridges

- Welcome rain has brought most earthwork projects to a standstill until the ditches dry-out. We are struggling to keep up with community concerns and appreciate the patience we have been given. We created a situation on Ash Road between 140 Road and 190 Road, responding to concerns just before a 3" rain, which was not in the forecast. We made matters worse. Hopefully within a few days we will be able to finish what we started and improve road conditions in those areas.
- Marsh areas have higher water levels and are impacting right-of-ways in many areas. Debris from fields have plugged culverts and we may have to oven a few culverts from the top of the road and complete the cleaning of right-of-ways the fall after harvest.
- Asphalt repairs are still on hold for the City of Narka and road sections between the Lincoln and 270 intersection and US-36 due to CVA grain hauling traffic. This will delay sealing projects in those areas until the patches we need to make to the hauling routes cure (this takes a minimum of 30-40 days.
- The recycling trailer that we ordered for the City of Belleville is completed and in the County Yard waiting for container labels.
- A crate engine was received for the CAT Semi that will be used for local low-boy equipment hauling. Our mechanics have stripped the Core and shipped it to the supplier of the new engine and will be completing he install within the next few weeks when shop time is not needed for more urgent projects
- Digital Radios are being installed in Motor Graders with GPS tracking for location and speed of our Motor Graders. We are researching apps that will record road maintenance patterns and give us daily, weekly and monthly progress reports. CAT will be demonstrating their software on August 3. Digital radios have also been installed in Gravel Trucks and the Sprayer Truck for the Noxious Weed Department

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. The Weed Department is conducting surveys of 10 Sections over the next month for the Annual Noxious Weed Report to the State.**

Community Concerns

ID	Description	Notes/Progress/Resolution	Status
Administration			
132	170 Road from intersection to .8 miles south of US 36; road and 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 miles east of 30 Road on the north side; the ditch needs cleared of brush and trees for .25 mile to 40 Road.		Open
137	150 Road .17 miles 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
139	180 Road and Marble Road intersection; a sight obstruction was reported on the NW corner	Investigating	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.	All trees and old fence will be pushed into a pile on the landowners' property at his request.	Open
159	230 Road .5 miles south of Queen Road; possible damaged crossroad culvert.	Cattle Panel plugging culvert under the road; property owner has agreed to remove fencing and panel from the right-of-way	Open
163	Fir Road .15 miles west of 240 Road; a box culvert needs replaced.	6ft diament steel pipe recieved for replacment of box culvert	Open
164	Birch Road .37 miles west of 100 Road; landowner has requested crossroad culvert be replaced.	Utilites will be located by 8/3	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
167	Timber Road between 140 Road and 160 Road; landowner requesting trees and brush be cleared from right of way.	Investigating	Open
169	Xavier Road .02 miles east of 70 Road crossroad culvert needs replaced and the road lifted.	Utilites will be located by 8/3	Open
170	60 Road .5 miles south of Timber Road bridge needs replaced going across Beaver Creek.	Severe substructure damage.	Open
171	100 Road and Penn Road landowner requesting trees and brush be cleared from the right of way.	Investigating	Open
172	Lincoln Road .8 miles east of 300 Road on the south side; trees and brush requested to be removed.	Investigating	Open
173	280 Road .5 miles south of Diamond Road on the west side; a request for trees and brush be removed.	Investigating	Open
174	110 Road .01 miles north of Nickel Road; a crossroad culvert is requested.	Install new 24"x40' CMP	Open
175	270 Road .25 miles north of Birch Road; damaged wooden planks reported.	Completed	Closed
177	310 Road east side of Rock Road; landowner requesting crossroad culvert be extended.	Intersection is too narrow for semi to turn. Investigating	Open
178	290 Road west side of Queen Road; landowner requesting a culvert extension at the intersection.	Intersection is too narrow for semi to turn. Investigating	Open
179	310 Road .25 miles south of Rock Road on the west side; landowner requesting a culvert extension.	Investigating, (Landowner stated that the driveway is close to a gas line)	Open

Community Concerns, *(continued)*

ID	Description	Notes/Progress/Resolution	Status
180	Valley Road .04 miles west of 170 Road on both sides of the road trees/brush need removed.	Landowner requested trees be removed on both sides of Valley Road.	Open
181	130 Road .03 miles north of Nickel Road on the east side a culvert needs replaced	New 24"X40' CMP needed. Utilities will be located by 8/3	Open
182	190 Road .53 miles south of Timber Road on the west side; a new driveway culvert is requested.	New 24"x40' CMP needed.	Open
184	130 Road .25 miles north of Granite Road; water is staying on the road.	Clean ditches re-shape the road to restore the crown.	Open
186	Nickel Road .5 miles west of 130 Road on the south side a culvert needs replaced.	Field access needs 24"x40' CMP culvert. Utilities will be located by 8/3	Open
187	130 Road .5 miles north of Nickel Road on the east side a 24"X40' culvert needs replaced.	Replace old culvert with a new 24"X40' CMP culvert. Utilities will be located by 8/3	Open
188	290 Road .3 miles north of Birch Road, there is a crossover culvert that needs replaced.	Replace old 36"X20' with a new 36"x40' CMP. Utilities located	Open
52	70 Road between US 36 and Queen Road; drainage improvements are needed on both sides of the road	60% completed overall. Drainage improvements will continue after harvest.	Open
Maintenance			
146	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 riprap around the box culvert to prevent scouring.	Open
154	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
160	20 Road .75 miles north of US 36 on the east side of the road; landowner requesting ditch be cleaned out.	Investigating	Open
176	270 Road .5 miles south of Marble Road; crossroad culvert exposed and road damage due to high water.	Completed	Closed
183	Ash Road .2 miles west of 190 Road on the south side; landowner requesting ditch be cleaned out to stop water from crossing the road.	When the ditch dries use either the scrapper or an excavator to clean the material out and use it to build the road up. May have to install larger diameter culvert at the intersection.	Open
189	At the intersection of 140 Road and Cedar Road; crossroad culvert is plugged, landowner requesting culvert be cleaned out or replaced.	Remove culvert and allow water to drain. Inspect the culvert to see if it needs replaced or can be re-used.	New
50	30 Road improvements are needed to restore the crown in the roadway between US 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.	2 miles have been completed.	Open

Upcoming Events

1. 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.