## **Construction ramping up during the months of Summer!**

With the summer heat creeping in, construction is ramping up as weather conditions make it easier for crews to complete various projects throughout the region. Culvert pipe replacements, chip seals, pavement improvements and road widening is a few jobs scheduled to take place in Franklin and Jefferson County.



Crews on Interstate 55 in Jefferson County.

Route V at Hardin Road is under construction and will last until early October. Crews are relocating Route V along Joachim Creek near Hardin Road. Blasting and relocating Route V will address slide issues along the corridor. Motorists can use Route 110 as an alternate route during this closure.

MoDOT will also close Route V at Joachim Creek, east of U.S. Route 67 and west of Route JJ starting at 6 a.m. Wednesday, June 3 for a box culvert pipe replacement. This closure is expected to last until mid-August.

Interstate 55 in Jefferson County is up next for a southbound auxiliary lane which will include grading, widening, paving and drainage. Work will begin this Summer on Route I-55 between Route A and U.S. Route 67. The total length of the improvement is about one mile. The project will be completed later this year or early next year. Impacts to traffic and lane closures will be posted online as details become available.

As a reminder, as summer travel season continues, buckle up, slow down, and never drive distracted.



Route V at Joachim Creek set to close until mid-August. Motorists can use U.S. Route 67 and Route JJ as alternate routes during the closure.



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## **Chip Seal Projects**

Multiple chip seal projects are taking place throughout Franklin and Jefferson County. Motorists are encouraged to slow down and follow these tips:

Follow these two rules to stay safe:

Wait until the pilot car is going your direction and get in the line of vehicles.

Always follow, never go the opposite way of the pilot car.

Your wait will depend on the length of the work zone and the round trip travel time for the pilot car. The average wait is 5-10 minutes.

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