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**Southbound Interstate 29/35 to Levee Road Off-Ramp to Close With Traffic Shift**  
*Design-build project delivery speeds up construction, shortens duration of ramp closure*

NORTH KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Southbound traffic on Interstate 29/35 will be shifted east to new pavement, and the off-ramp to Levee Road will close on Wednesday, April 21, 2010 following peak morning travel. This off-ramp will be closed for approximately three months. The marked detour route will be southbound I-29/35 to Front Street exit, take Front Street around to northbound I-29/35 on ramp, then northbound I-29/35 to the Bedford Avenue exit.

“From day one it’s been our team’s desire to build this project with the least amount of impact as possible to the public,” said kcICON Project Director Brian Kidwell. “Using design-build project delivery has given us the flexibility to work closely with our contractor to fine-tune design and speed up construction. We were able to shave months off various ramp closures in this area to help reduce the impact to people who need to access the Paseo Industrial District.”

The traffic shift and ramp closure are necessary steps for the next phase of roadway construction in this area. Improved ramps will be built as part of a collector-distributor system, featuring longer ramps that minimize weaving in interstate traffic lanes and allow motorists to cross easily from Bedford Avenue to Levee Road without entering the flow of interstate traffic. This new configuration will also accommodate more vehicles than the previous ramp, and make it easier for motorists to merge into interstate traffic.

All construction activities are weather dependent and subject to change. Updated lane closure information for the kcICON Project can be found on the project’s Web site at [www.kcicon.com](http://www.kcicon.com) or by calling the information hotline at 816-841-8888.

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Enhanced Aerial View of Southbound Interstate 29/35 to Levee Road Ramp Closure

