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## **SB I-29/35 Levee Road Off-Ramp and Bedford Avenue On-Ramp Open**

### *Design-build concept shaves over a year off of ramp closures*

NORTH KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The Levee Road off-ramp from, and the Bedford Avenue on-ramp to Southbound Interstate 29/35 will open to traffic on Saturday, July 17, 2010. There will be a slight traffic shift in this area, to accommodate traffic on the new ramps. This ramp system will open more than six months ahead of schedule.

“It’s important that we find ways to reduce the impact of this project on the people who rely on this interstate for access to their jobs and businesses,” said kcICON Project Director Brian Kidwell. “Using design-build project delivery has given MoDOT the flexibility to work closely with our contractor to fine-tune design and speed up construction. We were able to shave 11 months off the Bedford Avenue ramp closure and three-and-a-half months off the Levee Road Ramp closure, reducing the impact to people who need to access the Paseo Industrial District.”

These new ramps are part of a collector-distributor system, with longer ramps than the previous configuration, minimizing weaving in interstate traffic lanes, allowing motorists to cross easily from Bedford Avenue to Levee Road without entering the flow of interstate traffic. This system mirrors the new ramps on the east side of the interstate. The new configuration will accommodate more vehicles than the previous ramps, making 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 the Levee/Bedford Collector-Distributor Ramp System on SB Interstate 29/35

