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TRAFFIC ADVISORY:

KCS Railroad to temporarily close highway crossings next week in West Point

WHAT: Temporary highway closure.

WHEN: From 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday, December 1., overnight beginning at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, December 2, and Thursday, December 3.

WHERE: Crossings on State Road 50/West Main Street and U.S. 45 Alternate in West Point in Clay County.

WHY: Next week, Kansas City Southern Railroad crews will perform maintenance at crossings in West Point. KCS will close crossings to traffic during the work. Local detours will be in place. Freight traffic should find another route.

The schedule will be:

- December 1 - State Route 50/West Main
- December 2 - The northern crossing on U.S. 45 Alternate between Mayhew Street and Tubb Avenue
- December 3 - The southern crossing on U.S. 45 Alternate between Louis Odneal Road and Airport Road

Additionally, partial day time closures on U.S. 45 Alternate will be in place on December 3 and December 4 while crews complete repaving.

Advance warning signs will be in place.

During the U.S. 45 Alternate closures, freight traffic is advised to detour on U.S. Highway 82 to Columbus to U.S. Highway 45.

As KCS makes updates to project details or timeline, MDOT will inform the public.

Motorists are reminded to be on high alert for roadside workers. Learn how to navigate a highway work zone safely, as well as other safe driving tips at [GoMDOT.com/drivesmartms](https://www.mdot.com/drivesmartms).

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