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Pipe collapse blamed for sinkhole



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(KAIR)--A sinkhole develops on a local highway, with efforts to make repairs underway.

According to Laurie Arellano, Director of Communications for the Kansas Department of Transportation, the hole, located south of Atchison, on U.S. Highway 73, at Sherman Road, developed Monday evening when a pipe collapsed under the roadway.

She told MSC News the highway remains open, with traffic restricted to one lane in each direction.

Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie told MSC News motorists are being alerted at the location of the sinkhole through the use of cones and flashing signs.

According to Arellano, crews were on the scene Tuesday making repairs.

It's expected that the work will be complete by Friday.

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