To our valued stakeholders in DeKalb County,

As you are probably aware, a wind farm project is bringing approximately 100 windmill towers to locations throughout the central part of the county. As part of this project, large cranes used by the contractor will be moving across Routes 31, 6, J, and N at various times during the upcoming weeks. When the cranes are moved, it will require a full closure of the roadway. The longest closure should last no more than four hours. Because of your vital role in the community, we know you need to stay on top of these closures and know when and where they will occur.

The contractor is required to give us notice 2-10 days in advance of the road closures. As soon as we know of these closures, they will be posted on our Traveler Information Map, which can be found at <u>www.modot.org</u>.

The first of these closures is scheduled for Sunday, August 21 at 9 p.m. and is expected to take no longer than 4 hours. The closure will be 0.3 miles north of Glenwood Road on Route 31, shown in blue with the flag in the screen capture below:



Why is it blue and not red for a closure? Good question! The road work will turn from blue (future event) to red (closure) on the day of the work – August 21. If you go to <u>www.modot.org</u> and click on the Traveler Information Map, you will need to turn on Future Work by clicking in the box beside it under the Work Zone heading on the left-hand side of the page.



In addition to the Traveler Information Map, we will send out email updates like this one to those who are interested. If you'd like to be included on these email updates, please send <u>Marcia.Johnson@modot.mo.gov</u> the email address(es) to which you'd like updates sent.

It's important to remember that each of the towers will require multiple, slow-moving, oversized loads with police escorts navigating to each tower location. This may cause local travelers some delays.

If you have any questions about this project or the associated road closures, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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