

Highway 136 opens following flood repair

(KLZA)-- Highway 136 from Brownville, Nebraska to Interstate 29 in Atchison County, Missouri is once again open to traffic.

Following 217 days of closure due to flooding, damage, repair, more flooding and more repair the highway was reopened Thursday afternoon. The bridge over the Missouri River at Brownville and the bridge at Phelps City are also carrying traffic again.

The Highway was closed due to flooding on March 15. Crews from Phillips Hardy Inc. working with the Missouri Department of Transportation, spent approximately 60 days removing debris and completing extensive roadway repairs. A work stoppage occurred when flood waters rose again and there was a weeklong break while a temporary bridge was removed.

Full-scale repair efforts have been non-stop since August 26. The work included filling two large areas where the roadbed had washed away, resurfacing and repairing the approaches at the bridge near Phelps City.

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