

Repairs underway on Atchison's damaged viaduct  
**(KAIR)--Repair work is underway this late week on a well-traveled traffic route in Atchison.**

**According to a release from the City of Atchison, the 6th Street viaduct preliminary repair work began Wednesday, with work continuing through the remainder of the week.**

**The release explains that the contractor set actual patch work for Thursday and Friday, with the viaduct remaining closed to traffic until the work is completed.**

**The tentative plan, the City notes, is to have the viaduct reopened for weekend traffic.**

**However, the contractor will return once the patches have fully cured and finish the repairs by covering the patches with a reinforcing material.**

**The repair work is made necessary due to damage caused to the viaduct in August when a construction company's excavator, transported on a trailer, damaged several of the viaduct's beams as it passed beneath, eastbound on Main Street, due to a lack of clearance.**

**The repair work began shortly after unanimous approval was granted Monday by the Atchison City Commission to accept PciRoads low bid of \$82,879 to conduct the work.**

**According to City documents, the insurance provider for the construction company at fault for the damage has confirmed that both engineering and construction costs are able to be reimbursed.**

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