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800 BetterBridges

Kansas City Area

Route 2 Bridge Over Bear Creek

Johnson County

What's the Problem?

The Route 2 Bridge west of Chilhowee is old and in poor condition. The bridge was built in 1937 and carries about 634 vehicles per day.

What's the Solution?

The existing bridge will be replaced with a new structure thanks to the Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program to replace or rehabilitate 802 bridges statewide. This requires a complete road closure.

What Impact Will That Have on My Travel?

During construction, the road will be closed to traffic near the bridge. Signed detours will be in place during the bridge closure. (See back for detour map). The detour will use Route N and Route B.

Closing the bridge allows the contractor to complete the work quickly and get the bridge back open faster. It also keeps our costs down. Full closures reduce cost by minimizing the need for additional right of way and for costly roadway work. Every bridge that's closed during construction allows us to work on another bridge in need of attention.

What's the Time Frame?

Work is expected to get underway February 27. The bridge is expected to open by mid April, weather permitting. Crews are mobilizing quickly to finish the Safe & Sound program in Johnson County; however, the schedule could move due to extreme weather conditions, contractor flexibility and other extenuating circumstances.

Other Johnson County Bridges:

To date, 16 bridges in Johnson County have been completed. This year, MoDOT will replace the remaining three bridges, including this one. Johnson County will receive 19 replaced or rehabilitated bridges thanks to the Safe & Sound Bridge Improvement Program.

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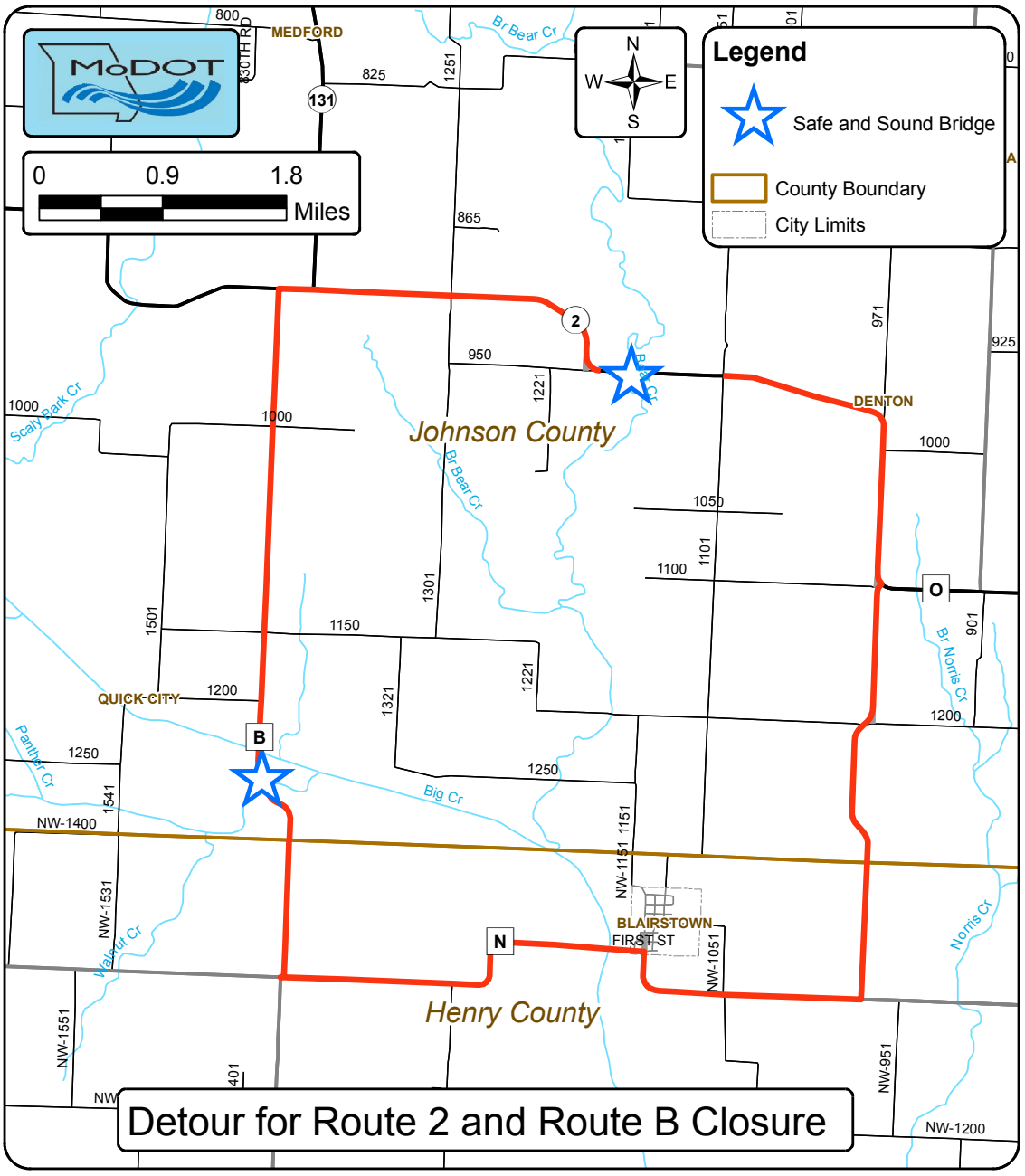

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