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**JOHN KILPATRICK TURNPIKE TRAFFIC SWITCHES TO  
NEW SECTION NEAR SW 15<sup>TH</sup> STREET**  
*Extension Expected To Open Late 2019*

**OKLAHOMA CITY (Jan. 9, 2019)** – Construction crews building the new John Kilpatrick Turnpike extension from I-40 to SH 152 has opened a small portion of the new roadway.

Traffic has been switched from the portion of the turnpike that ran south from I-40 to SW 15<sup>th</sup> to the new alignment running southwest from I-40 to SW 15<sup>th</sup> Street. During this phase of construction, traffic will be head-to-head on the new alignment so crews can tie-in the existing lanes of the turnpike at I-40 with the new alignment.

Motorists should stay aware of changing traffic conditions as construction continues on the new 7-mile extension.

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