

= K @-@ 232 (Kansas highway) =

K @-@ 232 is a 17 @. @ 263 @-@ mile @-@ long (27 @. @ 782 km) north ? south state highway in central Kansas connecting the towns of Wilson and Lucas . The highway was first established in 1962 and expanded over the following two years . K @-@ 232 is designated by the Kansas Department of Transportation as the Post Rock Scenic Byway . The scenic byway derives its name from the abundant limestone in the area which early settlers used as fence posts and in other construction in place of wood . The route was designated as a scenic byway both for the natural beauty of the area and unique towns located each end of the highway . Annual average daily traffic on the highway ranges from 238 to 340 , and the entire route is paved with partial design bituminous pavement .

= = History = =

K @-@ 232 's route was first designated as the part of the current highway between Interstate 70 and Old U.S. 40 (then U.S. Route 40) in 1962 . The rest of the highway 's route was established over the following two years . K @-@ 232 has been paved since the highway was designated . Due to the area 's natural beauty and unique heritage , K @-@ 232 has been designated by the Kansas Department of Transportation as the Post Rock Scenic Byway , named for the abundance of limestone fenceposts found throughout the Smoky Hills region .

= = Route description = =

The highway begins at an intersection with Old U.S. 40 in Ellsworth County , on the eastern side of the city of Wilson . From there , it travels northward 1 @. @ 753 miles (2 @. @ 821 km) along the eastern side of Wilson and through agricultural lands to a junction with Interstate 70 . After crossing Interstate 70 , K @-@ 232 turns and continues in a generally west of north direction across the Ellsworth / Lincoln county line . After crossing the county line , the highway continues on a slightly west of north heading until reaching Wilson Lake . Upon reaching Wilson Lake , K @-@ 232 travels along the eastern side of the lake , crossing into Russell County . K @-@ 232 then has a junction with K @-@ 181 at the southeastern end of Wilson Dam , turns northwest , and travels along the top of the dam . A short distance after crossing the dam , K @-@ 232 turns due north and travels through more rural land to its northern terminus at K @-@ 18 highway .

K @-@ 232 is not a part of the United States National Highway System . K @-@ 232 connects to the National Highway System at its junction with Interstate 70 . The entire route is paved with partial design bituminous pavement . Annual average daily traffic (AADT) in Ellsworth County ranges from 307 from Interstate 70 to the Ellsworth / Lincoln county line to 333 closer to the city of Wilson . In Lincoln County , AADT values are 308 for the first three miles (4 @. @ 8 km) , 315 for the next one mile (1 @. @ 6 km) , and 340 for the final one mile (1 @. @ 6 km) before entering Russell County . In Russell County , AADT values range from 305 to 340 south of the junction with K @-@ 181 and from 238 to 280 between K @-@ 181 and the northern terminus at K @-@ 18 .

= = Major intersections = =