

= K @-@ 3 (Kansas highway) =

K @-@ 3 is a 43 @. @ 262 @-@ mile @-@ long (69 @. @ 623 km) state highway in southeastern Kansas that runs through Crawford , Bourbon and Linn counties from K @-@ 47 near Girard to K @-@ 31 near Blue Mound . It was designated around 1932 , and the entire route was paved by 1958 . The road is maintained by the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) , and is a two @-@ lane road for its entire length . The route 's concurrency with U.S. Route 54 (US @-@ 54) is a part of the National Highway System .

= = Route description = =

K @-@ 3 begins at an intersection with K @-@ 47 west of Girard in Crawford County and heads north on a two @-@ lane road through plains . Approximately three miles (4 @. @ 8 km) north of its southern terminus , the route passes through the small community of Brazilton . North of here , the highway curves to the west , intersects the eastern terminus of K @-@ 146 , and turns back to the north . K @-@ 3 crosses a branch of the Walnut Creek and continues north and cuts through Hepler . The route then enters Bourbon County . North of the county line , K @-@ 3 turns east and begins a concurrency with K @-@ 39 . Shortly after , the highway leaves K @-@ 39 and turns to the north , continuing in that direction for about seven miles (11 km) before bending to the northwest . K @-@ 3 then curves to the north and crosses the Marmaton River .

Continuing north of the river , the highway twists to the northeast and passes through Uniontown . Just north of Uniontown , K @-@ 3 enters a concurrency with U.S. Route 54 (US @-@ 54) and turns west . The highways curve to the northwest , running through slightly wooded flat lands . K @-@ 3 leaves the concurrency with US @-@ 54 just east of the city of Bronson and turns north . About seven miles (11 km) north of the concurrency , K @-@ 3 serves as the eastern terminus of K @-@ 65 . After this intersection , the highway crosses the Little Osage River , then enters Linn County . North of here , K @-@ 3 meets its northern terminus at an intersection with K @-@ 31 east of Blue Mound .

K @-@ 3 is maintained by KDOT . In 2012 , the traffic on the route , measured in annual average daily traffic , was found to be between 130 and 2060 vehicles per day . Most of the traffic was present on the concurrency with US @-@ 54 . K @-@ 3 's concurrency with US @-@ 54 is included in the National Highway System , a system of highways important to the nation 's economy , defense , and mobility .

= = History = =

K @-@ 3 first appears on the 1932 state highway map . At that time , the route was almost completely gravel ; only the concurrency with US @-@ 54 was paved . By 1950 , the portion of K @-@ 3 in Crawford County had been paved . The portion of the route from the Crawford ? Bourbon county line to the west end of the concurrency with K @-@ 39 was paved in 1953 , and the remainder of the road was paved by 1958 . No significant changes have been made to the route since then .

= = Major intersections = =