= K @-@ 143 ( Kansas highway ) =

K @-@ 143 is a state highway in Saline County , Kansas . The route runs 4 @.@ 658 miles ( 7 @.@ 496 km ) in a general north @-@ south direction through lands mostly used for agriculture from an interchange at Interstate 70 ( I @-@ 70 ) in northern Salina , Kansas to a junction with U.S. Route 81 ( US @-@ 81 ) . The southern part of the route is a four @-@ lane divided highway while the rest is a two @-@ lane highway . It has an annual average daily traffic ( AADT ) between 1 @,@ 580 and 4 @,@ 133 vehicles . The route is paved with three different pavement types , and is not a part of the National Highway System . It was first designated as US @-@ 81 Alternate in the early 1970s with the designation being changed to K @-@ 143 in the early 1980s .

= = Route description = =

K @-@ 143 begins at an interchange with Interstate 70 in the northernmost parts of Salina , Kansas . For the first 0 @.@ 9 miles ( 1 @.@ 4 km ) of the route , the highway travels due north through commercial and agricultural land within the Salina city limits . A short distance after this , K @-@ 143 transitions from a divided four @-@ lane highway into a two @-@ lane highway . It then crosses the Saline River and continues north through primarily agricultural land north of Salina . At 2 @.@ 7 miles ( 4 @.@ 3 km ) , K @-@ 143 turns northwest and follows a gently curving path in that direction for the remainder of the route , ending at an interchange with US @-@ 81 . The total length of the route is 4 @.@ 658 miles ( 7 @.@ 496 km ) . K @-@ 143 has an AADT of 4 @,@ 133 vehicles in the southernmost 0 @.@ 9 miles ( 1 @.@ 4 km ) of the route , with an AADT of 1 @,@ 580 ? 1 @,@ 595 vehicles in the remainder of the route . The route is paved with a combination of full @-@ design bituminous pavement , composite pavement , and partial @-@ design bituminous pavement . K @-@ 143 is not a part of the National Highway System .

= = History = =

K @-@ 143 's route was established between 1970 and 1971 as US @-@ 81 Alternate . The numbering was changed to K @-@ 143 between 1981 and 1983 .

= = Major intersections = =

The entire route is in Saline County.