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ALLIANCE AVENUE RAILROAD CROSSING CLOSED SATURDAY FROM 7 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

Kenner, LA. – The railroad crossing at Alliance Avenue just south of Airline Drive will be closed Saturday from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. as part of a maintenance program by KC Southern Railroad, officials said.

Workers will change out the railroad ties under the track, said Toddy Martin, railroad superintendent for KC Southern. That involves picking up the track at least three inches. Crews will use a backhoe to pick up the timbers or concrete at the crossing and then lay asphalt on both sides of the crossing to ensure everything is level.

Martin said the average life span for a creosote railroad tie is five to seven years.

“This is routine maintenance that is going on system-wide,” Martin said. “Your crossing is the last in the project for this year. Our goal is a five-year cycle, so we shouldn’t be back in the area until 2020.”

Signs will be placed nearby to warn drivers of the work, and the Kenner Police Department has been notified of the project.

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