

2019 Road Construction Season Underway

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) kicked off the 2019 construction season with the help from the Associated General Contractors of North Dakota and the North Dakota Highway Patrol. This year's busy construction season consists of approximately \$370 million of projects throughout the state to enhance the state's highway system.

This year, the NDDOT is incorporating the use of some new technologies in work zones to enhance safety such as the use of Intelligent Traffic Systems technology on the I-94 project near Mandan. This technology gives real-time traffic congestion information on digital signs as motorists enter the work zone. Another technology being used for the second year in a row is portable rumble strips in work zones. These rumble strips are installed at various work zones to alert the driver that they are approaching a flagger in a work zone and emphasize the need to stop or slow down.

Road construction will be located on highways throughout the state. Major NDDOT reconstruction and rehabilitation work occurring this year includes:

- I-94 rehabilitation from Mandan west to ND 25
- I-94 reconstruction west of Valley City
- I-94 reconstruction east of Hebron
- I-29 reconstruction between Fargo and Wahpeton
- US 2 reconstruction and rehabilitation through Devils Lake
- US 83 Bypass construction near Minot
- Demers Ave reconstruction in Grand Forks
- Main Ave reconstruction in Fargo
- Sheyenne St reconstruction in West Fargo
- Completion of New Town Northwest Truck Reliever Route

We are asking motorists to make smart driving choices when going through these work zones to keep everyone safe on the road.



Portable rumble strips alert motorists of upcoming construction projects.

Does your North Dakota Driver's License Fly?

Beginning in October of 2020, every traveler must present a REAL ID compliant driver's license, or another acceptable form of identification, as determined by federal regulations, to fly within the United States.

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) is launching a public awareness campaign about the upcoming identification changes to ensure that travelers are prepared for the airport security checkpoint process when the REAL ID Act goes into full enforcement.

Real ID documents can be obtained at the following Driver's License offices across the state during regular business hours. Please check the NDDOT website at dot.nd.gov for locations and hours and the required documentation to get your REAL ID.

Full-time sites

Bismarck, Minot, Fargo, Williston, Dickinson, Grand Forks, Devils Lake and Jamestown

Part-time sites

Beulah, Bottineau, Bowman, Grafton, Harvey, Linton, Oakes, Rolla, Valley City, Wahpeton, and Watford City

Those wishing to receive a REAL ID compliant driver's license or ID card are encouraged to make an appointment through our online scheduling system. Please visit this website to make an appointment <https://apps.nd.gov/dot/dlts/dlos/scheduleWelcome.htm>.



MOTOR VEHICLE RENEWALS

Over the past year, almost 42,000 motor vehicles have been renewed through the self-service kiosks throughout the state.

DRIVER'S LICENSE RENEWALS

The NDDOT's Driver's License Division issued on average 1,000 Commercial and more than 8,250 Non-Commercial Driver's Licenses per month over the past year.



VOLUNTEER PLATES

As of June 14, 2019, there are 2,905 Volunteer Emergency Responder plates registered to first responders across the state.



Thumbs Up!



Here are some positive comments from our customers

"I brought my 81 year old mother in yesterday to get a Real ID and we received great customer service! My Mom needed extra help with the paperwork and she was so patient and explained everything so well. Thanks for a great experience at the DMV!"

"A few week's ago my son was involved in an accident near Medina. I was away in Chicago on business and received a frantic call. Ben had hit a drift and somersaulted his car end over end. And broken most of the glass out of the vehicle in subzero temperatures. I received a call that Ben was found by a snowplow operator Ed O. He found Ben, warmed him up in his truck and got him safely to Medina. Folks, Ben is alive because of Ed."

"A motorist who broke down near the ND 32 overpass along I-94 earlier this week called to thank Valley City District employee Gary K. for coming to his rescue. Gary was on his way home in his own vehicle after he finished his road report and saw the man stranded alongside the road. Gary stopped and helped the motorist get his vehicle going. The motorist commented, "You just don't see people stopping to help those in need anymore."

A customer called to thank Phil T. with the Fargo DOT Drivers License Office to thank him for scheduling and conducting a CDL road test at 6 a.m. after he was made aware that the original appointment was not finalized so was not officially scheduled. Phil worked additional hours to accommodate an applicant.