

December 7, 2016
6:50 p.m.

US HWY 52 blocked from Carrington to Velva

Highway 52 is blocked from Carrington to Velva due to vehicles becoming stuck and stranded on the roadway blocking traffic. DOT services may not be available if you become stranded in this area. Due to high amounts of backed up traffic, there is no parking available in communities surrounding this route. As a reminder this area is in a **No Travel Advisory** and motorists in this area **should not travel**.

Motorists should slow down and drive according to conditions as there are still many areas in the state with severe snow drifts blocking roads and areas of low visibility. Poor visibility continues to affect highways in North Dakota. Be prepared to adjust your driving with changing road conditions.

The three categories are as follows:

1. **TRAVEL ALERT** – Motorists can still travel but may encounter areas of challenging winter weather driving conditions on roadways. Motorists should allow extra time to reach their destination and be alert to conditions that may make travel difficult, change rapidly, or cause travel delays. A TRAVEL ALERT has the potential to change to a NO TRAVEL ADVISED if conditions deteriorate.
2. **NO TRAVEL ADVISED** – Motorists should not travel due to hazardous conditions which may make it unsafe to travel. Snowplows may be pulled from the roads during severe conditions. Motorists should take NO TRAVEL ADVISED seriously as those motorists who choose to travel at their own risk may become stranded and emergency responders may not be able to reach them safely. A NO TRAVEL ADVISED has the potential to change to a ROAD CLOSED OR BLOCKED if conditions deteriorate.
3. **ROAD CLOSED OR BLOCKED** – Motorists are not allowed to travel on a closed road due to life threatening conditions. The road may be impassible or blocked. Motorists who drive past a road closure device may be fined up to \$250.
Please be advised that road condition information on 511 and the travel map is updated daily from 5 a.m. until 9 p.m. CDT. The road report is based upon the information available to the NDDOT at the time of preparation and is provided solely as a public service. Conditions may vary from those reported.