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## **Update - Found Suspicious Object**

### **NARRATIVE:**

Original:

On 03/23/2021 at approximately 10:45 am a Department of Transportation employee reported to Law Enforcement they had found a suspicious object while performing maintenance on Hwy 1804 near mile marker 45 in Emmons County. The object was rendered safe by the Bismarck Bomb Squad at approximately 2:30 pm. The North Dakota Highway Patrol (NDHP) is leading the investigation. The NDHP was assisted on scene by the Emmons County Sheriff's department, Logan County Sheriff's department, North Dakota Game and Fish, Emmons County Ambulance and Emmons County Fire Department. Due to the ongoing investigation no information will be released about the makeup, location, or condition of the object at this time. Hwy 1804 was closed for approximately 2 hours

**Update:**

Preliminary analysis of the object found on 3/23 indicates the object was an explosive device commonly known as a pipe bomb. The device was not found in or near any structures. The origin of the device is currently under investigation. After being rendered safe by the Bismarck Bomb Squad, the device was turned over to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives for examination.

If you have information about the device, contact the North Dakota Highway Patrol at 844-474-NDHP (6347) or 701-328-2447. The public can also submit anonymous tips via text message to tip 411. To submit, open a text message and enter 847411 (tip411) in the "To" field. In the body of the text, enter NDHP, type a space, and add your tip. Submissions are also accepted via the NDHP website: <https://www.nd.gov/ndhp/tip411>.

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