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## High Winds Affecting Travel

**NARRATIVE:** The North Dakota Highway Patrol is urging all motorists to travel with care. High winds are occurring throughout North Dakota.

During these conditions, high-profile, long-load type, and permitted over dimensional vehicles have restricted travel. North Dakota law restricts movement for these vehicles when wind or other conditions may cause the vehicle or attachment to swerve, whip, sway, or fail to follow in the path of the towing vehicle.

Federal regulations direct the operators of commercial motor vehicles (CMV) to reduce speeds when hazardous conditions such as snow, ice, sleet, fog, mist, rain, dust or smoke adversely affect visibility or traction. These same regulations direct CMV drivers to cease operations altogether if conditions become sufficiently dangerous.

Motorists can access road and weather information by visiting NDRoads at <https://travel.dot.nd.gov/>. The map has a feature that displays windspeeds reported by the National Weather Service.

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