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## Sobriety Checkpoint and Saturation Patrol – Grand Forks -UPDATE

### UPDATE-NARRATIVE

The North Dakota Highway Patrol conducted a sobriety checkpoint in the 1900 block of North Washington Street, on US Highway 81B on Saturday, Aug. 24. One hundred and two vehicles passed through the checkpoint and 3 drivers were evaluated, no arrests were made. Vehicles were at the checkpoint for 15-20 seconds. During the weekend's saturation effort in the Grand Forks area, NDHP troopers made three DUI arrests; issued citations for seven drug-related violations; issued one open container citation; and took enforcement action on six other criminal violations. There was also one arrest based on a warrant.

**NARRATIVE:** On Saturday, August 24, 2019, the North Dakota Highway Patrol will be conducting a sobriety check point at a predetermined location in the Grand Forks area. This checkpoint is part of a two-day saturation effort starting on August 23, 2019.

Impaired driving continues to be a major threat to the safety of the motoring public throughout North Dakota. According to [North Dakota's Vision Zero](#) website there have been 2,958 arrests for impaired driving in North Dakota this year. As of August 9, 2019, 36% of motor vehicle fatalities in North Dakota were alcohol-related.

Consuming a substance that makes you feel different such as alcohol, illegal drugs, and prescription drugs can make you **drive different**. Make the responsible choice and line up a sober driver.

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