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High Winds Affect Travel

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Highway Patrol is urging all motorists to travel with care this evening and tomorrow. High winds are expected across the state, while blizzard conditions are expected in southern and eastern 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, such as during a no travel advisory.

For more information, visit nd.gov/ndhp or call 511 from any type of phone. Motorists can access weather and road information, road construction reports, and seasonal load restriction information through this one telephone number. *When calling from out of state dial 1-866-696-3511.*. Updated information will also be available through the NDHP Facebook and Twitter sites.

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