MnDOT encourages Independence Day holiday motorists to plan travel, expect delays during peak travel times

ST. PAUL, Minn. – The Minnesota Department of Transportation encourages all motorists to plan their Independence Day holiday travel routes, know where they will encounter work zones or roads closed due to recent heavy rains, and watch for slow or stopped traffic during peak travel times.

While MnDOT will suspend work on most projects during the holiday, many work zones will remain in place with reduced speed limits, temporary narrow lanes, lanes closed or shifted, and detours. Several roads in southern Minnesota have also been closed due to recent heavy rains; those roads will open when safe to do so.

Motorists should check <u>www.511mn.org</u> or the 511mn app before travel to learn where they may encounter work zones or roads closed, plan their travel routes and get real-time traffic and travel information.

Some of the more prominent work zones on state highways that may affect travel include:

Twin Cities

- <u>Highway 5 "Around the Airport"</u> eastbound Highway 5 closed between I-494 and Davern Street in St. Paul; ramps closed; detour
- <u>Hwy 21 in Jordan</u> closed between Mill St. and Sawmill Road/Old Highway 169
- <u>I-35W Downtown to Crosstown</u> northbound and southbound lane closures between I-94 and 46th Street; ramp closures
- <u>I-35W North MnPASS</u> northbound lanes separated between Lake Dr and Sunset Ave in Blaine. Right lane is for local exits, left lane is for through traffic
- <u>I-94 Maple Grove to Clearwater</u> lane shifts, reduced speed limit, narrow lanes; to exit eastbound
- I-94 between Maple Grove and Rogers, get into right lane immediately east of Highway 101 in Rogers
- <u>Highway 212 in Norwood Young America</u> Highway 212 one way in both directions west of Norwood Young America to Cologne

Central Minnesota

• <u>Hwy 47 Ogilvie to Woodland</u> – closed, detour

• <u>I-94 Maple Grove to Clearwater</u> – lane shifts, reduced speed limit, narrow lanes; to exit eastbound I-94 between Maple Grove and Rogers, get into right lane immediately east of Highway 101 in Rogers

• <u>Highways 10 and 71 in Wadena</u> – lanes shifted to eastbound side of road, Highway 10/Highway 71 intersection closed and detoured

- <u>Hwy 71 in Long Prairie</u> closed, detour, three-way stop at Hwy 27
- <u>Hwy 24 in Annandale</u> closed, detour
- <u>Highway 55 near Barrett</u> closed at bridge, detour
- Highways 28, 29, 114 in Starbuck Highway 29 closed, detour; oversized vehicles use truck detour
- <u>Highway 210 west of Fergus Falls</u> closed, detour
- <u>Hwy 75 Mustinka River Bridge</u> closed at bridge, detour

Northern Minnesota

- <u>Highway 1 Stony River Bridge</u> west of Isabella lanes closed; single-lane, signal-controlled bypass
- <u>Highway 23 Deer Creek Bridge</u> and <u>Highway 23 Nemadji Bridge</u> near Holyoke and Pleasant Valley – Lanes closed; single-lane, signal-controlled bypass
- <u>I-35 Lake Avenue Bridge</u> Lake Avenue closed; detours
- <u>Highway 61 Grand Marais</u> Single-lane, signal controlled bypasses in town
- <u>Highway 200 near Laporte</u> detour
- Highway 32 and 59 in Thief River Falls detour
- Highways 1 and 89 on Red Lake Indian Reservation closed to non-essential movement

Southern Minnesota

• <u>Highway 61 Lake City</u> – detour through Lake City; access to marina and businesses is available

• <u>Highway 63/I-90 interchange</u> – single-lane traffic on Highway 63 north of Stewartville, ramp detours on I-90

- · <u>I-90 in Austin</u> single-lane traffic, Highway 105 ramp detour
- <u>I-90 Fairmont to Blue Earth</u> single-lane traffic, reduced speeds, ramps closed
- <u>Highway 111/22 Nicollet to Gaylord</u> detour
- Hwy 71 Jackson to Windom detour, lane restrictions and brief delays
- <u>Highway 15 Hutchinson</u> closed, detour
- <u>Highway 22 Litchfield</u> road closed for construction; detour
- <u>Highway 23 Granite Falls to Cottonwood</u> road closed for construction; detour
- <u>Highway 67 near Upper Sioux Agency State Park</u> road surface collapse; detour

For a complete list of MnDOT projects, plans and studies by highway or region, visit <u>www.mndot.gov/roadwork</u> <u>mndot.gov/roadwork</u>. To stay informed about projects and other transportation topics, connect to MnDOT through social media and sign up for email updates for major projects at <u>www.mndot.gov/emailupdates</u>.