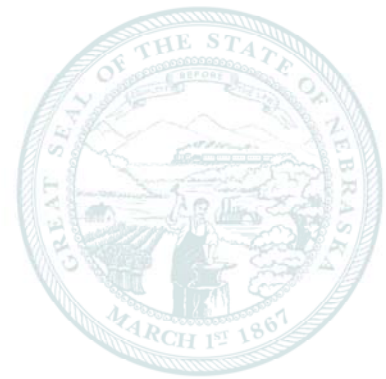


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I-680 at I-29 and US-159 at Rulo Bridge Closed Due to Flooding

September 23, 2019 (Lincoln, Neb.) — I-680 from the Missouri River to the I-29 interchange near Crescent, Iowa, and US-159 at the Missouri State Line, east of Rulo, are closed due to water over the road, according to the Nebraska Department of Transportation. The closures will remain in place until water levels recede to safer levels.

I-680 has been closed since Friday and the duration of the closure is unknown at this time, according to District 2 Engineer Tim Weander.

“This is dependent on the Missouri River flows and elevations, and whether any damage occurs on the flooded Iowa Department of Transportation routes, said Weander. “We advise motorists to drive with caution on highways from Blair to Omaha due to possible increased traffic, including US-30, US-75, and N-133, and in Omaha US-75, I-680, I-480 and I-80.”

US-159 east of Rulo is closed on the Nebraska side at the Missouri River Bridge at Rulo. According to Jenna Keyes, Communication Specialist, Missouri Department of Transportation, six feet of water was reported over MO-111 at Big Lake, Missouri, and was starting to rise over US-159. She added that there is no potential reopening date.

Motorists are advised to use caution when traveling in flood affected areas. If you come across barricades, never drive around them. Turn Around! Don't Drown! Plan your travel by checking 511 prior to leaving for your destination. 511 provides the most up-to-date travel conditions and closures available. The system is available at all times online at www.511.nebraska.gov, Nebraska 511's smartphone app or by dialing 511 in Nebraska.

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