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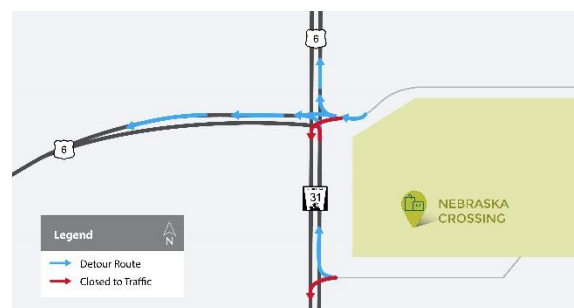
Home Husker Football Game, Black Friday Shopping, Will Slow Roads in Lincoln and Omaha Metro Areas, NDOT Warns

November 23, 2021 (Lincoln, Neb.) — November 23, 2021 (Lincoln, Neb.) — The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is asking drivers to prepare for slower traffic and detours this holiday weekend ahead of the home Husker football game against the Iowa Hawkeyes and anticipated widespread Black Friday shopping at the Nebraska Crossing outlet mall.

Additional traffic on the roads may cause delays. NDOT advises motorists of the following safety information below.

For Nebraska Crossing outlet mall Black Friday shopping:

- Slow down and scan for pedestrians and shopping carts in parking lots.
- Prepare for stopped traffic in turn lanes, especially when entering or exiting parking lots. Left turns to exit Nebraska Crossing will be closed to improve traffic flow. Additionally, the U-turn from northbound Nebraska Highway 31 (N-31) to southbound N-31 will be closed.
- Prepare to take a different route back than Interstate 80 (I-80). Drivers traveling east will head north into Gretna, then take N-370 back to Omaha. Drivers traveling west will take U.S. Highway 6 (US-6) back to Lincoln.



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For Husker football traffic:

- Traffic volumes on I-80 are significantly higher around Lincoln before and after home football games. Plan accordingly.
- Pack your patience and prepare for slowdowns and stopped traffic.
- NDOT encourages fans to continue using NDOT's recommended routes to and from Memorial Stadium:

For drivers arriving in Lincoln on I-80 from the west: Take Exit 397 (south US-77) to Rosa Parks Way into downtown Lincoln.

For drivers arriving in Lincoln from the east: Take Exit 401 to south I-180 into downtown Lincoln.

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Drivers should avoid Exit 409 between Lincoln and Waverly after the game because it may be closed to improve traffic flow as heavy interstate traffic builds. This may significantly increase traffic on US-6 and cause slowdowns. Drivers using US-6 can use N-63 to return to I-80 instead of using the interchange near the Nebraska Crossing mall.

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