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## **US Highway 81 now open at Minto**

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) along with North Dakota Highway patrol has OPENED US Hwy 81 near Minto. The roadway was temporarily closed due to water over the roadway. The water has receded and speeds have returned to normal.

Fluctuating water levels make it difficult to predict when and where water will go over a roadway or recede from the roadway. The NDDOT encourages motorists to check road conditions before traveling due to rapidly changing conditions. For updated road information, call 511 from any type of phone or go to the Travel Information Map on our website at [www.dot.nd.gov](http://www.dot.nd.gov).

Road closed signs and barricades are placed on roads and bridges for the safety of the traveling public. It is against the law to drive past a road closure device on a closed road. Motorists who drive around signs or move barricades are unnecessarily endangering their lives and taking serious risks.

For emergency assistance call 911.