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2002 User Survey of I-29 Construction Activities

The Advanced Traffic Analysis Center at North Dakota State University is conducting a survey of user perceptions of construction impacts and traveler information. This information will be used to assess traveler information needs in the Fargo-Moorhead and help guide intelligent transportation systems in North Dakota.

Please enter your Zip code:

1	Before construction began, how often did you travel on I-29?
	C Never C Less than once weekly C Weekly C Once daily C Twice daily More than twice daily
2	Currently, how often do you travel on I-29?
	C Never C Less than once weekly C Once weekly C Once daily C Twice daily C More than twice daily
	If you currently travel on I-29, what time of day do you use I-29 and how would you characterize traffic conditions through the I-29 construction zone for the time periods indicated? (Please check all that apply)
	☐ Morning: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	Midday: C Light Moderate Heavy
	☐ Afternoon: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	Evenings/Night: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
3	Do you use alternate routes because of the I-29 construction?
	C Always C Sometimes C Never
	If you use alternate routes, which route(s) do you use? (Please check all that apply)
	University Drive/10 th St. 25 th St. 42 nd St. 45 th St. Other (Please specify)

	characterize traffic volume on these routes? (Please check all that apply)
	☐ Morning: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	☐ Midday: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	☐ Afternoon: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	☐ Evening/Night: ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy
4	Have you modified your trip departure times to avoid traffic due to construction activities?
	○ Yes ○ No
	If Yes, what time of the day do you modify your trip departure times and how would you characterize traffic volume at those times? (Please check all that apply)
	☐ Morning: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	Midday: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	☐ Afternoon: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
	Evening/Night: C Light C Moderate C Heavy
Vä	he remainder of this survey will determine how you currently alue traveler information and how information technology can fect your travel.
5	If there was up-to-the-minute information about traffic in the construction zone, which of the following best describes how often you would use it?
	○ Would not use it
	Only if there were traffic problems
	○ Sometimes
	○ Often
6	How would you value up-to-the-minute information regarding traffic in the construction zone?
	○ No value
	○ Somewhat value
	○ Moderately value
	○ Highly value
7	Which of the following media types would be useful for receiving up-to-the-minute information about traffic in the construction zone? (Please check all that apply)
	Web Site
	☐ Information Hot Line by Phone
	☐ Dedicated Radio Station
	Commercial Radio
	Cable TV
8	If up-to-the-minute traffic information became available year-round via a web site, would you visit the web site for information other than construction?
	○ Yes ○ No

If Yes, which of the following kinds of information would you like to see on a web site? (Please check all that apply)
☐ Winter road conditions
Special events (i.e. concerts)
☐ Traffic speeds
☐ Traffic congestion
Live video of traffic
Incident reports (i.e. major accident, minor collision, stalled vehicle)
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Highlights from the results of the I-29 Fargo survey (134 responses)

(This survey was posted on the I29fargo.com and atacenter.org web sites)

1. Level of use for I-29:

63% used I-29 at least once daily before construction

47% used I-29 at least once daily during construction

2. Traffic conditions on I-29

(More people felt traffic was heavy during afternoon period.)

Morning

moderate 50% heavy **24%**

Afternoon

moderate 62% heavy **34%**

3. Use of alternative routes

45th Street 45% 25th Street 21% University Dr./10th Street 16%

42 Street 15% (we expected this to be higher)

4. Traffic on alternative routes:

(More people felt traffic was heavier on alternative routes (compared to I-29), but again worse in the afternoon.)

Morning

moderate 48% heavy **24%**

Afternoon

moderate 34% heavy **60%**

5. Trip departure times:

40% changes time when they leave

6. Possible use of information about traffic conditions in the construction zone:

44% would use often

20% would use if there were traffic problems

29% would use sometimes

7. Value of timely information on traffic in the construction zone:

43% high value25% moderate value29% somewhat value

8. Method of delivering information:

33% Web page

25% commercial radio (22% dedicated radio station)

14% cable TV channel

5% Information hot line by phone

9. Willingness to visit a web site with information available year-round:

92% Yes

Type of information that would provide the highest value:

32% Incident reports and special events

23% Winter road conditions20% Traffic congestion15% Live video of traffic