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Motorists advised to watch for trucks on Bismarck side of Memorial Bridge

As construction continues on the new Liberty Memorial Bridge, motorists are encouraged to use caution and watch for truck traffic in the next few weeks on the Bismarck side of the bridge near the new Bank of North Dakota building site. Trucks will be moving through the area frequently as crews will be sub-base grading in the area to get ready for paving. Flaggers will be present to control traffic when necessary.

Motorists on the Mandan side will also notice underground work starting to take place. Crews will begin installing manholes and storm sewers. There should be no major affect on traffic during this portion of the project.

Other work currently taking place includes:

- Work starting on the southern half of the west (Mandan side) approach.
- Cofferdam work on pier nine will be starting in the next two weeks.
- Continue work on piers 10 and 11.
 - Setting reinforcing steel for the footing on pier 11 – concrete pouring should begin within two weeks.

Boaters are reminded to be extra cautious in the no wake zone around the bridge. At the request of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department, buoys in the area have been realigned in the last week to allow for better enforcement of the no wake zone.

The latest photographs, traffic advisories with maps and other information are available at the website, <http://www.memorialbridge.info>.

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