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- -We inform the public on Invasive Species to our Lakes and Rivers through PSA's from the Hubbard County Coalition of Lake Associations and in our daily news segments. Other locally produced PSA's include Hubbard County in Prevention (teen drinking) and Northwest Coalition (drinking and driving).
- -Severe Weather Awareness Week April 18 22, 2023 on all stations.
- -Short news breaks focused on regional news and issues. Our Capsule News runs Monday Saturday, twice an hour from 9 AM 5 PM.
- -In the spring we announce a lot of construction updates and open houses, air quality alerts and when prescribed burns are scheduled in the listening areas.
- We rotate PSA's when time and programming allows.

Respectfully submitted: De La Hunt Media

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5/2/23, Update to Missing Person Neveah Kingbird On October 22, 2021 Neveah Kingbird was reported as a runaway to the Bemidji Police Department. During the initial investigation, it was believed that Neveah was in the area with friends. In early December, while working with Neveah's family, concern increased as it appeared no one had been in contact with her since October. The Bemidji Police Department intensified its investigation, which included ground searches of Neveah's last known location by law enforcement, the Bemidji Fire Department and Neveah's family and friends. The Bemidji Police Department has conducted numerous interviews, analysis of related reports, analysis of social media, aerial searches and the use of canine search teams. The Bemidji Police Department has also collaborated with the FBI, Minnesota BCA and the Center for Missing and Exploited Children to assist in the investigation. During the follow up investigation a possible sighting of Neveah was reported. A resident in the area of Washington Ave SW and Pine Grove Street SW reported a young female was in the area of their residence between the hours of 0330 and 0400 hours on 10/22/21. The description provided by the resident matched that of Neveah and the clothing matched what friends had reported Neveah was wearing a few hours prior to her being reported as a runaway. Washington Ave SW and Pine Grove Street SW is just south of Southview Terrace, which is the last known, confirmed location of Neveah on, the early morning hours of 10/22/21.

This area has been searched extensively by law enforcement and family members. However, with each new year the Bemidji Police Department is requesting all residents in the Nymore area and south and east of Bemidji to check all their outbuildings, items with covers, and any other areas on their properties where someone may seek shelter. We are also requesting that you check your property and keep your eyes open for anything that may be related to Neveah. It is believed Neveah was wearing either a black zip up hoody or red hooded sweatshirt bearing a Bulls logo with headdress, blue skinny jeans, a white t-shirt or tank top, and black and red Nike sandals, refer to pictures above

The Bemidji Police Department, along with our partner agencies, continue to work diligently to find Neveah Kingbird. We request that if you have any information please contact our department directly at 218-333-9111 and only share official posts from our social media platforms.

If you have information about this crime you can report it and stay anonymous by contacting Crime Stoppers of Minnesota at their website www.CrimeStoppersMn.org, by calling the toll free phone number 1-800-222-TIPS [8477]; or by using the P3 Tip Submit app installable on all smartphones. All contact with Crime Stoppers is anonymous and you may qualify for a reward of up to \$1,000. To eligible for the reward the tip must be submitted through Crime Stoppers. The Bemidji Police Department encourages you to submit information to Crime Stoppers so you are free of retribution and remain safe while 'doing the right thing'.

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Subject: Prescribed burns planned this week along various highways in west central Minnesota

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## Prescribed burns planned this week along various highways in west central Minnesota

**DETROIT LAKES, Minn.** – Weather permitting, the Minnesota Department of Transportation will be conducting prescribed burns along the following highways in west central Minnesota this week:

- Wednesday, May 3: Highway 108 between Henning and Ottertail
- Thursday, May 4: Highway 9 between Barnesville and Highway 10
- Friday, May 5: Highway 75 north of Moorhead and Highway 10 near Glyndon

Traffic will be directed to slow down in these areas, but all roads will remain open. Motorists will encounter signs as they approach the burn areas warning of the potential of smoke. Motorists should be attentive, obey traffic control and watch for the burn crews, who are monitoring these efforts.

Prescribed burns are scheduled during optimal weather conditions to ensure safety and effectiveness. There is no need to report fires that are attended by a burn crew or when "Controlled Burn Ahead" signs are placed beside the road.

MnDOT performs the <u>prescribed burning of grassland vegetation</u> along many roadsides for optimal vegetation health. Healthy roadside vegetation is necessary to prevent weed infestations, control erosion, protect water quality and provide safer clear zones. Healthy roadside vegetation also provides additional benefits such as preserving populations of rare species and making roadsides more attractive. Fire is an important aspect of vegetation management because it enhances native plant communities and stimulates growth.

MnDOT urges motorists to always be attentive, drive with caution, slowdown in work zones and never enter a road blocked with barriers or cones.

For real-time traffic and travel information in Minnesota, visit <a href="www.511mn.org">www.511mn.org</a> or get the free smartphone app at <a href="mailto:Google Play">Google Play</a> or the <a href="App Store">App Store</a>.

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**Minnesota Department of Transportation** 

Air quality alert valid through 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6.

The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) has expanded the air quality alert for east central and southeastern Minnesota to include the North Shore and Duluth area. The alert is now effective until 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6. The affected area includes the Twin Cities, Albert Lea, Rochester, Mankato, Hinckley, Duluth, Two Harbors, and the tribal nations of Prairie Island, Mille Lacs, Fond du Lac, and Grand Portage.

A band of smoke from wildfires in Quebec will continue to linger across east central and southeast Minnesota today due to very light winds. Another band of smoke is also moving into the state off Lake Superior. Air quality will continue to be poor today across east central and southeast Minnesota, with the heaviest smoke expected to be near Rochester and Winona. Air quality is quickly deteriorating across northeast Minnesota, as the second wave of smoke moves into that area. Air quality should improve across northeast Minnesota tomorrow morning as smoke moves south and exits the region. However, smoke will linger across east central and southeast Minnesota through late Tuesday.

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Subject: Schedule update: Work to begin July 6 on Highway 34 between Detroit Lakes and Osage

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Schedule change: Contractor revises project start date to July 6

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## Work to begin July 6 on Highway 34 between Detroit Lakes and Osage

**DETROIT LAKES, Minn.**—The Highway 34 resurfacing project, between County Road 29 east of Detroit Lakes to County Road 26/47 west of Osage, has been **rescheduled to start on Thursday, July 6**, according to the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

Due to traffic concerns along Highway 34 during construction, the prime contractor, Central Specialties, Inc., has proposed incorporating another crew on the project to help tighten up the schedule and shorten the duration of the detour. Starting July 6, the detour will be installed and work zone preparations will begin. Then, crews will begin culvert work with intermittent closures starting Monday, July 10.

With the addition of another crew, residents and other local traffic should be aware that construction staging for the culvert replacements is likely to change. There may be multiple closures and flagging operations occurring simultaneously, and may cause longer delays in the work zone. More information will be announced as MnDOT continues to work with the contractor on those details.

Paving is expected to start in August, and the hard closure for the bridge replacement at the Shell River is still planned for early August as well. Project completion remains unchanged, with construction expected to wrap up by mid-October.

MnDOT apologizes for any inconvenience the recent schedule changes have caused, but is hopeful that the revised plan will reduce long-term traffic impacts.

All schedules and work plans are subject to change at any time based on weather, contractor schedules or other unforeseen circumstances or issues.

For more information about the \$15.7 million project and to sign up for project email updates, visit the <u>project website</u> at <u>mndot.gov/d4/projects/hwy34</u>.

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