Iowa DOT's temporary flood call center to close today at 1 p.m.

AMES, Iowa – July 12, 2011 – The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) is deactivating its temporary flood-related road information call center as of 1 p.m. today.

Closures continue on sections of Interstate 29 and I-680 (in Council Bluffs), Iowa 333 in Hamburg, Iowa 2 from I-29 west to Nebraska City, Neb., and the Iowa 175 bridge between Onawa, Iowa, and Decatur, Neb. While these closures are expected to be longer term, travelers are finding adequate alternative routes.

The Iowa DOT will continue to issue periodic news releases on the progress of work on the Iowa 175 bridge, as well as other flood-mitigation projects that may be necessary in the coming weeks.

For a complete listing of roads closed due to flooding, visit iowadot.gov and click on the "Flooding Ahead" sign.

Iowa travelers can continue to call 511 for automated road closure information. For out-of-state callers interested in Iowa road closure information, the automated information is available by dialing 800-288-1047.

Information on flooded roadways in neighboring states can be found at:

- Missouri
  888 ASK MODOT (888-275-6636)
  www.modot.org
- Nebraska
  800-906-9069
  www.511nebraska.org
- South Dakota
  866-MYSD511 (866-697-3511)
  www.safetravelusa.org
- Kansas
  866-511-KDOT (866-511-5368)
  www.511.ksdot.org

The Iowa DOT sincerely appreciates the cooperation shown by the public during this disaster in being attentive to the dangers of driving on flooded roadways and taking the necessary detours.

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