

NEWS RELEASE

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NATURE OF STORY: **TRAFFIC/WEATHER ADVISORY**

LOCATION: Lane County Area

UPDATED INFORMATION:

Accidents are being reported in the HWY 36 area, West of Junction City. Icy road conditions and freezing rain in the west part of Lane County continue to be reported.

The Sheriff's Office is asking the public when calling in accidents, if possible, to include if any injuries were observed, and if the accident is obstructing traffic. The calls are being prioritized as they come in and this information would be very helpful.

DETAILS:

The Lane County Sheriff's Office is experiencing a high volume of traffic accidents in the outlining County this morning. Freezing rain is being reported.

Hwy 126 Est of Noti is currently closed due to accidents and icy road conditions.

Several of the accidents have been reported in the last 30 minutes. Several are in the Veneta area, as well as East of Springfield on Hwy 126.

The public is being encouraged to stay off the roadways this morning if at all possible.

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