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Press Release

US 491 Closed at Naschitti

Milan, NM – US 491 is closed in both directions at mile marker 42.5, at Naschitti due to a semi-truck fire. Currently a hazardous materials team is managing the scene and has estimated the closure to last approximately 5-7 hours.

Southbound traffic is currently being diverted onto Navajo Route 5 and NM 371. There is currently no detour available for northbound traffic. Please seek alternate route.

NMDOT is encouraging drivers to use caution and watch for back-up and slow moving traffic. All updates for this event are posted on the NMDOT's road condition website www.nmroads.com or by calling NMDOT's road condition hotline at 511.

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